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PROGRAM

SOUTHWEST ANNUAL CONFERENCE

June 13-16, 1957

FORT SMITH, ARKANSAS

	WEDNESDAY, JUNE 12 - Pre-Conference Session - P.M.	
12:30	Dinner	
2:00	Pre-Conference Session Bishop M. W. Clair, Jr., Presiding	
3:30	District Meetings - Report Workshop	
6:00	Supper	
7:45	Celebration of Holy Communion	
	THURSDAY, JUNE 13 - A.M.	
7:00	Breakfast	
8:00	Quadrennium Emphasis Dr. C. G. Tillmon	
8:45	Hymspiration 1. C. G. Thillion	
9:00	Morning Devotions - CHRIST AND OURSELVES Rev. E. F. Wallace	
9:30	Conference Business	
9:30	Conference Business - District Superintendent's Composite Report	
10:30	ADVANCE STUDY - Conference Rev. C. C. Hall, Presiding	
11:30	General - AreaRev. Charles F. Golden Miscellaneous Items	
11:45	MEMORIAL SERVICE - Ripe For H	
	PresidingRev. P. H. MyersRev. A. L. Buchanna	
	Rev. A. L. Buchanna	
	THURSDAY, JUNE 13 - P.M.	
12:30	Dinner	
2:00	Devotions	

2:15	Conference Business — Conference Board of Education
	Relationships — General Board of Education
	Local Church Commission on Education — Rev. Edwin C. Sanders, Dr. Edward D. Staples
	Radio and Television Audio-Visual Aids
3:45	Board of Temperance
4:15	Worship Service
6:00	Supper
7:30	Evening Service Mr. H. A. Magill, Presiding Prayer Rev. C. Mitchell
7:45	Anniversary of Boards — Board of World Peace Social and Economic Relations Board of Temperance
	FRIDAY, JUNE $14 - A.M.$
7:00	Breakfast
8:00	Quadrennium Emphasis Mr. J. S. Cullins
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Rev. R. J. Tolbert, Jr.

4:00	Preaching Service
6:00	Supper
7:30	Evening Devotions Mr. Clinton Anderson, Presiding
7:45	Philander Smith College
6	The Church and College as Partners in Service
11:30	Prayer Vigil Rev. J. H. Oliver, Presiding
	SATURDAY, JUNE 15 - A.M.
7:00	Breakfast
8:00	Quadrennium Emphasis Drs. E. M. Johnson, C. G. Tillmon Study of the Local Church
8:45	Hymnspiration
9:00	Devotions - Christ and Ourselves Rev. Ira A. Pointer
9:30	Conference Business — Reports
11:45	Board of Hospitals and Homes
12:30	SATURDAY, JUNE 15 – P.M.
2:00	Dinner
2.00	Board of Evangelism
2:15	Devotions Rev. J. H. Oliver, Dr. W. D. Lester
-1.20	Conference Business – Reports
	Minister's Reserve Pension Fund Minister's Wives Association
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0.000	Preaching Service Dr. C. G. Tillmon, Presiding
6:00	Pour El : O O l
7:30	
7:30	As We Saw Southeast Asia Rev. J. C. Tyus, Presiding
	Dishop and Mrs. M. W. Clair, Jr.
	SUNDAY, JUNE 16 - AM
7:00	Dicaklast
0.00	CELEBRATION OF THE HOLY COMMUNION Baptisms
8:00	
9:30	Love Feast
10:30	Morning Worship
	Ordination
	Reading of Appointments
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Section I-Officers of the Annual Conference

SOUTHWEST ANNUAL CONFERENCE, 1957

(Organized February 21, 1879)

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9. Board of Trustees:

Class of 1960: Fay Norman, Ira A Pointer, R. W. Torrence.

Class of 1958: B. F. Littlejohn, Chairman, 709 Pine Street, Conway, Arkansas; Clifton Mitchell, Secretary, 316 East Street, Texarkana, Arkansas; Frank A. Young.

Class of 1959: C. C. Hall, W. Harry Bass, W. Harold Flowers.

10. Board of Church Location and Building:

E. L. Stewart, Chairman, 331 West Cedar Street, Wewoka, Oklahoma; G. G. Troupe, E. T. Hickman, L. T. Thompson, W. Harry Bass, E. E. Lewis, Mrs. B. A. Fields, Mrs. A. J. Paxton, The District Superintendents.

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14. Committee on Investigation:

C. C. Hall, E. F. Wallace, E. M. Johnson, Fay Norman.

15. Committee on Minimum Salary:

J. H. Oliver, W. Harry Bass, M. A. Lawson, C. G. Tillmon, Mrs. G. H.

16. Committee on Publication:

E. M. Johnson, C. G. Tillmon, W. Harry Bass, J. H. Oliver, Edwin C. Sanders.

17. Committee on Courtesy:

Mrs. Lula M. Tillmon, Donald E. Grant, Edwin C. Sanders.

18. Committee on Annual Conference Program:

The Cabinet, Miss Mary Frances Patton, Mrs. C. G. Washington, G. James Washington, The Executive Secretary.

19. Committee on Nominations:

The Cabinet, G. James Washington.

20. Historical Committee:

J. H. Oliver, J. S. Cullins, C. C. Hall.

21. Conference Deaconess Board:

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Committee on Conference Relations:

Carter L. Watson, Chairman, Route 5, Box 582, Little Rock, Arkansas; E. F. Wallace, C. G. Tillman, Route 5, Box 582, Little Rock, Arkansas; E. F. Wallace, C. G. Tillmon, E. M. Johnson, Frank Sanders.

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26. Inter-Board Commission:

The Cabinet, Chairman of all Boards, C. C. Hall, Ira A. Pointer, Edwin C. Sanders.

27. Committee on Policy and Objectives:

The same as listed in Number 26 (above).

28. Committee on Journal:

Mrs. Henrietta H. Torrence, E. L. Stewart, Mrs. Alice Preston.

29. Committee on Christian Family Life:

Mrs. J. La Rosa Sanders, Chairman, 314 South Poplar Street, Pine Bluff, Arkansas,

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E. T. Hickman	J. H. Thompson
Mrs. Bessye Rumph	The Chairman
B. F. Littlejohn	M. A. Lawson

Oklahoma District

Ira A. Pointer E. L. Lloyd W. H. McCane

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31. Quadrennial Commission on Christian Higher Education:

Emmanuel M. Johnson, Chairman, 1007 Izard Street, Little Rock, Arkansas; C. G. Tillmon, Oliver W. Gibson, Mrs. C. G. Washington, J. H. Oliver, G. James Washington, Clinton Anderson, Frank A. Young, Miss Mary Frances Patton, Edwin C. Sanders. Ex-Officio: M. LaFayette Harris. President, Philander Smith College, Little Rock, Arkansas; Curtis D. Gillespie and Archibald H. Moorrow, Faculty Representatives, Philander Smith College, Little Rock, Arkansas.

32. Quadrennial Committee on Local Church Goals:

The Bishop, The District Superintendents, J. H. Oliver, Chairman, Route 9, Box 525, Pine Bluff, Arkansas; Oliver W. Gibson, Edwin C. Sanders, G. James Washington, Mrs. C. G. Washington, Mary Frances Patton.

33. Ministers' Wives Association:

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34. District Committee on Ministerial Qualifications:

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	Edwin C. Sanders	

35. District Board of Church Location and Building:

Location and Building:	
North Little Rock	Oklahoma
	R. B. Brown
Monroe Williams	H. M. Magill
J. I. Davis	For Norman
W. Harold Flowers	T Stewart
Edwin C. Sanders	Mrs. S. A. Calvin
James B. Porter	Mrs. S. A. Calvin Mrs. Jessye D. Bouren
	North Little Rock W. Harry Bass Monroe Williams J. I. Davis W. Harold Flowers Edwin C. Sanders James B. Porter

ANNUAL CONFERENCE ROLL

Ministerial Members

Anderson
Anderson, Alexander M Bass, W. Harry
Bright Willy
Brown, Roy B.
Davie True
Davis, J. I.
Donale T.
Dozier, Joyce G.
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Hickman, Daniel D
Hickman, Elijah T.
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Allbright, Hilliard A. Buchanan, Alfred L. Brooks, Charles H. Green, William M. Hanna, William H. Holland, Needham W.

A. Effective

Holland, Simmie P. Johnson, Emmanuel M. Littlejohn, Benjamin F. Lloyd, Elijah L. Mitchell, Clifton Nathan, Ralph G. Norman, Fay Oliver, John H. Pointer, Ira A. Roe, Charles H. Sanders, Edwin C.

Sanders, Frank Souder, Franklin C. Stewart, E. L. T. Thompson, Lewis G. Tillmon, Cleveland G. Troupe, General G. Tyus, James C.
Tyus, James C.
Wallace, Eustace
Watson, Carter L.

B. Retired Johnson, Willis D. Kelley, Phamous H. Myers, Patrick H. Neal, Benjamin F. Parker, Isaac P. Smith, John M.

Shaw, Love S. N. Thomas, Samuel F. Tipton, Garfield M. Wilbun, Matthew W. W. Winston, John Woodard, Anthony

C. On Trial

Grant, Donald E. Jones, Samuel P.	London, Harlan Riley, Negail	Smith, Loyd Tolbert, Robert J., Jr.
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D. Approved Supplies

Banks, Clifton	Н
Clinkscale, P. L.	Je
Davis, Connie	L
Douglas, L. E.	L

Hill, B. Moore (Retired)	Moore, C. E. (Retired)
Jefferson, Thomas	Sims, Andrew
Loder, George E.	Terry, D. W.
Love, John M.	Thompson, John H.

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Mrs. Parthena Barber	3105 Gaines Street, Little Rock, Arkansas
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North Little Rock District

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Mrs. Veni T. Bonds	905 Christian Street, Forrest City, Arkansas
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Mrs. Pearl Barnette	P. O. Box 266, Fordyce Arlange
Monroe Williams	Route 4, Box 984, Pine Bluff, Arkansas
Attorney W. Harold Flowers	Masonic Building, Pine Bluff, Arkansas

Oklahoma District

Mrs. B. F. Scott1717 N	orth East 9th Street, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma
Mrs. Jessye D. Bouren	419 South Broadway, Hugo Oklohomo
Mrs. Emma K. Moore	Route 1 Sulphur Oklohoma
Mrs. S. A. Calvin	1408 S. Greenwood Street, Tulsa, Oklahoma
Mrs. G. E. Patterson	630 Freemont Street, Muskogee, Oklahoma
David Petty	Route 1, Box 127, Coyle, Oklahoma
Mrs. La Dosca Batchlor	408 East Perkins Street, Guthrie, Oklahoma
Mrs. Augustine Love	Colbert, Oklahoma

Section III—Daily Proceedings

Pre-Conference Session

Wednesday, June 12th-2:00 P.M.

The Southwest Annual Conference of the Methodist Church convened in its Eightieth Annual Session at Mallalieu Methodist Church, Fort Smith, Arkansas. Bishop Matthew W. Clair, Jr., presided over the opening Session.

Hymn 287 - "A Charge to Keep"

Bishop Clair addressed the Conference with emphasis upon the responsibility of the minister relative to his call and service.

Elliott M. Douglas presented the Bishop with a hand carved redwood gavel made by his son Emmett J. Douglas.

Each of the districts of the Conference met in Workshops for preparation of the Pastors' reports. The Superintendents served as conveners of the respective

Evening Session-7:45 P.M.

THE CELEBRATION OF THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION Bishop Matthew W. Clair, Jr., Celebrant, assisted by Bishop Alexander P. (retired) and the District P. Shaw (retired) and the District Superintendents of the Conference.

COMMUNION MEDITATION "Christian Perfection" - Psalms COMMUNION HYMN 410_ CXXXIX:23-24 by Bishop Shaw

The offering for the Fellowship of Suffering was \$21.30. "Saint Johns, Westminister"

The Benediction was pronounced by Bishop Shaw.

First Day—Morning Session

Thursday, June 13th-8:00 A.M.

WORSHIP SERVICE: Hymn 279 - "God of Grace and God of Glory"

Lesson from the Holy Scriptures. Hymn 172 - "Come, Holy Spirit" Acts II: 14-15

Meditation - "Christ and Ourselves"

Hymn 268 - "Are Ye Able"

Eustace F. Wallace by Bishop Clair.

BUSINESS SESSION - Organization: The Conference was called to order ROLL CALL: The Conference Secretary called the roll of Effective Elders, Minisetrs on Trial and A Retired Elders, Minisetrs on Trial and Approved Supply Pastors.

NOMINATIONS AND ELECTIONS: The Treasurer nominated as his assistants: Franklin C. Souder, R. J. Tolbert, Jr., and Mrs. Ernestine McGee Miller.

The Statistician nominated as his assistants: J. H. Thompson, and Clifton Mitchell.

The Secretary nominated as his assistants: G. James Washington and Mrs. Jessye D. Bouren. All of the assistants were elected by a unanimous vote.

OFFICIAL PROGRAM ADOPTED: On motion of Clifton Mitchell and second of E. M. Douglas, that the printed program be adopted as the official guide of the sessions: allowing changes to be made at such points as the need arises. Motion carried.

BAR OF THE CONFERENCE: On motion of J. H. Oliver, the bar of the Conference was fixed to include the section to the right of the Sanctuary plus the adjacent one-third of center section.

Bishop Clair announced the tarnsfer of Alexander M. Anderson from the Lexington Conference to the Southwest Conference, May 19, 1957.

In discussion of paragraph 662, The Discipline of the Methodist Church. 1956, Bishop Clair advised the Conference to provide a deposit box for the safe keeping of Conference Records and valuable documentary papers. The Secretary is to make known to the Conference where the box is located. The Cabinet will select one person who shall have access to the depository, other than the Secretary, in the event the Secretary is unable or unavailable at such time as there is a pending need for information, therein. On motion of C. C. Hall and second of E. M. Douglas the aforementioned was voted unanimous approval.

The Composite Report of the District Superintendents was read by Emmanuel M. Johnson. On motion of Clifton Mitchell and second of Elliott M. Douglas that the report be adopted and become a part of the Conference Journal and that an expression of gratitude be tendered the Superintendents. Motion carried. (See Report)

The Chairman of the Conference Board of Missions announced receipt of a telegram from the Reverend Charles F. Golden, Associate Secretary of the Division of National Missions of the General Board of Missions, expressing regrets for his inability to attend the sessions of the Conference. In the absence of representation from the Board, the Advance Study Program was deferred for a later schedule in the session.

MEMORIAL SERVICE:

There were no deaths in the ranks of ministerial members of the Conference. After being advised of the death of the wife of L. S. Shaw (Retired) Bishop Clair informed the Conference that Memorial Services are for the Ministers of the Conference only. Granting the privilege for this occasion, he advised the Conference to conform to the objective of the service in future vears.

PROPOSED CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENTS:

The proposed constitutional Amendments to the Constitution of the Methodist Church were read by the Secretary and voted upon as follows:

Number IX. See Discipline, 1956, (page 20, Section (b) and (c) including (3 to 5) Division II. Section VIII, Article V.) On motion of W. H. Bass, second of J. H. Oliver.

Votes: 47 for. 0 against.

Number X. See Discipline, 1956 (page 17, paragraph 21, Article I, Footnote 27.) On motion of E. L. Stewart, second of B. F. Littlejohn. Votes: 57 for, 0 against.

Number XI. See Discipline, 1956 (Paragraph V, Article I, page 10; Footnote 3.) On motion of W. H. Bass and second of J. H. Oliver. Votes: 54 for, 0 against.

QUADRENNIAL EMPHASIS:

Dr. M. LaFayette Harris, President of Philander Smith College, Member of the Executive Committee of the General Conference Commission on Christian Higher Education, presented the Quadrennial goals to the Conference Commission on Christian Higher Education. After a careful study the Commission voted favorably the acceptance of the same. (See Section II, Commissions, and Section VI, Report of Philander Smith College.)

In the absence of a representative from the Methodist Publishing House or the Central Christian Advocate, Bishop Clair presented the Conference a check in the amount of \$1901.00 from the Methodist Publishing House. This the Methodist Publishing enterprise.

The following introductions were made: The Reverend H. S. Coleman, Minister, Mt. Zion C. M. E. Church, Fort Smith, Arkansas, and the Reverend B. W. Winn, Minister, Central West Conference.

The benediction was pronounced by W. H. Hanna.

Afternoon Session-2:00 P.M.

ANNIVERSARY OF THE CONFERENCE BOARD OF EDUCATION

The Chairman of the Board of Education read his report and made furnished the ministerial and lay delegates with mimeographed copies of the

An observation of the relationship of the Conference Board of Education to the General Board of Education, Educational Institutions and the Local

Church Commission on Education was highlighted in a panel discussion with emphasis on Christian Higher Education, Audio-Visual Aids, Town and Country Work, Christian Vocations and Television, Film and Radio.

Dr. Edward D. Staples, Department of Christian Family Life, Division of the Local Church, The General Board of Education, Nashville, Tennessee, spoke enthusiastically of the progress noted in the area of Christian Education in the Conference as compared to previous years. He pledged the continued support of the staff members of the General Board as we strive toward our Quadrennial goals.

Worship Service-4:15 P.M.

Reverend C. C. Hall introduced the Reverend Augustus J. Pierson, Minister of Ninth Street Baptist Church, Fort Smith, Arkansas, who preached the afternoon sermon in the absence of Dr. Fred Roebuck, Minister of First Methodist Church, Fort Smith, Arkansas, who was absent because of the North Arkansas Conference in session at Rogers, Arkansas.

SERMON "Advancing From Where You Are"

Announcements were made.

The benediction was pronounced by the Reverend Pierson.

Evening Session-7:30 P.M.

Second Day-Morning Session

Friday, June 15th, 8:00 A.M.

QUADRENNIAL EMPHASIS	John S. Cullins (See Section VI)
HYMNSPIRATION	Singing of the Hymns of Charles Wesley
DEVOTIONS	Oliver W. Gibson
HYMN 244	"The Solid Rock"
THE LESSON FROM THE HOLY SO	CRIPTURES Matthew VIII: 1-13
PRAYER	Alexander M. Anderson
HYMN 232	"I Need Thee Every Hour"
MEDITATION - "The Great Physician	"Oliver W. Gibson
HYMN 209	"Amazing Grace"
BENEDICTION	

The Conference was called into Business Session by the President.

The Report of the Committee on Journal was read by Mrs. Alice Preston who moved the adoption of the same. Motion carried. Bishop Clair appointed a new Committee on Journal: Mrs. Henrietta H. Torrence, E. L. Stewart and Mrs. Alice Preston. This action was necessary because of the inactive status of one member of the Committee of last year.

In Re: District Conferences

On motion of E. M. Douglas and second of W. H. D. Bright that the District Superintendents be granted the authority to hold district Conferences according to paragraph 686, The Discipline, 1956 for Conference year 1957-58. Motion carried by a unanimous vote.

W. H. D. Bright read the report of the Board of Temperance and moved the adoption of same, seconded by E. L. Lloyd. Motion carried.

Oliver W. Gibson moved that the Conference comply with paragraph 678, The Discipline, 1956, merging The Board of Temperance, The Committee on World Peace, and The Board of Social and Economic Relations into one Board—"The Board of Christian Social Relations," seconded by Fay Norman. Motion carried unanimously. (See Section II).

The recommendations of the Board of Education were read by the Chairman of the Board, Clinton Anderson, for Conference action, who moved the adoption. After a lengthy discussion, the recommendations were adopted with necessary revisions. (See Report).

Oliver W. Gibson was appointed reporter to the Central Christian Advocate and to receive subscriptions. Mrs. B. F. Scott was named his assistant.

QUADRENNIAL EMPHASIS:

The Woman's Society of Christian Service, Mrs. C. G. Washington, pre-

HYMN 182-"O Spirit of the Living God"

THE LORD'S PRAYER (Unison)

Mrs. C. G. Washington, Conference President of the Woman's Society of Christian Service, assisted by several Conference officers made a dramatic Spirit of Christ for all of Life."

She emphasized the Quadrennium Goals and presented the budget for Pick Conference year 1957-58 (See Reports).

Bishop Clair advised the Societies of the Local Church of their obligations to subscribe to the budget of the same. He suggested that a member of each mission of Stewardship and Finance.

C. C. Hall, Conference Missionary Secretary, presented materials to be

secured in the promotion and interpretation of Missions in the Conference, Districts and Local Churches.

The report of the Conference Board of Evangelism was read by J. H. Oliver (See Report). Recommendations from the same Board were read by Clifton Mitchell, who moved the adoption of each report. Seconded by E. L. Stewart. Amendment: The Youth Emphasis of Christian Witness Mission be co-ordinated with the Conference Board of Education. Motion carried (See Report).

Bishop Clair announced the organization of an Inter-Board Commission. This Board is composed of the Chairmen of all Conference Boards and Commissions along with others chosen by the Cabinet. (See Section II).

The Bishop authorized the Secretary to send telegrams of felicitations to the following confenences now in session: North Arkansas, Bishop Paul E. Martin; Mississippi, Bishop Willis J. King and Georgia, Bishop J. W. E. Bowen; and to seven (7) Retired Ministers who are not present at this session of the Conference. An offering in the amount of \$13.29 was received to defray expenses involved.

F. C. Souder asked permission to be excused from the session of the Conference at the close of the evening service to officiate at the funeral of one of his members. On motion of C. C. Hall and second of E. L. Stewart the request was granted. C. C. Hall requested permission to attend a funeral in the city at 1:00 P. M. On motion of E. M. Douglas and second of E. L. Lloyd the request was granted.

Introductions: Joe Norman, Member of the Faculty of Langston University, Langston, Oklahoma.

Announcements were made, and the benediction was pronounced by P. H. Kelley.

Afternoon Session-2:15 P.M.

The Conference Board of Lay Activities held its anniversary in the Dining Room.

James B. Porter, District Lay Leader of the Little Rock District, presiding.

HYMN 2-"Come, Thou Almighty King"

HYMN 267 - "Rise Up, O Men of God!"

J. Herbert Touchstone, Associate Secretary of the General Board of Lay Activities was introduced by N. R. Coulter, Conference Lay Leader. His address was an interpretation of the Quadrennial Emphasis of the Board of Lay Activities stressing the responsibility of the Methodist Men for the implementation of the Stewardship Program in the local Church.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

The Executive Session was held in the Sanctuary at 2:15 P. M. Bishop Clair called the session to order.

The character of each of the District Superintendents was passed. The character of the Effective Elders of each District was passed.

The Board of Ministerial Training and Qualifications made its report with the consideration and recommendations of Disciplinary questions, 19 through 36. (See Section IV).

Bishop Clair authorized the Chairman of Board of Ministerial Training and Qualifications and the District Superintendent to confer with George E. Loder, immediately upon return from the Conference: In Re: Indifference toward the Dean of the Pastors' School and to reach a point of clarification of his status as a local preacher.

In Re: Case of Lloyd Smith

"Should he fail to matriculate in school beginning of Fall Term (1957), the District Superintendent is to notify the Chairman of the Board and the Executive Committee of the same, who shall immediately recommend him discontinued and to remove him from active status in the Ministry."

In Re: Case of Harlan London and Negail Riley:

"Each is to be continued in the Studies of the Fourth Year until he has reported to the Annual Conference." This action was taken because each failed to report his wishes or plans to the Committee on Conference Relations.

In Re: Donald E. Grant:

"To be continued in Studies of the second year until he presents report of progress within the year."

In Re: Elijah L. Lloyd:

On motion the secretary was directed to correct the Journal of 1956 to correspond with Journal of 1954 question 29, which reads, "E. L. Lloyd completed the studies of the Fourth Year."

Because E. L. Lloyd in whose case the Journal of 1956 was corrected to correspond with the Journal of 1954, L. E. Douglas moved that E. L. Lloyd be elected to Elders Orders and ordained at 1957 Session of the Southwest Annual Conference. Seconded by C. C. Hall. Motion sustained by a majority

RECOMMENDATIONS:

The Committee on Conference Relations recommended the following:

Return to Active Status:

Holland, Simmie P. Nathan, Ralph G. Stewart, E. L.

Retire at this Session:

Kelley, Phamous H. Neal, Benjamin F. Tipton, Garfield F. Woodard, Anthony L.

In Re: Kelley, Phamous H.

Brother Kelley sought to invalidate the date of birth as first recorded with the General Board of Pensions. On motion of J. H. Oliver his retirement was ordered in compliance with page 61, paragraph 1 of the Journal of the Southwest Conference, 1956. Seconded by E. L. Stewart. Motion sustained by a majority vote. The Executive Session adjourned.

Preaching-4:00 P.M.

PREACHING SERVICE E. M. Johnson, Presiding HYMN 172 - "Come, Holy Spirit" SERMON - "The Sacraments" J. H. Thompson BENEDICTION

Evening Session-7:30 P.M.

Everett M. Marbly DEVOTIONS HYMN 244 - "The Solid Rock" THE LESSON FROM THE HOLY SCRIPTURES......I Corinthians XIII PRAYER

HYMN 378 - "Walk In the Light"

Clinton Anderson, Presiding.

Edwin C. Sanders, Executive Secretary of the Conference Board of Education, was presented and gave the highlights of our camping enterprises for Intermediate and Senior-Older Youth.

J. Herbert Touchstone, N. R. Coulter and Attorney W. Harold Flowers made remarks stressing the need for supporting the total program of Christian Education.

An offering was received in the amount of \$51.00 to be applied on purchases of Audio-visual Aids for the Board.

The following introductions were made: I. P. Bullock, Principal of Lincoln High School, Fort Smith, Arkansas, and Miss Theressa Hoover, Woman's Division of Christian Service, New York City.

The benediction was pronounced by P. H. Kelley.

PRAYER VIGIL

11:30 P.M. to 6:30 A.M. (Saturday, June 15th)

The Prayer Vigil was conducted by J. H. Oliver, Conference Secretary of Evangelism, assisted by several ministers. These were truly "High Hours" in Christian Witness.

Third Day-Morning Session

Saturday, June 15th, 8:00 A.M.

HYMNSPIRATION ... Led by Mrs. Ira A. Pointer "Sweet Hour of Prayer" "I am Thine, O Lord"

"Blessed Assurance"

THE LESSON FROM THE HOLY SCRIPTURES....... Matthew X: 1-33 PRAYER **MEDITATION**

Ira A. Pointer The Conference was called to order by the President.

The report of the Committee on Journal was read by Mrs. Alice Preston, who moved the adoption of the same. Motion carried.

The report of the Committee on Nominations was read by the Bishop with the following recmmendations:

Board of Trustees: Class of 1960

Fay Norman

Ira A. Pointer

R. W. Torrence

(See paragraph 651, The Discipline)

BOARD OF EDUCATION

Delete: J. H. Thompson, Mrs. Verda Lee Taylor, Samuel P. Jones, and Mrs.

Add: Mrs. Jessye D. Bouren, to finish unexpired term of Mrs. Verda Lee Taylor,

BOARD OF EVANGELISM

Delete: W. H. Hanna and Mrs. A. C. Cabean

BOARD OF TEMPERANCE

Delete: L. S. Shaw

COMMISSION ON WORLD SERVICE AND FINANCE

Delete: Garfield F. Tipton Add: Alexander M. Anderson Delete: W. H. Hanna

BOARD OF CHRISTIAN VOCATIONS

Delete: Mrs. A. C. Cabean and Mrs. Annie W. Jones.

On motion the recommendations of the Committee on Nominations for Changes in the Boards were adopted.

On motion of J. H. Oliver and second of E. L. Lloyd the Cabinet was authorized to make further replacements on all Boards, Commissions, and Committees where vacancies exist. The motion was sustained by a majority vote. (See Section II)

Each of the District Superintendents nominated the members of the respective District Boards of Church Location and Building and his quota for the Conference Committee on Family Life. Nominations approved. (See Section II).

Disciplinary Question Number 48. Where shall the next session of the Annual Conference convene?

E. F. Wallace extended an invitation to the Conference to hold its next session at Quayle Methodist Church, Oklahoma City. On motion of Fay Norman and second of E. M. Douglas, the nomination was closed on Quayle. The vote to accept the invitation was unanimous.

On motion of E. M. Douglas and second of E. L. Stewart that the Southwest Conference begin its sessions on Tuesday and close on Friday, after discussion, a vote was taken which resulted in a 31-31 tie. O. W. Gibson moved that the matter be studied by a Committee and reported at the 1958 session. Bishop Clair announced that he would set the date of the next session.

The report of the Conference Board of Missions and Church Extension was read by J. C. Tyus who moved the adoption of the same, seconded by B. F. Littlejohn. After the rewording of Section I, the motion was approved by a majority vote. (See Report).

Mrs. Edith Strong read the report of the Commission on Television, Radio and Film. She moved the adoption of the same. Motion carried. (See Report).

The Secretary acknowledged telegrams from the following: Bishop Paul E. Martin, North Arkansas Conference; Bishop J. W. E. Bowen, Georgia Conterence; Private Clark R. Preston, Fort Lee, Virginia.

Bishop Clair called for the report of the Conference Lay Leader. There was no report because the Lay Leader had been unable to hold the meeting of the District Lay Leaders before he left. Bishop Clair authorized J. Herbert Touchstone, the District Lay Leaders and the District Superintendents to retire to a designated room and elect a Conference Lay Leader.

G. James Washington was nominated on the sixth ballot. He was unanimously elected. W. H. McCane was elected Vice-Chairman, James B. Porter, Secretary, Monroe Williams, Treasurer.

The report of the Board of Hospitals and Homes was read by P. H. Kelley.

Dr. Walter C. Eyster, Director of Personnel and Church Relations, Board of Hospitals and Homes was presented. He stressed Social Welfare and the importance of having a Golden Cross Society in each local church and the observance of Golden Cross Sunday each year in the Conference. The date is to be set by the Bishop and Cabinet. P. H. Kelley moved the adoption of the report and recommendation. Motion carried.

After much discussion regarding the 15% of the Pastors' cash Salary for Conference Claimants. The Bishop instructed those who failed to raise the full amount to go back to the charges and raise the deficit and referred them to Paragraph 634-635, The Discipline of the Methodist Church.

The benediction was pronounced by C. G. Tillmon.

Afternoon Session-2:00 P.M.

HYMNSPIRATION

PRAYER

"Solid Rock"

"Every Day and Hour"

"Happy Day"

RESPONSIVE READING.

I. H. Oliver

-----30th Sunday, Page 577

The Bishop called the Conference to order. The Business Session began with the report of the Commission on World Service and Finance. M. A. Lawson in making the report emphasized the need of an adequate budget to meet our Conference obligations. He pointd out specific areas where we have fallen short of our stewardship as Ministers and Laymen. New percentage quotas were given to the Districts. This was made necessary because of a shift in three charges from the Little Rock to the North Little Rock District.

The distribution is thus:

Little Rock District	
North Little Rock Die	33% strict36%
Oklahoma District	36%
	31%
Total	

On motion of M. A. Lawson the report was adopted by a majority vote. A recommendation that mimeograph copies of the "Recommendations" be prepared and distributed to Pastors and Lay delegates before the Conference adjourns was adopted unanimously. (See Report)

Bishop called the attention of the Conference to the dates of Church School Rally Day (Paragraph 250 (2) Discipline, 1956), and stressed its importance to the total program of Christian Education.

The report of the Board of Pensions was made by E. L. Stewart who moved the adoption of the same. (See Report).

Mrs. B. A. Fields made the report of the Ministers' Wives Association. Ministers 2%, and Ministers' Reserve Pension Fund:

Ministers' Wives:

District

ė.	207 50
Little Rock\$	201.50
North Little Rock	167.50
Oklahoma	582.00
Tea (At Conference)	24.00
Total\$	1,061.00
Pastors 2%\$	594.00
MRP Fund	1.559.00
Rev. Hermes Zimmerman	250.00
Total \$	3,464.00

Bishop Clair announced that Simmie P. Holland is appointed without annuity.

The report of the Statistician was in the process of being made; but due to many irregularities the Bishop requested the Statistician to come to the Area Office, Tuesday, June 17th, that he might restudy the reports.

P. H. Kelley related the case of sale of abandoned property at Fayetteville, Arkansas. After some controversy over the title to the land, he received \$200.00 for settlement. P. H. Kelley moved the distribution of the amount received in this manner: Hope - \$100.00, Murfreesboro - \$50.00, and Conway - \$50.00. Seconded by B. F. Littlejohn. Motion carried. The treasurer was authorized to make the above distribution. Bishop Clair further authorized that all monies received from sale of abandoned property must, before it is authorized for use for other purposes, clear through the Conference Treasurer upon authorization of the Conference Board of Trustees and must be paid by check made out to the selected project. All projects must be cleared through the District Board of Church Location and Building and the Cabinet.

E. M. Douglas moved the adjournment.

BENEDICTION

Evening Session-7:30 P.M.

DEVOTIONS	J. C. Tyus
HYMN 287 - "My Faith Looks Up To Thee"	
PRAYER	E. L. Lloyd
HYMN 284 - "Am I A Soldier"	

Bishop and Mrs. M. W. Clair, Jr., gave a delightful and thrilling story in lecture and slides of "What We Saw in Southeast Asia."

The Benediction was pronounced by J. C. Tyus.

Fourth Day-Morning Session Sunday, June 16th-8:00 A.M.

HOLY COMMUNION

BAPTISM

10:30 A.M. Morning Worship—Ordination and Appointments HYMN 1 - Nicaea _____Dykes SELECTION – "Gladness" _____Children's Choir THE LESSON FROM THE HOLY SCRIPTURES - Romans XII...... P. H. Kelley PRAYER ____ C. G. Tillmon OFFERTORY INSTRUMENTAL ______Brenda Joyce Davis SERMON - Job XXIII Bishop Matthew W. Clair, Jr. HYMN 70 – Martyrdom Wilson

ORDINATION OF ELDER

PRESENTATION OF RETIREMENT PINS

TOKEN OF APPRECIATION: Token of appreciation presented to P. H. Kelley by C. C. Hall from the Ministers of the Little Rock District.

BUSINESS SESSION:

The Conference was called into the final Business Session by the Bishop.

The report of the Committee on Journal was read by Mrs. Alice Preston with authorization that the last session become a part of the Journal after the same has been edited by the Committee on Journal. She moved the adoption

Mrs. C. G. Tillmon read the report of the Committee on Courtesy and moved its adoption. Motion carried.

Oliver W. Gibson moved that the Conference give a rising vote of gratitude to Bishop and Mrs. Clair for their excellent Leadership to the Southwest Conference and to the Reverend Maceo D. Pembroke, the Area Secretary, for his deep sense of devotion to the Fellowship of Service. Seconded by W. H. Bass, unanimously sustained.

The names of members of the Board of Christian Social Relations were read and accepted in agreement with previous power granted the Cabinet. (See Section II).

On motion of E. M. Douglas and second of E. L. Lloyd, after the reading of appointments, the Eightieth Session of the Southwest Conference stands adjourned Sine Die. Motion carried.

CERTIFICATE OF ORDINATION

This is to certify that at Mallalieu Methodist Church, Fort Smith, Arkansas, on the sixteenth day of June, Nineteen hundred and fifty-seven, assisted by several Elders, I ordained as an Elder in The Methodist Church:

ELIJAH L. LLOYD

Presiding Bishop

The list of appointments was read by the Bishop. (See Section V).

The announcements were made and the benediction was pronounced by Bishop Clair.

Matthew W. Clair, Jr., President Edwin C. Sanders, Secretary

SECRETARY'S CERTIFICATE

This is to certify that this volume is a complete and correct record of the proceedings of The Southwest Annual Conference and is adopted by the Conference as its official record.

Secretary

SECTION IV—DISCIPLINARY QUESTIONS

THE BUSINESS OF THE ANNUAL CONFERENCE

The minutes of the Eightieth Session of The Southwest Annual Conference, held in Mallalieu Methodist Church, Fort Smith, Arkansas, from June 13 through June 16, 1957.

Bishop Matthew W. Clair, Jr., Presiding

Part I. Organization and General Business

- 1. Who are elected for the quadrennium (Para. 629, 803): Secretary, Edwin C. Sanders, 314 S. Poplar Street, Pine Bluff, Arkansas; Statistician, Ira H. Pointer, 611 E. Easton Street, Tulsa, Oklahoma; Treasurer, Eustace F. Wallace, 309 N. Lindsay Street, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma.
- Is the Annual Conference incorporated? (Para. 625). Yes (See Section VII)
- 3. Bonding and auditing:
 - a) What officers handling funds of the conference have been bonded, and in what amounts? (Para 640, 729, 807.) Treasurer, \$15,000.00
 - b) Have the books of said officers of persons been audited? (Para 640, 729, 803, 807.) Yes.
- 4. Have the conference boards, commissions, and committees been appointed or elected (Para. 666-80, 695, 721): (Answer Yes or No):
 - a) Board of Ministerial Training and Qualifications? Yes.
 - b) Board on Conference Relations? Yes.
 - c) District Committees on Ministerial Qualifications? Yes.
 - d) Committee of Investigation? Yes.
 - e) District Boards of Church Location and Building? Yes.
 - f) Board of Trustees of the Annual Conference? Yes.
 - g) Commission on World Service and Finance? Yes. h) Commission on Town and Country Work? Yes.
 - i) Deaconess Board? Yes.
 - j) Board of Missions? Yes.
 - k) Board of Education? Yes.
 - 1) Board of Temperance? Yes. m) Board of Lay Activities? Yes.

 - n) Board of Hospitals and Homes? Yes.
 - o) Board of Evangelism? Yes.
 - p) Board of Pensions? Yes.
 - q) Commission on Christian Vocations? Yes.
 - r) Conference Woman's Society of Christian Service? Yes. s) Commission on Minimum Salaries? Yes.

 - t) Commission on Promotion and Cultivation? Yes. u) Committee on Reserve Pensions? Yes.

 - v) Quadrennial Committee on Local-Church Goals? Yes.
 - w) Optional commissions and committees? Yes.
- Have the secretaries, treasurers, and statisticians kept their respective records upon and according to the forms prescribed by the Methodist

- Church? (Para. 662.) Yes.
- 6. What is the report of the statistician? (See Section IX.)
- 7. What is the report of the treasurer? (See Section IX.)
- What are the reports of the district superintendents as to the status of the work within their districts? (See Section VI.)
- 9. What is the schedule of minimum salaries for pastors? (Para. 826) No Schedule. Note: Committee on Minimum Salary authorized to study and report at next Session.
- 10. What is the plan and what are the approved claims fos the suppost of the district superintendents for the ensuing year? (Para. 801-8.) (See Section VI-Report of Commission on World Service and Finance.)
- 11. What amount has been apportioned to the pastoral charges within the conference to be raised for the support of conference claimants? (Para. 1623, 1645, Sec. 4.) 15% of Pastor's cash salary or \$5,863.30.
- 12. What are the apportionments to this conference:

World service? ____%

- a) For the World Service Fund? \$4,620.00.
- b) For the Episcopal Fund? 2% or \$1,400.00.
- c) For the General Administration Fund? \$759.50.
- d) For the Interdenominational Co-operation Fund? \$353.00.
- e) For the Jurisdictional Administration Fund? \$640.00.
- 13. What is the percentage division between world service and conference benevolences for the year: Conference benevolences?_____%
- 14. What are the reports, recommendations, and plans of the conference
 - a) What is the report of the Board of Pensions and what appropriation for conference claimants are reported and approved? (Para. 1623.)
 - b) What is the report of the Board of Missions of disbursements of missionary aid within the conference? (Para. 1303.) (See Section VI.)
 - c) What is the report of the Commission on World Service and Finance? (Para. 791-812.) (See Section VI.)
 - d) What is the report of the Commission on Christian Vocations? (Para. 675-77.) (See Section VI.)
 - e) What are the other reports? (See Section VI.)
- 15. What Methodist institutions or organizations are approved by the conference for annuity responsibility? (Para. 1619 Sec. 2c, 9.) None.
- 16. What date is determined for Golden Cross Enrollment Sunday? (Para 1559.)
- 17. Conference lay leader (Para 1507):
 - a) Name: G. James Washington. Address: 1720 Johnson St., Little Rock,

- b) What is his report? No report (Elected June 15, 1957.)
- c) Who are district and associate district lay leaders? (Para. 1510.) Little Rock: N. R. Coulter; Associate: J. S. Cullins; N. Little Rock: James B. Porter; Associate: Monroe Williams; Oklahoma: H. A. Magill; Associate: W. H. McCane.
- 18. What local churches have been:
 - a) Organized? (Para 155.) None.
 - b) Merged? (Para. 186-87.) None.
 - c) Discontinued? (Para. 126, 188, 354.) None.
 - d) Relocated, and to what address? None.
 - e) Transferred into this conference from the Central Jurisdiction, and with what membership (Para. 532):
 - 1) This year? None.
 - 2) Previously? None.

Part II. Pertaining to Ministerial Relations

- 19. Are all the ministerial members of the conference blameless in their life and official administration? Yes.
- 20. Who constitute the Conference Committee of Investigation? (Para. 931.) C. C. Hall, E. F. Wallace, E. M. Johnson, and Fay Norman.
- 21. Who are the approved supply pastors:
 - a) Student approved supply pastors? (Para. 317 Sec 1, 318), and in what schools are they enrolled? Everett Marbly, Philander Smith College, Little Rock, Arkansas.
 - b) Part-time approved supply pastors (Para. 317 Sec. 2, 318), and what progress has each made in the course of study? Banks, Clifton, 4 yrs.; Davis, Connie, 1 yr.; Douglas, L. E., 4 yrs.; Jefferson, Thomas, 4 yrs.; Love, John M.; Sims, Andrew, 2 yrs.
- NOTE: Disciplinary Questions 21 (b) through 25 (d) The answer to each is "NONE" and are not printed.
- Who are continued on trial; and what progress have they made in their ministerial studies (Para. 330):
 - a) In approved schools of theology? Grant, Donald E., Middler to Senior, Gammon Seminary, Atlanta, Georgia; Smith, Lloyd, Shorter College, Little Rock, Arkansas; Tolbert, R. J., Jr., Philander Smith College, Little
 - b) In the four-year course of study? Jones, S. P., 1 yr.; Thompson, J. H.; Riley, Negail; London, Harlan.
- 27. Who on trial are discontinued? None.
- 28. Who are admitted into full connection? None.
- 29. Who have been elected deacons (Para. 393)? None.
- 30. Who have been ordained deacons? None.

- 31. Who have been elected elders (Para. 403):
 - a) Theological graduates? None,
 - b) Course of study graduates? Lloyd, Elijah L.
- 32. Who have been ordained elders? Lloyd, Elijah L.
- Who have been admitted or ordained to accomodate other conferences? None.
- 34. Who are readmitted? None.
- What retired members have been made effective? None.
- Who have been received by transfer? (List alphabetically. If probationer, so indicate.) Anderson, Alexander M., Lexington, May 19, 1957.
- 37. Who have been transferred out? (List alphabetically.) None.
- Who have had their conference membership terminated? None.
- 39. Deceased: (List alphabetically.)
 - a) What ministerial members have died during the year? None.
 - b) What approved supply pastors have died during the year? None.
 - c) What deaconesses have died during the year? None.
- 40. Who are the supernumerary ministers, and for what number of years consecutively has each held this relation? (Para. 365.) None.
- 41. Who are granted sabbatical leave? (Para. 364.) None.
- 42. What ministerial members have been retired: (List alphabetically.)
 - a) This year? Kelley, P. H.; Neal, Benjamin F.; Tipton, Garfield F.;
 - b) Previously? Albright, H. A.; Brooks, C. H.; Buchanan, A. L.; Green, William M.; Hanna, William H.; Holland, N. W.; Johnson, Willis D.; Myers, Patrick H.; Parker, I. P.; Shaw, L. S.; Smith, J. Murray; Thomas, S. N.; Wilbun, Matthew M.; Winston, J. W.
- 43. What approved supply pastors have been retired:
 - a) This year? Hill, B. M.
 - b) Previously? Moore, C. E.
- 44. Who are appointed to attend school? (List alphabetically.) Riley, Negail, Boston Univ. Sch. of Theology.
- 45. What is the number of:
 - a) General Information: Pastoral charges? 52 Approved supply pastors? 9 Received on trial? None Received into full connection? None Transferred in? 1 Total value? \$1,286,640.00 Transferred out? None

Received from other evangelical churches? None

Readmitted? None

Discontinued? None

Withdrawn? None

Expelled? None

Indebtedness?

Located? None

Deceased? None

Local preachers? None

Women under appointment? None

Retired made effective? None

Retired serving as supply pastors? 8

District parsonages? None

- b) Ministerial members:
 - (1) On trial:
 - a) As pastors? 3
 - b) Under special appointment? 1
 - c) Appointed to attend school? 2 Total on trial? 6
 - (2) In full connection:
 - a) Effective:
 - (i) As pastors and district superintendents? 32
 - (ii) Under special appointment? 1
 - (iii) Appointed to attend school? 0
 - (iv) On sabbatical leave? 0 Total effective? 33
 - b) Retired? 18
 - c) Supernumerary? 0

Total ministerial members: (add total on trial, effective, retired, and

46. What other personal notation should be made? (31b) Lloyd, Elijah L., elected by action of Executive Session. (See Section III, Daily Proceedings.)

Part III. Concluding Business

- 47. What are the detailed objectives of this conference for the coming year?
- 48. Where shall the next conference session be held? Quayle Methodist Church,
- 49. Is there any other business? None.
- 50. What changes have been made in appointments since last Annual Con-
- 51. Where are the preachers stationed for the ensuing year? (See list of

SECTION V-APPOINTMENTS

SOUTHWEST CONFERENCE

Little Rock District

J. H. Oliver, Superintendent, Route 9, Box 525, Pine Bluff, Arkansas	
Center Point Larger Parish F. C. Souder, Route 5, Lockesburg, Arka Conway B. F. Littlejohn, 709 Pine Street, Conway, Arka Fayetteville A. L. Buchanan, P. O. Box 127, Fayetteville, Arka Fort Smith C. C. Hall, 1113 North 9th Street, Fort Smith, Arka Hope H. A. Davie, 602 N. Hazel Street, Hope, Arka Horatio Circuit W. H. Hanna, P. O. Box 33, Horatio, Arka Hot Springs R. J. Tolbert, Jr., 249 Walnut St., Hot Springs, Arka	nsas nsas nsas nsas nsas
LITTLE ROCK:	
Brown Chapel — Maumelle	St.
J. C. Tyus, P. O. Box 171, Lockesburg, Arka Morrilton D. D. Hawkins, 2101 Cross Street, Little Rock, Arka L. E. Douglas, Murfreesboro, Arka L. E. Douglas, Murfreesboro, Arka Natural Steps — Roland W. H. Piggee, Rt. 5, Box 369, Little Rock, Panky Addition — Center Ridge Little Rock, Arka	nsas nsas nsas Ark. 374,
Pleasant Hill — Springfield	
SPECIAL APPOINTMENTS	'vus
District Secretary of Temperance	1 11
District Secretary of Evangelism	hell
District Missionary Secretary E. T. Hicks	nan
North Little Rock District	
North Little Rock Arkansas	
E. M. Johnson, Superintendent, 1007 Izard Street, Little Rock, Arkansas	nsas
arthage Circuit H. Albright, General Delivery, Carthage, Arkar larendon Circuit G. G. Troupe, 1821 Scull St., Pine Bluff, Arkar otton Plant Circuit – Brinkley Cotton Plant, Arkar	nsas nsas 161, nsas
ullock D. W. Terry, 1307 Olive St., North Little Rock, Arkan ermott — McGehee W. H. D. Bright, P. O. Box 78, Dermott, Arkan orrest City Circuit B. F. Neal, General Delivery, Forrest City, Arkan	isas isas isas

Hensley - Gould - St. Francis Frank Sanders, 817 E. 15th Street,
Hughes Circuit North Little Rock, Arkansas
Hughes Circuit Clifton Banks, P. O. Box 257, Marianna, Arkansas Johnsville Circuit C. H. Roe, Route 3, Box 323, Minden, Louisiana
LITTLE ROCK:
Duncan Chapel P. H. Kelley, 1418 Chester St., Little Rock, Ark. Wesley Chapel A. M. Anderson, 1113 State St., Little Rock, Ark. Lonoke - Fordyce I. I. D.
J. I. Davis 1020 Confield Ct. T. 11 P. 1. 1. 1
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Newport L. T. Thompson 200 P
North Little Rock W. H. Bass, 1715 Pulaski St., Little Rock, Arkansas PINE BLUER
PINE BLUFF:
St. James Edwin C. Sanders, 314 South Poplar St., Pine Bluff, Ark. Scruggs and Union Grove Thomas Leff.
Scruggs and Union Grove The Loder, P. O. Box 623, Pine Bluff, Ark.
Scruggs and Union Grove Thomas Jefferson, P. O. Box 623, Pine Bluff, Ark. Stamps Circuit Ralph C. Nathan R. C. Box 623, Pine Bluff, Ark.
Stamps Circuit Ralph G. Nathan, P. O. Box 41, Caldwell, Ark. Sweet Home Circuit Everett Marbly, Philander Smith College, Little Rock, Ark.
SPECIAL APPOINTMENTS

Oklahoma District

District Secretary of Evangelism A. M. Anderson

W. H. D. Bright

J. H. Thompson

District Temperance Secretary.

District Missionary Secretary.

C. G. Tillmon, Superintender of
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SPECIAL APPOINTMENTS

District Secretary of Temperance	Ira	A.	Pointer
District Secretary of Evangelism	R	. В.	Brown
District Missionary Secretary.	F	ay	Norman

SPECIAL APPOINTMENTS

Edwin C. Sanders, Executive Secretary, Conference Board of Education

Harlon London, Teacher, Claflin College, Orangeburg, S. C.

Simmie P. Holland, Youth Work, YMCA, Detroit, Michigan

C. C. Hall, Conference Missionary Secretary

Oliver W. Gibson, Conference Temperance Secretary

Ira A. Pointer, Conference Secretary of Evangelism

Appointed to attend school: Negail Riley (Boston University School of Theology)

SECTION VI-REPORTS

COMPOSITE REPORT OF THE DISTRICT SUPERINTENDENT

Bishop Clair, Fellow Ministers, Lay Members and Friends:

I deem it an honor and a privilege to read this fourth District Superintendents Composite Report to this the eightieth session of the Southwest Conference. It is in a spirit of humility and thanksgiving that we make this report today.

The winds blew, the rain descended, and the floods came, but we are Yet alive to see each others face again. Glory and praise to God be given for His redeeming Grace."

Early in this Conference year we along with the other District Superintendents of the Area were called to the Area Office to be briefed on projecting the Quadrennial Emphasis. In our efforts to acquaint our ministers and congregations with the program much has been revealed, we will point out some of the discoveries we have made.

First: It is obvious that many changes in our approach and practices will be necessary before we can make progress with the program of our great church within the Conference.

Secondly: There must be a reverse in our outlook. Too long we have used our hind sight and very little foresight. This is evidenced by wide-spread opposition to changes which are inevitable if we expect to make progress. We can ill afford to dissipate our energies fighting yesterdays battles or in trying

to carry on the same type of program we had in the horse and buggy days. The program in our churches must be contemporary and relevant to our day if we are going to meet the needs of people living in a day when science has eliminated distance and brought people together by changing our modes of travel and communication, and have changed much of our social life. Man has conquered most of the physical frontiers but have failed to change the modes and attitudes of people. Of course this is not the object of the Scientist. This is the supreme task of the Church. The great soldier, General Douglass McArthur has said, "This may be Humanity's last chance. If man is ever to be saved, it must be of the spirit, it cannot be of the flesh." Does not this make us recall the words of the great Christian Soldier, The Apostle Paul, when he said, "For we wrestle not against flesh and blood, but against principalities, against power, against the rulers of the darkness of this world, against spiritual wickedness in high places." We must face our task with vision, courage, and

Thirdly: There is a lack of a sense of the urgency of our times as it relates to our conference by the Ministers and Laymen. We must take cognisance of the fact that the Ministers of the Conference are retiring at a rate that exceeds our recruitment and because of inadequate salaries many of our Ministers seek employment elsewhere to subsidize their salaries in order to make a livelihood possible for their families and have little time to give to this all important business of Kingdom building.

Due to shifting populations many of our congregations in small communities that once were proud and active are having to close shop and seek shelter elsewhere leaving behind much abandoned property. We must realize, that this trend cannod continue year after year without resulting into tragic consequences for our Conference and our Cause. The call is unmistakably clear that there must be a dededication of our Ministers and Laymen to the task. It has been said that the Marines never retreat but advance in different direction. Certainly this must be true with the Army of the living God, we cannot retreat but rechart our course and make a new approach.

The various Boards and Committees of the Conference have been able of the Roards and Committees of the Conterence have been of the Roards and Committees of the Chairmen and Secretaries of the Boards and Committees along with the members and the President of the Womans Society of Christian Service and the Conference Lay Leader are due much credit and praise for their determination to go forward with their work

The pastors reports will show that we are making some progress. Our most significant gains have been in Evangelism and building projects. There has been a modest gain in the membership of the Conference. The most outstanding building projects for the year are, a beautiful brick Church at Lockesburg, Rev. J. C. Tyus Pastor, at a cost of \$12,000.00, a very beautiful frame church building at Murfreesboro, Rev. L. E. Douglas Pastor, at a cost of \$12,000.00, and a cost of \$12,000.00 and a cost \$6,000.00, and a concrete block parsonage at Conway, Rev. B. F. Littlejohn Pastor, at a cost of \$5,500.00. These and the other increases we have made this year are too small to change the downward spiral of our work.

Much of the progress made within our Conference is due to the vision,

wisdom, and brotherly spirit of our Episcopal leadership. Bishop Clair has been untiring in his efforts to give us the kind of leadership needed in these times. The visits in our Conference of Bishop Clair, Mrs. Clair, and the Area Secretary, The Reverend Maceo D. Pembroke, have contributed tremendously to our work.

RECOMMENDATIONS

- 1. We recommend as soon as practical, that adjustments be made in our charges so that the congregation can be adequately served and the ministers adequately paid.
- 2. We recommend that the Conference Board of Missions in cooperation with the Board of National Missions, become interested in establishing new churches. We further recommend that more interest be put in raising funds for Conference initiated special.
- 3. We recommend that both pastor and layman would put forth their best effort to qualify in the Ministers' Reserve Pension Fund by the end quadrennium. We further recommend that a special day will be given when the Bishop and Cabinet will have roll-call within the Conference for the Ministers' Reserve Pension Fund.
- 4. We recommend that all resolutions be presented to the Cabinet for study before presenting them to the Conferenc.
- 5. We recommend that the quadrennium emphasis, the Local Church, continue to be studied and interpreted and made to function in every local church. Also, in order to increase our support to our institutions of higher learning that we study our practice of raising and reporting funds on Race Relations Day.

Respectfully submitted,

E. M. Johnson

C. G. Tillmon

P. H. Kelley

ANNUAL REPORT BY CLINTON ANDERSON

Chairman of the Southwest Conference Board of Education To the Eightieth Session of the Southwest Annual Conference, Held at Mallalieu Methodist Church, Fort Smith, Arkansas, June 13, 1957

To the Bishop, District Superintendents, Pastors, Laymen and friends o the Southwest Conference. It is a privilege and personal pleasure to bring to you my first annual report as Chairman of the Conference Board of Education.

One of the most important actions of the previous General Conference is known as the "Quadrennial Emphasis."

This means that during the period 1956-60, we are directed to concentrate

and place special emphasis on two things:

1. Strengthening each church to serve.

2. Improving the church's institutions of higher learning so as to educate more surely the youth needed for leadership in the years just ahead.

Through the ages, whenever church people have gathered together topics or questions as the case may be have inevitably been considered. Most of our present-day programs dealing with human activity and welfare on all levels are in fact, the out growth of a sense of service which originated with our religious institutions. And the teachings of the world's great religious leaders remain the motivating force behind all such activities whatever their status

It is only natural, therefore, that Americans continue to look to our churches for help in furnishing leadership in facing the rapidly changing conditions in our highly urbanized and technological society. We might be inclined to feel that this is nothing new. Yet there is something new. In the light of plans to make possible the racial unification of the churches, conferences and jurisdictions, it is felt that intensified degrees of concentration and emphasis

In accepting this challenge we may be faced with many questions.

As objectively as possible we examine organization after organization with respect to its effectiveness, overlapping, or overlooking. What do we expect to happen, and when? Has it begun to happen? What is the end product

These and many other questions provide the grist for the next few years to come until the pastors and layman come to see their church as they have

In our particular conference the acceptance of the challenge calls for increased correlation of the programs of the key commissions in the local churches, on the districts and on the conference levels.

Conference and District Directors must become aware of the importance of being able to serve in the difficult and remote places as well as in the larger centers. Much service is to be rendered without thought of praise or immediate

As we close our first years work - and on the more optimistic side - we find that there is definitely an awareness of the need of a sound and fruitful program of Christian Education in the total program of the church although its importance and its place has not as yet been fully realized.

We view a growing interest, and a desire for better and broader understanding among those participating in the Coaching Conferences, Youth Camps, Clinics and Workshops conducted for leadership training during the current year.

On the basis of these observations, I am submitting at this point seven basic principles which should be followed, and four recommendations for your consideration in planning a program of Christian Education for the Southwest Conference.

- I. Program Planning All Christian education programs must be in terms of individual need. There must be no program for programs sake alone. The individual is always at the center. This in all planning the program must be carried to the people.
- II. The leadership given by the Bishop, The District Superintendent and the Pastors either makes or destroys any program. Good leadership on the part of the ministerial leadership is highly essential to the success of any program in Methodist Churches.
- III. Planning of this program wisely involves consideration of the total work of the Church. The executive secretary of a conference board of education who does not see or deal with the whole program of the church is doomed to failure.
- IV. Long-range planning is most important. Even though our annual Conference appointment system encourages us to make short term plans, it is still necessary to plan well in advance and in terms of a long range program.
- V. Leadership In selecting leadership paid or volunteer, it is well to remember that the quality of service desired is essentially the same in either case. Those leading the program of Christian education in the conference should have had the basic training and should possess some leadership ability in Christian education with specialized interest in working with a particular age group.
- VI. To be fruitful and effective, the work of either paid or volunteer persons must be based on an adequate philosophy of Christian education and not on professional devices and propaganda.
- VII. Fair compensation for services rendered. In today's highly competitive market the problem of salaries adequate for securing the kind of leadership needed is an extremely serious one, but we must face the keen necessity and importance of providing direct compnsation in addition to rlated benefits such as Social Security, Pensions, hospitalization, leaves of absence for travel and study and in some instances housing.

RECOMMENDATIONS:

- 1. That each District Superintendent and Pastor be directed to place specific and persistent emphasis on the organization and the program of the following of the area of Social following four Commissions, and a concern for development of the area of Social Concerns on the local church level:
 - a. Commission on Evangelism
 - b. Commission on Education
 - c. Commission on Missions
 - Commission on Stewardship and Finance
- 2. That this same degree of emphasis be placed on church school rally day. Annual Conference benevolences and special contributions, and that funds

so raised be promptly forwarded to the Conference treasurer to be disbursed exclusively for promotion of the program of Christian education.

- 3. That each pastor be directed to organize these commissions with the best prepared person from standpoint of interest, ability and availability as chairman immediately upon return to his charge. And further that a workshop with a minimum of two days and one a conference-wide basis be held for the purpose of acquainting the chairman of these respective commissions with disciplinary procedures and the administration of the respective programs on the local church levels; this wirkshop to be held as soon after adjournment of the annual conference as is expedient and practical.
- 4. That the staff for this workshop consist of the conference executive secretary, a member representing each commission from their respective General Boards and such resource personnel as the above staff may see fit to use.

In closing I shall say: The source of these observations and recommendations as the case may be are not by far exhaustive. This is but another step in our beginnig, and we are asking that this the Eightieth Session of the Southwest Annual Conference help us make this step. Unless we do our full share in providing Christian leadership developed to the maximum extent in regard to education and training, we will not realize the brilliant future that is pos-

Finally, if in this report you have heard nothing to impress you or arouse your thinking, it is hoped that in the remaining days of this conference that you will hear something from which you will be awakened to a sense of assuming your full share of responsibility as Methodist in the program for

Among the wise words in the book of Proverbs is a warning that to me takes on special significance in this age (and quote:) "Where there is no vision, the people perish." (end quote) From religious leaders vision has always come. Today when vision is so desperately needed the Methodist Church has a great

REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE SECRETARY SOUTHWEST ANNUAL CONFERENCE BOARD OF EDUCATION

No greater joy comes to ne, which can be classed as filled with the aroma of service to his fellowmen, than when one has travelled over what seems to be endless trails, facing the blistering sun of Summer; the enchantment of Autumn; the bleak and frosty obey Autumn; the bleak and frosty chill of Winter; and the alluring charm of Spring-Such has been the joy of my travels through the months, even, in many instances,

I accepted the challenge and responsibility of this task with the pledged

support of the Cabinet, Ministers, and Laymen of the Southwest Conference. There has been shown an unprecedented loyalty on the part of most persons in 'key positions'.

I am debtor to each of you, and, herewith, express my sincerest gratitude for your awareness of Christian Outreach in the field of Christian Education.

The Conference Staff, which is on a volunteer basis, has been faced with many limitations; yet, each of them are worthy of praise in such manner as they have been able to serve.

PROMOTION AND CULTIVATION:

Camping: This has been the area in which the Youth of our conference have had the widest experience and have received the richest Christian Fellowship E ship. Each of the enterprises, the Oklahoma District Camp at Camp Turner Falls, the Christian Adventure Camp, and the Senior-Older Youth Assembly at Camp Aldersgate, reported the largest enrollment of any of the years since the organization ganization of the projects.

WORKSHOPS, COACHING CONFERENCES, AND CHRISTIAN WORKERS' SCHOOLS:

Each District of the Conference has had training by specialists on various age level work within the Conference year. There has been a rather appreciable attendance of five hundred (593) persons at such enterprises.

There were eight (8) Christian Workers' Schools, on the One-teacher level, conducted during the month of March. Training was given on "The Work of the Land and the month of March. Training was given on "The Work of the Land and the March." of the Local Church." This served as a preface to the Quadrennial Emphasis.

LEADERSHIP EDUCATION:

To meet the great need of leadership personnel within the Conference a program of recruitment has been th major point of concern. In answer to this call this call, several freshmen have become certified either as DEANS or INSTRUCTORS of The control TORS of First and Second Series Courses.

Our Certified Leadership Personnel, as of June 1st, is as follows:

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Deans	16
Instructors	1
Home Study Courses	

Wherein the above totals do not give us an adequate quota to meet our local Church needs, we rejoice as we note progress in this area of activity.

RECOMMENDATIONS:

In the light of continually mounting awareness on the part of 'key persons' Conference of Christian of the Conference in regard to the effectiveness of an active program of Christian Education. Education, I herewith submit the following:

- (a) That we conduct an extensive program of leadership recruitment.
- (b) That each local Church will plan to have at least one (1) Certified Instructor.
- (c) That each District Superintendent, in consultation with the Executive Secretary, appoint a complete District staff.
- (d) That each local Church will set as a goal the organization or reactivation of a Methodist Youth Fellowship,
- (e) That there will be strict observance of and emphasis placed upon all Special Days of the Christian calendar.
- (f) That Church School Rally Day shall be observed by all Churches of the Conference; and that the same shall be designated for the financial support of the Conference Board of Education; with emphasis upon maximum giving.
- (g) That the Conference Committee on Nominations give careful thought to the persons recommended on the following Boards, Commissions, and Committees, especially observing their relationship to the Conference Board of Education:
 - 1. Board of Social and Economic Relations
 - 2 Board of Christian Vocations
 - 3. Commission on Town and Country Work
 - 4. Committee on Christian Family Life
 - Commission on Higher Education
 - 6. Commission on Television, Radio, and Film

Again, in a sense of deep humility, I say THANKS to each of you for your contribution of talent and leadership ability to the program of Christian

Yours in Christian Fellowship,

Edwin C. Sanders 1 June, 1957.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT

July 1, 1956 - June 1, 1957

Receipts:

Christian Adventure Car Senior-Older Vand	general work of Board\$ v Offering	900.00 110.00 1,000.00 527.75 615.60 15.81
Disbursements: Executive Secretary, Sala Travel	TOTAL	900.00 113.70 253.71

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Telephone – Telegrams	27.50
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Board Committee and Staff Meetings	00.00
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Conference and General Meetings	1.066.75
Camp Insurance	52.34
M. Y. Fund	10.02
T. Pully	99 771 53
TOTAL	
62 169 16	
Receipts (All Sources) \$3,169.16 2,771.53	
Disbursements 2,771.53	
Disbursements	
Balance on hand\$ 397.63	
Dalance on hand	\$3,600.00
Budget for Conference Year 1956-57	
Actual Cash Reported by Conference Treasurer As Received for All Causes	1,528.00
As Received for All Courses	
Acceived for All Causes	\$2,072.00
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Pro-	\$1,500.00
Proposed Salary of Executive Secretary Amount Received As Salary	900.00
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proposed budget	

Edwin C. Sanders 1 June, 1957.

REPORT ON PHILANDER SMITH COLLEGE The 80th Session of the Southwest Annual Conference The Methodist Church, Ft. Smith, Arkansas June 13-16, 1957

To the Members of the Quadrennial Commission on Christian Higher Education and to Ministers and Laymen, Greetings:

This is a report on Philander Smith College. It is arranged in 3 parts for onvenience in Your convenience in giving consideration to it.

P_{art} I. THE PHILANDER SMITH COLLEGE DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM

- I. HISTORY The Development Program of Philander Smith falls on 5 steps as follows:
- 1. The period July 1, 1946 June 30, 1946, which consisted of paying debts extending back to 1931 and rehabilitation for the 2 frame and 2 brick buildings comprising the College at that time, organizing a curriculum, and developing a faculty.
- 2. The Trustee meeting, establishing anticipated boundary for the College campus and initiating plans for future buildings in March, 1946.
- 3. The period 1946-49 when the Little Rock Junior College was purchased, increasing the book value of the College by some \$800,000, and accredited by the North Central Association of Colleges was attained.
- 4. The Trustee meeting in October, 1951, which created 2 Study Committees: one to review the Charter to insure that its policies were in line with contemporary trends in Higher Education; the other to evaluate the contribution the College has made in the past, to examine its peculiar character, to determine as far as possible its effectiveness in meeting existing needs, to take a look as far as possible at its role in the future, and to recommend a "projected program" on the basis of these findings. The latter Committee accepted a task of providing adequate service for 1500 students per year for the period (1952-77) in projecting this program for the College.
- 5. Facing the Future The estimated minimum financial outlay for sustaining a program as a good undergraduate College, providing a high quality of Education which is related to produce a good citizenship, and providing services to meet community needs calls for an additional objective of \$3,335,000. This goal has been adopted in a series of actions taken by the Board of Trustees. This is known as the Philander Smith College Development Program, which

II. OVER-ALL NEEDS

1.	Buildings	
D_0	Ormitories and E	
Pre	Dormitory for Housing 170 Women	560,000
Lil	prary-Fine 4 Furnishings 250,000	
Stu	bornitory Furnishings 250,000 borary-Fine Arts Building and Furniture 60,000 adent Union and Dining Hall Furnishings Grounds	
0	omon and Dining Hall Furnishings	280,000
	Grounds	130,000
Tw	This land in L. it block to secure adaptation	152,000
3.	Endowment Endowment	
	Endowment (See pp. 37-38, President's Annual Report, March 31, 1955)	2,225,000

Unrestricted	T2 1	Scholarships	 150
			 7
Lectureship	e e		

GRAND TOTAL \$3,347,000

III.	IMMEDIATE AND CRITICAL NEEDS Purchase of land adjacent to Campus \$	152,000
	(Including paving of streets)	230,000 250,000
	Total \$	632,000 300,000 382,000

PART II - A Review of Support by the Annual Conference of the Saint Louis Area July 1, 1953, through June 30, 1956, with Recommendations for Support and use to which such Support should be directed during the period July 1, 1957, through June 30, 1960.

ANNALYSIS OF SUPPORT, 1953-56

Table No. 1

C			Race	Conference Benevolences	Total
Conference		Year	Relations		\$ 3,568.00
Central West	7/1 6/30	1953-54 1954-55 1955-56	\$ 2,750.00 1,180.54	\$3,568.00 3,080.00 2,387.00	5,830.00 3,567.54 12,965.54
		Total	3,930.54	9,035.00 3,011.67	4,321.85 4,542.00
Lexington		Three yr. av. 1953-54 1954-55 1955-56	6,837.00 9,231.20	4,542.00 5,223.00 3,113.00	12,060.00 12,344.20 28,946.20
0		Total Three yr. av.	16,068.20	12,878.00 4,292.67 2,817.00	9,648.75 2,817.00 2,742.00
Southwest		1953-54 1954-55 1955-56	602.00 1,003.00	2,140.00 1,760.00	2,763.00 8,322.00
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Tennessee		1953-54 1954-55	711.00 938.00	692.00	1,630.00 2,897.0
		1955-56 Total Three yr. av.	1,649.00	1,248.00 416.00	965.6

Table No. 2 Maximum and Average Support, 1953-56, by Categories

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Conference	Race Relations Av. Maximum	Conference Av.	Benevolence Maximum	Total for 3-yr. Period
Central West	2,750.	3,011.69	3,568.00	12,965.54
Lexington	9,231.	4,292.00	5,223.00	28,946.20
Southwest	1,003.	2,239.00	2,817.00	8,322.00
Tennessee	938.	• 416.00	692.00	2,897.00
	13,922.	9,958.69	12,300.00	53,130.74

^{°2} yrs. only.

Table No. 3 Recommendations and Distribution of Support, under Quadrennial Program - Southwest Conference

Suggested Annual Income (\$1.00 per member)	
Ear-marked for current budget	\$4,799.00
Judget	2 220 00

Diverted to Capital Funds (Paragraph 2018, Sec. 3-e 1956 Discipline) \$1,479.00

PART III - RECOMMENDATIONS

- 1. We recommend a strong Program of Cultivation and Interpretation of the facts regarding the total Program of Christian Higher Education and Philander Smith College to the people of our Conference. We suggest a series of Seminars and Institutes in larger centers, at which time films of the Work be shown and "Workshop" groups organized. We recommend that Inspirational Meetings be held at night following "Workshops" in order that Christian Education may be held up in such way as to make its contribution to the Evangelization of the world through a trained Christian leadership.
- 2. We recommend wider use of students from Philander Smith College in a Program of Religious Education on the District level and in Local Churches during the summer months. The College has consented to provide special training for such persons, and a Scholarship of \$200 per person for each 8-week period of service. We ask that all requests for these summer workers be filed with the President of the College not latr than February 1 for the Summer succeeding. The College also provides such help to Churches within commuting distance of the Campus during the regular school session. We further recommend that plans for using students during regular session be worked out by the College and the Conference Board of Education.
- 3. We recommend use of the members of the Faculty and Staff of Philander Smith by District Superintendents and Local Churches wherever their services may be needed. We strongly recommend the plan for utilization of students where requested to do so recommended in 2, above and call upon our District Superintendents, our Conference Executive Secretary, and our Pastors

to provid opportunities for making wider use of these students who must become the leaders of the Church in the days ahead.

- 4. We recommend that a Committee on Wills, Legacies, and Insurance on behalf of Educational Institutions be established in each Local Church for the purpose of implementing Endowment and Expansion necessary to give permanence to our Program of Higher Education.
- 5. We recommend that recruitment efforts for Christian Vocations be redoubled in each Local Church and in each District of the Conference, in order to meet the growing needs for trained persons dedicated to full-time Christian Service. We strongly urge that these young persons be encouraged to enroll at Institutions of the Methodist Church in order to enhance the probability for commitment and training for full-time Christian service.
- 6. We recommend the minimum giving of \$1.30 for Christian Higher Education by each Church member (\$1.00 for the College, and 30 cents for Wesley E Wesley Foundation) of the Southwest Annual Conference.
- 7. We recommend that all above \$3,320.00 for Annual Current Budget of Philander Smith College from the Annual Conference income be placed in the Development Program.

REPORT ON SUPPORT FOR PHILANDER SMITH COLLEGE SOUTHWEST ANNUAL CONFERENCE

July 1, 1956 — June 30, 1957

LITTLE ROCK DISTRICT

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Amount

Charges	\$ 10.00
Center Point Conway Ct	10.00
Conway Ct. Brown Ch.	29.00
Brown	01.00
Duncan Chapel Fayettevill	80.00
Fayetteville	77.00
Fayetteville Horatio Ct.	225.00
L001	05.00
Morrit	17 00
Murt	5.00
'dlim-1	91.00
Stam. Till Ct.	97 00
Fo. 24 Ct.	20.00
Van - Ad	100.00
Weel well	86.00
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Memorial Memorial	

RolandFort Smith	10.00
TOTAL	1237.00
OKLAHOMA DISTRI	ICT
Anadarko	\$ 5.00
Eufaula-Porter Guthrie-Langston	25.00
Guthrie-Langston Muskogee	9.00
Muskogee Oklahoma City	9.00
Oklahoma City	70.00
SulphurTulsa	200.00
Tulsa	5.00
	20.00
TOTAL	
NOPTH L	\$479.00
NORTH LITTLE ROCK D	DISTRICT
Carthage Clarendon	7.00
Clarendon Fordyce	20.00
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Porrest City	15.00
Lonoke	15.00
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THE QUADRENNIAL EMPHASIS HIGHER EDUCATION IN COLLEGES & UNIVERSITIES

At this hour a college education is considered essential for all professions. for most business careers, for technical research. For practically any job now, the first question asked is "What training do you have?"

Hence it has become necessary to fit the plans of the Church into the

demands of the hour. In 1944 the "Crusade for Christ" was instituted as an answer to the call for rebuilding the waste places; In 1948 the "Advance for Christ" Christ" was projected into Methodism for two specific reasons:

- 1. To conserve gains made by the crusade
- 2. Tto step up the missionary efforts on all fronts

Now in order to meet the demands of higher education, the Church has instituted its "Education for Christ" movement, an effort to expand and strengthen the educational program of Methodism in its entirety.

It was recently pointed out in a poll of business executives that over 50% m had a poll of business executives that over 50% of them had received their training from Church and privately supported in-stitutions stitutions.

There are above 120 educational institutions related to the Methodist Church and few others will be established. However, most of those in existence will concern and improving their will concentrate on improving the quality of work offered and improving their Church release. Church relationship; thus emphasizing the term "Christian" in the training of young minds. young minds. This will be done by-

- 1. Tightening the bonds that bind our educational institutions to
- 2. Steering our schools and colleges to a thorough commitment to
- 3. Directing our Church in an effort to undergird institutions with adequate financial and moral support.

The program, as presented by the Quadrennial Commission on Christian tion, challenger of the commission of the commissio The program, as presented by the Quadrennial Commission on Education, challenges the whole of Methodism to pool its imagination, available resources and lead to the program of the progra resources and leadership to meet the existing need in higher learning.

Our basic task is interpretation. True, increased financial support is but with the created within needed; but with the right understanding a climate will be created within the Church which the Church which will strengthen each institution religiously, academically and support of the continued support of the c financially. There will be developed a consciousness of continued support of

our Educational Institutions. If we are to meet this educational demand, we must produce scholarly. These leaders and leaders. These leaders are prone to formulate and produce American ideals and These leaders are prone to formulate and produce American ideals and these leaders are prone to formulate and produce American ideals and the basis values. These leaders are prone to formulate and produce American ideas of any program of the destiny of our students, who form the basis of any program of higher education in Methodism.

In this particular program, if we fail to reach the student, all our work

Our institutions of learning are the Church's bulwarks against the unrest belief which with large to win the battle unless and Our institutions of learning are the Church's bulwarks against the they are strong and we dare not hope to win the battle unless offered strong and we dare not hope to win the enrichment offered strong and the control of the co they are strong and sturdy. Hence, a program which recognizes the defense of Christian idealies by the Church. offered by the Church; and at the same time, builds the defense of the with the church; and at the same time, offers unmeasured possibilities of the church; and trains of the church; and the same time, builds the defense of the church; and the same time, builds the defense of the church; and the same time, offers unmeasured possibilities of the church; and trains of the church; and trains of the church; and the church is the church in the church is the church in the church in the church in the church in the church is the church in the church idealism and trains the leadership of tomorrow, offers unmeasured possibilities Christi. with this belief to work upon our Church Colleges and the relationship of the Christian faith to the various phases of learning.

In closing, may I quote: "Since the founding of the first Methodist college by Francis Asbury, the church has looked to its schools for leadership. Without its colleges, the Methodist Church would be a ship without a rudder, a robot without conviction. Our colleges have served us well in the past, but will do an even better job in the future. Church and college will work toward a better tomorrow for all the world."-(Henry Kaestline)

Submitted by:

John S. Cullins.

BOARD OF MISSIONS AND CHURCH EXTENSION

RECOMMENDATIONS:

- (1) We recommend that the Conference Board of Missions and Church Extension plan and hold a Conference-wide School of Missions or an Institute.
 - (2) That each District hold a District-wide School of Missions.
 - (a) We recommend that some plan be set up to finance each of the two Schools, as aforementioned in articles One and Two.
- (3) We further recommend that each local Church Commission on Missions conduct a Church-wide School of Missions and that the Pastor serve
- (4) We recommend that each application from Pastors asking for aid from the Board of National Missions send enough postage or cash to defray the expense of mailing the forms to the persons responsible for the execution of

Humbly submitted,

Board of Missions and Church Extension James C. Tyus, Chairman

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF TEMPERANCE

Southwest Annual Conference Fort Smith, Arkansas June 14, 1957

The Board of Temperance of the Southwest Annual Conference will cooperate in the fellowship of the Regional Conference in Dallas, Texas, February 5, 1958, under the auspices of The General Board of Temperance of The

It is our ultimate goal to have an inward spiritual urge for all social concerns of the human reforms of life. We are aware of the perils of destruction to individual Christian personalities. To this end, we shall be participants in

Conference, District, and Sub-district Workshops that we amy establish higher ideals for fitting our society to a richer service for such a time as this.

We are deeply appreciative of the election of our Area Bishop Matthew W. Clair, Jr., to the General Board of Social and Economic Relations at the recent meeting of the Board in Washington, D. C.

Humbly submitted:

W. H. D. Bright, Chairman Oliver W. Gibson, Secretary E. T. Hickman Clifton Mitchell

REPORT OF BOARD OF EVANGELISM OF THE SOUTHWEST CONFERENCE

June 13, 1957

Bishop Clair and Members of The Southwest Conference:

The Conference Board of Evangelism submits the following report of forts to promote it. Our efforts to promote the work of Evangelism in the Churches of the Conference, in keeping with the work of Evangelism in the Churches of our Annual Conference, the conference with the conference and in keeping with the program voted upon by the last session of our Annual ConRece, and the Conference of the Conference ference, and that which was recommended by our General and Jurisdiction Boards of Evangelism.

At a meeting of the Conference Board of Evangelism held at Philander College, Little 2 Smith College, Little Rock, Arkansas, July 25, 1956, the following schedule bross arranged for the Conference Board of Evangelism held at Indiana Was arranged for the Process arranged for the Proc was arranged for training of pastors and laymen who will participate in the program of the It. program of the United Evangelistic Mission.

To do a good job requires full participation on the part of every member of church. of a local church. All organizations must function as such.

The following training centers were set up: Lawton, Oklahoma, September 28th Forrest City, Arkansas, October 4th

Dr. W. D. Lester, Associate Secretary, General Board of Evangelism
H. Oliver, Conference of Evangelism were in charge. and J. W. D. Lester, Associate Secretary, General Board charge.

H. Oliver, Conference Secretary of Evangelism were in charge.

Arkansas Division, November 9-17. Attendance 1766, Offering \$355.00.

Received on November 9-17. Attendance and from other De-United Evangelistic Mission: Received on Profession of Faith 24, Transfers and from other Denominations 10

Oklahoma Division: December 8-14. Attendance 912, Offering \$200.00.

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In each of these Missions efforts were made to reclaim the inactive and indifferent members and to deepen the Spiritual Life of all members. It was a preaching and visitation endeavor. Each member of a local church was invited to make a Spiritual Covenant in which he would indicate his purpose to attend church regularly, to observe grace at meals, to have Family Devotions, to read the Bible and pray daily, to tithe, to serve in the church, and to live for Christ.

The Church Attendance Movement was observed in the Churches throughout the Conference from January to Easter. Many of the Churches reported noticeable increases in Church Attendance and Membership. The theme for the year was, "The Answer Is God." A special observance of "The Four Nights for God" from Palm Sunday to Easter was a major emphasis in many

Constantly aware of the supreme importance of Christian Evangelism in the continuous life of the Methodist Church, and profoundly concerned that the Southwest Conference, every District and Charge may be in one accord in their determination; We, your Board of Evangelism, seek to challenge the people called Methodists of our conference to a great forward movment in reaching the unreached for Christ and the Church.

The Methodist Church has a great job to do and we are concerned that it be done to the glory of Christ. The birth rate in America continues to increase. It is estimated that 42,000,000 babies will be born in the next year, thus giving us a 39% increase in population. It is further estimated that by 1970 half of the population of the United States will be under twenty-one years

Today, there are 70,000,000 unchurched persons in the United States. It is disturbing to note that from 1950-1955 our population increased 10% and that our Church membership increased only 4.2%. It is also disturbing to note that our Evangelistic ratio in the Southwest Conference was 25.3% for the year 1956-57. This is an indication that it took twenty-five persons to win one other on Profession of Faith. We must strive to improve this ratio; we must realize that our chief mission is to win the world for Christ. With steadily increasing populations, we must not be content with the rate of progress which we are now making. We must rise to meet the challenge of the hour and launch an Evangelistic Mission which will produce, at least, a minimum ofgrowth equal to the growth of our population. The urgency of the times should drive us to our knees seeking the Spiritual vitality and power necessary to meet the

RECOMMENDATIONS:

- 1. That a Seminar for the training of the Conference and District Boards be held at the beginning of the Conference year.
 - (a) That each District Board will in turn conduct similar seminars on a sub-district level for the purpose of training the members of the local church Commission on Membership and Evangelism.
 - 2. A Conference-wide retreat for ministers be held as early in the new

conference year as possible. That this retreat be conducted by the Resident Bishop or a staff member of the General Board of Evangelism. We further suggest the sugges suggest that the first period of the retreat be devoted to pastoral evangelism. The second period for spiritual enrichment of the minister's own life.

- a. A similar retreat for laymen at the same time, but separate.
- 3. A "Preaching Reaching Revival" in every charge during the year with the following preparation and emphasis:
 - a. Finding prospects
 - 1. Through the local church Community survey
 - 3. Selecting and training workers
 - b. Each local church will select and employ its own evangelist in in keeping with paragraph 353-363, Methodist Discipline 1956.
- 4. A Youth Christian Witness Mission, conference-wide, be held Nov. 29 - Dec. 1, 1957.
- 5. That each pastor lead his people in the observance of the holy habits church
 - 1. Help the people to have effective personal daily prayer and Bible
 - 2. Establish family devotions in the homes of the people.
 3. Road in spirit,
 - 3. Regular weekly prayer meetings which is vital in spirit, significant in attention
 - 4. Establish annual prayer vigils as a corporate experience in continuous tinuous prayer.
- 6. That each District Superintendent take special leadership in conducting revivals, missions and any other evangelistic method necessary to establish and revivals, missions and any other evangelistic method necessary to euryevs, establish revivals, missions and any other evangelistic method necessary and promote the work in urban and industrial sections of his district.

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 - 1. Select and train ministerial and lay teams to conduct surveys,
 - 2. Call in teams of preachers for an effective revival session.
 - 7. Special Days and Seasons authorized by the General Church.

 1. World And Seasons authorized by the General Church.
 - 1. World-wide Communion Sunday, October 6, 1957.
 - a. Seek to commune every member

 - c. Have visitation teams to visit all prospects to win them for
 - Christ and the Church. Christmas for Christ – December, 1957.
 - a. Use Christian Christmas greeting cards
 - Give gifts and not exchange presents c. Hold Christian family celebrations at Christmas
 - Attend Christmas worship services
 - Have visitation evangelism program during the Advent Season Keep Christian World Wide Church attendance Movement - January 1-Easter 1958.

- 4. The observance of the Lenten Season Feb. 19 April 6, 1958. Lent is the most meaningful season of the year and affords great opportunity for stressing church attendance and Christian commitments.
 - a. Conduct training classes for preparatory members, teaching them what it means to be a Christian. How to become a
 - Find and enlist new prospects.
 - c. Conduct a visitation, preaching, reaching revival.
 - Win at least five new members for Christ and His church.
- The observance of Holy Week
 - a. Four Nights for God
- b. Easter Service
- 6. Assimilation Easter to Pentecost Sunday
 - a. Membership classes The meaning of church membership
 - b. Developing the holy habits
 - c. Evangelism of stewardship.

Humbly submitted:

Clifton Mitchell, Chairman I. H. Oliver Ira A. Pointer, Secretary

REPORT OF TELEVISION, RADIO, AND FILM COMMISSION

Mrs. Edith Strong, Chairman, presided.

The importance and the growing need of the use of Audio-visual Aids was the major objective of this period of discussion.

Many of the current films and teaching aids were presented and given the unanimous approval of the Commission.

RECOMMENDATIONS:

- (a) That the Conference Television, Film, and Radio Commission be organized in compliance with Paragraph 1583, The Discipline of The Methodist
- (b) That each local church organize a Committee on Television, Radio, and Film as a medium of promoting the Television Ministry.

Mrs. Edith Strong, Chairman

REPORT OF NOMINATION OF CONFERENCE LAY LEADER Fort Smith, Arkansas

June 15, 1957

The Conference Board of Lay Activities met with J. Herbert Touchstone

to nominate a Conference Lay Leader. This procedure was taken on account of the feet. of the failure of N. R. Coulter to convene the Board, leaving the Conference without without consent of the members of the Conferenc, and failure to make a report of his Stewardship.

The vote was by ballot. On the sixth ballot, G. James Washington was nominated Conference Lay Leader.

OFFICERS OF THE CONFERENCE BOARD OF LAY ACTIVITIES

Title Rock District

NP	Little Rock District	
N. R. Coulter, Leader	Mineral Springs, Arkansas	
John S. Cullins, Associate	Little Rock, Arkansas	
Associate		

North Little Rock District

James -	North Little Rock District	Arkansas
James B. Porter, Leader	North Little Rock District 3128 Gaines Street, Little Rock,	Alkum
Monroe Trans	3120 Games -	Arkansas
Monroe Williams, Associate	Route 4, Box 984, Pine Bluff,	

Oklahoma District

H. A.	Oklahoma District Oklahoma
H. A. Magill, Leader	Oklahoma District 1344 N. Norfolk Street, Tulsa, Oklahoma 1344 N. Norfolk Street, Tulsa, Oklahoma
W. H. McCane, Associate	

REPORT OF THE SOUTHWEST CONFERENCE BOARD OF TRUSTEES COMMITTEE ON INCORPORATION

The Committee reports the incorporation of the Southwest Conference Methodist Cl. of the Committee reports the incorporation of the Southwest Control Circuit Court at Living Central Jurisdiction, St. Louis Area, in the Pulaski Committee Court at Living Central Jurisdiction, St. Louis Area, in the that the transfer, Circuit Court at Little Rock, Arkansas, (See Section VII) and further that the and distribute will off the sale, transfer, and distribute the sale, transfer, and transfer Committee will effect the necessary legal action to conduct the sale, transfer, given and disposal of such properties as are listed in this report, pursuant the authority at the Approvious as are listed in this report, pursuant the authority given at the Annual Conference of the year, 1956.

RECOMMENDATIONS: 1. We recommend that the Weleetka, Oklahoma, property be sold. This 1. We recommend that the Weleetka, Oklahoma, property be ference which which and rescinds the prior action taken at the property to ference which authorized the dismantling and removal of the property to Lawton, Oklahoma Lawton, Oklahoma.

2. We recommend the request reported by the District Superintendent, brown, that we dismantle the permitted to dismantle the permitted the E. M. 2. We recommend the request reported by the District Superinted the church property of Lee's Chapel be permitted to dismantle the property of Carriages Chapel, or Forrest City, church Johnson, that members of Lee's Chapel be permitted to dismand City, property and remove the same to Scruggs Chapel, or Forrest City, Arkansas. The aforementioned action is to be referred to the District Board of Church Location and Building.

> Fay Norman, Chairman 543 N. 7th Street Muskogee, Oklahoma.

Clifton Mitchell, Secretary 316 E. Street Texarkana, Arkansas.

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE SOUTHWEST CONFERENCE

The Board of Trustees of the Southwest Conference requests that all ministers and laymen having information concerning abandoned properties, please get detailed information and forward the same to B. F. Littlejohn,

During the Conference year, the following properties have been sold: Lincoln, Arkansas (Washington County) - Price \$200.00.

We now have the following properties which have been abandoned: Plainview, Yell County, Arkansas

Jackson Port, Jackson County, Arkansas

Cleveland, Conway County, Arkansas

Altheimer, Jefferson County, Arkansas

Hughes, St. Francis County, Arkansas

Eudora, Chicot County, Arkansas

Augusta, Woodruff County, Arkansas

Crawfordsville, Crittenden County, Arkansas

Camden, Ouachita County, Arkansas Bentonville, Benton County, Arkansas

Grandfield, Oklahoma

Chocotah, Oklahoma

Weleetka, Oklahoma

Pawhuska, Oklahoma

Horse Prairie, Oklahoma

Hensessay, Oklahoma

B. F. Littlejohn, Chairman Clifton Mitchell, Secretary

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON COURTESY

Bishop Clair, Officers and Members of the Southwest Conference and Friends:

We the Members of the 80th Session of the Southwest Conference, wish to express our gratitude and deep appreciation for the lovely reception extended us by the M. Barrell and deep appreciation for the lovely reception extended us by the Mallalieu Methodist Church, Fort Smith, Arkansas. We have enjoyed your home til your home-like comforts and conveniences provided for our stay.

To Reverend and Mrs. C. C. Hall, Members of Mallalieu Church, the Kitchen Staff, and friends of this wholesome Community: We realize that your efforts might efforts might at times seemed to have been futile. However, we assure you that your affine seemed to have been futile. However, we assure you that your efforts have not been in vain. You have done an excellent job.

"To whom much is given, much is required."

We know why Bishop Clair expects us to do great things. First, God has blessed us with much. Secondly, Bishop Clair is giving his best that we might devalor with much. Secondly, Bishop Clair is giving his best that we might develop into the kind of people God would have us be. We as a Conference appropriate the kind of people God would have us be. ference appreciate your attitude, concern and guidance in trying to help us. We pledge to your attitude, concern and guidance in trying to your expectation of people concern and guidance in trying to your trying to you our loyalty and support and will strive to measure up to your expectations.

After a rather strenous day, it was indeed refreshing to travel on the wings of imagination, visiting the Far East and being able to appreciate the beauty and culture of brothers through the pictures that Mrs. Clair shared with us on last with us on last evening.

We should like to thank our Area Representatives, The Reverend Maceo D. We should like to thank our Area Representatives, The Reverence, and the Reverend Herror his untiring concern for the Southwest Conference, and the Reverend Herror Reverend Hermes Zimmerman for his gift and continuing interest in the Ministers Reserve Pension Program.

To the General Board Members: Dr. J. H. Touchstone, Reverend T. B. Echols, Dr. Edward D. Staples, Dr. Walter C. Eyster, and our own Attorney State Told Flower W. Harold Flowers we give a vote of thanks for the timely reports on the state of the Church through the various boards represented.

We lift our hearts in thanksgiving and praise to God for the wonderful dim Meditary Communion We lift our hearts in thanksgiving and praise to God for the world Methodist Church Six One of the Wethodist Church Methodist Church.

To the local visiting Ministers and Laymen: We sincerely appreciate person, by the Reverend Pearson, of your To the local visiting Ministers and Laymen: We sincerely appropriately presence and participation, especially the sermon by the Reverend Pearson, the local participation, especially the sermon by the afternoon of the local participation, especially the sermon by the afternoon of the local participation, especially the sermon by the afternoon of the local participation. minister of the Ninth Street Baptist Church, delivered on the call of service.

Lach be 13th. It stand June 13th. It stands as a beacon light to all who would hear the call of service.

Christian brotherhood. Each has helped to create the true spirit of Christian brotherhood.

As we conclude these hours of Christian fellowship with you, we leave outlook with a As we conclude these hours of Christian fellows outlook on love, hope and Christian service.

Donald Grant Mrs. Lula M. Tillmon Edwin C. Sanders, Chairman

REPORT OF THE COMMISSION ON WORLD SERVICE AND FINANCE

Eightieth Session of the Southwest Conference Fort Smith, Arkansas, June 13-16, 1957

FINANCIAL DEPARTMENT

Episcopal Fund, 2% of Pastor's Cash Salary. Conference Claimants, 15% of Pastor's Salary.

Apportionments figured on a percentage basis for the Districts are:

1.	Little	Rock	District		
9	NI			***************************************	33%

North Little Rock District _____36%

APPORTIONMENTS BY DISTRICTS - 1957-58

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1. 2.	Conference Claimants	\$ 462.00 1,924.79	N. LITTLE ROCK \$ 504.00 2,110.68	OKLAHOMA \$ 434.00 1,817.63	TOTAL \$1,400.00 5,853.00
1.	ADMINISTRATIVE EXPE	NSE			19850
2.	Administration	356.47	372.24	234.29	963.00
3.	Area Expense Jurisdictional Conference		1,322.64	1,138.94	3,674.00
4.	Bonding and Audit		218.88	203.98	640.00
5.	Treasurer's Expense	165.00	180.00	155.00	500.00
6.	Conference Secretary	396.00	432.00	372.00	1,200.00
7.	Conference Minutes	66.00	72.00	62.00	200.00
		236.28	257.76	221.96	716.00
8.	GENERAL AND CONFER World Service	ENCE BE	NEVOLENCE		
9.		1 504 00	1,663.20	1,332.20	4,520.00
10.	Bd. of EducationBd. of Missions		2,523.60	2,173.10	7,010.00
11.	Bd. of Lay Activities	657.03	716.76	607.21	1,981.00
12.	Comm. of Social & Relations	303.90	348.56	285.31	937.77
13.	Bd. of Evangelism	99.00	108.00	93.00	300.00
14.	Bd. of Pensions	382.47	417.24	359.29	1,159.00
		66.00	72.00	62.00	200.00

15.	Interdenominational	LITTLE ROCK	N. LITTLE ROCK	OKLAHOMA	TOTAL
	op, rind	66.00	72.00	62.00	200.00
	Service on World		132.48	114.08	368.00
17.	TUSPItale and Tr	60.23	65.68	56.58	182.49
20.	Salaries Advance	3,366.00	3,672.00	3,162.00	10,200.00 5,300.00
21.	Reco	1,650.00	2,100.00	1,550.00	
	and Loan Fund	1,650.00	2,100.00	1,550.00	5,300.00
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2,	Wesley F	1,624.26	1,771.92	1,525.52	4,922.00
3.	(.30 per member)	487.28		457.75	1,476.60
	1 12	165.00	180.00	165.00	500.00
Bd.	of Cl. Winistry	49.50	54.00	45.50	149.00
	of Christian Vocation	66.00		62.00	200.00
		\$17,301.32	\$19,456.53	\$16,041.00	\$52,798.86

RECOMMENDATIONS COMMISSION ON WORLD SERVICE

Conference That all amounts contributed in each local church for world service, benevolences and district superintendent's salary shall be remitted to the local of the local nonthly benevolences and district superintendent's salary shall be remaced amounts from the local-church treasurer to the conference treasurer, who shall divide the divide the proper assistance of each month divide the total amount thus received, setting aside the proper southwest conference to the ratio established by the local church treasurer to the conference treasurer, who standard for conference the total amount thus received, setting aside the proper to the ratio established by the amount for conference benevolence, according to the ratio established by the Southwest Annual Conference benevolence, according to the ratio established Par 804.3). Southwest Annual Conference benevolence, according to the ratio established by and and 2. The Council on World Service

and Finance and Conference. (Discipline of the Moral on World Service Standardizing and with the Connection of Lay Activities in promoting and the finance.)

Standardizing and with the General Board of Lay Activities in promoting and the finance. standardizing and with the General Board of Lay Activities in promoting and standardizing the financial system in the local churches of the conference.

that 3. That the fiscal year of the Southwest Conference close May 31, and reported askings not in the treasurer's office by 4:30 p.m. of the said date be reported as delinquent.

^{3.} Oklahoma District ____

- 5. That the conference treasurer send monthly reports to the chairman of the Commission on World Service in order that it (the commission) may be in position to assist in the collection of funds due all departments of the general church,
- 6. That the commission be authorized to prepare budget request and expense reporting forms.
- 7. That local pastors encourage members to make pledges and work to the end that pledges are collected and reported monthly in order that claims of the general church be paid monthly and that the Commission on World Service and Finance be in position to cooperate with church and charges that are delinquent.
- 8. That district superintendents be encouraged to inquire into the status of claims due and paid at each quarterly conference, but that the collection and reporting of claims be in accordance with Par. 804.3, of The Methodist
- 9. That bids for the printing of the conference minutes be solicited and that the contract to print the minutes be let on the joint written approval of the chairman on Journal and the chairman of the Commission on World
- 10. That the Southwest Conference observe Golden Cross Sunday, on the day designated by the Conference and that the services and offering be in keeping with the instructions of the conference and its duly authorized

*Suggested Annual Income (\$1.00 per member)....

Diverted to Capital Funds (Par. 2018.3, 1956 Discipline)...... \$1,479.00 ••• To be apportioned \$75.00 to each scholarship.

Respectfully submitted,

F. A. Young, Acting Chmn. Henrietta H. Torrence L T. Thompson M. A. Lawson

224 Meers Building Little Rock, Arkansas October 22, 1957

World Service and Finance Commission Southwest Conference - Methodist Church Little Rock, Arkansas Gentlemen:

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of the Southwest Conference of the Methodist Church, for the eperiod July 1, of 6, through Man Office of the Methodist Church, for the eperiod July 1, of 6, through Man Office of the Methodist Church, for the eperiod July 1, of 6, through Man Office of the Methodist Church, for the eperiod July 1, of 6, through Man Office of the Methodist Church, for the eperiod July 1, of 6, through Man Office of the Methodist Church, for the eperiod July 1, of 6, through Man Office of the Methodist Church, for the eperiod July 1, of 6, through Man Office of the Methodist Church, for the eperiod July 1, of 6, through Man Office of the Methodist Church, for the eperiod July 1, of 6, through Man Office of the Methodist Church, for the eperiod July 1, of 6, through Man Office of the Methodist Church, for the eperiod July 1, of 6, through Man Office of the Methodist Church, for the eperiod July 1, of 6, through Man Office of the Methodist Church, for the eperiod July 1, of 6, through Man Office of the Methodist Church, for the eperiod July 1, of 6, through Man Office of the Methodist Church, for the eperiod July 1, of 6, through Man Office of the Methodist Church, for the eperiod July 1, of 6, through Man Office of the Methodist Church, for the eperiod July 1, of 6, through Man Office of the Methodist Church, for the eperiod December of the eperiod Audit has been completed of the records of Eustace F. Wallace, Treasurer Southwest C. Audit has been completed of the records of Eustace F. Wallace, Treasurer 1956, through May 31, 1957, and presented herewith is Exhibit A, Statement of Cash Receips and Disbursements for this period.

The treasurer's records consisted of carbon copies of receipts issued to Various churches classed by districts, bank statements and canceled checks, a general book of cash receipts and disbursements, and correspondence showing money received from the Board of National Missions.

addition, there was cash on hand of \$863.35, received from churches on May which was cash on hand of \$863.35, received from churches on May 1957, which was cash on hand of \$863.35, received from churches on May 1957. At May 31, 1957, the conference had cash in bank of \$3,401.52 and in

through May 31 1057.

Respectfully submitted,

E. Eugene Mapes, Certified Public Accountant

EXHIBIT A

SOUTHWEST CONFERENCE—METHODIST CHURCH

STATEMENT OF CASH RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS CASH RECEIPT July 9, 1956 Through Mar

Board Through May 31, 1957	
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Advance From Board of Pensions North Little Rock District - Per Receipt Books Little Rock District - Per Receipt Books North Rock District - Per Receipt Books	\$ 3,583.33
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North Little Rock District — Per Receipt Books Little Rock District — Per Receipt Books Little Rock District — Per Receipt Books North Little Rock District — Per Receipt Books Oklahoma District — Per Receipt Books Sale of I District — Reserve Pension Fund	8,797.35
North Little Rock District — Per Receipt Books Oklahoma District — Per Receipt Books Oklahoma District — Reserve Pension Fund Proceeds of at Line Leserve Pension Fund	2,894 68
() I Clark Books	0,000.00
Oklahoma District – Reserve Pension Fund Sale of Lot at Lincoln, Arkansas Loan – 1st Nat'l Bank, Little Rock	588.50
Proces Lot District - Reserve Pension Fund	602.00
of Lincoln Pension Fund	589.00
Loan la Arkansas	300.00
Sale on Entre Reserve Pension Fund Sale of Lot at Lincoln, Arkansas Loan - 1st Nat'l Bank, Little Rock	1,200.00

General Board of Education – Nashville Receipts From Miscellaneous		500.00 224.03
TOTAL CASH RECEIPTS	***************************************	\$26,425.25
CASH DISBURSEMENTS:		
Salary of Three District Superintendents Maintenance of Missions Repayment to Board of Pensions Philander Smith College Thomas B Lugg — World Service and Week of Dedication Salary — E. F. Wallace, Treasurer Salary — E. C. Sanders, Secretary Supplies, Telephone and Travel of Treasurer Supplies and Travel of E. C. Sanders Loan Payments — 1st National Bank — Little Rock Evangelistic and Other Travel Expense Bishop M. W. Clair — Area Council Bishop M. W. Clair — Minutes Bishop M. W. Clair — Gift to Malaya Minutes — Preparation and Printing Audit Expense Bond Premium Episcopal Churchmen's Association Refund on Sale of Lot at Lincoln, Arkansas Leadership School Expense E. C Sanders — Rally Day Willis Johnson — MYF — Okla. City Dist.	3,266.55 747.50 1,237.00 2,130.00 788.00 825.00 89.79 484.59 1,240.66 50.34 1,657.00 296.00 29.00 350.00 75.00 37.50 82.50 100.00 47.45 102.60 8.00	
Southwest Conference	10.00	
TOTAL CASH DISBURSEMENTS		\$22,160.38
MAY 31, 1957		
First National Bank and Trust Co. Oklah		\$ 4,264.87
First National Bank and Trust Co., Oklahoma City Cash on Hand May 31, 1957, deposited June 4, 1957 TOTAL CASH IN PANK AND TOTAL		
TOTAL CASH IN BANK AND ON HAND AT MAY 31	, 1957	\$ 4,264.87

SECTION VII—HISTORICAL

ENABLING ACT

Whereas the Little Rock Conference and the southwest portion of the Lincoln Conference, comprising the state of Oklahoma, were merged to form what is now. what is now known as The Southwest Conference, November 28, 1928, at McGehee, Arkansas.

Be it resolved that: The notation of the Annual Sessions be dated from the time of origin of the Little Rock Conference, February 21, 1879, at Van Buren, Arkansas.

Be it further resolved that: That all times, during the existence of the Southwest Communication recognition Said Southwest Conference or in consideration of future mergers, recognition of the contribute of in consideration of future mergers, recognition of the contribution of the former Lincoln Conference be duly reflected

The foregoing instrument expresses the desires of the Cabinet and The foregoing instrument expresses the desires of the Capital 23, 1956. the Southwest Conference in session at Ardmore, Oklahoma, June

Edwin C. Sanders, Secretary.

IN THE PULASKI COUNTY CIRCUIT COURT

Incorporation of "The Southwest Conference of the Methodist Church"

Eustace F. Wallace, Joyce G. Dozier and others, in their articles of association,

Conference of the name of this organization shall be and is "The Southwest Chester Street in Little Point Church" with temporary headuarters at 1418 Chester Street in Little Rock, Arkansas.

Outlined That the objects and purposes of this organization are successful promotion of religions to the promotion of religions to the mutual benefit of its members, for such other purposes as may be and conduct of the promotion a benevolent basis, for the mutual benefit of its members, such benevolent with the laws activities and for such other purposes as may be consistent with the laws of Arkansas governing the operation and conduct of such benevolent associations.

3. That a list of the officers and members are as follows: Bishop Matthew W. Clair, Jr. President Edwin C. Sanders G. James Washington and Secretary Ernestine Washington and Ira A. D. Assistant Secretaries
Statistician Ira A. Pointer

J. H. Thompson and Clifton Mitchell Assistant Statisticians Eustace F. Wallace Treasurer Joyce G. Dozier Registrar

Members of the Board of Trustees are as follows:

Faye Norman, Chairman A. L. Woodard Ernest English B. F. Littleiohn Clifton Mitchell Frank A. Young C. C. Hall W. H. Bass W. Harold Flowers

A list of the members are as follows:

Garfield F. Tipton, Phamous H. Kelley, Benjamin F. Neal, General G. Troupe, Anthony L. Woodard, John H. Oliver, Benjamin F. Littlejohn, William H. D. Bright, Cortelyou C. Hall, Frank Sanders, Cleveland G. Tillmon, Daniel D. Hawkins Ira A. Pointer, Emanuel M. Johnson, E. L. Stewart, Fay Norman, J. I. Davis, Eustace F. Wallace, James C. Tyus, Simmie P. Holland, Elliott M. Douglas, Roy B. Brown, Elizah T. Hickman, Clifton C. Mitchell, Charles H. Roe, Edwin C. Sanders, Joyce G. Dozier, Lewis T. Thompson, Hilliard A. Davie, Carter L. Watson, Oliver W. Gibson, William H. Bass, Jr., E. L. Lloyd, Franklin C. Souder, Ralph G. Nathan, and others.

4. That attached hereto is a copy of the constitution which is made a part and parcel of this petition for incorporation.

WHEREFORE, petitioners pray that they be declared a body politic under the name and style of "The Southwest Conference of the Methodist Church, with temporary situs in the city of Little Rock, Arkansas, as provided under Sections 2252-2261 inclusive of Pope's Digest of the laws of Arkansas, providing for incorporation of benevolent association, and for all further and

> Bishow Matthew W. Clair, Jr. Edwin C. Sanders Ira A. Pointer Eustace F. Wallace Joyce C. Dozier By: Thad D. Williams, their attorney

CONSTITUTION

First. The name of said corporation shall be "The Southwest Conference of the Methodist Church."

Second. The object of said corporation shall be to receive, hold and administer any and all moneys, funds and property, real and personal, that may from time to time come into its hands by donation, gift, devise, bequest or otherwise for any of the uses, purposes and needs of the Southwest Conference, particularly funds and property for the use and benefit of superannuated preachers, and the widows and orphans of deceased preachers of said Conference.

Third. Said Board is authorized to invest or place at interest any and all funds that may come into its hands for the use and benefit of the said Conference and shall make a full and complete report of its acts and doings in that hall make a full and complete report of its acts and doings in that behalf to the annual meetings of the said Southwest Conference for its approved to the annual meetings of the said Southwest Conference for its approval, showing disposition of the interest and funds so received, provided always the always the Board shall carry out the wishes of the donors of said funds or E

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Fourth. That all vacancies in said Board shall be filled by the said Southwest Conference, but in the interim such vacancies may be filled by the remainder of said Board, and the persons so appointed to fill vacancies shall hold until the next meeting of the said Conference.

Fifth. That the regular meeting of said Board shall be on the first day annual some the conference of the annual session of the said Conference and at same place as the conference

Board whenever deemed necessary. Provided also the President of the Board may call a meeting of the

Sixth. That the officers of said Board shall consist of a President, Secretary and Treasurer, who shall be elected every two years, provided those elected the first most. at the first meeting shall hold until the regular annual meeting.

Seventh. Four members shall constitute a quorum for the transaction

IN THE PULASKI COUNTY CIRCUIT COURT

In Corporation of "The Southwest Conference of the Methodist Church" #44296

Southwest Conference of the Methodist Church" be declared a body politic Sections 2250 2250 under Sections 2252-2261 inclusive of Pope's Digest of the laws of Arkansas.

IT 10

that the IS THEREFORE CONSIDERED, ORDERED AND ADJUDCE charter Detition is granted and the Clerk of this Court is directed to issue a

Guy Amsler, Circuit Judge.

Jan. 20, 1884 July 7, 1887

March 6, 1888

SESSIONS OF THE LITTLE ROCK CONFERENCE

Da	te		Place	Bishop	C
1879	Feb.	21	Van Buren		Secretary
1880	Feb.		Van Buren	Andrews	I. G. Pollard
1881	Feb.	3	Jacksonport	Merrill	I. G. Pollard
1882	Feb.	9	Hot Springs	Foss	I. G. Pollard
1883	Feb.	8	Little Rock	Peck	I. G. Pollard
1884	Feb.	-	Pine Bluff	Hurst	I. G. Pollard
1885	Feb.		Little Rock	Wiley	W. O. Emory
1886	Feb.		Van Buren	Mallalieu	Thomas Mason
1887	Feb.		Little Rock	Bowman	W. O. Emory
1888	Feb.		Hot Springs	Fitzgerald	Thomas Mason
1889	Feb.	7	Little Rock	Warren	Thomas Mason
1890	Feb.		Hot Springs	Fitzgerald	Thomas Mason
1891	Feb.		Fort Smith	Vincent	Thomas Mason
1892	Feb.		Texarkana	Newman	Thomas Mason
1893	Feb.	3	Van Buren	Mallalieu	Thomas Mason
1894	Feb.	9	Little Rock	Newman	Thomas Mason
1895		7	Hot Springs	Bowman	Thomas Mason
1896	Feb.	2	Pine Bluff	Walden	Thomas Mason
1897	Jan.	22	Batesville	Ninde	W. R. Duncan
	Jan.	28	Forrest City	Andrews	Thomas Mason
1898	Jan.	27	Van Buren	Merrill	Thomas Mason
1899	Feb.	3	Hot Springs		W. R. Duncan
1900	Jan.	1	Little Rock	Joyce Cond. II	H. P. Strong
1901 1902	Feb.	7	Brinkley	Goodsell	H. P. Strong
1902	Feb.	в	Fort Smith	Warren	H. P. Strong
	Jan.	22	Clow	Fowler	H. P. Strong
1904	Feb.		Pine Bluff	Walden	H. P. Strong
1905	Jan.	19	Fordyce	McCabe	J. W. Reed
1906	Jan.	11	Fayetteville	McDowell	I. W. Jackson
1907	Jan.	17	Cotton Plant	Fitzgerald	I. W. Jackson
1908	Jan.	23	Little Rock	Warren	I. W. Jackson
1909	Jan.	28	Clow	Berry	J. L. Wilson
1910	Feb.	10	Van Buren	Neulson	J. L. Wilson
1911	Feb.	1	Marianna	Smith	J. L. Wilson
1912	Feb.	29	Pine Bluff	Quayle	M. N. Langston
1913	Jan.	29	Newport	Moore	M. N. Langston
1914	Jan.	29	Texarkana	Quayle	D. W. Boatner
1915	Jan.	28	Cotton Plant	McIntyre	D. W. Boatner
1916	Jan.	26	Fort Smith	Leete	L. G. Hodges
1917	Jan.	17	Little Rock	Bristol	S. J. Saxon
1917	Dec.	6	Stamps	Stuntz	S. J. Saxon
1918	Dec.	4	Batesville	Quayle	S. J. Saxon
1919	Dec.	17	Hot C.	M. S. Hughes	S. J. Saxon
1920	Dec.	8	Hot Springs Cotton Plant	Quayle	J. W. Jackson
1921	Dec.		Fort C	Quayle	J. W. Jackson B. F. Neal
1922	Dec.	6	Fort Smith Helena	Quayle	B. F. Neal
1923	Dec.	5	Little	Clair	B. F. Near
		9	Little Rock	Stuntz	B. F. Neal
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1924 Dec. 3			1
	Fayetteville	Clair	B. F. Neal
1926 D	Texarkana	Jones	B. F. Neal
1927 D	Batesville	Clair	B. F. Neal
1928 Nov. 28	Little Rock	Clair	L. C. Williams
1100. 28	McGehee	Clair	J. M. Smith
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Date	SESSIONS OF THE	SOUTHWEST CONFERENCE	(
1929	Place	Bishop	Secretary
1930 Dec. 3 1931 Nov. 5	Muskogee	Clair	J. M. Smith
1931 Nov. 5 1932 Dec. 28	Little Rock	Clair	J. M. Smith
1932 Dec. 28 1933 Oct. 26	Fort Smith		P. W. Webb
1933 Oct. 26 1934 Oct. 28	Muskogee	Clair	W. D. Lester
1934 Oct. 28	Hot Springs	Clair	W. D. Lester
1934 Oct. 28 1935 Oct. 29	Tulsa	Clair	W. D. Lester
1930 201 30	Little D	Clair	W. D. Lester
1837	Little Rock	Cushman	W. Louder
1938 Oct. 20	Oklahoma City	Jones	W. Louder
1830 201. 10	Pine Bluff	Jones	J. N. Wallace
1940 Oct. 25	Hot Springs	Meade	J. N. Wallace
1941 - 61 30	MUSKOGEO	Jones	C. K. Brown
1011- 007	Texarkana	Shaw	C. K. Brown
THAN OUT 1.	Ardmore	Jones	Chas. F. Golden
1801	Little Rock	Jones	T. J. Griffin
1945 201 11	Fort Smith	Jones	T. J. Griffin
1840 00	ulsa	Kelley	T. J. Griffin
THAN OUT O	Texarkana	Kelley	T. I. Griffin
	WIUSKOgoo	Kelley	T. I. Griffin
	LILLIO D - 1		F. F. Wallace
	Oklahoma City	Kelly	E. F. Wallace
1951 Nov. 1-5	Fort Smith	Kelly	C. Jarrett Gray
1952 Oct. 23-1953 Oct. 15	Muskogee	Kelly	C. Jarrett Gray
1953 Oct. 15-	28 Little Rock 19 Tulsal 18 Hot	Kelly	C. Jarrett Gray
1954 Oct. 15-	Tulsal	Kelly	J. G. Dozier
1955 June 2-6	19 Tulsal 18 Hot Springs Muskogee	Clair, Jr.	J. G. Dozier
1956 June 9-1	Muskogee	Clair, Jr.	J. G. Dozier
		Clair, Jr.	J. G. Dozier
10ne 13	Ardmore	Clair, Jr.	J. G. Dozzer
-0.	Fort S	Clair, Jr.	Edwin C. Sanders
	Little Rock 24 Ardmore 16 Fort Smith	Clair, Jr.	Edwin C. Sanders
22"	SECTION	VIII—IN MEMORIAM one! Thy glorious warfare's race is won, And thou art or — Charles Wesley, 1	
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William NAME	attle's found, well de	one! The glorious marfare's	past; , ,,
William	ght, the	ace is won, And thou art cr	owned at last.
Ate mson -	P _o	- Charles Wesley, 1	707 - 1788
Williamson, J. McDonald	W. BORN	ENTERED MINISTRY	DIED
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Williamson, J. W.
McDonald, Henry - Nov. 27, 1857

	BORN I	ENTERED MINISTRY	Died
Speers, Alexander – Ja	an. 1, 1858	1883	Dec. 31, 1889
Lemons, June – 1859			May, 1891
Sams, George - 1844		1886	Dec. 1, 1891
Lacy, M. L.		1889	1895
Peele, Jefferson A	Feb. 3, 1851	1879	
Bailey, Thomas J. – F	eb. 12, 1862	1882	Feb. 3, 1897
Spencer, E. D. – Aug	. 2, 1851	1889	July 5, 1897
Fletcher, A. J Sept.	27, 1853	1888	Nov. 15, 1897
Crawley, A. C. – Feb	. 25, 1858	1876	In 2 1808
Phillips, A. J. – Oct.	10. 1848	1879	Jan. 3, 1898 Jan. 31, 1898
Hamilton, J. A. – Dec	. 14, 1860	1892	Oct. 22, 1898
Henry, J. H,		********	Oct. 5, 1899
Todd, W. M. – Feb.	3, 1858	1897	March 30, 1902
Crump, H. G.		1890	Aug. 2, 1902
Thompson, J. G. -18 Crawford, W. H.	52	1875	March 20, 1903
Jackson, G. W.		1879	1905
Taylor, G. W 1832		1897	Feb. 6, 1905
Davis, S. B.		1872	1906
Brooks, Washington		1872	1906
Johnston, D. W.			Feb. 17, 1907
Izard, G. J. – 1858		1896	April 3, 1907
Fuller, William		1883	1907
Higgins, W. S.		1883	1907
Witherspoon, S. B.		1899	March 2, 1908
Scruggs, P. F.		1891	April 1, 1908
Strong, H. P.	Feb. 14, 1	1880 860 1887	April 3, 1908
Johnson, John D.	April 24, 1	860 1874	Dec. 20, 1908
Clark, J. M.	, -,	1892	1908
Thompson, T. J.		1889	May 22, 1909
Kitchens, U. S.		1880	Feb. 10, 1910
Burns, U. W.		1882	1910
Auston, J. H.		2002	1910
Duncan, W. R. R.		1884	1910
Fagin, R. B. Morris, W. H.		1897	1914 1912
Barnes, J. B.		1881	
Dunlap, H. C.		1884	May 23, 1913 May 24, 1913
Johnson, B. H.		1897	Nov. 1, 1914
Doncey, G. B.		1888	April 27, 1915
Griffen, B. J.		1888	1916
Evans, W. D.		1887	Nov. 30, 1917
Owens, Phillip		1914	1917
Hall, David		1887	March 3, 1918
Roberts, Ezra		1000	1918
Smith, S. N.		1876	Dec. 22, 1919
Hines, J. H.		1004	May 10, 1920
		1904	March 20, 1920

NAME	_			
Foster N.	BORN E	NTERE	ED MINISTRY	DIED
			1888	1920
Cain, S. M.	Feb. 9, 18	363	1887	April 4, 1921
Smith N.		,00	1890	Feb. 28, 1923
Hawkins, J. T.			1883	March 7, 1923
Wilson, J. R.			1892	July 4, 1923
Watson, Z. K.			1900	Aug. 31, 1923
Taylor, C. F.			1904	Nov. 2, 1923
Washington, E.	May 4, 18	856	1911	1923
Lamar, C. E.	, , ,	000	1911	1923
Cain, M. B. A.			1909	May, 1924
Sampson, C. W.			1897	Sept. 7, 1924
Swift, J. A. W.			1907	Oct. 4, 1924
Jackson, J. W. Bryant, J. T.			1884	Sept., 1925
Bryant, J. W.				1925
P. Cunningham			1922	1927
Cunningham, W. Coulter, James	J.		1904	1927
			1923	1928
Stokes, S. M.	Sept. 11, 1	907	1884	Aug. 18, 1929
Hatchett, J. H.	-ър. 11, 1	100	1889	Aug. 16, 1928
			1814	1930
	9	1005	1909	Nov. 18, 1930
10hr - 1.		1865	1897	1931
Tion O T			1914	1932
1900			1907	
7/Pd	33	1040	1894	June 13, 1932
Stepl K. T. E.	8	1843	1891	Oct. 26, 1932
JOhn J A h			1891	Oct. 26, 1932
$C^{ip^{2OL}}$, 1. M			1926	1932
Gibson, J. W. Smith, Fletcher Quality			1895	1933
			1914	1933
Qualls, John			1896	1933
4150 106		7004	1921	1933
	Ian 1	1884	***	June 1, 1934
Johnson, G. N. Speed Charles	Jan. 1,	1858	1873	1934
aber, C. N.			1892	Sept. 2, 1934
Taber, Charles Neal, William Nelson			1904	Aug. 29, 1935
Neal, William Nelson, T. E.	April e	100-	1881	1935
Res OU. T	April 6,	1861	1897	Oct. 6, 1936
Hight, L.			1894	1937
To see Tywood			1919	1937
Jordon, B. J.	i.		1925	1938
101 01			1895	1939
b' 2061 2. H			1896	1939
H111 - 1.			1912	1939
Adams, D. B.			1912	1939
"Ms, 1 . B.			1929	1939
G'			1894	1940
			1896	1940
			1894	1941
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Name	Born	ENTERI	ED MINISTRY	DIED
Brown, J. W.			1902	1941
Turner, E. J.	Dec. 18,	1871	1902	Jan. 2, 1942
Coburn, Dudley			*******	1943
Clark, F. J.			1926	1943
Nunn, E. A.			1020	1943
Ray, A. R.			1900	
Sherrill, W. S.		1860	1894	July 7, 1943
Maxwell, R. B.		2000	1894	March 1, 1944
Tucker, B. T.			1918	April 5, 1944
Thompson, C. W.		1912		1944
Scott, Benjamin F.	May 18,		1016	Jan. 2, 1945
Moses, Bennie	11th 10,	1000	1916	July 15, 1945
McIntosh, Waters			1001	Aug. 14, 1945
Langford, W. S.		1855	1891	Oct. 16, 1945
Fields, Z. R.			1875	April, 1946
Henry, Joseph	,	1901		Sept. 27, 1946
Williams, L. C.			1910	April 16, 1946
Dorsby, C. H.		1911		June, 1946
Wallace, J. N.				1946
Cabean, A. C.	1001		1907	Oct. 22, 1947
Strong, M. F.	March 17,	1878	1915	May 30, 1947
Cox, J. W.	April 4,	1875	1897	Feb. 8, 1948
Richardson, J. H.			*******	1948
Moore, William M.			1916	April 26, 1948
Young, B. F.				1948
McDonald, Silas			*******	
Harris A-1:			********	(
Harris, Archie	May 25,		********	Dec. 25, 1949
Edwards, T. H.	Jan. 1,	1896	1917	July 13,1950
Franklin, D. G.	April 5,	1869	1892	
Coburn, Nathan	Aug. 20,	1883	1914	Sept. 19, 1950 1951
Smith, W. A.	Oct. 1,	1865	1902	
Johnson, S. E.	Dec. 1,		1931	Oct. 18, 1952
Tolbert, R. J., Sr.	Feb. 17,	1890	1923	1952
Moss, Oscar G.	March 3,	1869	1921	Nov. 22, 1953
Stokes, J. S.	Feb. 9,	1876	1907	1954
Nelson, Lee	Oct. 15,	1858		1954
Smith, Dudley	March 14,	1867	1898	Sept. 28, 1954
Roe, D. J.	Jan. 9,	1889	1898	Aug. 8, 1955
Johnson, I. G. P.	July 21,	1002	1904	Dec. 16,1955
Taylor, S. S.	Nov. 21,	1906	1933	April 16, 1956
	07. 21,	1000	1933	May 18, 1956

STATEMENT OF PROSPECTIVE DISTRIBUTION

RETIRED MINISTERS

Annuity Rate: \$6.50

Conference	Year:	1957-58	Annual	Conference:	Southwest

No.		Total					
1	NAME	App'v'd		WEST		HER	Total Annuity
2	Albright, Hilliard	years	Years	Annuity	Years	Annuity	
327	Brooks, C. H.	39¾	393/4	258			258
4	Buchanan Air	333/4	333/4	219			219
5	Buchanan, Alfred L. Greene, W. M.	351/2	351/2	231			231
6	Hanna, William H.	561/2	561/2	367			367
7	Holland, Needle H.	391/2	391/2	256			256
	Johns Cullam W	14	14	91			91
9	Melley, P TT	291/2	291/2	192			192
411	YO. Pot-: 1	471/2	191/2	127	28	366	493
11	Deal, Benjamin F.	413/4	413/4	271			271
12	Neal, Benjamin F. Parker, Isaac P. Shaw, Love C.	451/2	333/4	219	113/4	200	419
13	ondw. I	35	35	228			228
14	Th. J. Murro	391/2	391/2	257			257
15	Smith, J. Murray Thomas, S. N. Tipton, Garfield F. Wilbun, M. M	29	29	189			189
18	Tipton, Garfield F. Wilbun, M. M. Winston, John St.	143/4	143/4	96			96
17	Winni, M. M.	463/4	123/4	83	34	359	442
18	Wood, John W.	30¾	303/4	200			200
	Wilbun, M. M. Winston, John W. Woodward, Apth-	343/4	343/4	226			226
	Winston, John W. Woodward, Anthony L.	351/4	351/4	229			229
		649	5751/4	3739	73¾	925	4664

STATEMENT OF PROSPECTIVE DISTRIBUTION

WIDOWS

			- 11 -				
	Conference V	Annuity R	ate: \$4.5	55			
No		1957-58	Annual	Conferen	ce: Sou	thwest	
3	Brown, Samuel J. Bryan, Jold	Widow's App'v'd Years	Years S	WEST Annuity	O1 Years	HER Annuity	Total Annuity
4	Bryan, John L	271/2	211/2	125			125
5	Cabean, Alexander (Coulter, Nathan	16¾	163/4	76			76
0	Courn, Mexander	31/2	31/2	16			16
			123/4	58			58
0	Figure P.	361/4	361/4	165			165
10	Harry Zack Thomas F	293/4	293/4	135			135
	Fields, Thomas F Harris, Daniel H. R.	271/2	43/4	22	223/4	223	245
	Harris, Daniel H. E Hatchett, Jackson H	30	30	137			137
	Jackson H	. 13	13	59			59
		23	23	105			105

11	Henry, Joseph H.	20	20	91			91
12	Miller, Alfred S.	311/4	311/4	142			142
13	Morris, William H.	12	12	55			55
14	Nelson, Robert L.	2134	213/4	99			99
15	Richardson, John H.	634	634	31			31
16	Roe, Dave I.	22	22				
17	Scott, Benjamin F.			100			100
18	Someon Death F	$22\frac{1}{4}$	221/4	101			101
	Scruggs, Payton F.	243/4	243/4	113			113
19	Sherrill, W. S.	31/4	31/4	15			15
20	Simpson, Wm. H.	333/4	333/4	154			154
21	Smith, S. N.	151/4	131/4	60	•	01	81
22	Strong, Mortimer F.	361/2		3.5	2	21	
23	Tolbert, Robert J.		361/2	166			166
24	Will:	24	24	109			109
24	Williamson, John W.	10	10	46			46
	,	5031/2	478¾	2180	24¾	244	2424

STATEMENT OF PROSPECTIVE DISTRIBUTION CHILDREN

Annuity Rate: \$1.63

Conference Year: 1957-58 Annual Conference: Southwest

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No. Name of Child Age No. Name of Mother or Guardian 1 Clark, Frank J. Tempy 18	Father's App'v'd Years 14½	Years S 14½	WEST Annuity 24	O1 Years	THER Annuity	Total Annuity 24
2 Sullivan, Mrs. Dora W. Leroy Wallace (Depende	40½ ent)	18¾	31	21¾	64	95
*Additional pension from	55 M R P F	33¼ 7.	55	21¾	64	119

STATEMENT OF PROSPECTIVE DISTRIBUTION SPECIAL CONFERENCE CLAIMANTS

Annuity Rates: Retired-\$6.50 Widows-\$4.55

Conference Year: 1957-58 Annual Conference: Southwest

No.	NAME	MINISTERS			
1 2	Hill, B. More Moore, C. E		Years	Annuity	Relief
3	Perry, G. W.		4	26	00
	Totals		12	78	
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1	NAME Hill, Mrs. John Thomas Wright, Mrs. William H.	f
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FINANCIAL STATEMENT

ST. LOUIS AREA

May 16, 1956, through May 9, 1957	
tea Fund: Central West Conference (1055 50 41)	s 226.50
Central West Conference (1955-56 a/c) \$3,000.00 Lexington Conference (current) 3,000.00	\$ 220.00
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Total	660.00
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Registrations for Pastor's School It Louis Sub-district Bd. of Lay Activities (Scholarship) Registrations from Pastor's School Region Conference Bd. of Lay Activities (Scholarship) Region General Board of Education for Alta Sita Refunds:	50.00
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Southwest Conference (on Printing) Ministerial Loans South West Conference (on Mortgage advance) Sale of Badges (Advance for salaries)	205.0
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	3,264.7

Special Loan			2,400.0
Total Other Income		\$1	4,736.69
TOTAL ALL RECEIPTS	-	\$5	33,124.0
DISBURSEMENTS:		φυ	0,124.00
Salary — Hermes Zimmerman ————————————————————————————————————	\$ 4199.00		
	7 207 50		
Racine, Wisconsin (Notes-Property)	642.22		
Parsons, Kansas Gity Golden Chanel Mannahia	250.00		
Golden Chapel, Memphis Office:	500.00		
Telephone and Telegrams	968.19		
Books Visual Aids	30.80		
Visual Aids Stationery, Stencils other and live	57.02		
Folding Machine	439.99		
Electric Typewriter & Panel	380.00		
Photos, Mats Cuts	376.77		
Filing Cabinet, Safe, Storage Cabinet	52.00		
A. City Lonieville D. L			
Conference on Industrial Relations Dinners (Program Planning & Colimans)	860.66		
Dinners (Program Planning & Cabinets) Area Council (Meals & Lodging)	25.00		
Area Council (Meals & Lodging) Graduate School	196.50		
Graduate School Leadership School	548.00		
Leadership School Briefing Conference	1,196.00		
Briefing Conference District Superintendents Meeting	10.00		
District Superintendents Meeting Repayment on Bank Loan	332.51		
Repayment on Bank Loan Insurance on New Churches	540.25		
Insurance on New Churches Fraternal Council of Churches	3,539.38		
Fraternal Council of Churches Ministerial Loans	207.80		
Ministerial Loans			
Control VIII . G. 4	1,485.00		
Central West Conference Southwest Conference — Salaries	287.73		
Southwest Conference - Salaries,	1,400.00		
Minutes, Travel, Council of Churches Equipment for Malaya Missions	1 101 -		
Scholarships Rent for Reverend T. H. Hipes	891.90		
Rent for Reverend T. H. Hines			
Total Disk	509.40		
Total Disbursements BALANCE, MAY 9 1057	\$32.778.80		
BALANCE, MAY 9, 1957	, ,2,,,,0.09	ø	345.19
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FINANCIAL AND STATISTICAL REPORT

SOUTHWEST CONFERENCE BOARD OF PENSIONS

June 13-16, 1957

AMOUNT AVAILABLE FOR 1957-'58 DISTRIBUTION

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Balance After 1956-'57 Distributions	\$ 268.00
Amount Received From Charges on Apportionment.	4,324.00
Amount Received From Board of Pensions on Appropriation	1,050.00
Amount Received From Board of Pensions Chartered Fund	80.00
Amount Received From Board of Pensions Interest on Permanent Fund	194.11
Amount Received From The Methodist Publishing House	1,901.00
Total	\$7,817.11
RESPONSIBILITY OF CONFERENCE FOR 1957-'58	
Payments Due Regular Conference Claimants at \$6.50	\$5,311.00
Payments Due Regular Conference Claimants at Conferences	406.00
Payments Due For Service in Other Conferences	1,080.00
Payments Due Clearinghouse	683.00
Payments Due Claimants Retired This Year	172.00
Payments Due Special Conference Claimants.	
Total	\$7,652.00
PROSPECTIVE BALANCE	
PERMANENT FUND 6/1/57	\$4,567.32
TEMPORARY RESERVE PENSION FUND:	
Balance 7/20/56	\$5,318.37
Penerted This Veer	
Interest at 4¼% to 5/31/57	353.44
Reported at Conference Session:	
Ministers Wives Association. \$1,061.00	
Ministers 2% Cosh Salary	
From Charges and Pladges 1,000.00	
Rev. Hermes Zimmerman250.00	
\$3,464.00	

SECTION X—CHRONOLOGICAL ROLL

EFFECTIVE ELDERS

Name	On Trial	Deacon	Elder	Yrs. of Ser.
Troupe, General G.	1912	1912	1914	45
Oliver, John H.		1923	1926	34
Littlejohn, Benjamin F.		1923	1926	34
Bright, William H. D.		1927	1929	30
Hall, Cortelyou C.		1930	1932	27
Sanders, Frank		1930	1932	27
Tillmon, Cleveland G.		1930	1932	27
Hawkins, Daniel D.			1931	26
Pointer, Ira A.	. 1931	1931	1934	26
Johnson, Emanuel M.	. 1933	1933	1935	24
Stewart, E. L.			1933	24
Norman, Fay	1935	1935	1937	22
Davis, J. I.	. 1938	1938	1940	19
Wallace, Eustace F.	1938	1938	1940	19
Tyus, James C.	1938	1938	1940	19
Holland, Simmie P.	1938	1938	1940	19
Douglas, Elliott M.	1941	1941	1943	16
Brown, Roy B.	1941	1941	1943	16
Hickman, Elijah T.			1943	14
Mitchell, Clifton C.	1943	1943	1945	14
Roe, Charles H.		1040	1943	13
Sanders, Edwin C.	. 1944	1944	1944	13
Gibson, Oliver W.	1945	1945	1948	12
Dozier, Joyce G.	1945	1945		12
Thompson, Lewis T.	. 1946	1946	1949	11
Davie, Hilliard A.	1946	1946	1949	11
Watson, Carter L.	1948	1948	1951	9
Bass, William H., Jr.	1949	S-0.70(7.75)	1949	8
°Lloyd, Elijah L.	1949	1949	1950	8
Nathan, Ralph G.	1050	1949	1957	
Souder, Franklin C.	1050	1950	1952	7 5
Anderson, Alexander M.	1952	1952 1952	1953 1954	5 5

Note: See Daily Proceedings, June 15th, Executive Session, for action in Re: Elijah L. Lloyd.

RECAPITULATION TABLE—STATISTICAL REPORT—SOUTHWEST CONFEIL. A. POINTER, Statistician—611 E. Easton St., Tulsa 2

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FINANCIAL REPORT—SOUTHWEST CONFERENCE—CENTRAL JURISDICTION—E. E. WALLACE, Treasurer, 309 N. Lindsay St., Oklahoma City, Oklahoma LITTLE ROCK DISTRICT Expenditures for MINISTERIAL SUPPORT Connectional Fund Local Church Conference Benevolences District Episcopal Int. Den. | World Ser. & Min. Cash Pastors & Associate Pastors Conf. Sup. Fd. Fund Coop. Fund Conf. Benov. Salary Claim. 47c, 52b, otc. Fund Fund of Yr. Children, te Aged Exp. J. Administration Grand Total 42-45, 4 48c, 49b, 50b, 51b, 5 54, 55b, 57-74 Asso, Funds Paid for Buildings and Improvements snce ce Specials School Fellowship of Suf. & Service Television Ministry Fund W.S.C.S.(Inc.)W.S.C Sent Cist foot, 1 Methodist Student Day Charge and Church Prin. & J Name of Pastor Our. Paid Past Pastor(s) World Service Special Gifts General Adv. Specials Paid Associate Pastor(s) Pastor's & General Administration Other Paid for Ch. ; Lesson Mater Supplies, etc. and Paid Other C Incidentals, rtioned Apportioned Cl. for Pastor Week of Dedication o for Apportione Accepted Apportion Paid on J Church Rally Do Apportio Homes Youth & Total Asso. Paid Paid Paid Paid Sal. All Арр Brown Chapel Watson 2250 2420 127 140 178 Center Point L. P. F. C. Souder. 80 32 Conway B. F. Littleichn 1710 Duncan Chapel 2 2 2 Tolbert, Jr. 50 Fayetteville Buchanan Fort Smith C. C. Hall 2600 2300 A. L. Woodan W. H. Hanna Hope Woodard Horatio Cir. Hot Springs C. G. Oliver. 269 Lockesburg Cir. . C. Tyus_ 33 Morrilton. D. D. Hawkins 574 Murfreesboro Cir. L. E. Douglass. 36 375 Natural Steps Cir D. W. Terry. 2582 23 Panky Cir. E. T. Hickman 779 1993 Pleasant Hill Cir. P. L. Clinkscale Roland. W. H. Piggee. 46 Stamps Cir H. A. Davis Texarkana Clifton Mitchell 29 52 Van Buren Cir. Lloyd Smith. 500 Wesley Little Rock G. F. Tipton White Memorial L. R. O. W. Gibson 10 286 850 14 988 1494 61 584 22 7 40 61 Total 84 Total Last Year 4 379 1231 Increase 618 13450 Decrease NORTH LITTLE ROCK DISTRICT Batesville Cir. P. H. Myers 710 Brinkley Cir. Thomas Jefferson Carthage Cir. H. L. Albright 18 G. G. Troupe Cotton Plant J. H. Thompson 1343 1453 Dermott Cir. W. H. D. Bright 720 Fordyce-Lonoke J. I. Davis Forrest City L. P. B. F. Neal Hughes Cir. Clifton Banks Marianna Cir. John M. Love Minden, La., Cir. C. H. Roe .. Newport 21 712 L. T. Thompson North Little Rock W. H. Bass St. James E. C. Sanders G. E. Loder St. Mark Sweet Home Cir. 74 13 61 Frank Sanders 87 7 6 10 Total Total Last Year. Increase Decrease - 1302 Decrease ORLAHOMA DISTRICT 31 4150 Anadarko 1000 R. B. Brown 10 udmore. 5 E. M. Douglass tescent Cir. 68 10 W. M. Green 225 Grant City Cir. Guthrie Cir. J. M. Smith 765 S. P. Iones Muskogee Andrew Sims 29€ Oklahoma City Fay Norman Okmulgee E. F. Wallace Joyce Dozier 10 C. E. Moore 6 100 William Johnson 12 974 10 Mewoka Cir I. A. Pointer E. L. Lloyd 67 Ynnewcod Cir 37 47 25 1093 46 32 57 Connie Davis 8 307 636 3 10 110 118 Total Total Last Year 100 113 2099 76 331 Increase -613Decrease 45| 749|1533| 33| — | — | 34! 301 151 41 2031 2954 73 34 191 168 1642

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RECAPITULATION—FINANCIAL REPORT—SOUTHWEST CONFERENCE—CENTRAL JURISDICTION E. E. WALLACE, Treasurer, 309 N. Lindsay St., Oklahoma City, Oklahoma

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STATISTICAL REPORT—SOUTHWEST CONFERENCE—CENTRAL JURISDICTION

LITTLE ROCK DISTRICT-		IRA A. POINTER	R. Statistician—611 E. Eason St., Tulsa, Oklahoma	W.S.C.S. Men Property & Other Assets
TILL ROOK DISTRICT		CHURCH MEMBERSHIP ↑	CHURCH SCHOOLS	W.S.C.S. Men Property & Other Assets
		Baptisms	Church School Membership Attendance General Information	
Charge and Church	Name of Pastor	Total Full Members Received This Yr. on Prof. of Faith & Rest'd Prof. of Faith & Rest'd Rec'v'd by Trans. from Other Meth. Churches Received From Other Denominations Remov'd by Transf, to Other Meth. Churches Remov'd by Transf, to Other Meth. Churches Remov'd by Transf, to Denominations Removed by Death Total Full Members Inf. Pres. by Par. or Guardian All Others: Chil., Youth, Adults Preparatory Mem.		No. of Scattles (Not Churches Subscriptions No. of Organized No. of Organi
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		I. A.	. POINTER,	Statistician—611 E. Easton St., Tulsa 20, Oklahoma
		CHURCH MEMBERSHIP		CHURCH SCHOOLS W.S.C.S. Meth. Property & Other Assets
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DISTRICT	SUPERINTENDENT	Total Full Members Rec'd This Yr. or Pro. of Faith & Restored Rec'd by Trans. From Other Meth. Churches Rec'd by Trans. From Other Meth. Churches Rec'd by Trans. From Other Meth. Churches Removed by Transi. to Oth. Meth. Churches Removed to Other Removed to Other Removed to Other Benoved by Total Full Members Total Full Members Af Press. by	Inf. Pres. by Par. or Guard. All Others: Child., Youth, Adults Preparatory Mems. Now on Roll	Total No. of Ch. Sch. No. of Ch. Sch. No. of Ch. Sch. No. of Ch. No. of C
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