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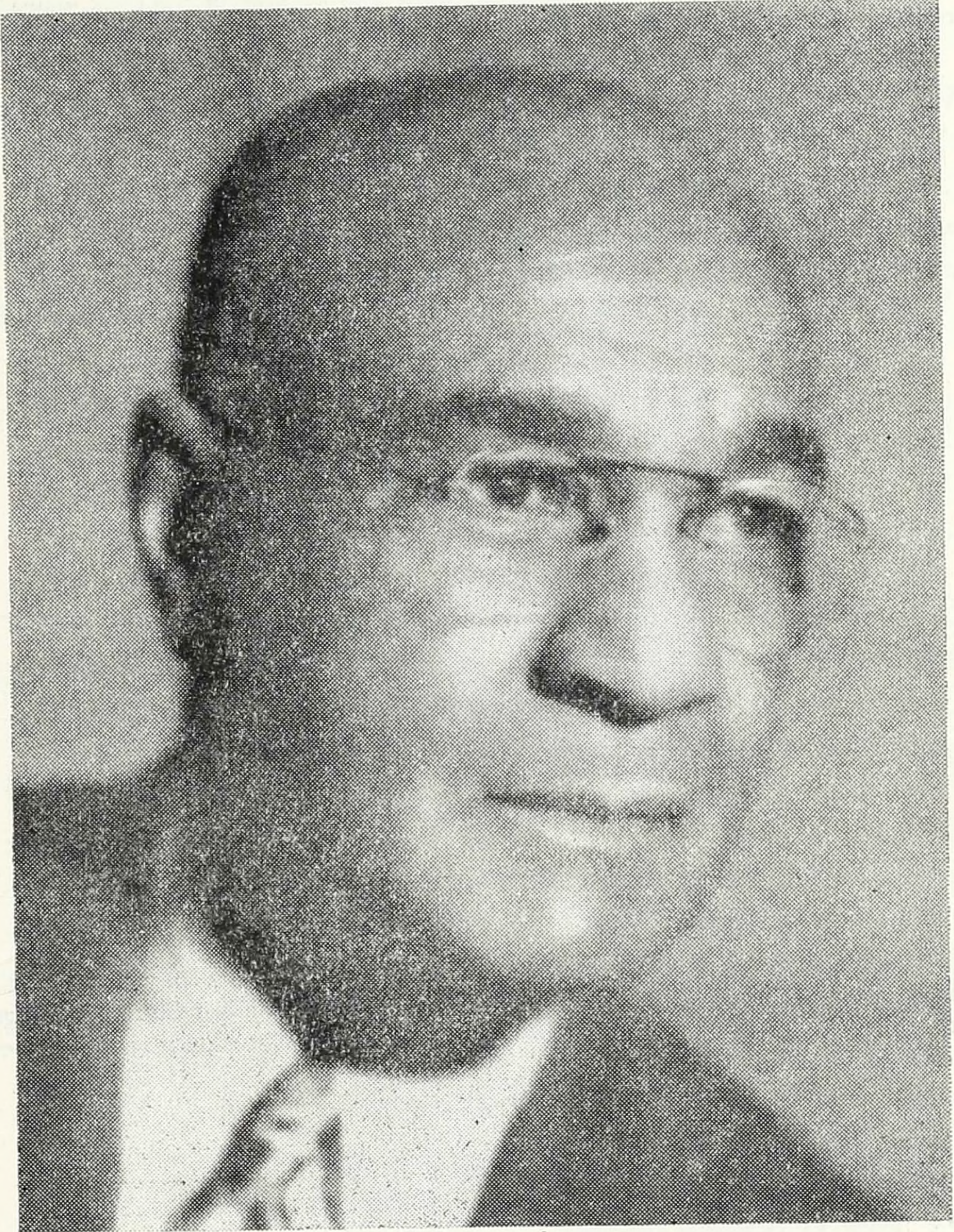
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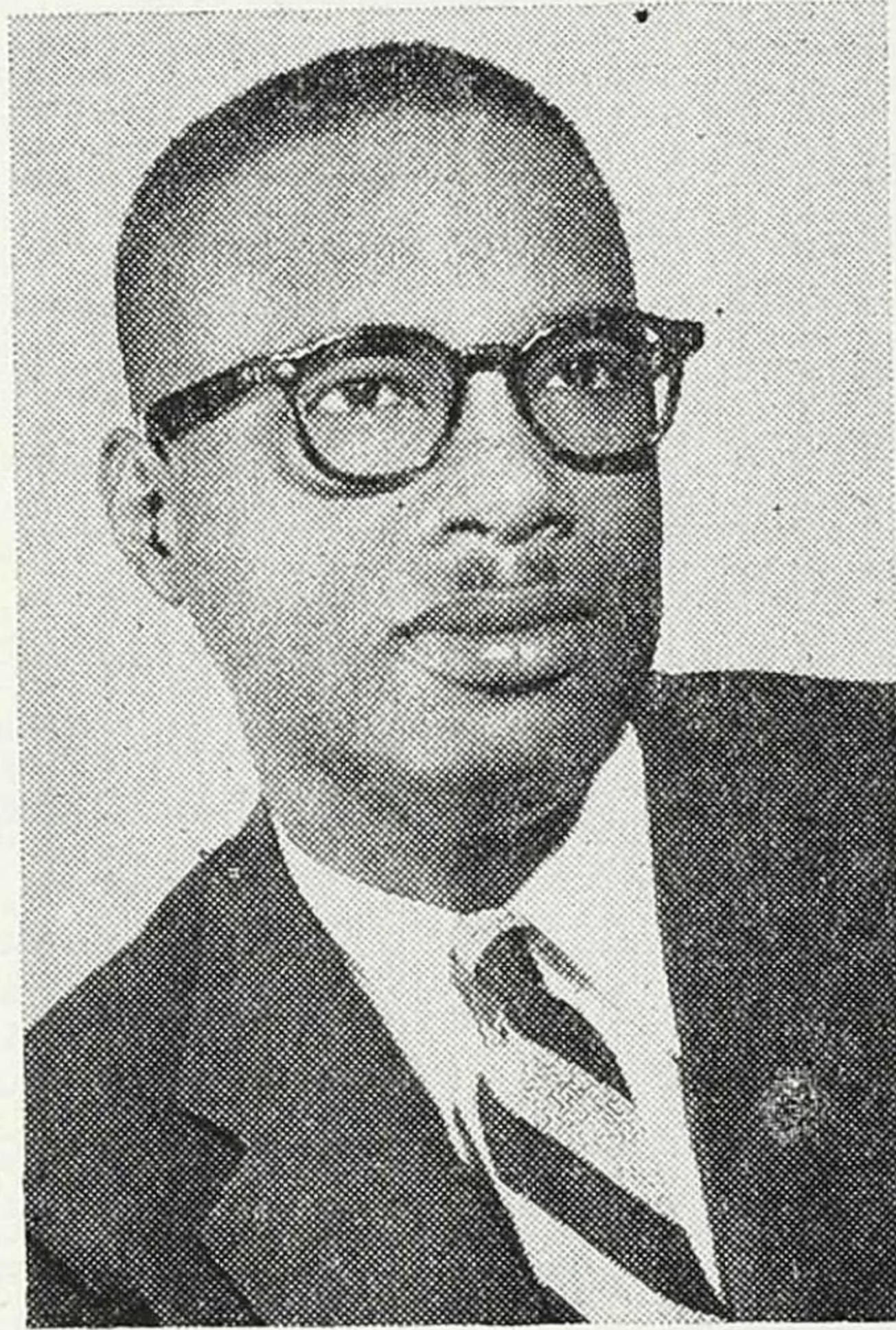


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Sherman-	Mrs. E. L. Mitchell, 311 N.E. St., Sherman	Mrs. S. L. Sims, 520 College, Sherman
Ferris-	Mr. Elmer Washington, P.O. Box 46, Palmer	
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Fort Worth.....		
Mexia Court.....	Roscoe Briscoe	

Mexia Jones	Mr. Harrison Baker, P.O. Box 1145, Mexia	Mrs. Anner Medlock, 403 S. Denton, Mexia
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Corpus Christi	(Mr. B. J. Brown) absent	Mrs. Mack McCullough
Del Rio-Uvalde	Miss Carrie M. Wade	Sylvester Mulkey
	Mrs. Gladys Kinchelow	Harvey Kinchelow
Floresville-Pleas	Mrs. Edna Kuykendall	Mrs. Eluid Johnson
Gonzales	Mrs. Susie B. Roberts	
Harlingen	Mrs. Viola Adams	
Hondo-Pearsall		
Kerrville	J. C. Mills	Mrs. M. K. Jackson
Kingsville		
Nixon	Mrs. Jewell Washington	Mrs. Myrtle Tabors
East St. Paul	George W. King	Mrs. M. L. Jackson
Elison-Eads		
Jacobs Chapel	D. H. Miller, 2118 E. Commerce	Mrs. Ernestine Perryman, 1016 Hedges St.,
Jones Chapel	E. A. Green	Mrs. Lena Williams
Sanford Chapel	Mrs. Zetto Bell	Mrs. J. M. E. Lee
St. Luke	Mrs. F. C. Culberson	Mr. George Keys
St. Paul	V. W. Walker	Miss Virginia Eggleston
West Laurel Hts.	Mrs. E. M. Rudd	Mrs. J. P. Marshall
Harpers		
Olmos		
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Bay City Mission	Cunningham, Yorktown	
Cologne Ct.	Miss Nadine Harper, Route 3, Victoria	Mrs. Rosie Lott Route 3, Victoria
Columbus	Mrs. Gerdine Dawson, Columbus	
Cuero Ct.	Claudie Mason, 205 W. Morgan St., Cuero	S. H. Bright, Cuero
Edna Ct.	Mrs. Susie Erhart, Edna	Mrs. Wilmot Howard Edna
Goliad	Vaughn Houk Goliad	Mrs. L. E. Todd, Goliad
Hallettsville	J. E. Mayo, Route 1, Hallettsville	E. Johnson Route 1, Hallettsville
Oakland Ct.	S. H. Granger, Route 3, Schulenburg	Mrs. R. Newton, Route 3, Schulenburg
Port Lavaca	Mrs. Erline Barfield, Port Lavaca	R. L. Williams, Port Lavaca
Sublime		
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Yoakum Ct.	Mr. Joseph Green Shiner	

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Froza Chapel.	Melvin Henderson, Rt. 2, Coolidge	Mrs. Rosie McGee, Rt. 1, Box 26, Prairie Hill
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Mart-	Mrs. Minnie Smith, Box 91, Moody	T. M. Baker, Rt. 1, Groesbeck
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Jones Chapel.		
Mt. Zion.		
St. James.		

WESTERN DISTRICT

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Abilene.	Myrtle Young
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Midland.	Clyde Carruthers
Odessa.	Carrie Ovum
Roscoe-	
Colorado City...	Mary Wallace Jackson
San Angelo.	C. H. Johnson

IV.

Daily Proceedings**Wednesday Morning—May 19, 1954****First Day—Opening**

The 80th Annual Session of The West Texas Conference, Central Jurisdiction, The Methodist Church, convened in Wesley Methodist Church, Austin, Texas at 9:00 A. M. with Rev. R. S. Mosby serving as Host Pastor and Bishop Alexander P. Shaw presiding.

Devotions

Devotions were conducted by Rev. E. C. Purnell with music being furnished by the Huston-Tillotson College Choir. Rev. J. G. Owens presented Bishop Shaw who warmed the hearts of all who heard him as he brought the Communion message.

Communion

Bishop Shaw, assisted by the District Superintendents, administered the Holy Communion to approximately 700 persons. The Communion Offering for Gulfside amounted to \$105.30.

Organization and Roll Call

Bishop Shaw directed the secretary of the last Annual Conference, Rev. Prenza L. S. Woods, to call the roll of the Conference membership. Answering the Roll were effective elders, probationers, retired ministers, approved supplies, and elected lay delegates.

Memorial Service

The Memorial Service for Rev. W. B. Lott, and Rev. F. M. Hudspeth was conducted by Rev. W. W. Baker. Bishop R. E. Jones spoke briefly concerning Bishop R. N. Brooks who passed away during the Conference year. Prayer was offered by Mr. Boyd Tollerson, and the scripture was read by Rev. O. K. Brewster. Rev. E. M. Cooper spoke briefly concerning Rev. W. B. Lott, and Rev. F. M. Hudspeth. The memorial sermon was delivered by Rev. I. A. Pointer. The benediction followed.

Wednesday Afternoon—May 19, 1954**2:30 P. M.****Agenda**

The Conference Board of Education.

The Conference Board of Temperance.

The devotions were conducted by Rev. M. T. Reed. Rev. Reed presented Rev. E. A. Smith, Conference Chairman of The Board of Education, who took charge. Dr. M. S. Davage, President of Huston-Tillotson College addressed the session holding up the place of the church-related College in the total pattern of Christian Education. Following this message, Rev. E. T. Dixon of The General Board of Education was presented.

Rev. Dixon spoke concerning Christian Education on the local Church, District, and Conference levels. Following Rev. Dixon's address, Rev. W. J. Washington, brought his report as Conference Secretary of Christian Education. (See reports.) Visiting during this session was Rev. Robert Hayes, Executive Secretary—Christian Education, The Texas Conference.

Because of the lateness of the hour it was agreed that time be given the Board of Temperance at the 7:30 hour for the presentation of its program. W. M. Ferguson, Field Representative, Board of Temperance agreed to address the Conference at the 7:30 hour. Following the announcements the benediction was given by Rev. W. E. Ellison, Jr.

Thursday Morning—May 20, 1954**Second Day**

Bishop A. P. Shaw, presiding.

The devotional period was conducted by Rev. L. D. Washington.

Committee on Journal raised: E. T. Dixon, R. L. Palmer, and C. H. Johnson.

Rev. R. S. Mosphy presented the book, "Life And Works of Bishop Alexander P. Shaw." Thirteen books were sold.

Passing of Characters

The characters of the District Superintendents, Rev. Z. W. Holmes, Rev. J. G. Owens, Rev. D. H. Hansboro, Rev. O. B. Coe, Rev. J. A. Wills, Rev. F. D. Young were passed by the Conference. The characters of the ministers of the Austin, Dallas, Victoria, Waco, Western, and San Antonio Districts were passed by the Conference.

The legal limits of the Conference were set. The first eleven rows of pews across the Church were set as the legal limits of the Conference.

District Superintendent's Report

The District Superintendent's Composite Report was read by Rev. F. D. Young. Bishop Shaw complimented the report and the conference concurred on a motion to adopt the report.

Dr. R. F. Harrington made three suggestions to the Conference pointing towards expansion. 1. A study of promotional opportunities for the states of New Mexico and Arizona. 2. Safeguarding Historical data in the Conference, and 3. Cooperation between the Conference Historical Committee and Mr. John King, in drawing up historical statements.

Bishop Shaw presented Rev. Robert S. Armor, Superintendent of The Texas Mission and Training Home, Southwest Conference. Dr. Armor spoke concerning the home and his interest in seeing that such a home is provided for Negro girls. Dr. C. R. Yerwood read a resolution calling for the election of one minister and one layman to serve on the committee of the Texas Mission and Training Home looking towards the creation of a like home in connection with the work of Dr. Armor in San Antonio. The Conference approved the Resolution. Bishop Shaw made timely remarks, concerning the fast breaking down of barriers between races. "Christians are coming together regardless of Race, Creed, or Color." Dr. T. B. Echols led the Conference in singing "We're Marching To Zion."

The Conference business relative to Disciplinary questions was resumed at this time (see action).

Committees

The following Committee on Social and Economic Relations was raised: E. T. Dixon, I. C. Loud, J. W. Thompson, W. J. Washington, O. B. Coe, Mrs. C. M. Watkins, Miss Jean Crawford.

Rev. D. H. Hansboro and Mrs. O. B. Coe were given the responsibility of organizing the Conference Deaconess Board.

Bishop Shaw presented Dr. J. H. Touchstone of the Board of Lay Activities. Dr. Touchstone addressed the Conference. Rev. J. L. Alexander and Rev. Robert Rowe, visiting ministers, were introduced. Bishop Shaw introduced Bishop Kelley and announced that Bishop Kelley would be the noonday speaker on Friday.

Bishop Shaw Preaches

Rev. B. F. Lee led the Conference in singing "Lift Him Up," and Bishop Shaw brought the noon-day sermon. Stressing the necessity to build wisely, the Bishop held up the following points: Preaching the gospel, increased Church attendance, and systematic support of the Church financially.

Thursday Afternoon—May 20, 1954

2:30 P. M.

Agenda

Board of Missions and Church Extension.

Commission on World Peace.

The devotions were conducted by Rev. L. E. Muse and Rev. W. L. Andrews. Rev. J. H. Carruthers, Chairman of the Conference Board of Missions and Church Extension, and Rev. F. D. Young, Conference Missionary Secretary, presented the program of the Board of Missions and Church Extension. A detailed report is found in the section on Reports.

Mrs. O. B. Coe, Chairman of the Commission on World Peace presented Dr. Carl Soule, Field Secretary of the Board of World Peace. Dr. Soule addressed the Conference from the subject "Communism And What The Church Should Do To Overcome It." He also called attention to books and other literature dealing with world peace and gave suggestions as to its use. (See report of Commission on World Peace.)

Friday Morning—May 21, 1954

Third Day

Bishop A. P. Shaw, Presiding.

Rev. J. A. Wills, Superintendent of The Western District was in charge of the devotional period.

Conference Business

The report of the Committee on the Journal was called and approved. The secretary was directed to send a greeting to the Central West Conference and the Louisiana Conference.

The report of the Committee on Ministerial Training was received, followed by the report of the Committee on Conference Relations. The Conference concurred on a previous motion setting up a Committee to investigate abandoned property authorizing the Committee to sell such properties after consultation with the Board of Trustees of the Conference. The Conference also authorized the Commission on Finance to furnish adequate funds for the Board of Trustees to carry on its work properly.

Lay Leader's Report

Dr. S. L. Brown, Conference Lay Leader made remarks concerning the work done relative to Lay Activities. Following his remarks Dr. Brown presented Mr. C. H. Johnson, newly elected Conference Lay Leader. Mr. Johnson addressed the Conference. The Conference approved a motion by Dr. R. F. Harrington directing that a letter of appreciation be sent to Dr. S. L. Brown, retiring Conference Lay Leader.

Bishop Shaw presented Dr. Carl T. Soule, Field Secretary of the Board of World Peace. After Dr. Soule's remarks Bishop Shaw presented the conference a check for \$1670.95 from the Methodist Publishing House. Additional Disciplinary Questions were called and properly answered (see section).

Bishop E. W. Kelley Preaches

After a brief devotional period Bishop Shaw presented Bishop E. W. Kelley, retired, who brought the noon-day message. In his masterful way, Bishop Kelley lifted the hearts of all who heard him. The benediction was given by Bishop Shaw.

Friday Afternoon—May 21, 1954

Agenda

Commission on Evangelism.

Board of Lay Activities

Devotions were conducted by Rev. G. L. Johnson and Rev. J. B. Phoenix. Rev. B. F. Lee presented Rev. W. W. Baker who addressed the Conference from the subject "Barren Churches." In his message he pointed out the urgent need for our Churches to be "Evangelistic" in program and emphasis. Evangelism is the most important need in our Churches today.

Dr. S. L. Brown, retiring Conference Lay Leader called the laymen together for their meeting. Reports were made from the Districts by the District Lay Leaders. The work of the Methodist Men's Organization was discussed at length and it was urged that every District strive to get every Methodist Men's organization chartered. Mr. C. H. Johnson, newly elected Conference Lay Leader made brief remarks and sought the support and loyalty of all the laymen in getting across an effective program of lay activities. Rev. M. C. Stone gave the benediction.

Saturday Morning—May 22, 1954

Fourth Day

Devotions were conducted by Rev. T. R. Watkins and Rev. M. E. McMillan.

Bishop Shaw called the Retired Ministers and gave those present an opportunity to speak to the Conference. Statements were made by Rev. R. A. Appling, Rev. J. H. Childs, and Rev. W. M. Ellison, Sr. The report of the Committee on the Journal was approved. Unanswered Disciplinary questions were called and answered. Rev. D. H. Hansboro gave the report on abandoned report and turned his findings over to the Trustees.

Rev. I. A. Pointer read the report of the Board of Temperance. The report was adopted and is found in the section on reports. Mrs. O. B. Coe read

the report of the Board of World Peace. The report was approved and is found in the section on reports. The report of the Statistician was read by Rev. C. D. Owens. The report of the Commission on World Service and Finance was read by Rev. O. B. Coe, Chairman. (See report elsewhere.) The Conference concurred on a motion requiring all Board and Commissions receiving funds from the budget to submit an itemized accounting of expenditures to the Commission on World Service and Finance. Following the adoption of the report Bishop Shaw spoke relative to increased pastor's salaries.

Rev. D. B. Baker presented the report of the Board of Conference Claimants, and Mrs. M. M. Loud presented the report of the Minister's Wives and Daughters Association. Dr. T. B. Echols made a statement relative to Reserve Pensions. Upon the suggestion of Rev. D. B. Baker, the Conference took an offering of \$63.15 for Rev. P. H. Phillips and his wife. Rev. R. S. Mosby gave the report of the Committee on Minimum Salary. Upon the suggestion of Bishop Shaw, it was agreed that a business session be held at the 2:30 P. M. hour to provide adequate time for the ordination services. Rev. I. B. Loud, Conference Treasurer, presented the Treasurer's report. Report was approved. Mr. C. H. Johnson, Conference Lay Leader was elected to the Gulfside Trustees. An additional report from the Board of Ministerial Training was received and approved. Dr. Loud spoke words of commendation on behalf of Bishop Shaw complimenting the excellent manner in which he has administered the affairs of the West Texas Conference. A rising vote of appreciation on the part of the Conference followed Dr. Loud's statement. After brief remarks Bishop Shaw adjourned the session.

Saturday Afternoon—May 22, 1954

2:30 P. M.

Agenda: Ordination Services

Methodist Youth Fellowship Program.

Following the ordination message the secretary presented the men for ordination, and Bishop Shaw, assisted by the District Superintendents ordained the men in their respective offices. (See The Business of The Annual Conference.)

Deaconess Board Elected: The following persons were elected to membership on the Deaconess Board: District Superintendents, Mrs. J. G. Owens, Mrs. L. E. Moore, Mrs. J. M. Rodgers, Mrs. O. B. Coe, Rev. R. S. Mosby.

Rev. W. J. Washington spoke briefly concerning the Methodist Youth Fellowship Program and it was agreed that the prepared program would be incorporated in the program of the evening session devoted to the youth of the Conference. Bishop Shaw pronounced the benediction.

V.

The Methodist Church**THE BUSINESS OF THE ANNUAL CONFERENCE**

The Minutes of the West Texas Annual Conference held in Wesley Methodist Church from May 19th, 1954, through May 23rd, 1954. Bishop Alexander P. Shaw, Presiding.

Part I. Organization and General Business

1. Who are elected for the quadrennium (Para. 630, Sec. 3, Para. 790): Secretary: Prenza L. S. Woods, 625 Dawson St., San Antonio, Texas. Statistician: C. D. Owens, 3733 Myrtle St., Dallas, Texas. Treasurer: I. B. Loud, Box 934, Dallas, Texas.
2. Is the Annual Conference incorporated? (Para. 625) Yes.
3. a. What officers handling funds of the conference have been bonded, and in what amounts? (Para. 637, Sec. 3.) Treasurer: I. B. Loud, \$10,000.
b. Have the books of said officers of persons been audited? (Para. 637, Sec. 3.) Yes.
4. Have the boards, commissions, or committees been appointed or elected (Para. 630) (answer Yes or No):
(a) Board of Ministerial Training and Qualifications? Yes. (b) Committee on Conference Relations? Yes. (c) District Committees on Ministerial Qualifications? Yes. (d) Committee of Investigation? Yes. (e) District Boards of Location and Building? Yes. (f) Board of Trustees of the Annual Conference? Yes. (g) Conference Commission on World Service and Finance? Yes. (h) Town and Country Commission? Yes. (i) Conference Deaconess Board? No. (j) Conference Board of Missions? Yes. (k) Conference Board of Education? Yes. (l) Conference Board of Temperance? Yes. (m) Conference Board of Lay Activities? Yes. (n) Conference Board of Hospitals and Homes? Yes. (o) Conference Board of Evangelism? Yes. (p) Board of Conference Claimants? Yes. (q) Commission on Christian Vocations? Yes. (r) Conference Woman's Society of Christian Service? Yes. (s) Committee on Proportional Payment of Ministerial Support? Yes. (t) Other committees, commissions, or boards? Yes.
5. Have the secretaries, treasurers, and statisticians kept their respective records upon and according to the forms prescribed by The Methodist Church? (Para. 637, Sec. 2.) Yes.
6. What are the reports of the district superintendents as to the status of the work within their districts? (See supplementary Report.)
7. What is the schedule for minimum support for pastors? (Para. 826.) \$1,000 for single men and \$1,200 for married men.
8. What is the plan and what are the approved claims for the support of the district superintendents for the ensuing year? (Parags. 801-2.) To be set by District Stewards not to exceed 16% of pastor's salaries.
9. What amount has been apportioned to the pastoral charges within the conference to be raised for the support of conference claimants?
10. What are the apportionments transmitted by the Council on World Service and Finance to this conference?
(a) For World Service? \$7,953. (b) For Episcopal Fund? (c) For General Administration Fund? \$495.00. (d) For Interdenominational Cooperative Fund? \$396.00.
11. What amount is apportioned to this conference for the Jurisdictional Administration Fund?
12. What are the reports, recommendations, and plans of the boards of the conference:
(a) What is the report of the Board of Conference Claimants, and what appropriations for conference claimants are reported and approved? (Para. 1623.) See reports. (b) What is the report of the Conference Board of Missions of disbursements of missionary aid within the conference? (Parags. 1295-99.) See reports. (e) What is the report of

the Commission on World Service and Finance? (Parags. 791-809.) See reports. (d) What is the report of the Commission on Christian Vocations? (Para. 643.) See report. (e) What are the other reports? See section on reports.

13. What Methodist institutions or organizations are approved by the conference for annuity responsibility? (Para. 1618, Sec. 2c, 11.) Huston-Tillotson College.
14. What date is determined for Golden Cross enrollment? (Para. 1569.) None.
15. (a) Who is elected conference lay leader? (Para. 1504.) C. H. Johnson.
(b) What is his report? See reports. (c) Who are elected district and associate district lay leaders? (Para. 1509.) Dallas: E. C. Ransom, T. W. Micheaux; Austin: J. C. Dukes, John King, H. H. Collins; San Antonio: H. R. Blair, Boyd Tollerson, B. J. Brown; Waco: J. W. Thompson, J. S. Henry; Western: T. L. Bell, Geo. Woods; Victoria: R. A. Atkinson, Lou Mayberry.

Part II. Pertaining to Ministerial Relations

16. Are all the ministerial members of the Conference blameless in their life and official administration? Yes.
17. Who constitute the Conference Committee of Investigation? (Para. 931.) S. A. Keesee, R. S. Mosby, J. H. Carruthers, G. F. Alexander, (B. F. Lee, T. M. Bruton).
18. Who are the approved supply pastors? (Para. 315.) Charles Espie, Abram McGill, W. M. Brothers, W. S. Byars, L. D. Johnson, T. H. Mayfield, Jerry Thomas, Cleo Metcalf, Eugene Mooney, L. B. Napier, H. G. Simmons, T. W. Stevens, Frank Williams, Edward Clark, Thelma Diggs, C. J. Polk, Rufus Smith, W. L. Andrews, J. B. Holden.
19. What approved supply pastors now under full-time appointment are taking the conference course of study:
 - (a) In the first year? Edward Clark, Thelma Diggs, J. B. Holden, E. M. Mooney, T. H. Mayfield, Frank Williams, Cleo Metcalf, L. D. Johnson.
 - (b) In the second year? W. M. Brothers, L. B. Napier, Elmo Watson, J. W. Goode, Z. M. King, H. G. Simmons, Rufus Smith.
 - (c) In the third year? Abram McGill, B. D. Lindsay, Jerry Thomas.
 - (d) In the fourth year? Charles Espie, W. A. Webb, C. J. Polk.
20. What approved supply pastors are credited with annuity claim on account of full-time service during the past year? (Para. 1631.) Charles Espie, W. M. Brothers, L. B. Napier, Elmo Watson, Jack Ceasar, J. W. Goode, Z. M. King, H. G. Simmons, C. J. Polk, B. D. Lindsay, Rufus Smith, W. A. Webb.
21. What preachers, coming from other churches, have had their orders recognized (Para. 411): As local deacons? None. As local elders? None.
22. Who have been received from other churches as traveling preachers:
 - (a) As members on trial: Deacons? None. Elders? John Elliott.
 - (b) As members in full connection: Deacons? None. Elders? None.
23. Who are received on trial:
 - (a) In studies of the first year? E. H. Carter, Taylor Stewart, S. M. Cleaver.
 - (b) In studies of the third year under the seminary rule? Cecil Williams.
 - (c) Exempt from course of study under the seminary rule? None.
24. Who are continued on trial:
 - (a) Continued in studies of the first year? Antone Dykes, H. T. Franks, Robert W. Johnson, W. L. Shaw, H. G. Simmons, L. D. Washington.
 - (b) Advanced to studies of the second year? Marshall E. Hodge.
 - (c) Continued in studies of the second year? William Hornsby, Albert Pitts, Willie Smith.
 - (d) Exempt from course of study under the seminary rule? Dennis A. Woodling.
25. Who on trial are discontinued? Roy E. Stanley.
26. Who are admitted into full connection? Lavelle Lowe.
27. What full members are in studies:
 - (a) Of the third year? C. J. Gay, A. D. Minor, E. D. Alexander, Sherrill Moore.
 - (b) Of the fourth year? M. E. McMillan, Charles Smith, L. A. Irving, E. M. Cooper, W. M. Walmsley.

28. What full members have failed to complete the studies (Para. 346):
 (a) Of the third year? C. J. Gay, E. D. Alexander.
 (b) Of the fourth year? M. E. McMillan, Charles Smith, L. A. Irving.
29. What full members have completed the studies of the fourth year? Lavelle Lowe.
30. Who have been elected deacons:
 (a) As local preachers? Frank Williams, Ellis Green, A. T. Hargrove, E. M. Mooney.
 (b) As members on trial in the course of study? None.
 (c) Under the seminary rule? None.
 (d) Under the missionary rule? None.
31. Who have been ordained deacons? None.
32. Who have been elected elders:
 (a) As local preachers? None.
 (b) As local deacons who have been received on trial? None.
 (c) As conference members in the course of study? None.
 (d) Under the seminary rule? Lavelle Lowe.
 (e) Under the missionary rule? None.
33. Who have been ordained elders? Lavelle Lowe.
34. Relative to accommodation transfers for ordination and reception:
 (a) What members of this conference have been transferred out for purposes of ordination only:
 (1) As deacons? Dennis A. Woodling, Georgia, May 26, 1954.
 (2) As elders? None.
 (b) Who have been transferred in, having been ordained elsewhere:
 (1) As deacons? None.
 (2) As elders? None.
 (c) Who are transferred in, and from what conferences, for purposes of ordination only, such ordination to be voted by this conference?
 (1) As deacons? None.
 (2) As elders? None.
 (d) Who have been ordained here, such ordination having been voted by another conference:
 (1) As deacons? None.
 (2) As elders? None.
 (e) Who have been transferred out, and to what conferences, after ordination:
 (1) As deacons? None.
 (2) As elders? None.
 (f) Who have been received on trial at the request of another conference? None.
 (g) Who have been transferred out, having been received on trial, and to what conferences? None.
 (h) Who have been transferred in, to be received into full connection after election by another conference? None.
 (i) Who having been transferred out, having been received into full connection after election by another conference? None.
 (j) Who on trial have been transferred out, to be received into full connection by another conference? None.
 (k) Who have been transferred in after having been received into full connection by another conference? None.
35. Who are readmitted:
 (a) As deacons? None.
 (b) As elders? Turner Snow.
36. Who have been received by transfer? None.
37. Who have been transferred out? None.
38. Who have had their conference membership terminated:
 (a) By voluntary location? None.
 (b) By involuntary location? None.
 (c) By withdrawal? B. F. Stewart, R. E. Stanley.
 (d) By judicial procedure (expelled)? None.

39. (a) What ministerial members have died during the year? F. M. Hudspeth, W. B. Lott.
 (b) 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): C. R. Green two years; E. D. Alexander, three years.
41. Who are granted sabbatical leave? (Para. 364.) None.
42. What ministers have been retired:
 (a) This year? Turner Snow.
 (b) Previously? R. A. Appling, C. C. Brown, M. B. Burkley, J. H. Childs, W. M. Ellison, Sr., C. W. Franklin, J. J. Hardemon, F. J. Hutchinson, K. W. McMillian, W. M. Moseley, P. H. Phillips, J. S. Ross, Esau Smith, N. W. Stephens, H. C. Tollerson.
43. What approved supply pastors have been retired:
 (a) This year? None.
 (b) Previously? W. M. Franklin, T. W. Stevens, B. W. Anderson.
44. Who are left without appointment to attend school? John Elliott, M. E. Hodge, William Hornsby, E. C. Tatum, Cecil Williams.
45. What is the number of:
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|---|-----|---------------------|----|
| (a) Pastoral charges? | 108 | Readmitted? | 1 |
| Approved supply pastors?..... | 19 | Discontinued? | 1 |
| Received on trial?..... | 4 | Withdrawn? | 1 |
| Received into full connection?.... | 1 | Expelled? | 0 |
| Transfers in? | 1 | Located? | 0 |
| Transfers out? | 0 | Deceased? | 2 |
| Received from other churches.... | 1 | | |
| (b) Ministers: | | | |
| (1) On trial: | | | |
| (a) As pastors ?..... | | | 21 |
| (b) Under special appointment?..... | | | 0 |
| (c) Left without appointment to attend school?..... | | | 4 |
| Total on trial?..... | | | |
| (2) In full connection: | | | |
| (a) Effective: | | | |
| (i) As pastors and district superintendents?..... | | | |
| (ii) Under special appointment?..... | | | 5 |
| (iii) Left without appointment to attend school?..... | | | 1 |
| (iv) On sabbatical leave?..... | | | 0 |
| Total effective? | | | |
| (b) Retired? | | | 15 |
| (c) Supernumerary? | | | 2 |
| (c) Total of all ministers?..... | | | |
46. What other personal notation should be made? None.

Part III. Concluding Business

47. What is the report of the conference treasurer? See report.
48. What is the report of the conference statistician? See report.
49. What are the detailed objectives of this conference for the coming year?
50. Where shall the next session of the conference be held? St. Paul Church, Dallas, Texas.
51. Is there any other business? None.
52. What changes have been made in appointments since last Annual Conference session? None.
53. Where are the preachers stationed for the ensuing year? (SEE LIST OF APPOINTMENTS.)

VI
APPOINTMENTS

Appointments of the West Texas Conference of the Methodist Church
1954 — 1955

All appointments are in Texas unless otherwise indicated. The names of retired ministers are in bold type and parenthesis. Supplies are in parenthesis only. The figure at the end of the line denotes years of service.

AUSTIN DISTRICT

D. H. Hansboro, Superintendent (1)

St. Peters—Eric Purnell.....	3
Simpson—Z. W. Holmes.....	1
Wesley—Robert S. Mosby.....	3
St. Mary's—Frederick Temple—(W. S. Byars).....	3
Bartlett—(H. G. Simmons).....	1
Belton—T. H. Foy.....	2
Brady—John Preciphs.....	1
Burnett—Prairie Lea—To be Supplied.....	.
Dale-Smithville—(H. T. Franks).....	1
Fayetteville—S. E. Moore.....	2
Georgetown—Taylor Steward.....	1
Giddings—(L. D. Johnson).....	1
Hutto-Littig—Jerry Thomas.....	4
Lagrange—W. M. Ellison, Jr.....	2
Lampasses—(Clee Metcalf).....	1
Llano—(M. B. Burkley).....	3
Mason—J. L. Mayfield.....	3
Lockhart—M. C. Stone.....	3
Luling—E. L. Spencer.....	1
San Marcos—S. D. Miller.....	2
Temple—E. N. King.....	1
Tilmon—W. M. Brothers.....	4
Winchester—R. T. King.....	1
District Missionary Secretary.....	W. M. Ellison, Jr.
District Secretary Evangelism.....	Z. W. Holmes
District Secretary Temperance.....	Eric Purnell

DALLAS DISTRICT

J. G. Owens, Superintendent (3)

Dallas: St. Luke—M. E. McMillan.....	1
St. Paul—I. B. Loud.....	7
Trinity—J. B. Phoenix.....	1
Warren—C. D. Owens.....	1
Assistant—John Elliot.....	.
West Dallas—To be supplied.....	.
Dennison—Charles Smith.....	1
Ennis-Corsicana—Willie Smith.....	1
Ferris-Lancaster—Silas M. Cleaver.....	3
Fort Worth:	
Cogswell—Abram McGill.....	2
Cowan Chapel—(K. W. McMillan).....	3
St. Andrews—J. Hudson Carruthers.....	9
Associate Pastor—F. R. Barnwell.....	.
Thompson—W. W. Baker.....	2
Grand Prairie—To be Supplied.....	.
Mexia-Jones—W. L. Shaw.....	2
Mexia Circuit—J. F. Muse.....	10
Milford-Italy—R. L. Foy.....	1
Pelham Circuit—S. G. Pharms.....	1
Sherman-Pilot Point—(Charles Espie).....	4
Waxahachie—E. H. Carter.....	3
Wichita Falls—D. B. Baker.....	2
Assistant Pastor—C. J. Gay.....	.
District Missionary Secretary.....	J. H. Carruthers
District Secretary Evangelism.....	D. B. Baker
District Secretary Temperance.....	C. D. Owens

SAN ANTONIO DISTRICT

P. L. S. Woods, Superintendent (1)

Beeville—O. K. Brewster.....	6
Belmont Circuit—S. M. Franklin.....	1
Corpus Christi—T. M. Bruton.....	6
Del Rio-Uvalde—(W. M. Ellison, Sr.).....	3
Floresville—(A. S. Pitts).....	2
Gonzales Circuit—E. T. Fuller.....	3
Harlingen—A. C. Holden.....	7
Hondo-Pearsall—(Eugene Mooney).....	3
Kerrville—C. J. Houston.....	6
Kingsville—A. D. Porter.....	1
Nixon Circuit—(Elmo Watson).....	3
San Antonio:	
East St. Paul—M. A. Freeman.....	9
Ellison-Eades—L. H. Haywood.....	3
Jacobs Chapel—F. D. Young.....	1
Jones Chapel—T. R. Watkins.....	4
Sanford Chapel—L. D. Washington.....	1
St. Luke—C. L. King.....	1
St. Mark—To be Supplied.....	
St. Paul—E. A. Smith.....	4
West Laurel Heights—(L. B. Napier).....	7
Seguin:	
Harpers—(W. L. Andrews).....	2
Olmos—(B. W. Anderson).....	6
Wesley—I. H. Pierce.....	1
District Missionary Secretary.....	E. A. Smith
District Secretary Evangelism.....	M. A. Freeman
District Secretary Temperance.....	I. H. Pierce

VICTORIA DISTRICT

J. I. Wattly, Superintendent (1)

Aleyton—A. T. Hargrove.....	1
Antair Circuit—Marshall Majors.....	3
Bay City Mission—(Frank Williams).....	4
Columbus—J. H. Marshall.....	1
Curo-Morales—B. F. Lee.....	9
Edna-Granado—A. D. Minor.....	4
Gohad Parish—T. J. D. Sims.....	4
Hallettsville-Breslau—I. C. Greer.....	3
Lavaca—To be Supplied.....	9
Oakland Circuit—(Jack Ceasar).....	3
Port Lavaca Circuit—(John Goode).....	8
Schulenburg-Flatonia—D. C. Carroll.....	6
Sublime Circuit—Zuma M. King.....	3
Victoria—I. A. Panter.....	1
Weimer Parish—(Edward Clark).....	1
Wharton-El Campo—Antone Dykes.....	3
Yoakum—Z. E. King.....	4
District Missionary Secretary.....	A. D. Minor
District Secretary Evangelism.....	B. F. Lee
District Secretary Temperance.....	Antone Dykes

WACO DISTRICT

O. B. Coe, District Superintendent (3)

Bowman-Longbranch—(B. D. Lindsey).....	2
Calvert—(W. A. Webb).....	2
Maysfield—G. W. Kelley.....	3
Chilton Parish—Dee Tucker.....	4
Groesbeck-Bremond—(R. J. Smith).....	2
Marlin—G. F. Alexander.....	2

Hubbard-Hillsboro—H. E. Kuykendall.....	9
Mart-Spring Hill—(C. J. Polk).....	3
Moody-Gatesville—(J. S. Loud).....	1
Rocky-Cedar Parish—R. W. Johnson.....	1
Satin-Majors—W. M. Walmsly.....	1
Valley Mills-Crawford—S. W. Curtis.....	1
Waco:	
Bracks Chapel—G. J. Goff.....	8
Jones Chapel—George L. Johnson.....	9
Mt. Zion—E. J. Tanner.....	3
St. James—S. A. Keesee.....	3
District Missionary Secretary.....	S A. Keesee
District Secretary of Evangelism.....	George L. Johnson
District Secretary of Temperance.....	E. J. Tanner

WESTERN DISTRICT

J. A. Wills, District Superintendent

Abilene—M. T. Reed.....	3
Amarillo—J. A. Wills.....	6
Brownwood—J. B. Richardson.....	1
El Paso—R. L. Palmer.....	3
Levelland—To be Supplied.....	
Lubbock—I. C. Loud.....	1
Midland—E. M. Cooper.....	4
Roscoe-Colorado City—To be Supplied.....	
Odessa—J. W. Morgan.....	2
O'Donnell—To be Supplied.....	
San Angelo—L. E. Muse.....	3
District Missionary Secretary.....	E. M. Cooper
District Secretary Evangelism.....	R. L. Palmer
District Secretary Temperance.....	L. E. Muse

SPECIAL APPOINTMENTS

General Board of Education — E. T. Dixon	
Board of Pensions — T. B. Echols	
Faculty, Hutson-Tillotson College — W. M. Ellison Jr.	
Faculty, Langston University.....	Edwin Edmonds
Conference Secretary of Evangelism.....	T. M. Bruton
Conference Missionary Secretary.....	F. D. Young
Conference Secretary of Temperance.....	I. A. Pointe
Area Executive Secretary.....	R. F. Harrington
Left without appointment to attend school: Marshall Hodge, Lovell Lowe, E. C. Tatum	

VII

DISTRICT SUPERINTENDENT'S COMPOSITE REPORT

West Texas Conference Central Jurisdiction Methodist Church

Eightieth Session

Mr. Chairman, Ministers and Laymen of the West Texas Conference and friends:

When after a long and critical illness, the Resident Bishop of the New Orleans Area, Bishop Robert N. Brooks passed to his final reward the members of the West Texas Conference along with all of the other Conferences of the Area, cognizant of the fact that we had lost a man of imposing state and peerless leadership, waited in great travail, with much prayer and some misgivings, the action of the Council of Bishops in determining the Episcopal supervision and leadership of our Area.

When at last the news came through, Bishop Alexander Preston Shaw had been chosen to give Episcopal supervision to the Texas and West Texas Conferences. We not only breathed a great sigh of relief but let slip and uproarious Hallelujah; for knowing him as we do, we knew there was coming to us a friend, a brother beloved, and a Christian statesman of great mental, moral and spiritual stature. Bishop Shaw, we bid you a very cordial welcome. The history of the founding, the growth and development of the West Texas Conference makes superbly interesting and inspiring reading. The record as it is carried in our Journal is a rather concise but revealing one. The hope is that some day we shall have the printed history of Texas Methodism in a more detailed form.

Suffice it is now to refer again to the organization of the Methodist Episcopal Church into annual conference relations in New Orleans, Louisiana, December 25, 1865—Out of this beginning has budded, bloomed and come to fruition, the Louisiana, the Texas and the great, vigorous and ever expanding West Texas Conference. It is interesting also to note that the trend of this great Methodist movement has always been westward.

When on the 7th of January 1874 in the city of Marshall, Texas, the West Texas Conference was born, there went out from that meeting—G. W. Haney, Jacob Miller, Mack Henson, Daniel Gregory, Samuel Allen, W. O. Sheety, Larkin Carper, Archie Johnson, J. T. Hill, T. T. Leach, T. G. Lacy, Elex Campbell, London Morris, Isaac Wright, Cyrus Hatchet, Daniel Harper and Charles Scruggs. These rugged, stalwart frontiersmen with the fires of God burning in their bosoms and the concepts of a new age in their brains, set out upon the audacious task of building in the wilderness a new spiritual empire.

From the lips of his son, Andrew, came the story that his daring and illustrious father, Larkin Carper, with naught but a hymn book and a Bible in the pocket of his saddle rode a spanish pony through the uncharted wildernesses all the way from Marshall, Texas, to San Antonio, Texas—a distance of more than 400 miles to take up the pastorate there.

Gentlemen, we are the recipients of a holy heritage. From the faltering hands the founding fathers have passed to us the torch. Be our to hold it high.

Let it never be said of us, that we have rested too long upon the laurels won by the fathers, but let us remember that there are battles still to be fought, areas still to be conquered, and frontiers yet unexplored. Up then and away. Westward, Brother, Westward, across the interminable prairies of West Texas, the desert sands of New Mexico and Arizona; till every hamlet and all the country-side shall have felt the tread of God's advancing armies, and flushed with victory we shall stop at last to bathe our fevered faces, pock-marked by cutting sands and parched by the winds of the desert, in the placid waters of the Pacific, having stake claimed a continent for our King. This, then be our task and our theme song "Onward Christian Soldiers."

Our Labors — Evangelism

The conscience of the great church has been keenly, sensitized to the urgent need for a revival of religion. Charles Edwin Schofeld, in his book, "We Methodist" has this to say, "we must evangelize or lose our souls." The great Methodist movement was born in a religious revival.

The primary business of the church was, is and always will be, Evangelism; the presentation of the call of God to men. The Methodist Movement, both in England and America was carried forward on the wings of a preaching revival.

We do well to remember that during the first few years of its growth in America, Methodism was a spontaneous and unofficial movement. Its preachers were a few frontier boys who had neither training, credentials, nor ecclesiastical connections, but who evangelized because the spirit bade them to do so.

When Frances Asbury arrived from England in 1771 he found Philip Embury, Jacob Sawbridge, James Haw, Francis Clark, Jesse Lee and Tobias Gibson all on the job. Voices they were, crying in the wilderness.

To meet the present day need for a revival of religion, the church has sponsored a national evangelistic convocation; widespread preaching missions and the institution of visitation evangelism and direct contact under the sponsorship of the Commission on Membership and Evangelism on the local church level.

In our own conference this year evangelism has been a major emphasis. Earnest efforts upon the part of pastors and commissions on evangelism and membership have met with gratifying results. Increases in membership and a deepening of the spiritual wells in many lives are much in evidence. Two great preaching revivals were held, one in Austin where the Rev. Robert S. Mosby was the preacher and one in San Antonio where Dr. J. W. Golden of the Board of Evangelism was the preacher. In these services the masses participated with religious fervor and enthusiasm.

To assert that the preaching revival has lost its power to save, is to reflect upon the judgment of God. At least God believed it would be effective, for I read in 1st Cor. 1:21 "It pleased God by the foolishness of preaching, etc."

Nothing will ever supersede or displace the WORD—preached with power, from the pulpits, by men with hot hearts. The preacher, then must be possessed by an all absorbing, implacable, indomitable urge to preach.

HUSTON-TILLOTSON COLLEGE

Huston-Tillotson College is completing its second year as a merged institution. 238 students were enrolled in the 1953 summer session and 703 in the current regular session, making a total enrollment of 941. The College has begun a thorough and comprehensive program of recruitment and earnestly seeks the cooperation of the pastors and laymen of the West Texas Conference.

Faculty

The teaching staff consists of 7 professors, 10 associate professors, 26 assistant professors and 2 instructors. No member of the faculty holds less than the master's degree. Four hold an earned doctor's degree and six are approaching the doctorate at the University of Texas. 21 members of the faculty took additional graduate work during the summer of 1953, definitely indicating that the faculty possesses vitality and is keeping abreast of the growth of the College.

One member of the faculty, Mr. John King, a member of Wesley Methodist Church, received a Ford Fellowship and is on a year's leave of absence studying for the Ph. D. degree at the University of Texas. Mr. Granville M. Sawyer, also a member of Wesley Methodist Church, received a fellowship from the General Education Board and is on a year's leave of absence studying in the University of Southern California for the Ph. D. degree.

Great honor has come to another member of the faculty of Huston-Tillotson College. W. Astor Kirk, also a member of Wesley, Professor of Government at Huston-Tillotson College has been awarded a \$4,000 fellowship as a Congregational Intern by the American Political Science Association in Washington, D. C. Mr. Kirk was one of ten young professors of Political Science, lawyers, and journalists elected by the American Political Science Association this year to spend nine months on the staffs of congressional committees and House and Senate members. The committee which awarded the fellowship to Mr. Kirk made a national survey seeking ten of the most prominent young men in the field of law, political science and journalism without regard to race or color. This is an honor, not only to Mr. Kirk, but to the Church of which he is a member, to the Conference and to the College in which he teaches and to the race.

Huston-Tillotson College is no ivory tower and its faculty and students do not live apart from their fellowmen. As an evidence of the interest of the faculty in church and community, there are members of the Huston-Tillotson faculty serving in the following positions: Secretary of the State Parent-Teachers Association, Chairman of the College Division of the State Teachers Association, Chairman of the Board of Directors of the local YMCA, Secretary of the Council of Negro Organization, Member of the Board of Directors of the United Fund, Vice-President of the YMCA, Chairman of the Training Committee of the Boy Scouts, President of the Women's Society for Christian Service, and Dean of Summer Institute for Methodist Ministers.

Plant and Physical Equipment

A systematic and continuous program of renovation, alteration and redecoration has been carried on this year in connection with the buildings and grounds of Huston-Tillotson College. The Mary E. Branch auditorium and gymnasium has been completed, making available additional classrooms and offices. The outstanding even, however, is the construction of a new science building, which together with its equipment, will cost approximately \$500,000. Plans are being made for other buildings soon to be erected.

Religious Life

The Department of Religious Life seeks to develop and enrich spiritual life on the campus through a three-fold approach: (1) Through services of worship and devotion. (2) Through promotion of religious activities and (3) Through formal courses in religion included in the regular academic curriculum.

The Vespers program at Huston-Tillotson College for the fall and winter brought to the campus a number of outstanding leaders of religion in Texas and several special services of spiritual beauty. Especially noteworthy was the World Communion Service conducted by the College, in which many clergymen and visitors participated.

Religious Emphasis Week was observed on the campus from Sunday to Wednesday, September 14-17, with the theme "Up and About our Father's Business." The

leaders for the week were Dr. William L. Cash, Prairie View; Dr. Edmund Heinsohn, University Methodist Church; Dr. Carlyle Marney, First Baptist Church; and Rev. Earnest A. Smith, St. Paul Methodist Church, San Antonio. The College also sponsored jointly with the Board of Education of the West Texas Conference a Christian Vocations Conference. It has as its main resource person Dr. Edwin R. Edmonds of Langston University.

Student religious organizations are the Methodist Student Movement, the YM and YWCA. The Methodist Student Movement was set up with a Board of Directors, three from the Huston-Tillotson faculty, three from the West Texas Conference and two students. These two students and the college minister attended the Fifth Quadrennial MSM Conference at Lawrence, Kansas, December 29 - January 2. A Huston-Tillotson student, Miss Emma Lois Smith, has been selected this year for State Vice-President of the Texas State MSM. This movement includes all the white as well as all the colored Methodist students attending the various colleges in Texas. It is significant to remember also that last year Mr. Marshall Hodge, a graduate of Huston-Tillotson College, was the President of this organization. Huston-Tillotson prepares for leadership.

Let us rally to the support of this grand institution so that it may meet more adequately the rigid requirements and demands of this new day and serve more efficiently the youth who will enter its doors without regard to race, creed or color.

The Christian Home

The most important institution in a Christian civilization is the Christian home. The home is older than the church. It is older than and greater than any public school system or higher form of education. The greatest lessons ever learned are learned in the home.

The home is the best thing we have planned, instituted and ordained by God. The home is being threatened and even undermined to an extent of which most of us are not even aware. It is being threatened because of alien philosophies of life which are being introduced into our thought and conduct.

Imperceptibly these ideas are being forced upon us and they are being assimilated by us without our being fully conscious of the fact. The home is being threatened because of the lowering of moral standards and there can be no future without morality. You cannot play fast and loose with moral standards, without a terrific price being paid by mankind as a whole. Happy, successful homes cannot be built upon the moral ruins of men and women. You cannot build up a wholesome spiritual order upon the wreckage of a broken down moral order.

Then there is the problem of juvenile delinquency and the upswing of youthful criminology as attested by the Senate Investigating Committee and law enforcement officers throughout the land.

What is wrong with the home today as an institution? And what is wrong with this mess which we euphemistically refer to as society? Well there is too much promiscuous petting, too much wide spread gambling, too many cocktail parties.

THE WESTERN DISTRICT

Another fine year of fellowship and cooperative labor has characterized the labor of both the spirit and the work in the "Golden Spread".

The claims of the church have been presented throughout the District, pastors and laymen have responded in a fine way as will be shown in each report.

Evangelism."

Special emphasis have been brought to bear in each District Meeting. House to house canvasses made in many of the charges the results will show in the increase of membership on the District.

"Benevolence".

We have held one planning Conference, three roll calls, one Annual Session of the District Conference. The program of Benevolence was carefully planned and followed through, which has resulted in all claims raised.

We have held and caused to be held at least two Quarterly Conferences in every charge.

Each pastor has been hard at work as their reports will show. There is a new Parsonage, at every point on the District but two. A Brick or stone church at every Church but one.

The New Parsonage at Lubbock is the pride of the "Golden Spread".

As we close this conference year and face the new we are ever mindful of the unlimited opportunities in the West.

REPORT OF THE WOMAN'S SOCIETY OF CHRISTIAN SERVICE AND GUILD

We are happy to say that we have had a successful year. It would not have been so, had it not been for the excellent cooperation of the Conference, District, Local Officers and Members faithfully discharging their Missionary duties.

Throughout the Conference the Quadrennial Theme and Emphasis have been launched and met with much success. Our Missionary Education program has developed wonderfully, and probably account for increased interest in the total program.

Seminars, Workshops, Zone Meetings were largely attended, as a result we find improved methods of carrying on the work of "The Woman's Society of Christian Service" in the local churches.

Special Days have been observed namely U. N. Birthday, World Community Day, Human Rights' Day, World Day of Prayer and others, using suggested program materials for all.

Interracial meetings and Alcohol Seminars conducted by Dr. Hooton from our Board of Temperance in Washington D. C. was quite helpful in many ways as it relates Alcohol problems, in his closing remarks he left this with us total abstinence is the answer to the Alcohol problem.

We attended the Southwest Conference School of Missions, and made fine contribution to the total program with 500 Christian women working, praying, studying and fellowshiping one with the other, truly the Kingdom of God will come on earth.

We had our full delegation in attendance at all meetings.

Literature: We rank 3rd in the sale of Literature in the Jurisdiction. 82 subscriptions to "The Methodist Woman" were taken on one of our smaller Districts this year, and other Districts pledged to do likewise.

We have been able to meet our pledge successfully this year, and will increase the same for the year of 1954 - 1955.

The Wesleyan Service Guild under the efficient leadership of our Conference Secretary, has gone forward in a fine way, several new units have been organized and a working program supported by the members of the Guild, the future is indeed bright.

The G. S. G. week end was our first to be held in our Conference, it was a success in every way, much credit should be given the Conference Guild Secretary for her untiring efforts in the same.

We have two scholarship girls: Miss Ella Francis Bell and Miss Bonnie Houston, in Houston-Tillotson they are making good. And Miss Lelia Marie Robinson whom we helped last year and sent a love offering to her this year, will be **Commissioned** at the Assembly in Milwaukee and resume her work at Sager-Brown our Annual Report this year was dedicated to her.

Our School of Missions was one of the best we've had. Our attendance was up it was said to have been the best we have had yet.

Much credit is due our very efficient Dean. Our faculty is interracial. We will hold our first Youth School of Mission in Connection with our Conference School of Mission.

During our Annual meeting in Dallas, we had two Division workers present. Mrs. C. A. Barr and Miss Lydia Gerhart who brought two informative messages and praised the work being done in The West Texas Society and Guild to the highest. All Officers and Secretary reports were excellent.

We are indeed interested in the program of Evangelism and pledge to give major emphasis to the acceptance of the price of Christian Discipleship through personal and group witnessing and we will seek with Christians everywhere the sustaining fellowship and power of a world Christian Church.

The church and the home must work cooperatively in bringing about much of the needed reforms. To this end the church holds at periods national convocations on family life. National Family Week has become an institution in our American life. In our Conference we have held on the district and sub-district levels institutes on home and family life.

Recently there has been inaugurated in several of our churches, "Family Night" bringing together large groups of parents and children under the wholesome atmosphere of the church, for fellowship, recreation and worship.

Homes:

As long as there are homes — where men return at close of day,
As long as there are homes — where children are; where women stay
If, love and loyalty within these walls remain
A stricken nation can take heart again."

Physical Improvements

There has been a contagious interest in church building throughout the Conference. Sky limits are pierced by the spires of new churches in wide spread areas of the Conference. Many of the older structures have come in for renovation and new designs. On the Austin District: Luling and Llano. On the Dallas District there are new structures at Ennis and Fort Worth. (Stop Six) Brethren, a certain distinguished gentleman, now to be retired, by the name of K. W. Millan, is at it again. Witness the structure at Stop Six. On the San Antonio District beautiful new buildings were brought to completion at Uvalde, Nixon, Pleasanton, West Laurel Neights, and Sanford Chapel. On the Victoria District, St. Paul Church at Columbus under the leadership of L. D. Washington finally comes to completion. It is most beautiful in design. Port Lavaca and Placedo have new churches. At Little Bethel, Weimar and hopes of and dreams of R. A. Atkinson have finally come to fruition. Parsonages also at Thompson Chapel, Ferris and other points have been built or redesigned. It is gratifying to see what face liftings are taking place on the homes for the parsonage families all about.

"Tis a far cry brethren from the yester years.

Finally it is felt by the District Superintendents, the pastors and laymen of the Dallas District that the purchase of the Greater Warren under the leadership of Brother I. H. Pierce, represents the crowning achievement in this Area.

Reserve Pension Fund

In a very passionate letter to the ministers and ministers' wives of the New Orleans Area under the date of April 13, 1954, D. T. B. Echols had this to say: and I quote "The paramount issue with the ministers of the Central Jurisdiction and their families is a more adequate provision for their pension and retirement." Our Reserve Pension Fund Campaign offers us a solution for this problem. It is my candied belief, brethren, that this is the psychological moment for action. Indications are that both ministers and laymen of the Conference are ready now to lend heart and hand to the accomplishment of the task.

There are however, among the more mature brethren a few who still dissent, saying, I see nothing in it for me.

I planted flowers for my successor, etc . . .
 If by life's roadside I may plant a tree
 Beneath whose shade some weary head may rest
 Though I may never see its shade nor share its beauty
 I shall still be blessed,
 Drop a rose upon my bier
 For I shall not have lived in vain while here.

Benevolences

The benevolent claims have been presented in every charge in the Conference. Our people are constantly being reminded that the Methodist Church is a benevolent church, that benevolence is the life life of the great church, that it must continue to flow or our far flung enterprises in Kingdom extension must all fail.

The people are responding heartily.

Finally

This is a turbulent age. Ominous storm clouds stand on the horizon of our visions, ugly flood waters of confusion swirl about us.

At our National Capitol investigation follows investigation, charge, counter charge and name calling seems to be the order of the day. Leadership gives every evidence of going round and round in circles like men lost in a storm.

On the international front, diplomats rush to and from across the continents, council follows in the wake of council and council after council comes to naught.

Scientists have produced the A bomb, the H bomb and the Cobalt bomb. We have built a Frankenstein and we know not what to do with it. So our actions parallel those of a little boy playing with a fire cracker, afraid to hold it in his hand but equally afraid to throw it down.

In short, our world gives every evidence that it is tanding on the brink of some cataclysmic doom. But these tragic sequences inevitably will keep up until the last dictator shall be evicted and the rule of the people be established in all the lands—until sanity shall return to the world councils and the door of peace be opened forever.

Till then let the trumpeters of God blow on the trumpets but in days like these see that you give forth no uncertain sounds.

While might earthquakes rock the world's foundation
 And chaos threatens empires and their kings
 While men of strength lie stricken in the wreckage
 And men of wisdom cease their utterings,
 While darkness menaces man's puny strivings
 And new born terror haunts the land and sea,
 Still walks the lonely peasant by the lake side
 And calls to this disciples, "Follow Me."

Respectfully, Z. W. Holmes, J. G. Owens, O. B. Coe, J. M. Wills, D. H. Hansboro,
 F. D. Young, District Superintendents.

VIII

REPORT OF WEST TEXAS ANNUAL CONFERENCE COMMISSION ON WORLD SERVICE & FINANCE

Bishop Shaw and brethren of the Conference:

Your Commission is cognizant of and accepts its responsibility of promoting Christian Stewardship throughout the Conference.

Careful study has been made of the benevolence and current expense giving of the local churches in our conference. We also are determined to lift up to the people of our churches that God's way (THE TITHE) of financing Churches is still the way.

WEST TEXAS ANNUAL CONFERENCE COMMISSION ON WORLD SERVICE AND FINANCE

Budget 1954 - 1955

ADMINISTRATION:

General:

General Administration Fund.....	\$ 495
Radio and Film Commission.....	300
Interdenominational Cooperation Fund.....	396

\$1,191

Jurisdiction:

Jurisdiction Conference Expense Fund.....	425
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425

Area:

Area Administration.....	2,000
Area Secretary.....	1,760
Area Publicity.....	110

\$ 3,870

Annual Conference:

Board of Missions.....	200
Conference Missionary Secretary.....	200
Committee on Conference Relations.....	25
Commission on World Service and Finance.....	500
Conference Treasurer.....	600
Board of Education and Christian Vocations.....	275
Board of Temperance.....	150
Board of Lay Activities.....	800
Board of Evangelism.....	200
Commission on World Peace.....	150
Board of Hospitals and Homes.....	50
Conference Journal.....	1,150
Conference Secretary.....	200
Conference Statistician.....	150
Radio and Film Commission.....	150
Committee on Memoirs.....	100

5,050

GENERAL AND ANNUAL CONFERENCE BENEVOLENCES

General:

World Service.....	7,953	
		7,953

Annual Conference Benevolences:

Education:

Huston-Tillotson College.....	7,000	
Executive Secretary: Salary.....	3,000	
House.....	600	
Travel.....	600	
Undergraduate Pastor's School (Gulfside).....	500	
Pastoral Clinic and Supply Pastor's School.....	700	
Board of Missions.....	4,661	
		\$35,000

MINISTERIAL SUPPORT

- A. Pastor's Salary—an increase of 10 percent in each charge.
 - B. District Superintendent's Salary; 16 percent of pastor's estimated salary.
 - C. District Expense Fund—\$1,000.00 apportioned to the charges of each district on the percentage basis.
 - D. Conference Claimant's Fund: An amount equal to 15 percent of pastor's cash salary.
 - E. Episcopal Fund: An amount equal to 2 percent of pastor's cash salary.
 - F. Minimum Support Fund: An Amount equal to 2 percent of pastor's cash salary.
 - G. Sustentation Fund: An Amount equal to 1 percent of pastor's cash salary.
- Reserve Pension Fund: \$10,000 apportioned to charges on the percentage basis.
 Note: Conference Claimant's Fund will be divided on the following ratio: 12 percent for immediate distribution; 3 percent for Reserve Pension Fund.

COMMISSION ON WORLD SERVICE REPORT

Percentages for Charges

AUSTIN DISTRICT

St. Peters.....	4.4
Simpson.....	13.7
Wesley.....	21.0
Bartlett.....	2.5
Belton.....	3.7
Brady.....	2.2
Dale-Smithville.....	2.4
Fayetteville.....	2.2
Giddings Ct.....	.2
Georgetown.....	3.0
LaGrange.....	2.7
Lampasas.....	.2
Lockhart.....	8.2
Llano-Mason.....	2.6
Luling.....	8.2
Reedsville.....	.2
San Marcos.....	4.2
Tilmon.....	3.4
Temple.....	5.8
Winchester.....	.3
Littig.....	1.4
Burnett.....	.6
St. Mary's.....	.6

DALLAS DISTRICT

Denison.....	4.5
Ennis-Corsicana.....	2.6
Ferris-Lancaster.....	2.7
St. Luke.....	1.0
St. Paul.....	25.5

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Trinity.....	3.5
Warren.....	7.0
Cogswell.....	.7
Cowan.....	1.6
St. Andrews.....	25.5
Thompson.....	8.0
Jones.....	3.5
Mexia Circuit.....	3.4
Milford.....	2.3
Pelham.....	2.7
Sherman-Pilot Point.....	2.0
Waxahachie.....	.8
Wichita Falls.....	2.7

SAN ANTONIO DISTRICT

Beeville.....	3.2
Belmont.....	2.2
Corpus Christi.....	9.5
Del Rio-Ulvalde.....	2.1
Floresville.....	2.1
Gonzales.....	2.8
Gonzales Ct.....	2.4
Harlingen.....	3.8
Hondos.....	1.4
Kerville.....	4.3
Kingsville.....	4.5
Nixon.....	1.3
Pearsall.....	.6
Ellison-Eades.....	2.1
East St. Paul.....	8.7
Jacobs Chapel.....	10.9
Jones Chapel.....	4.7
Sanford Chapel.....	4.6
St. Marks.....	
St. Paul.....	19.8
West Laurel Heights.....	1.4
Wesley.....	5.9
Harper's.....	.7
Olmos-Redds.....	1.3

VICTORIA DISTRICT

Alleyton-Weimar.....	1.0
Altair.....	4.4
Bay City.....	.9
Cologne.....	3.2
Columbus.....	11.8
Cueri-Morales.....	10.5
Edna-Laredo.....	12.0
Hallettsville.....	6.7
Goliad.....	4.0
Oakland.....	4.8
Port Lavern.....	1.8
Refugio.....	.5
Schulenburg.....	6.6
Sublime.....	1.5
Webster Chapel-Victoria.....	17.0
Waelder.....	1.0
Wharton-El Campo.....	9.5
Yoakum-Shiner.....	3.8

WACO DISTRICT

Bowman.....	3.0
Calvert.....	3.0
Chilton.....	4.5
Frosa.....	1.0
GroBsbeck Ct.....	5.0
Hubbard.....	5.0

Marlin.....	13.
Mart Ct.....	5.0
Maysfield.....	5.0
Moody.....	2.0
Rocky Ct.....	5.0
Satin Ct.....	5.0
Valley Mills.....	3.0
Bracks Chapel.....	3.0
Jones Chapel.....	7.0
Mt. Zion.....	9.5
St. James.....	21.0

WESTERN DISTRICT

Abilene.....	0.9
Amarillo.....	2.5
Brownwood.....	17.5
Brown Ct.....	
El Paso.....	19.5
Lubbock.....	17.5
Odessa and Midland.....	10.0
San Angelo.....	24.0

COMMISSION ON WORLD SERVICE AND FINANCE:

O. B. Coe, Chairman, J. G. Owens, Vice-Chairman; Z. W. Holmes, R. S. Mosby, S. A. Keesee, C. H. Johnson, W. R. Bryant, Secy; Mrs. Vivian M. Reece, Asso. Secretary; Mrs. H. R. Blair, Kay W. McMillan, Jr.
I. B. Loud, Conference Treasurer.

MISSIONS

In paragraph 1166 in the Methodist Discipline of 1952 we read,

The Supreme aim of Missions is to make the Lord Jesus Christ known to all peoples in all lands as their divine Savior, to persuade them to become his disciples, and to gather these disciples into Christian churches; . . . to promote world Christian fellowship; and to bring to bear on all human life the spirit and principles of Christ.

With these great aims and purposes in view we present the following as the missionary objectives for the Conference year, 1954-1955.

But in days like these see that you give forth no uncertain sounds.

1. The conference Missionary Secretary shall be responsible for encouraging the District Superintendents in his Annual Conference to organize District Teams. (See "Memo to D. S.")

2. The Conference Missionary Secretary shall organize the several district teams into a conference team and arrange for the team to make its formal report to the conference on Missions.

3. Each Missionary Secretary shall be responsible for encouraging the functioning of the district teams within his conference. He shall encourage each district to follow through in its objective for the year and lend help at whatever point he can.

Memo To District Superintendents

During the conference each District Superintendent is asked to form a District Team who shall be responsible for the work of Missions at the District level. The team should be composed of the following.

1. District Superintendent
2. District Missionary Secretary
3. One Rural Pastor
4. One Rural Layman
5. One Urban Pastor
6. One Urban Layman
7. One Youth Member
8. Conference representatives invited to Missions
9. Conference representatives residing in a district

This team should be organized at the earliest possible convenience.

One important function of your District Team will be to lift up at least one specific objective toward which the District will work during this conference year.

The District Superintendent shall appoint someone who will report to the District Team from each seminar.

The District Team will make a formal report to the Conference on Missions. This report shall emphasize the district's objectives for the year and will be incorporated in an Annual Conference Report.

That the Month of January be named as special missionary emphasis month and Missionary Institutes be held in each district during this month under the auspices of the District Workers team, with District Superintendent and the District Missionary Secretary giving direction.

That one Missionary Training School be held in each local Church during the year.

That the Conference Missionary Secretary, the District Missionary secretaries and the District Superintendents plan and promote one Missionary Institute on the Conference level. The date and place to be fixed by the above group.

That on levels from the local Church to Annual Conference we guard ourselves to carry out vigorously the following outlined duties:

- I. Inform the people.
- II. Plan Annual Schools of Missions.
- III. Promote World Service
- IV. Secure Missionary Specials.
- V. Circulate World Outlook.
- VI. Recruit Full Time Christian Workers.

Respectfully
Fred D. Young,
Conference Missionary Secretary.

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REPORT OF TREASURER

A U D I T R E P O R T

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WEST TEXAS ANNUAL CONFERENCE OF THE METHODIST CHURCH AUDITOR'S CERTIFICATE

To the Board of Directors
West Texas Annual Conference
Of The Methodist Church
Dallas, Texas

We have audited the records of the West Texas Annual Conference Methodist Church, and we certify that, subject to the comments incorporated in our report, the accompanying balance sheet and statement of income correctly presents, in accordance with sound principles of accounting consistently maintained by the Conference Treasurer during the period under audit and during preceding years, the financial position as of May 31, 1954, and the results of operations for the year ended that date.

GEORGE L. ALLEN & COMPANY
BY: G. L. ALLEN
Public Accountant

Dallas, Texas
August 20, 1954

August 23, 1954

West Texas Annual Conference of
The Methodist Church
Dallas, Texas

Gentlemen:

Pursuant to your instructions to make a detailed audit of the financial records and other business of the West Texas Conference Of The Methodist Church, we are pleased to submit this report covering same. The period of time covered by this report is the time embraced between the dates of July 9, 1953 and May 31, 1954, both dates inclusive.

INCOME & DISBURSEMENTS

Total income was arrived at by detailed checking of the Conference Treasurer's reports received from Charges throughout the Conference. This income was traced into the Treasurer's cash journal, thence into bank deposits and bank statements. Cancelled checks were examined and compared with entries in the cash journal in support of items of disbursements for the Conference Year. Receipts from all sources for the audit period aggregated \$65,292.14, of this amount \$55,280.00 came from Districts. Conference Ministers' Wives accounted for \$2,824.68. Disbursements for the audit period totalled \$48,885.21. Items of disbursements have been clearly indicated by account titles and should, therefore, be self explanatory. Dishonored checks in the amount of \$797.50 are included under total disbursements and are in the possession of the Conference Treasurer in the event further information is desired in this connection.

BALANCE SHEET

Total assets as of May 31, 1954 amount to \$1,756,769.95, of which \$27,369.95 represents cash on hand and in bank. Outstanding obligations representing notes payable, adequately secured by church property, total \$70,100.00 leaving the Conference showing a surplus of \$1,686,669.97; this is after due allowance has been made for depreciation, etc., on physical assets.

The valued cooperation of the Conference Treasurer and his official personnel is gratefully acknowledged. If there is any further information desired in connection with this report please feel free to call upon us.

Respectfully submitted,
G. L. ALLEN
Auditor

WEST TEXAS ANNUAL CONFERENCE OF THE METHODIST CHURCH
Dallas, Texas

STATEMENT OF INCOME AND DISBURSEMENTS**INCOME FROM ALL SOURCES:**

Income from District.....	\$ 55,280.00
Conference Ministers Wives.....	2,824.68
Offerings	105.30
Methodist Publishing House.....	1,670.93
Bishop A. P. Shaw.....	500.00
Refunds & Exchanges.....	4,961.23
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	\$ 65,342.14

DISBURSEMENTS:

Advance Specials.....	\$ 10,602.00
Conference Board Travel.....	177.00
World Peace.....	140.00
District Superintendent's Salary.....	54.00
Conference Board of Education.....	1,468.85
Audit Fee & Bonds.....	150.00
Telephone & Telegraph.....	722.17
Conference Treasurer's Office Expenses.....	1,051.35
Commissions on World Service.....	232.52
Conference Office Equipment & Supplies.....	290.76
Sustentation & Minimum Support.....	1,035.30
World Mission.....	880.20
National Missions.....	250.00
Board of Lay Activities.....	346.00
Conference Board of Missions.....	148.10
Conference Secretary.....	275.00
District Expenses.....	4,834.25
Board of Pensions.....	7,419.62
Conference Offerings.....	63.15
Area Budget.....	1,930.00
T. B. Lugg, General Treasurer for World Service.....	3,281.00
T. B. Lugg, General Treasurer for World Service.....	6,004.44
T. B. Lugg, General Treasurer for Episcopal Fund.....	2,147.00
T. B. Lugg, General Treasurer for M.C.O.R.....	142.00
Gulfside Assembly.....	400.00

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Race Relations (Tillotson-Huston).....	3,168.00	
Conference Journal.....	875.00	
Dishonored Checks.....	797.50	48,885.21
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Excess Income over Disbursements.....		16,456.93
Balance brought forward (7-8-53).....		10,963.02
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Balance as of May 31, 1954.....		\$ 27,419.95

BALANCE SHEET (As of May 31, 1954)

WEST TEXAS ANNUAL CONFERENCE OF THE METHODIST CHURCH
Dallas, Texas

ASSETS:

Cash in Bank.....	\$ 27,029.87
Cash in Office.....	390.08
*Church Building, Equipment & Land.....	1,420,250.00
*Parsonage Furniture & Land.....	309,150.00
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Total Assets.....	\$1,756,819.95

LIABILITIES:

*Notes Payable.....	\$ 70,100.00
(Secured by above physical Assets)	
Surplus.....	1,686,719.97
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Total Liabilities.....	\$1,756,819.95

*From Official Conference Journal with allowance for depreciation and payments on notes.

WEST TEXAS ANNUAL CONFERENCE OF THE METHODIST CHURCH
Dallas, TexasReconciliation — Republic National Bank, Dallas, Texas
(As of May 31, 1954)

Bank Balance.....		\$36,794.00
Outstanding Checks.....	9,764.19	
Book Balance.....	27,029.87	
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TOTALS.....	\$36,794.00	\$36,794.00

OUTSTANDING CHECKS

Check Number	Date	Amount
458.....	5-22-54.....	\$ 30.00
461.....	5-22-54.....	100.00
479.....	5-24-54.....	10.75
468.....	5-22-54.....	125.00
436.....	5-15-54.....	17.00
464.....	5-22-54.....	10.00
455.....	5-22-54.....	8.00
450.....	5-22-54.....	40.00
462.....	5-22-54.....	250.00
487.....	5-31-54.....	880.00
485.....	5-31-54.....	8,293.44
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TOTAL.....		\$9,764.19

Treasurer's Report

WEST TEXAS ANNUAL CONFERENCE OF THE METHODIST CHURCH
Dallas, Texas

Schedule of Checks

(Drawn subsequent to close of Audit, May 31, 1954, which checks are part of 1953-1954 Income)

Date	Payee	Amount
6-1-54	Mrs. P. H. Phillips (Conference Offering).....	\$ 63.15
6-2-54	Prenza L. S. Woods (Conference Secretary).....	170.00
6-3-54	Malone Office Supply.....	112.07
6-3-54	J. G. Owens (District Expense).....	200.00

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6-7-54	C. D. Owens.....	50.00
6-11-54	Ira B. Loud (Treasurer's Office).....	145.81
6-19-54	Southwestern Bell Telephone Company.....	63.75
6-19-54	Western Union.....	14.60
6-19-54	New Orleans Area Pastor's School.....	400.00
6-19-54	T. M. Burton.....	51.82
6-29-54	Rev. Wm. J. Washington.....	350.00
7-20-54	Board of Pensions of the Methodist Church.....	19,578.93
7-20-54	Methodist Publishing House.....	82.55
7-20-54	Disbursement of Exchange for St. Luke and Warren Methodist Churches.....	4,961.23
6-3-54	Fellowship of Suffering & Service.....	169.80

 \$26,413.71

Total Disbursements to May 31, 1954.....\$48,885.21

Total Disbursements Subsequent May 31..... 26,413.71

 Total Disbursements for 1953-1954.....\$75,298.92

Total Receipts\$76,255.26

Total Disbursements 75,298.92

 Balance\$ 956.34
TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS:

World Service	\$ 7,957.44
Episcopal Fund	2,147.00
Week of Dedication	300.00
Interdenominational Cooperation Fund	396.00
General Administration	464.00
Methodist Committee on Overseas Relief	200.00
F. O. S.	100.00
Board of Pensions.....	26,998.45
Advance Specials	10,602.00
Conference Boards Travel (Waco, November 1953).....	177.00
World Peace	140.00
District Superintendents Salary.....	54.00
Conference Board of Education.....	1,468.85
Audit Fee and Bond.....	150.00
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Conference Secretary	445.00
District Expense	4,834.25
Gulfside	400.00
New Orleans Area Pastors	400.00
Race Relations	3,168.00
Conference Journal	875.00

Disbursements (continued)

Board of Lay Activities.....	346.00
Conference Statistician	175.00
Area Expense	1,320.00
Area Publicity	110.00
Refund of Loan for Warren (to Bishop Shaw).....	500.00
Dishonored Checks	797.50
Wm. J. Washington (June Salary).....	350.00
Exchange to City of Dallas for St. Luke.....	833.33
Exchange to Forest Avenue Baptist Church for Warren Chapel.....	4,100.00
Area Secretary & Mobile Unit.....	880.00

 Total Disbursements.....\$75,298.92

Total Receipts 1953-1954.....	\$65,342.14
Brought Forward 7-8-53.....	10,913.12
	\$76,255.26
Total Disbursements.....	75,298.92
Balance	\$ 956.34

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON MINISTERIAL TRAINING

Report of the Board of Ministerial Training of the West Texas Conference on two Report of the Board of Ministerial Training of the West Texas Conference on two special matters that were referred to it in the Friday's session. Those present in the special called meeting were: P. S. L. Woods, J. H. Carruthers, Ernest Dixon, M. J. Washington, I. B. Loud, J. G. Owens and T. B. Schols. Echols

After much discussion it was the unanimous decision:

First, that because of circumstances beyond their control, the men who attended the Pastors' School at Gulfside in 1953 were not able to complete their work. Therefore, we recommend that they be given credit for 8 days work that they have done and that the Board of Ministerial Training (of the Conference) make it possible for them to complete the remainder of their work by correspondence.

Second, the case of Charles Espie was thoroughly reviewed, with Rev. Espie being given an opportunity to come before the committee; it was decided that he attend Huston-Tillotson this summer in order that he may earn the remaining credits necessary for him to meet the minimum requirements for admission into the conference.

Respectfully submitted: Committee J. G. Owens, Chrm.

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION TO THE 80th ANNUAL SESSION OF THE WEST TEXAS CONFERENCE

Bishop Shaw, members and friends of the West Texas Conference, greetings from your conference Board of Education.

It is indeed an honored privilege for me to give you in this report a brief synopsis of the activities of your Board of Education during the past year. We will present herein few proposed ideas and intentions for the future.

Before beginning the report there are a few observations that I would like to make and ask your attention and consideration. Christianity is always at its best when the world is at its worst. It is at its best intellectually when men have lost the sense of good standards. It is at its best socially when men are leaping at each others' throat. It is at its best spiritually when men of lost the sense of the Presence of God. The crisis finds the Christian religion with the word of mastery. And if that word is heard and heeded the crisis will be a crisis no longer."

This is a quote by the former Dean of Drew Theological Seminary, Dr. Lynn Harold Hough. Contained within this quote are indispensable truths for this day. The church finds itself faced with many cises is in different areas. I think it will take a stern, well-guarded program of Christian Education to adequately cope with most of the crisis facing the church today.

The Christian religion, since its beginning, has been transmitted from generation to generation by and through the channels of education. This is not to belittle the necessary personal experience which each man must have to know and realize God's love for him. But the educational processes are vital. Christian Education is no new thing which has been divised by the church in latter years. Jesus, when He gathered His disciples, taught them; when He want about with them from day to day, He taught them; when He departed from them and gave them the eternal commission, He commanded them to teach. This commission bore greater meaning than for just His disciples of their day. It was through these channels that His Gospel was to be propagated throughout the world.

As we think of the crisis we face we can bring the issue closer home. We of the Central Jurisdiction are brought to shame when we consider the statistical reports coming from the offices of the General Church. I would call your attention to a report that was sent to each pastor on April 10 regarding the membership of our youth in this area. In the New Orleans Area alone there was a total loss of 1,214 youth within the year 1952 - 1953. Out of 26 districts in the area only 8 witnessed an increase in its youth. Not a single district in our conference had an increase but each had a decrease. There was a decr3ase of 88 youth on one single district in our conference.

This report typifies the reports coming in daily for our conferences throughout the Jurisdiction. Are these facts alarming? To just become alarmed over them and take no definite action is to do nothing. To cope with this and many other problems that concern us daily we must turn to the strengthening of our program of Christian Education, which is our major source of hope.

It not only is the purpose but the desire of your conference Board of Education to assist you in the tedious but rewarding task of spreading the Gospel of Jesus Christ to every available soul unto salvation. The program of Christian Education is not a separate entity in the program of the church. Rather, undergirding every phase of emphasis in the Christian religion the program of Christian Education will be found as being an indispensable element in its foundation. We feel that the primary responsibility of the Christian Church is not only to win converts. It is also our unequalled obligation to provide a program whereby those who have made the initial step of turning may be led from this step into a growing experience. An experience which will lead him toward a perfect relationship with God. Help him reach a full and complete understanding of God's love for him as it was revealed in our Lord. This, indeed, is the ultimate dream and purpose of our conference Board of Education.

The activities of the Board began very soon after the adjournment of our conference last year. A Jurisdictional Leadership School was had at Gulfside July 1 - 8. These leadership enterprises are very necessary on all levels. It is through such schools that we must provide training for our leaders.

The West Texas Conference was represented at this school with seven persons. They were trained in Conference and District leadership work in the three areas of Children's, Youth, and Adult work. The persons attending and being accredited were: Miss Renette Echols, District Adult Work; Dr. T. B. Echols, Acting Conference Board Chairman; Mrs. H. N. Hammons, Conference and District Children's Work; Mrs. Othello Le Fall, District Adult Work; Mrs. M. G. Smith, Conference Youth Work; Wm. J. Washington, Acting Executive Secretary; and Mrs. A. Woods, District Children's Work.

During the week of August 18-29, a similar school for training in recreational leadership was conducted on an area level. There were several representatives from the West Texas Conference present for this school. Recreation is a major part in our lives and we find it quite necessary to have trained leaders who are capable of directing a wholesome period of recreation.

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It not only is the purpose but the desire of your conference Board of Education to assist you in the tedious but rewarding task of spreading the Gospel of Jesus Christ to every available soul unto salvation. The program of Christian Education is not a separate entity in the program of the church. Rather, undergirding every phase of emphasis in the Christian religion the program of Christian Education will be found as being an indispensable element in its foundation. We feel that the primary responsibility of the Christian Church is not only to win converts. It is also our unequalled obligation to provide a program whereby those who have made the initial step of turning may be led from this step into a growing experience. An experience which will lead him toward a perfect relationship with God. Help him reach a full and complete understanding of God's love for him as it was revealed in our Lord. This, indeed, is the ultimate dream and purpose of your conference Board of Education.

The activities of the Board began very soon after the adjournment of our conference last year. A Jurisdictional Leadership School was had at Gulfside July 1-8. These leadership enterprises are very necessary on all levels. It is through such schools that we must provide training for our leaders.

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There were many fascinating features to this meeting. One among the many was an address given by Bishop Oxnam on his experience with the Senate Investigating Committee. The next meeting will be held in 1955 in Cincinnati, Ohio. It is my hope that we will be able by then to send our complete Conference staff to this meeting.

On January 8 a general letter was sent to the pastors and district superintendents of the conference concerning the educational work of their churches and districts respectively. Along with this letter was sent a form for securing important data on personnel for our files. I am truly confident that the ultimate goals of Christian Education will not be met adequately until we find a complete staff from the conference through the districts into the commissions on education in every local church. We earnestly solicit the complete cooperation of each pastor and superintendent in this endeavor. Our initial response was good but we will expect better cooperation in the future.

In the general letter sent to the superintendents the request was made for an invitation to a district meeting whereby we might discuss with the pastors the problems they were facing in their educational program. We were to discuss the total program of Christian Education as it is related to the general work of the Commission on Education. Three invitations were extended and fulfilled. They were to the Austin, Waco, and Western districts. These meetings were meaningful in that we were able to face some of the major problems that we hope to find solutions for.

The Conference Board of Education, in conjunction with the Department of Religion and Philosophy of Huston-Tillotson College, sponsored a Conference on Christian Vocations February 19-21 on Huston-Tillotson's campus. This conference, in lieu of the existing circumstances, was very gratifying. There were youth from St. Paul, Dallas; St. Paul, San Antonio; Wesley, Austin. There was splendid attendance from the campus students. The faculty was very efficient. We were very fortunate to have for our main resource leader our own Dr. Edwin Edmonds of Langston University. His lectures were well attended by the total student body. This meeting gave us good foundations for a better conference for our youth next year.

On March 20 an Institute for District Directors of Children's Work was held in Waco. The purpose of this institute was to provide training for the conducting Vacation Church Schools. These District Directors were to go back to their respective districts and conduct similar schools for workers in the local churches.

We feel that the Vacation Church School is a very important part of a local church program of education. We owe it to our children to provide them with this training which they get in these schools. It is my hope that each pastor will plan a school in his church. Mrs. H. N. Hammons, Conference Children's Director of Children's Work, has done a very commendable job with this department. She has given herself to the work untiringly.

The activities of the Board have been somewhat limited because of circumstances that each of you are familiar with. Under the existing conditions a great deal cannot be done with the limitations. However, I have enjoyed serving you and the Board. The experience has been very helpful.

In James Russell Lowell's "The Present Crisis," the statement is made, "... New occasions teach new duties, Time makes ancient good uncouth; ..." In referring to this a statement should be made concerning the structural set-up necessary for the promotion of a program of Christian Education. Methods have changed with the years but the basic purposes have remained the same. In order to get the most efficient service which I am sure you desire, we must have a complete staff on the conference level and on each district into every local church. At one time it was sufficient to have one or two persons responsible for the promotion of the educational work of the church. Time has made this ancient good uncouth. Every local church, regardless of its size, should have a person trained and responsible for the three broader areas of children, youth, and adult work. This must prevail from the conference, district, into each local church.

RECOMMENDATIONS FROM THE BOARD OF EDUCATION FOR NEXT YEAR'S WORK

As we look to the next year's work, these are the areas we intend to direct our efforts:

CHILDREN'S WORK—

1. We hope to have a vacation Church School in each local church for our children.
2. We plan for Conference and District Institutes for the training of our leaders for next year's Vacation Church Schools.

YOUTH WORK—

1. District Institute on each district.
2. Conference Retreat for youth.
3. Youth Representatives to South Central Jurisdiction Youth Leadership School in Mt. Sequoah, Arkansas.
4. Develop a strong program for the M. S. M. on Huston-Tillotson College Campus.
5. Send youth of Huston-Tillotson College to Summer Camp Work in San Antonio.

ADULT WORK—

1. Cooperate with Texas Conference in a "Texas" Young Adult Assembly.
2. Send leaders for Young Adult meeting at Gulfside this summer.
3. Begin laying foundations for an Older Adult Program.

LEADERSHIP SCHOOLS—

1. Area Leadership School at Gulfside.
 - A. Representation from each district.
2. Have Training Institutes in as many local churches on each district by accepting the generous offer of the General Board requesting Ernest Dixon.
3. Board of Education support the work Camp in San Antonio with a donation of \$200.00.
4. The Conference accept with renewed vigor its opportunities to support Rally Day and 4th Sunday as means of support for Christian Education.

We earnestly solicit your support in this your program of Christian Education. We assure you our untiring support and cooperation. We need not dismay because of our present circumstances but have faith in the future and work on toward the mark of the high calling.

Respectfully submitted,
Wm. J. Washington,
Acting Executive Secretary

FINANCIAL AND STATISTICAL REPORT BOARD OF CONF. CLAIMANTS

WEST TEXAS CONFERENCE

May 19-25, 1954

Amount Available for Distribution for 1954 - 55

Balance on hand after 1953-54 distribution.....	\$ 825.53
Received from Charges on Apportionment (12% of total).....	10,484.00
Received from the Methodist Publishing House.....	1,670.95
Received from Board of Pension Appropriation.....	871.00
Received from Board of Pension Chartered Fund.....	75.00
Refund from Clearinghouse.....	25.00
Total.....	\$13,949.48

Years and Annuities

17 Retired Ministers 454½ yrs. \$12.00.....	\$ 5,454.00
37 Widows.....704½ yrs. 8.40.....	5,918.00
7 Children.....246½ yrs. 3.00.....	739.00
8 Special Conference Claimants.....	605.00
Others.....	571.00

Total.....\$13,287.00

Prospective Balance.....\$ 662.48

Credited to distribution fund 1953 which should have been Res. Pen..... 300.00

Balance.....	\$ 362.38
Stabilization Fund.....	\$ 580.95
Permanent Fund.....	18,900.52
Temporary Reserve Pension Fund.....	13,613.68

Reserve Pension Campaign Fund

Ministers Wives Association.....	\$ 2,824.68
Ministers 2%.....	671.00
Charges for Special Reserve Pension Fund.....	718.00
Refund from Distribution Account.....	300.00
Received from Charges on Apportionment (3% of total).....	2,621.00

Total.....\$ 7,134.68

FINANCIAL AND STATISTICAL REPORT

BOARD OF CONFERENCE CLAIMANTS

West Texas Annual Conference

May 18 - 23, 1954

RATE PAID \$12.00

Receipts during 1953-54 to be distributed during 1954-55.

Annual Conference Sources:

Balance Previous Year.....	\$ 823.53
Pastoral Charges on Apportionment.....	10,484.00
Held by Board of Pensions: Illinois Corp.....	\$ 756.02

Total Investment Income.....\$ 756.02

Board of Pensions:

Chartered Fund.....	75.00
Appropriation—Illinois Corp.....	875.00
Due from Clearinghouse.....	25.00

Other Items:

Methodist Publishing House.....	1,760.95
Pastor's Per Cent of Salary.....	850.20
Ministers' Wives.....	2,824.68
From Charges.....	3,749.00

Total.....\$22,133.38

Prospective Disbursements during 1954-55 of funds collected during 1953-54.

Regular Conference Claimants:

On Basis of Service:

Preachers.....	\$5,725.00	
Widows.....	5,948.00	
Children.....	798.00	
Total Regular Annuity.....		\$12,470.00

Special Conference Claimants:

On Basis of Service.....	605.00	
Total Special Conference Claimants.....		\$ 605.00

Other Items:

Ministers' Wives MRPF.....		\$ 2,824.68
Min. 2% MRPF.....		850.20
From Charges MRPF.....		3,749.00
Transfer to RPF.....		300.00
Expenses, Bd. of Conf. Claimants, D. B. Baker.....		25.00
Prospective Balance.....		1,309.50
Total.....		\$22,133.38

STATEMENT OF PROSPECTIVE DISTRIBUTION SPECIAL CONF. CLAIMANTS

Supply Pastors and Widows

Annuity Rate Ministers \$7.80; Widows \$5.46. — Year 1954-55

Name of Claimant	Years	Annuity
Ministers:		
Franklin, W. M.....	15	117
Stevens, Thomas W.....	25	195
Anderson, B. W.....	12	94
Widows of Ministers:		
Mathis, Mrs. Silas.....	10x	55
Prince, Mrs. Belt.....	11	60
Children at 1.95:		
Prince, Annie Louise.....	14½	28
Prince, Katherine.....	14½	28
Prince, Thelma Lee.....	14½	28
Totals.....		605

**STATEMENT OF PROSPECTIVE DISTRIBUTION
RETIRED MINISTERS**

Annuity Rate \$12.00

Year 1954 - 55

Name	Total			West Texas Conference		
	App'v'd	West Texas	West Texas	Yrs.	Annuity	Annuity
	App'v'd	West Texas	West Texas	Yrs.	Other	Total
	Years	Years	Annuit	Yrs.	Annuit	Annuit
Appling, Robert A.....	27¾	27¾	333			333
Brown, C. C.....	29	29	348			348
Burkley, Martin B.....	27½	26½	318	1	12	330
Childs, Jonah H.....	30¾	30¾	369			369
Ellison, William M. Sr.....	39½	39½	474			474
Franklin, Charles W.....	40½	40½	486			486
Hardeman, Jesse J.....	39½	39½	474			474
Hutchinson, Floyd J.....	35¼	35¼	423			423
McMillan, Kay W.....	50½	32½	390	18	216	606
Mosely, William M.....	17	17	204		204	
Phillips, Preston H.....	30½	30½	366			366
Ross, James S.....	47	47	564			564
Smith, Esau.....	26¾	26¾	321			321
Snow, Turner.....	9	9	108			108
Stephens, Newton W.....	11	11	132			132
Tollerson, Henry C.....	15½	15½	186			186
Totals.....	477	458	5496	19	228	5724

WEST TEXAS CONFERENCE

STATEMENT OF PROSPECTIVE DISTRIBUTION
WIDOWS

Annuity Rate \$8.40

Year 1954 - 55

West Texas Conference

Name	Widows	West Texas		Other		Total
	App'v'd Years	Yrs.	Annuity	Yrs.	Annuity	
Allen, Elijah T.....	8¾	8¾	74			74
Allen, Ralph W.....	14½	14½	122			122
Bailey, Robert R.....	9¼	9¼	78			78
Blair, Frank L.....	7	7	59			59
Braden, Robert.....	9	9	76			76
Byars, Burnett A.....	30¾	30¾	258			258
Callahan, Frank C.....	19	19	160			160
Coe, John.....	20	20	168			168
Cooke, Victor A.....	18	18	151			151
Downs, Karl E.....	9¾	4¾	40	5	133	173
Eggleston, Joseph B.....	22¾	22¾	191			191
Eusan, Joseph C.....	18½	18½	155			155
Fountain, Mumford.....	21¼	3¼	27	18	151	178
Glover, A. J.....	11	11	92			92
Goff, B. J.....	17	17	143			143
Harvey, Samuel N.....	44¾	44¾	376			376
Holden, Adolphus D.....	12	12	101			101
Hudspeth, Francis M.....	20	20	168			168
Humphrey, Sandy D.....	11	11	92			92
Jacques, Alfred D.....	17¼	17¼	145			145
Jones, H. A.....	25¾	25¾	216			216
Lott, William B.....	41¾	41¾	351			351
McKinney, Hiram L.....	13¾	13¾	116			116
Mooney, William.....	30	30	252			252
Moore, Norrell J.....	27½	27½	231			231
Mosely, S. D.....	24½	24½	206			206
Roberts, Lewis W.....	6¾	6¾	57			57
Robinson, Walter A.....	6¾	6¾	57			57
Sodia, Riley.....	22¾	22¾	191			191
Stone, John W., Sr.....	10½	10½	88			88
Stone, John W., Sr.....	32½	32½	273			273
White, W. M.....	13¼	13¼	111			111
Whitiker, Charles E.....	19¼	19¼	162			162
Williams, Cornelius S.....	24½	24½	206			206
Wyatt, M. L.....	29¾	29¾	250			250
Wyatt, Thomas H.....	26¼	26¼	221			221
Totals.....	697	674	5664	23	284	5948

STATEMENT OF PROSPECTIVE DISTRIBUTION
CHILDREN

Annuity Rate \$3.00

Year 1954 - 55

West Texas Conference

Name	Age	Father's	West Texas		Other		Total
		App. Years	Yrs.	Annuity	Yrs.	Annuity	
Blair, Mrs. Frank L.....		21¼	21¼	64			64
Cynthia Ann.....	11						
Blair, Mrs. Frank L.....		21¼	21¼	64			64
Frank L., Jr.....	8						
Blair, Mrs. Frank L.....		21¼	21¼	64			64
Lorenzo Wayne.....	6						
Downs, Mrs. Karl.....		14¼	9¼	28	5¼	50	78
Karleen Mae.....	14						
Ellison, W. M.....		58¾	57¾	173	1	3	176
Alexander M. Mason	18						
Ellison W. M.....		58¾	57¾	173	1	3	176
John Marshall Mason	17						
Ellison, W. M.....		58¾	57¾	173	1	3	176
Sonye Bertram Mason...	12						
TOTALS.....		254½	246¼	739	8¼	59	798

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WEST TEXAS CONFERENCE BOARD OF WORLD PEACE
OF THE METHODIST CHURCH

Recommendations

1. Set up District Workshops to consider the Crusade Objectives:
 - (1) The meaning of World Peace, (2) The United Nations, (3) Disarmament, (4) Charter Review.
2. Local Church have a teaching program on all age group level, especially Youth, Young Adults, and Adults. Have interested persons in charge of same, include a representative from the Woman's Society of Christian Service for there is a definite interest Christian Social Relations and Local Church Activities Secretary.
3. Plan to use as fully as possible Posters, Materials, Displays, Exhibits, Drama, much of which can be done on a community basis. We continue to urge the Churches to cooperate in U N Day and Week.
4. A budget to provide for the essential Conference tasks, if we are to function effectively. Namely Mailings, Meetings, Filmstrips, U. N. Seminars, Speakers and Annual Department of State Washington Conferences.
5. That each member of the Board purchase a copy of Dr. Walter W. Van Kirk address Sympathetic and Impartial Friendship.
6. That individual copies of the Methodist Peace Courier be sent each member of the Conference Board. Same cared for out of allowed budget.
7. Observe World Order Sunday.

PRAYER—AGAINST WAR

O Lord, since first the blood of Abel cried to thee from the ground that drank it, this earth of thine has been defiled with the blood of man shed by his brother's hand, and the centuries sob with the cease-horror of war. Ever the pride of kings and the covetousness of the strong has driven peaceful nations to slaughter. Ever the songs of the past and the pomp of armies have been used to inflame the passions of the people. Our spirit cries out to thee in revolt against it, and we know that our righteous anger is answered by thy holy wrath.

Break thou the spell of the enchantments that make the nations drunk with the lust of battle and draw them on as willing tools of death. Grant us a quiet and steadfast mind when our own nation clamors for vengeance or aggression. Strengthen our sense of justice and our regard for the equal worth of other peoples and races.

Grant to the rulers of nations faith in the possibility of peace through justice and grant to the common people a new and stern enthusiasm for the cause of peace.

Bless our soldiers and sailors for their swift obedience and their willingness to answer to the call of duty, but inspire them none the less with a hatred of war, and may they never for love of private glory or advancement provoke its coming.

May our young men still rejoice to die for their country with the valor of their fathers, but teach our age nobler methods of matching our strength and more effective ways of giving our life for the flag.

O thou strong Father of all nations, draw all they great family together with an increasing sense of our common blood and destiny, that peace may come on earth at last, and thy sun may shed its light rejoicing on a holy brotherhood of peoples.

Taken from excerpts Crusading for World Peace in the Local Church.

By Dr. Charles F. Boss, Jr.

Humbly submitted,

Mrs. O. B. Coe, Chrm.
Mrs. J. M. Rodgers
Rev. Curtis Owens
Erma Jones (Youth)

Rev. I. A. Pointer
Rev. J. B. Richardson
Mrs. T. M. Bruton
Rev. I. C. Greer

REPORT OF CONFERENCE BOARD OF LAY ACTIVITIES WEST TEXAS CONF.**Officers**

Conference Lay Leader, C. H. Johnson, 229 W. 7th, San Angelo, Texas
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 Secretary, R. A. Atkinson, Box 865, Weimar, Texas.

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Austin District, John T. King, Luling, Texas
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 Victoria District, E. E. Hatchell, Box 305 Bloomington, Texas
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 George Woods, Lubbock, Texas

BOARD OF SOCIAL AND ECONOMIC RELATIONS**Racial Segregation**

The Methodist Church in its Episcopal Address delivered at the General Conference in San Francisco, 1952, expressed itself as being definitely opposed to segregation in any form when it declared "There is no place in the Methodist Church for racial discrimination or racial segregation and urged "the institutions of the church, local churches, colleges, universities, theological schools, hospitals, and homes carefully restudy their policies and practices as they relate to race, making certain that these policies and practices are Christian."

We look with favor and deep concern upon the recent decision of the Supreme Court of the United States declaring segregation in the public schools to be unlawful. "The ruling authorizes nothing or creates no situation which is not already commended in our New Testament and guaranteed by our Constitution of the United States.

We renew our faith in the constitutional government and the public schools as corner-stones of democracy and urge that they be kept free from political and sectarian entanglement.

We believe that in the public schools, as in all other aspects of our democratic society, the principle of the equality of all persons should prevail.

We also believe "this is a time for white and colored alike in every community and school district to make whatever adjustments are required in such sane, Christian and expeditious manner that we may demonstrate that we are worthy of the name Christian and Americans."

We, therefore urge every Christian Methodist to exert to the full his personal influence for the abolition of race discrimination in every form.

Signed: Earnest A. Smith, T. B. Echols

REPORT OF THE CONFERENCE BOARD OF TEMPERANCE

Bishop A. P. Shaw, members of the West Texas Annual Conference; we the members of the Conference Board of Temperance wish to make the following report:

The plan of organization and the program of the Board of Temperance, are so well organized, that there need not be any added organization. The emphasis should be based on how to work the plan in the local church. Since the local church is the place where everything begins, there should be special training for leadership of the local committees.

There shall be held a District Clinic in each district together with the District Institute according to Pars. 1543 and 246 Section 5 and a district committee be appointed by the District Superintendent. There shall also be a Conference Clinic held in cooperation with the Board of Education.

The information received from such studies should be given to each auxiliary in the local church for study and practice.

Therefore be it resolved: (1) that the local committees shall report the results of their work to the District Committee, that the district committee might know the work being done in each local church.

(2) That each District Committee shall report to the Conference Board its findings throughout each district.

(3) That the Conference Board condense its findings and report to the Annual Conference, and such reports be recorded in the conference minutes.

Humbly submitted, The Committee:

I. A. Pointer, Chrm; I. C. Loud, Secy.; D. H. Hansboro, L. E. Muse, E. N. King

REPORT OF BOARD OF MISSIONS AND CHURCH EXTENSION

May 18, 1954

Bishop Shaw, my fellow ministers of the West Texas Conference:

It is with profound gratitude that I stand before you to submit my report for your Annual Conference Board of Missions and Church Extensions realizing that it is only the goodness of God that has brought us to this hour.

First of all I am very conscious of the fact that this important Board has not done its job, neither has it made the contribution in services expected of it by the general church. Our conceptions, our plans, our resources have been far too limited. One of the great tasks and needs in the conference is the awakening of the Missionary and Expansion work of the conference at home and abroad. That must be done and can only be done by vigorous missionary education and cultivation.

We have been able to conduct only one missionary district institute for the San Antonio and Victoria districts respectively. We are in the future. Too long to the detriment of our own Conference we have worked only for the general church obligations. In order to have adequate physical plants and equipment, we must appropriate in our Annual Conference funds, money for its development. As a result of this blind march we are in a number of towns, Hamlets and communities in a most embarrassing condition on the account of inadequate housing. We have lost hundreds of our people to other churches who had better buildings.

Our ministers must carry along with his ambitions to make the headlines in the Annual Conference for raising his claims, must strive to make the headlines in his parish because of his contribution in the local community. Our conference leaders in building budgets must not build our people out of doors. Let us not be men who provideth not for our own houses. Where there is no vision the people perish. So many of our churches indicate that the eyes of the prophet have been dimmed.

We must atke our relationships to our general boards in the spirit of Honesty, face and meet our obligations to them. At present the West Texas Conference and the Central Jurisdiction as a whole has drifted into a very embarrassing position. We owe thousands of dollars in unpaid debts of long standing, and in many instances they have been totally ignored which you can see in this report. We therefore propose:

I. That throughout the Annual conference that there be established a period when every district launch a campaign to eliminate our debts to the General Board.

II. That every local church sponsor a Missionary Institute on the district level in every district.

III. That we appropriate not less than \$10,000.00 above the amount already appropriated for projects already in the Advance for new projects and renovations in our smaller churches to be administered by your Annual Conference Board.

We further recommend that Disciplinary plan No. 760 as related to Annual Conference Advance and Advance Specials be adopted.

1. The objects within an Annual Conference for which conference Advance specials are to be solicited shall be approved by the Conference Board of Missions.

2. That Conference Advance specials be administered by the Annual Conference Board of Missions.

J. H. Carruthers

Chairman, Board of Missions and
Church Extensions

Detailed Report of Disbursements

Name of Charge	To Whom Paid	Amount
*St. Peter's Austin	Eric Purnell	\$ 137.00
*Hutto—Lettig	J. T. Thomas	63.00
Lampasas	Cleo Metcalf	100.00
Tilman Ct.	William Brothers	200.00
Winchester—Salem	H. T. Franks	100.00
Burnett (Special)	Z. W. Holmes	200.00
Ennis—Corsicana	S. G. Pharms	100.00
Cowan Chapel	K. W. McMillan Sr.	120.00
Milford—Italy	Willie Smith Jr.	220.00
Sherman—Pilot Point	Charles Espie	150.00
Waxzhgchie	E. H. Carter	300.00
Denison (Special)	J. B. Phoenix	300.00
St. Andrews (Social Worker)	Darnetta Hemphill	1,200.00
Del Rio—Uvalde	William Ellison Sr.	150.00
Ellison—Eades	L. H. Haywood	150.00
Floresville—Pleasanton	A. S. Pitts	150.00
Hondo—Simpson	Eugene Mooney	100.00
Harper—Olmos	W. L. Andrews	100.00
Calvert—Bremond	W. M. Walmsley	450.00
	Wilbert Bledsoe	
Altair Circuit	Marshall Majors	150.00
Port Lavaco	John Goode	150.00
Weimer Parish	H. C. Simmon	175.00
Yoakum—Shiner	Z. E. King	175.00
Abilene—St. Paul	M. T. Reed	350.00
Brownwood	W. J. Washington	200.00
Odessa—Midland	J. W. Morgan	130.00
	E. M. Cooper	
Home Opportunities	J. A. Wills	400.00
Total Receipts		\$6,120.00
Total Disbursements		\$6,120.00
Unused Balance		\$0,000.00

*Appropriation Began June 1953.

Detail of Receipts

(June 1953 — May 1, 1954)

Unused Balance May 31, 1953	\$100.00
Returned to General Bd of Missions Ass't. Treasurer (Eleanor Welch)	\$100.00

Check	Amount Received	For Month of	Check Number
June	\$509.98	May	12910
July	509.98	June	13159
August	510.04	July	13356
September	509.98	August	13586
October	509.98	September	13796
November	510.04	October	13993
December	509.98	November	14194
January	509.98	December	14391
February	510.04	January	14592
March	509.98	February	14792
April	509.98	March	14992
May	510.04	April	15192
12 Months	\$6,120.00	12 Months	12 Checks

Mrs. Jimmie Mae Moore, Secretary
 Rev. J. H. Carruthers, Chairman
 Conference Board of Missions and Church
 Extensions — West Texas Conference

West Texas Conference Delinquent Loans on August 31, 1953

Church	Loan No.	Date Remitted	Balance Unpaid	Principal Past Due	Interest Past Due
Brownwood, Emanuel.....	1683	5/12/47	\$ 6,152.93	\$ 6,152.93	\$ 607.39
Edna, Scruggs Chapel.....	A364	1/25/49	512.39	277.71	3.41
**El Paso, Myrtle Ave....	1866	6/27/49	1,315.87	40.00	.....
**Ferris, Qualls Chapel....	1807	11/30/48	400.00	400.00	2.00
Ft. Worth, Dallas Dist....	2002	4/25/51	1,000.00	666.66	43.50
Ft. Worth, Thompson Chap	A229	10/31/45	1,790.00	1,790.00	262.25
Kingsville, Scott's.....	1884	9/ 9/49	2,012.86	1,512.86	118.72
**San Angelo, Wesley.....	A306	12/22/47	488.64	488.64	.....
San Antonio, Jacobs Chap.	A373	3/ 7/49	10,014.25	5,014.25	1,162.92
San Antonio, Jones Chapel	1619	7/10/45	290.00	290.00	5.80
Seguin, Wesley.....	A292	8/27/47	3,786.12	3,786.12	100.96
**Victoria, Webster.....	2008	6/ 6/51	6,006.67	1,438.18	92.36
Waco, Mt. Zion.....	A460	10/30/51	1,885.67	285.67	37.82
**Waco, St. James.....	1345	1/ 5/33	9,984.02	9,984.02	2,484.95
Wichita Falls, Mt. Calvary	2055	9/30/52	2,858.20	450.00	14.39
			\$48,497.62	\$32,577.04	\$4,936.37
			\$149,790.83	\$71,846.39	\$8,887.01
			\$799,256.11	\$312,750.24	\$42,222.42

Other West Texas Conference Loans as of October 20, 1953

*Abilene, Plum Street.....	1850	5/10/49	\$ 2,669.15	\$1,669.15	.....
*Amarillo, Wyatt Mem'l..	2076	6/ 8/53	1,408.83	96.33	7.09
(Amarillo is a new loan and has already become delinquent)					
Austin, Simpson Mem'l. . .	A500	11/19/52	12,351.19	Up to date	
*Cuero, Brothers' Chapel..	1878	8/12/49	120.75	27.00 (Canceled)	
Ennis, St. Delight.....	2030	9/29/53	2,000.00	Just made first payment due 1/154	

Loans made since June 1, 1953

Uvalde, Mackey's Chapel.....	Donation.....	\$500.00
Hallettsville, Richardson Chapel....	Donation.....	\$1,000.00
	Loan.....	\$2,500.00
Wharton, Thompson Chapel.....	Donation.....	\$1,000.00

Note:

- 1345 is paying \$75.00 mo. on delinquent interest.
- 1807 paid 9/18/53—\$25.00 principal and \$2.00 interest.
- 1866 paid 10/5/53—\$33.40 principal and \$6.60 interest.
- 2008 paid 9/30/53—\$33.40 principal and \$86.75 interest.
- A306 paid recently \$144.69 principal plus interest.
- *Also delinquent now.
- **Paid something since 8/31/53.
- Some have never paid a cent on either principal or interest.

REPORT OF BOARD OF HOSPITALS AND HOMES — AUSTIN, TEXAS

AUSTIN, TEXAS

May 20, 1954

Bishop Shaw, and members of the West Texas Annual Conference:

We, your Board of Hospitals and Homes, beg leave to make the following report: The chairman attended the Annual Convention of the National Association of Methodist Hospitals and Homes held in Chicago, Illinois February 10 and 11, 1954 at the Palmer House. This meeting was a great inspiration to the Chairman as it was her first. Being totally unfamiliar with the work of Conference Boards of Hospitals and Homes in Conference where there are **no** hospitals and homes, the chairman was anxious to learn all she could about such work. During the first Session of the Conference Chairmen Section of the Convention, Mr. George H. Palmer, Section Chairman brought out the answer in his paper "The Challenge of the Annual Conference Board of Hospitals and Homes." The following suggestions were made for stimulating Board and Church membership interest. . .

1. News publications to be used by the Conference Board for circulation among the laity, as well as clergy.

2. One day institutes to be held in sections of the Conference for Local Church Committees to acquaint them with the work.

3. Local Church Committees already informed pass information on to Church membership.

4. Conference Board should be active in disseminating information as to the hailing and helping ministry of the Church at large, looking forward to the ultimate establishment of an Institution of its own.

5. Annual Conferences, through their Boards of Hospitals and Homes, can provide extra support to the central Board.

6. That beginning with the 1955 Annual Convention, the expenses of the Conference Chairmen to the Annual Convention be cared for from Conference funds.

Mrs. Myron S. Collins, member of the parent Board of Hospitals and Homes, spoke on "Plans, Study Courses and Sources of Help." She stressed the importance of informing all Methodists of the work being done by our Institutions, and urged the use of available literature concerning the work of the Board. She also urged all pastors to be alert to the possibility of directing youth toward preparation for the healing and helping ministry of the Church.

Dr. Karl P. Meister briefly addressed the Section reminding us that individual gifts may be cultivated for the Central Board of Hospitals and Homes. He strongly suggested that the ANNUAL CONFERENCES BEAR THE EXPENSES OF THEIR BOARD CHAIRMAN to the Annual Convention beginning in 1955. The following resolutions were adopted at this Annual meeting:

1. "That the section of Conference Chairmen now assembled in Annual Convention propose to the parent Board of Hospitals and Homes that a vigorous suggestion be made to the Annual Conference Boards of Hospitals and Homes, that the Conferences provide funds for the expenses of the Conference Chairmen to this Annual Convention beginning with the session of 1955."

2. "Every Annual Conference to create on every local charge of the Annual Conference a Committee on Hospitals and Homes whose duty it shall be to cooperate with the Annual Conference Board of Hospitals and Homes (required by the Discipline) to promote hospital and home work within the bounds of the Conference by gathering and disseminating information as to the needs and opportunities in these fields, to the end that our people may become increasingly committed to the progress of this work throughout the Methodist Church, and that, both by their own programs and in cooperation with other local agencies, they may effectively work so that no locality is left without access to the needed institutional service."

The Chairman of the West Texas Conference Board took the liberty of requesting Reverend E. A. Smith and Reverend F. D. Young to work with this Board. During the past year they have worked diligently toward a solution to the problem of delinquency of young girls, conferring frequently with Reverend Robert Armour, Director of the Texas Mission Home and Training School, a Methodist institution in San Antonio. As a result of this work, the Board of Hospitals and Homes submits the following Resolution for your approval:

RESOLUTION:

Whereas the pressure of modern social living is resulting in moral disintegration in many homes over our land and this disintegration is reflected in a high delinquency rate among the children of these homes, being noted specifically in the rise of young girls who fall victim to the evils of the day,

And, whereas it is the responsibility of the Church to take an abiding interest and concern for the welfare of all of the people, teaching the young, leading the youth and correcting the adults — with a passion for the fallen,

And, whereas the Conferences in Texas of the South Central Jurisdiction have established a Training Home for Girls who yield to the pressures of these difficult times and come to maturity before their time, thus creating a need for special care on their behalf,

And, whereas we know that girls of the West Texas Conference fall victim to the same pressures and consequently need the same concern and care,

Be it resolved that the West Texas Conference establish a Committee of which one member shall be a minister of the Gospel, and one member shall be a layman, to explore the possibilities for the development for such a home within the bounds of the Conference, and also seek a relationship, through proper channels, with the Texas Mission Home and Training School in San Antonio from which it would receive administrative and material assistance.

Respectively submitted,

Board of Hospitals and Homes of the West Texas Conference.

C. R. Yerwood, M.D., Chrm

S. L. Brown, M.D.

F. D. Young

T. M. Bruton

L. G. Pinkston, M.D.

Wm. M. Ellison, Sr.

E. A. Smith

W. M. Carline, M.D.

J. O. Wyatt, M.D.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON MEMORIALS

West Texas Conference, Austin, Texas, 1954

“One dies in full Prosperity, being wholly at ease and secure,”—Job. 21:23 (a) R.S.V.

During the year just passed we lost the following Ministers and wives of Ministers:

Rev. Francis M. Hudspeth, San Antonio

Rev. W. B. Lott, San Antonio

Mrs. Pearl E. Bryant, Columbus

Mrs. James G. Browne, Lampasses

Mrs. Carrie Richardson, San Antonio

Death claims for it's prey the five whose names appear above but we know that they have not been swallowed up in death, but instead have gone to reap a rich inheritance for service that they have faithfully bestowed upon the lives of men and women in the West Texas Conference and others of it's environment.

Job would say of these, “they have died in the fullest of prosperity, being wholly at ease and secure.”

The Conference joins in sympathy with these our bereaved families and yet we call their attention to the facts that they have not been lost to us or to their God. They are now in His care and all is well. They will await our coming.

Please note a brief history of the work of our Ministers as following:

The following is a Brief word in Memory of the Ministers who passed this year:

1. Rev. Francis M. Hudspeth . . .

Rev. Hudspeth served the West Texas Conference for about 20 years. His pastorates included the following appointments: Kingsville, Lincoln Heights, San Antonio, Harlingen, Yorktown, Hubbard, Hondo, Milam Grove, Kingsville, Kereville, Beeville, Wichita Falls, Calvert. He retired on account of failing health.

Rev. Hudspeth was an expert in the field of Scouting, he was honored with the Silver Beaver, before his death. Upon his death he left a wife and other relatives and friends to mourn his passing.

2. Rev. W. B. Lott . . .

Rev. Lott was received on trial in the West Texas Conference in 1900. He was admitted in full connection in 1903.

His pastorate included the following Charges:

Del Rio and Brackenville, Georgetown, where he built the present church. District

Superintendent of the Waco District. Then to Jacobs Chapel, San Antonio, Groesbeck, Seguin and Almus, Denison, and Sandfords Chapel, San Antonio his last appointment before his retirement. Since retirement he pastored two charges, Odessa and Midland, he left here two growing Charges.

His service record stretches across a half a century in the West Texas Conference, we shall always be his debtors.

Signed: Committee on Memorials

W. W. Baker, Chrm.	Mrs. C. S. Williams, Secy.	E. M. Cooper
M. W. Reed	S. W. Curtis	Boyd Tolerson
H. D. Wise	I. H. Pierce	O. K. Brewster
Mrs. E. E. Mosley	Mrs. A. D. Holden	Mrs. J. B. Eggleston
Mrs. E. C. Purnell	Mrs. H. E. Kuykendall	

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COMMITTEE ON RESOLUTIONS

Bishop A. P. Shaw and Members of the West Texas Annual Conference:
We your committee on resolutions respectfully submit the following:

WHEREAS, the 80th session of the West Texas Annual Conference stands on the threshold of adjournment, and whereas the College of Bishops of the Methodist Church called from retirement and assigned Bishop Alexander Preston Shaw to the Texas Division of the New Orleans Area, and

WHEREAS, Bishop Shaw has given leadership filled with Brotherliness, grace, and dignity, and whereas, his evangelistic preaching set anew the gospel fire burning in the hearts of both Minister and Laymen, and

WHEREAS, we have been charged and surcharged by other great speakers, Ministerial and Lay, opening our eyes to the great challenge and evangelistic opportunities as well as responsibilities which are our, and

WHEREAS, the host-pastor and church left no stones unturned in its preparation for our entertainment, and,

WHEREAS, Laymen, Ministers, Special Workers, and General Board representatives gave themselves whole-heartedly to the task that was set before them:

Be It Resolved:

That we give to each a sincere rising vote of thanks in appreciation for services well rendered:

Be it further resolved that a copy of this resolution be spread upon the pages of what now becomes history.

Signed:

M. C. Stone, Chairman	J. B. Richardson, Co-Chrm	E. J. Tanner, Secy.
L. H. Haywood	S. G. Pharms	Mrs. F. M. Hudspeth
Eli Woods	Merrell T. Reed	

ANNUAL CONFERENCE RULES

Mr. Chairman:

1. Nominations

The District Superintendents shall be a standing committee on nominations and shall nominate all members of the quarrennial and annual boards, commissions, and committees except where they are otherwise provided for.

2. Limits

No member of the Conference shall be permitted to serve upon more than two of the major Conference Boards, except where the Discipline shall provide otherwise. Special effort should be made to place every Conference member upon at least one Board. All vacancies occuring on any Board or Committee shall be filled according to the provisions in rule 1.

3. Lay Representation

Lay members to the Annual Conference shall be elected annually.

4. Conference Program

A program for the Annual Conference shall be arranged by a planning Committee

made up of the resident bishop, all district Supts., the host-Pastor, the chairmen of major boards, the executive secretary of the Conference Board of Education, the Secretary of the Conference the President of the WSCS and the Conference Lay Leader.

This committee shall have the responsibility for the planning and printing of the annual Conference Program — to be paid for by the Annual Conference.

5. Reports and Resolutions

All reports and resolutions intended for publication in the conference journal shall be typewritten and submitted in triplicate to the Conference Secretary.

6. District Committee Ministerial Qualifications

The district committee on qualifications of local preachers shall consist of five traveling elders in the district.

The names of the district committees will be printed in the Conference Journal.

7. Pastors Reports

All Pastors reports to the Conference Treasurer and Conference Statistician shall be turned in at least fifteen days before the date set for the meeting of the Annual Conference.

Additional rules may be added to this list and these present may be amended or deleted by order of the Annual Conference.

(Rules adopted by 79th Conference Session)

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CONFERENCE HISTORY

The Methodist Episcopal Church was organized in annual Conference relations in New Orleans, La., December 25, A.D. 1865, by Bishop Ghompson. The Conference then organized included Louisiana, Mississippi, and Texas, and was named the "Mississippi Mission Conference." Three annual sessions of this Conference were held and in January, 1867, the Texas Conference was organized out of the Mississippi Mission Conference, which included the entire State of Texas. There were eight annual sessions of the Texas Conference held, and it was during the eighth session of the Conference held at Marshall, Texas, January 7, 1874, that the "West Texas Conference" was organized, with Bishop Thomas Bowman, President.

The ministers comprising the West Texas Conference were called to meet in Wesley Chapel Methodist Episcopal Church in Austin, Texas, January 22, 1874. Those present at the organization were: G. W. Honey, Jacob Miller, Mack Henson, Daniel Gregory, Samuel Allen, W. O. Sheety, Larkin Carper, Archie Johnson, J. T. Hill, T. T. Leach, T. G. Lacy, Alex Campbell, London Morris, Isaac Wright, Cyrus Hackett, Daniel Harper, and Charles Scruggs. All have finished their labors.

This Conference to date has six districts, 111 Pastoral Appointments, and a school that is a credit to the denominations, viz., Sanuem Huston College, located at Austin, Texas.

Bishop	Secretary	Place and Year
Edward Thompson.....	J. P. Newman.....	New Orleans, Dec. 25, 1865
Matthew Simpson.....	J. P. Newman.....	New Orleans, Dec. 13, 1866
E. R. Ames.....	J. B. Lynch.....	New Orleans, Dec. 19, 1867

SESSION OF THE TEXAS CONFERENCE

Bishop	Secretary	Place and Year
Matthew Simpson.....	Joseph Welch.....	Houston, Jan. 3, 1867
E. R. Ames.....	G. W. Honey.....	Houston, Jan. 3, 1868
Matthew Simpson.....	Joseph Welch.....	Austin, Jan. 21, 1869
Levi Scott.....	G. W. Honey.....	Houston, Jan 14, 1870
E. S. James.....	G. W. Honey.....	Austin, Dec. 6, 1871
I. W. Wiley.....	W. B. Fayle.....	Galveston, Jan. 8, 1872
Thomas Bowman.....	W. B. Fayle.....	Marshall, Jan. 7, 1873

WEST TEXAS CONFERENCE

SESSIONS OF THE WEST TEXAS CONFERENCE

BISHOP	SECRETARY	PLACE AND YEAR
Thomas Bowman	G. W. Honey	Austin, Jan. 23, 1874
W. L. Harris	L. H. Carhart	Columbus, Feb. 22, 1875
E. G. Andrews	L. H. Carhart	Austin, Feb. 20, 1876
R. S. Foster	A. M. Gregory	Waco, Nov. 22, 1877
Gilbert Haven	A. M. Gregory	Columbus, Nov. 28, 1878
E. O. Haven	B. F. Smith	Victoria, Dec. 3, 1879
H. W. Warren	B. F. Smith	Austin, Dec. 1, 1880
Thomas Bowman	B. F. Smith	Calvert, Dec. 1, 1881
E. G. Andrews	B. F. Smith	Columbus, Dec. 7, 1882
W. L. Harris	B. F. Smith	San Antonio, Dec. 12, 1883
S. M. Merrill	B. F. Smith	Waco, Dec. 4, 1884
R. S. Foster	B. F. Smith	Austin, Dec. 18, 1885
J. F. Hurst	J. T. Gibbons	Victoria, Dec. 16, 1886
Thomas Bowman	J. W. Robinson	Columbus, Dec. 7, 1887
D. A. Goodsell	J. T. Gibbons	Calvert, Feb. 7, 1889
J. M. Walder	J. T. Gibbons	San Antonio, Feb. 6, 1890
C. D. Foss	J. T. Gibbons	Waco, Feb. 5, 1891
S. M. Merrill	B. F. Smith	Austin, Dec. 15, 1892
J. N. Fitzgerald	J. T. Gibbons	Dallas, Dec. 15, 1893
H. W. Warren	Andrew Foster	Columbus, Dec. 5, 1894
E. G. Andrews	Andrew Foster	Calvert, Dec. 2, 1895
W. X. Nindle	Andrew Foster	Cuero, Dec. 8, 1896
W. F. Mallalieu	N. J. Johnson	Waco, Dec. 8, 1897
C. H. Fowler	N. J. Johnson	Denison, Dec. 6, 1898
D. A. Goodsell	N. J. Johnson	Austin, Dec. 22, 1899
I. W. Joyce	N. J. Johnson	Victoria, Dec. 19, 1900
I. W. Joyce	J. W. H. Pickney	Dallas, Dec. 8, 1901
W. F. Mallalieu	Andrew Foster	Luling, Dec. 8, 1902
J. M. Walden	Andrew Foster	Waco, Dec. 16, 1903
L. B. Wilson	Andrew Foster	Fort Worth, Dec. 14, 1904
Henry Spellmyer	T. H. Wyatt	San Antonio, Nov. 30, 1905
L. B. Wilson	T. H. Wyatt	Columbus, Dec. 13, 1906
W. M. Burt	T. H. Wyatt	Marlin, Nov. 28, 1907
W. A. Quayle	T. H. Wyatt	Victoria, Nov. 26, 1908
T. B. Neely	T. H. Wyatt	Waco, Nov. 25, 1909
D. H. Moore	T. H. Wyatt	Austin, Nov. 6, 1910
T. B. Neeley	T. H. Wyatt	San Antonio, Nov. 23, 1911
Robert McIntyre	T. H. Wyatt	Luling, Dec. 11, 1912
Robert McIntyre	T. H. Wyatt	Calvert, Dec. 10, 1913
W. O. Sheppard	T. H. Wyatt	Austin, Dec. 10, 1914
W. O. Sheppard	T. H. Wyatt	Victoria, Dec. 9, 1915
W. O. Sheppard	J. W. Warren	Waco, Dec. 13, 1916
R. J. Cooke	J. W. Warren	Cuero, Dec. 10, 1917
Chas. B. Mitchell	J. W. Warren	Fort Worth, Dec. 18, 1918
Chas. B. Mitchell	J. W. Warren	Yoakum, Nov. 12, 1919
R. E. Jones	S. N. Harvey	Georgetown, Dec. 8, 1920
R. E. Jones	F. W. Brown	San Antonio, 1921
R. E. Jones	C. W. Franklin	Austin, 1922
R. E. Jones	C. W. Franklin	Fort Worth, 1923
F. T. Keeney	C. W. Franklin	Austin, 1924
C. L. Meade	C. W. Franklin	Waco, 1925
R. E. Jones	C. W. Franklin	Victoria, 1926
R. E. Jones	C. W. Franklin	San Antonio, 1927
R. E. Jones	J. H. R. Dudley	Dallas, 1928
Wallace E. Brown	J. H. R. Dudley	Austin, 1929
Chas. F. Locke	J. H. R. Dudley	Columbus, 1930
R. E. Jones	J. H. R. Dudley	Fort Worth, 1931
R. E. Jones	J. H. R. Dudley	Waco, 1932
R. E. Jones	W. W. Baker	San Antonio, 1933
Chas. L. Meade	W. W. Baker	Marlin, 1934
R. E. Jones	W. W. Baker	Dallas, 1935
A. P. Shaw	W. W. Baker	Austin, 1936
A. P. Shaw	W. W. Baker	Waco, 1936
R. E. Jones	J. H. R. Dudley	Fort Worth, 1938
A. P. Shaw	J. H. R. Dudley	San Antonio, 1930
R. E. Jones	J. H. R. Dudley	Dallas, 1940
R. E. Jones	J. H. R. Dudley	Austin, 1941
A. P. Shaw	C. R. Greene	Waco, 1942
R. E. Jones	C. R. Greene	Fort Worth, 1943
R. N. Brooks	C. R. Greene	San Antonio, 1944
R. N. Brooks	C. R. Greene	Dallas, 1945
R. N. Brooks	F. D. Young	Austin, Sept. 25, 1946
R. N. Brooks	F. D. Young	Waco, Oct. 7, 1947
R. N. Brooks	F. D. Young	San Antonio, Oct. 12, 1948
R. N. Brooks	F. D. Young	Dallas, Oct. 11, 1949
E. W. Kelley	Prenza L. S. Woods	Austin, April 11, 1950
R. N. Brooks	Prenza L. S. Woods	San Antonio, May 1, 1951
R. N. Brooks	Prenza L. S. Woods	Fort Worth, July 1, 1952
J. W. E. Bowen	Prenza L. S. Woods	Waco, June 16, 1953
A. P. Shaw	Prenza L. S. Woods	Austin, May 19, 1954

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Our Honored Dead

NAME AND DATE OF DEATH	PLACE OF BURIAL	Years in Ministry
J. B. Ferguson, Jan. 6, 1874	Bell County	1854 20
J. S. Stricklin, Mar. 25, 1878	Girary, Kansas	1
E. S. Havens, Feb. 29, 1875		1870 3
Ruben Coleman, Dec. 3, 1875	Bastrop	1870 5
Isaac Wright, Apr. 3, 1875	Austin	1874 1
J. G. Webster, Mar. 14, 1877	Cottonwood, Col.	1874 3
Ben Hoffman, Mar. 21, 1878	Eagle Lake	1874 4
John Wright, Jan. 17, 1880	Cottonwood, Col.	1874 6
Archey Johnson, Feb. 6, 1880	Giddings	1874 6
Hiram Melton, Aug. 3, 1880	Limestone Co.	1874 6
Jacob Okman, Oct. 1, 1882	Flatonia	1872 10
Jackson Johnson, Oct. 1, 1882	Manor	1875 7
Jackson Caesar, Sept. 21, 1883	Wharton	1879 4
Larkin Carper, Apr. 26, 1885	San Antonio	1870 15
Elijah Nesby, Sept. 26, 1885	Sprinkle	1875 10
Caesar King, Aug. 16, 1885	Georgetown	1874 11
J. W. Robinson, Sept. 1, 1888	Austin	1874 11
Wash. Goodwin, May 3, 1890	Manor	1876 14
J. H. Brawley, Apr. 20, 1893	Luling	1887 6
G. W. Brothers, Aug. 20, 1893	Cuero	1883 10
Toney Augustis, June 10, 1894	Columbus	1879 15
J. H. Purnell, Oct. 10, 1894	Waco	1890 4
J. H. Williams, Oct. 3, 1895	Denison	1893 2
J. T. Gibbons, Aug. 3, 1896	San Antonio	1883 13
A. L. Armstrong, Sept. 10, 1896	Gatesville	1893 3
Daniel Harper, Sept. 1, 1896	Victoria	1874 22
Nathan Caswell, Dec. 20, 1896	Austin	1875 21
C. L. Madison, Sept. 16, 1900	Austin	1876 24
B. F. Smith, May 20, 1902	Cuero	1877 25
L. H. Harvey, July 4, 1902	Cuero	1896 6
A. S. Bethaney, June 30, 1902	Fort Worth	1893 9
Chas. Hart, Aug. 10, 1902	Winchester	1877 25
Daniel Mumphrey, July 4, 1903	Marlin	1887 26
John Neal, Mar. 22, 1908	Davilla	1894 9
Samuel Gates, Feb. 25, 1905	Austin	1874 31
Anderson Brack, Sept. 10, 1905	Waco	1874 31
Mack Henson, June 17, 1905	Austin	1874 31
Andrew Foster, Nov. 26, 1906	Victoria	1880 31
James Jorman, Dec. 9, 1908	Seguin	1877 29
B. L. Adams, Mar. 19, 1908	Littig	1893 15
Gabriel Wilson, July 16, 1908	Calvert	1875 33
Thos. Watkins, Apr. 10, 1908	Marlin	1886 22
Willia Graves, May 10, 1908	Waco	1876 32
G. A. Shanklin, Dec. 19, 1900	Hubbard	1881 19
J. T. Jacobs, Mar. 11, 1911	San Antonio	1882 29
W. H. Davis, Sept. 12, 1910	Seguin	1882 28
Jeff Buel, June 10, 1910	Waco	1887 23
C. P. Westbrooks, Dec. 30, 1911	Hubbard	1885 26
A. J. Lynch, Mar. 18, 1911	Victoria	1893 18
R. H. Ponton, Sept. 19, 1912	Bermond	1878 33
J. W. Mitchell, Dec. 17, 1911	Belton	1882 25
M. C. Caviness, June 28, 1912	Lockhart	1887 25
J. H. Holden, Nov. 1, 1912	Hondo	1887 25
Lee Reed, Mar. 14, 1918	San Antonio	1881 32
E. E. Henderson, Sept. 9, 1913	Luling	1881 32
Alfred Dickerson, June 9, 1913	Sprinkle	1897 36
F. L. Kirkpatrick, Dec. 7, 1915	Austin	1897 18
Granvil Norman	Los Angeles, Calif.	
Joseph Hariford, 1917	Winchester	1894 23
J. S. Wyatt, Dec. 24, 1916	Victoria	1887 29
Christopher Young, Aus. 13, 1916	Victoria	1875 42
G. W. Townsend, Sept. 19, 1916	Victoria	1883 33

NAME AND DATE OF DEATH	PLACE OF BURIAL	Years in Ministry
W. E. Blackson, Feb. 9, 1916	Austin	1899 17
R. L. Lovinggood, Jan. 17, 1916	Austin	1901 16
L. R. Parker, 1916	Smithville	1901 15
W. H. Mosby, 1916		1878 38
John Bickham, Feb., 1916	Gonzales	1891 25
A. T. Jackson, 1918	Dallas	1887 34
Ephraim Jones, April, 1918	Seguin	1897 21
P. B. Bennett, 1918	Waco	1887 31
Riley Sodia, 1918	Edna	1895 14
C. C. Scrugs		
R. N. Dennis, 1919	Calvert	
A. Lockhart, 1921	Waco	
E. L. Jackson, 1921	Temple	
C. H. Franklin, 1921	San Antonio	
J. W. Wromley, 1921	Winchester	
G. W. Nevils, March, 1922	La Grange	
Primus Gates, 1922	La Grange	
A. L. Carper, 1924	San Antonio	
S. D. Humphrey, 1922	Marlin	
D. C. Hailey, 1924	Waxahachie	
B. J. Goff, 1925	Waco	
D. C. Lacy, Dec. 25, 1925	Mexia	
Harry Swann, 1925	Victoria	
W. H. Stevens, 1925	Winchester	
W. H. Purnell, 1925	Waco	
Moses Smith, 1925	Austin	
Morton Lott, 1925	Austin	
W. M. Mooney, 1925	Cuero	
J. C. Mayes, 1925	Temple	
Albert Johnson, 1926	Georgetown	
C. N. Strait, 1927	Luling	
J. C. Eusan, June 11, 1928	San Antonio	
N. H. Townsend, Aug., 1928	Yoakum	
H. H. Qualls, June 10, 1928	Waco	1893 35
J. H. Swann, June 11, 1928	Lytton Springs	1893 35
S. W. Harvey, Aug. 10, 1928	Ennis	
J. W. Wright, 1929		1881 46
J. L. S. Edmonson, Oct. 13, 1929	Missouri State	
M. S. Jordan	Cuero	
Benjamin F. Wright, Oct. 15, 1930	Fayetteville	
J. H. Hutchinson	Austin	
Alfred Brown, 1931	Shiner	
William Reed, 1931	Waco	
C. B. Melton, 1931	Kerrville	
George Pleasant, 1931	Austin	
J. W. Weekley, 1932	Luling	
G. M. Moten, 1932	Waco	
Clinton Schueler, 1932	Luling	
S. E. Jones, 1933	Cuero	1930 30
D. L. Mosby, 1933	Columbus	
J. H. Napier, 1933	San Antonio	
John Coe, 1933	Marlin	
J. E. Brown, 1934	Lampasas	1909 25
E. E. Cooper, 1934	Oakland	1888
Enoch Cogswell, 1934	Mart	1887
L. W. Roberts	Milford	1908 27
J. W. Stone, Jr., 1935	Hubbard	1916 19
C. S. Williams, 1935	Marshall	1903 32
J. W. Stone, Sr., 1937	Lockhart	1897 40
C. H. Hamilton, 1937	Mexia Ct.	1916 21
George Waters, 1937	Yoakum	1898 30
James Coe, June 12, 1938	Luling	1909 29
I. T. Sanford, July 13, 1938	Waco	1894 33

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H. A. Jones, Dec. 23, 1938.....	Austin	1904	34
A. D. Jacques, Jan., 1939	Pine Bluff, Ark.	1907	32
L. L. Strait, Jan., 1939	Gonzales	1922	17
A. M. Cuerington, Aug. 22, 1939	Cameron		
G. M. Malory, 1939	Waco		
W. A. Robinson, 1940	El Paso		
T. J. Jackson, 1940	Dale		
S. S. Hudspeth, 1940	Lockhart		
E. C. Henderson, 1941	Schulenburg		
George Bailey, 1941	San Marcos		
A. M. Mason, Aug. 30, 1941.....	San Antonio	1893	48
J. W. Downs, Feb. 8, 1941	Austin	1919	20
M. Fountain, 1942	Waco		
S. D. Mosley, 1942	San Antonio		
J. D. Mackey, 1942	Luling		
J. T. Carper, 1942	Houston		
L. H. Richardson, 1942	San Antonio		
E. T. Allen, 1943	Granbury		
J. G. Brown, 1943	Waco		
C. E. Whitiker, March, 1943.....	Austin	1923	20
M. L. Wyatt, 1943	San Angelo	1915	28
B. F. Braden, 1943	Lockhart		
M. W. Stephens, Oct. 20, 1943.....	San Antonio		
J. B. Eggleston, Oct. 27, 1943	Yoakum		
J. W. Warren, Nov. 23, 1943	San Antonio		
D. F. Vance, Dec., 1943	Austin		
B. J. Easter, May 4, 1944	San Antonio		
N. J. Moore, August, 1944	Winchester		
F. C. Callihan, 1945			
T. S. Moore, 1945	Marlin		
W. M. White, 1945	Hondo		
C. Mannie, Sept. 27, 1946	Luling	1922	24
A. G. Russel, Oct. 6, 1946	Floresville	1922	24
J. H. R. Dudley, October, 1946.....	Giddings	1917	29
J. S. Smedlock, 1947	Mexia		32
Victor A. Cook, Dec. 15, 1947	Austin	1935	13
Victor A. Cook, Dec. 15, 1948	Austin	1917	31
Ralph W. Allen, Mar. 28, 1948.....	Goliad	1924	24
S. G. Graham, Oct. 1, 1947	Waco	1917	31
T. H. Wyatt, June 1, 1948	Austin	1900	48
T. H. Bryant, Aug. 12, 1948.....	Alleyton	1926	22
H. L. McKinney, Aug. 24, 1949.....	San Antonio	1926	14
Frank Blair, 1949	Mexia	1925	24
Karl Downs, February 26, 1948.....	Austin.....		
Silas Mathis, 1950.....	Bremond		
Horace C. Grant, 1950.....			
Joel S. Jordan, 1950.....	Cuero.....	1927	22
H. S. Byars, 1950.....	San Antonio.....	1927	22
J. W. Maye, 1950.....	San Antonio.....		
W. B. Houston, 1950.....	Kyle.....		
J. W. V. Hutchinson, 1950.....	Austin.....	1913	26
J. H. Strait, 1950.....	San Antonio.....	1921	21
A. D. Holden 1950,.....	Honds.....	1923	27
J. H. Brown, 1951.....	Columbus.....	1924	22
G. V. Covitt, 1952.....	Floresville.....	1910	37
J. N. Hooey, 1951.....	Houston.....	1914	34
B. A. Byars, August 1, 1951.....	San Antonio.....	1919	32
G. A. Deslandes, January 26, 1951.....	San Antonio.....	1916	26
R. H. Duncan, 1951.....	Austin.....	1896	25
S. N. Harvey, 1951.....	Hallettsville.....	1905	46
W. B. Lott, 1953	San Antonio.....		
F. M. Hudspeth, 1953.....	San Antonio.....		

XIII.**MISCELLANEOUS****Wednesday Evening**

7:45	Devotion.....	Rev. D. B. Baker
8:15	Sermon.....	Rev. T. M. Bruton
	Announcements	
	Offering	
	Benediction	

Thursday Afternoon

7:30	Devotions.....	Rev. George L. Johnson
7:45	Pensions and Relief.....	Dr. T. B. Echols—Presiding
8:45	Sermon.....	Rev. J. H. Marshall
	Music.....	Combined Choirs of Simpson & St. Peters
	Offering — Announcements	
	Benediction	

Friday Evening

8:00	OUR COLLEGE.....	Prof. W. Astor Kirk—Presiding
	Address.....	Dr. M. S. Davage
	Special Music.....	The College Choir and Band
	Offering — Announcements	
	Benediction	

Saturday Evening

8:00 Youth Program

Sunday Morning

9:30	Church School.....	Supts. of Wesley, Simpson, & St. Peters, In Charge
10:45	Morning Worship.....	Rev. Z. W. Holmes—Presiding
	Sermon.....	Bishop A. P. Shaw
	Announcements	
	Offerings	
	Words by Bishop	
	Reading of Appointments	
	Benediction	

CONFERENCE TREASURER'S REPORT BY DISTRICTS

	AUSTIN		DALLAS		SAN ANTONIO		VICTORIA		WACO		WESTERN		TOTAL
	Quota	Paid	Quota	Paid	Quota	Paid	Quota	Paid	Quota	Paid	Quota	Paid	
Episcopal Fund.....	2% of Pastor's Cash Salary	354	.....	504	.....	519	.....	230	.....	281	.....	259	2,147
Conference Claimants.....	15% of Pastor's Cash Salary	2,097	.....	3,117	.....	3,295	.....	1,459	.....	1,660	.....	1,887	13,515
Reserve Pension Fund:													
1. Church.....		101	.....	123	.....	4	.....	59	.....	30	.....		94
2. Pastor.....	2% of Pastor's Cash Salary	111	.....	318	.....	72	34	34	.....	288	.....	100	718
Minimum Support.....	2% of Pastor's Cash Salary		.....	250	.....	135	.....	25	.....	26	.....	56	671
Sustentation.....	1% of Pastor's Cash Salary		.....	57	.....		.....		.....		.....	74	324
World Service and Conf. Bene...	4,524	4,243	5,928	5,426	6,726	4,854	2,395	2,477	3,266	2,943	1,355	943	20,856
General Advance.....				207								17	224
Fourth Sunday Offering.....		5		255		63				16		17	356
Advance Specials.....	2,098	1,342	2,749	2,632	3,210	2,841	1,020	1,119	1,515	1,115	628	684	10,133
Rally Day.....				35									35
Week of Dedication.....	206	65	270	210	306	266	109	110	149		62	36	687
World Communion.....	41	8	54	62	61		22	21	30	29	12		120
Methodist Student Day.....				25									25
Race Relations.....	\$1 Per Member	301		586		728		168		483		141	2,407
M. Y. F. Funds.....										24			24
M. C. O. R.....	41	47	54	74	61	3	22	22	30		12		146
District Administration.....		127		90				445		1,382			2,044
Bishop s Expansion.....		7		500				13				90	610
District Superint. Salary.....		7		26								54	87
TOTAL.....		8,815		14,498		12,780		6,152		8,677		4,358	55,280

XIV

MINISTER'S SERVICE RECORD

Abbreviations:
 Re. — Retired
 T. — Transfer
 Ef. — Effective
 O.T. — On Trial
 F.C. — Full Connection

Exc. — Years Not Effective
 Supply
 Located
 Supernumerary
 More than two years on trial
 Student without Pastoral Work

Name	Present Relation	First Admitted		How	Year Full Connection	Ordained		How and When Received — West Texas		Exc.	Date Ret'd.	Years of Service
		Conference	Year			Deacon	Elder					
Alexander, E. D.	Super	West Texas	1947	O.T.	1951	1946	1951	O.T.	1947	2		5
Alexander, G. F.	Ef.	West Texas	1920	O.T.	1922	1920	1924	O.T.	1920			34
Baker, D. B.	Ef.	West Texas	1921	O.T.	1922	1921	1925	O.T.	1921			33
Baker, W. W.	Ef.	West Texas	1921	O.T.	1923	1921	1925	O.T.	1921			33
Barnwell, E. Rivers	Ef.	West Texas			1942		1942	Union	1942			12
Brown, C. C.	Re.	Col. M. M. P.	1919	O.T.	1922	1919	1920	Mer.	1939		1949	30
Bruton, T. M.	Ef.	West Texas	1924	O.T.	1926	1926	1928	O.T.	1924			30
Brewster, O. K.	Ef.	West Texas	1941	O.T.	1943			O.T.	1941			13
Burkley, M. B.	Re.	West Texas	1920	O.T.	1922	1920	1924	O.T.	1920		1952	32
Carroll, D. C.	Ef.	West Texas	1930	O.T.	1934	1930	1933	O.T.	1930			24
Carruthers, J. H.	Ef.	West Texas	1929	O.T.	1931	1929	1933	O.T.	1929			25
Coe, O. B.	Ef.	West Texas	1924	O.T.	1926	1924	1929	O.T.	1924			30
Childs, J. H.	Re.	West Texas	1915	O.T.	1918	1915	1918	O.T.	1915		1946	31
Cooper, E. M.	Ef.	West Texas	1951	O.T.	1953	1951		O.T.	1951			3
Curtis, S. W.	Ef.	West Texas	1943	O.T.	1945	1941	1947	O.T.	1943			11
Dixon, E. T.	Ef.	West Texas	1943	O.T.	1946	1945	1946	O.T.	1943			32
Echols, T. B.	Ef.	West Texas	1922	O.T.	1924	1922	1926	O.T.	1922			10
Edmonds, Edwin	Ef.	West Texas	1945	O.T.	1951	1945	1951	O.T.	1945			23
Ellison, Wm., Jr.	Ef.	West Texas	1929	O.T.	1931	1929	1933	O.T.	1929	2		40
Ellison, Wm., Sr.	Re.	West Texas	1912	O.T.	1916	1912	1918	O.T.	1912		1952	39
Foy, R. L.	Ef.	West Texas			1950			O.T.				41
Foy, T. H.	Ef.	West Texas	1915	O.T.	1918	1915	1920	O.T.	1915			8
Franklin, C. W.	Re.	West Texas	1912	O.T.	1914	1912	1916	O.T.	1914		1953	23
Franklin, S. M.	Ef.	West Texas	1946	Cred.	1946		1946	Cred.	1946			30
Freeman, M. A.	Ef.	West Texas	1928	O.T.	1930	1928	1931	O.T.	1928	3		3
Fuller, E. T.	Ef.	Col. M. M. P.	1924	O.T.	1927	1924	1929	Mer.	1939			u
Gay, C. J.	Ef.	West Texas	1951	O.T.	1953	1950		O.T.	1951			20
Goff, G. J.	Ef.	West Texas	1946	O.T.	1951	1945	1951	O.T.	1946			21
Green, C. R.	Super.	West Texas	1933	O.T.	1935	1933	1937	O.T.	1933	2		17
Greer, I. C.	Ef.	West Texas	1933	O.T.	1935	1933	1937	O.T.	1933			40
Hansboro, D. H.	Ef.	West Texas	1937	O.T.	1939	1937	1941	O.T.	1937			14
Hardimon, J. J.	Re.	West Texas	1912	O.T.	1916	1912	1918	O.T.	1912		1952	11
Harrington, R. F.	Ef.	South Carolina	1937	O.T.	1939			Trans.	1948			25
Haywood, L. H.	Ef.	West Texas	1943	O.T.	1946	1938	1943	O.T.	1943			24
Holden, A. C.	Ef.	West Texas	1929	O.T.	1931	1929	1933	O.T.	1929			26
Holmes, Z. W.	Ef.	West Texas	1927	O.T.	1929	1927	1931	O.T.	1927	3		36
Houston, C. J.	Ef.	Col. M. M. P.	1928	O.T.	1931	1928	1933	Mer.	1939			7
Hutchinson, F. J.	Re.	West Texas	1914	O.T.	1916	1914	1918	O.T.	1914		1950	
Irving, L. A.	Ef.	West Texas	1948	O.T.	1951	1948	1951	O.T.	1948			

Johnson, George L.	Ef.	West Texas	1943	O.T.	1946	1943		O.T.	1943		11
Keesee, S. A.	Ef.	West Texas	1929	O.T.	1931	1929	1933	O.T.	1929		25
Kelley, G. W.	Ef.	West Texas	1929	O.T.	1931	1929	1933	O.T.	1929		25
King, C. L.	Ef.	Col. M.M.P.	1940	O.T.	1942	1940	1944	O.T.	1940		14
King, E. N.	Re.	West Texas	1935	O.T.	1937	1935	1939	O.T.	1935		18
King, Z. E.	Ef.	West Texas	1927	O.T.				O.T.	1927	6	21
Kuykendall, H. E.	Ef.	West Texas	1923	O.T.	1927	1925	1929	O.T.	1923		31
Lee, B. F.	Ef.	West Texas	1922	O.T.	1924	1922	1926	O.T.	1922		32
Loud, I. B.	Ef.	West Texas	1933	O.T.	1935	1933	1937	O.T.	1933		21
Loud, I. C.	Ef.	West Texas		O.T.				O.T.			
Majors, Marshall	Ef.	West Texas	1925	O.T.	1927	1925	1929	O.T.	1925		29
Marshall, J. H.	Ef.	West Texas	1925	O.T.	1927	1925	1929	O.T.	1925		29
McMillan, K. W.	Re.	West Texas	1900	O.T.	1902			O.T.	1900	1951	51
McMillan, M. E.	Ef.	West Texas		O.T.				O.T.			
Miller, S. D.	Ef.	Col. M. M. P.	1924	O.T.	1927	1927	1929	Mer.	1939		30
Minor, A. D.	Ef.	West Texas	1947	O.T.	1953	1942	1946	O.T.	1947		8
Moore, Sherrill	Ef.	West Texas		O.T.				O.T.			
Morgan, James	Ef.	West Texas	1939	O.T.	1941	1939	1943	O.T.	1939		15
Mosby, R. S.	Ef.	West Texas	1919	O.T.	1921	1919	1923	O.T.	1919		35
Mosley, Wm.	Re.	West Texas	1927	O.T.	1929	1927	1931	O.T.	1927	1944	16
Muse, J. F.	Ef.	West Texas	1911	O.T.	1913	1911	1915	O.T.	1911		43
Muse, L. E.	Ef.	West Texas	1922	O.T.	1924	1922	1926	O.T.	1922		32
Owens, Curtis	Ef.	West Texas	1946	O.T.	1948	1946		O.T.	1946		8
Owens, J. G.	Ef.	West Texas	1939	O.T.	1943	1939	1945	O.T.	1939		15
Palmer, R. L.	Ef.	West Texas	1925	O.T.	1927	1925	1929	O.T.	1925		29
Pharms, S. G.	Ef.	West Texas	1927	Cred.	1947		1947	Cred.	1947		7
Phillips, P. H.	Re.	West Texas	1921	O.T.	1923	1921	1927	O.T.	1921	1952	31
Phoenix, J. B.	Ef.	West Texas	1922	O.T.	1924	1922	1926	O.T.	1922		32
Pierce, I. H.	Ef.	West Texas	1924	O.T.	1926	1924	1929	O.T.	1924		30
Pointer, I. A.	Ef.	S. W. Conf.	1932	O.T.	1934	1934	1936	Trans.	1946		22
Porter, Ashley	Ef.	Col. M. M. P.	1917	O.T.	1919	1917	1921	O.T.	1917		37
Purnell, E. C.	Ef.	West Texas	1946	O.T.		1945	1951	O.T.	1946		8
Reed, M. T.	Ef.	West Texas	1943	O.T.	1946	1943	1947	O.T.	1943		11
Richardson, J. B.	Ef.	West Texas	1943	O.T.	1946	1943	1947	O.T.	1943		11
Ross, James	Re.	Col. M. M. P.	1901	O.T.	1901		1903	Mer.	1901	1948	47
Simms, T. J. D.	Ef.	West Texas	1921	O.T.	1923	1921	1925	O.T.	1921		33
Smith, C. W.	Ef.	West Texas	1947	O.T.		1947		O.T.	1947		7
Smith, E. A.	Ef.	Central Ala.	1938	O.T.	1941	1939	1941	Trans.	1951		16
Smith, Willie	Ef.	West Texas	1948	O.T.		1948		O.T.	1948		6
Spencer, E. L.	Ef.	West Texas	1936	Cred.	1936			Cred.	1936		18
Stewart, B. F.	Ef.	West Texas	1936	O.T.	1938			O.T.	1936	1	17
Stone, M. C.	Ef.	West Texas	1943	O.T.		1943		O.T.	1943		11
Tatum, Elmo	Ef.	West Texas	1936	O.T.				O.T.			
Tollerson, H. C.	Re.	West Texas	1927	O.T.	1929	1927	1927	O.T.	1927	1951	24
Tucker, D. T.	Ef.	West Texas	1927	O.T.	1929	1927	1931	O.T.	1927		27
Walmsley, Walter	Ef.	West Texas	1948	O.T.	1951	1947	1951	O.T.	1948		
Washington, J. W.	Ef.	West Texas	1951	O.T.	1953	1951	1953	O.T.	1951	1	2
Watkins, T. R.	Ef.	West Texas	1943	O.T.	1945	1941	1947	O.T.	1943		11
Wattley, J. L.	Ef.	West Texas	1919	O.T.	1921	1919	1923	O.T.	1919		25
Wills, J. A.	Ef.	West Texas	1925	O.T.	1927	1925	1929	O.T.	1925		29
Woods, P. L. S.	Ef.	West Texas	1941	O.T.	1948	1945	1948	O.T.	1941	6	7
Young, F. D.	Ef.	West Texas	1923	O.T.	1926	1924	1928	O.T.	1923		31

Statistical Tables

Financial Tables

Table No. 2

The Methodist Church

Financial Report

West Texas Conference, Central Jurisdiction, August 5, 1954

I. B. Loud, Dallas, Texas, Treasurer

	EXPENDITURES FOR LOCAL CHURCH				MINISTERIAL SUPPORT										Connctional Fund				BENEVOLENCES													Grand Total 42-45, 47c, 48, 49b, 50b, 51b, 52b-55, 56, 57c-74.				
	Paid on Principal and Interest on Old Indebtedness	Paid for Buildings and Improvements	Paid Other Current Expenses, Incidentals, etc.	Paid for Church School Administration, Lesson Materials Supplies, etc.	Pastors and Associate Pastors				Dist. Supt.'s Fund	Episcopal Fund		Conference Claimants' Fund		Minimum Salary Fund		General Administration	Jurisdictional Administration	Area, Conf. and Dist. Administration	Interdenom. Co-op. Fund		World Service & Conference Benevolences			World Service Special Gifts	General Advance Specials	Week of Dedication	Fellowship of Suffer. and Service	Conference Advance Specials	W.D.C.S. (Including W.S.G.) Cash Sent to Dist. & Conf. Treasurers	Meth. Student Day	Church School Rally Day		Meth. Youth Fund	Race Relations Sunday	All Other Benevolences	
					Salary Estimated, for Pastor and Associate(s) at Beginning this Year	Paid Pastor	Paid Associate Pastor(s)	Total Paid Pastor and Associate Pastor(s)		Paid Pastor's Travel and Expense Fund	Apportioned	Paid	Apportioned	Paid	Apportioned				Paid	Apportioned	Paid	Apportioned	Paid													Apportioned	Accepted	Paid
42	43	44	45	46	47a	47b	47c	48	49a	49b	50a	50b	51a	51b	52a	52b	53	54	55	56a	56b	57a	57b	57c	58	59	60	61	62	63	64	65	66	67	874	75
1			35	1600	1500		1500		256	256	32	2	240	120	32		2	2	28	2	2	87	87	86			3		64				16		2029	
2			30	1000	800		800		160	160	16	12	120	60	16	12	2	1	20	1	1	24	24	61					62				29		1156	
3	80	100	487	81	1600	1329	1329	90	240	240	32	30	225	210	32		2	2	25	2	2	169	169	76					61	50			10		2163	
4	400	150	627	45	2600	2600	2600	149	416	366	52	40	390	317	52		2	2	28	2	2	188	188	85			12		95	95			14		4032	
5	1500	1200	200	45	2000	2350	2350	105	416	416	52	58	390	423	52		5	4	55	4	4	169	169	169			10		96				25		5125	
6	807	350	275	156	1820	1820	1820	48	288	288	36	31	273	298	36		2	2	28	2	2	97	97	86			4		72						3564	
7	1000	353	1028	35	2600	2000	2000	53	320	267	40	24	300	100	40		1	3	4	1	1	97	97	14			7		43	37			17		3498	
8				12	500	200	200		80	80	10	3	75	10	10		1	1	4	1	1	24	24	12			1		20				5		322	
9		200	725	35	3380	3100	3100	56	540	540	68	62	507	490	68	62	5	4	59	4	4	232	232	180					186				30		4588	
	3787	2353	3342	474	17700	15699	15699	501	2716	2613	338	262	2520	2028	338	74	22	21	251	19	19	1087	1087	769			37		699	182			146		26477	

WESTERN:

- 1 Abilene, M. T. Reed
- 2 Amarillo, John A. Wills
- 3 Brownwood, W. J. Washington
- 4 El Paso, R. L. Palmer
- 5 Lubbock, C. D. Owens
- 6 Midland-Levelland, E. M. Cooper
- 7 Odessa, J. W. Morgan
- 8 Rosco-Colorado, J. E. Hudson
- 9 San Angelo, L. E. Muse

Table No. 1

West Texas Conference, Central Jurisdiction, May, 1954

The Methodist Church

Statistical Report

C. D. Owens, Lubbock, Texas

CHURCH MEMBERSHIP												CHURCH SCHOOLS													W,D,C,S,		Meth, Men		Property and Other Assets												
Baptisms		Total Full Members Reported Last Year	Received from Preparatory Membership and on Prof. of Faith	Received from Other Denominations	Received by Transfer from Other Methodist Churches and Res.	Removed by Death	Removed to Other Denominations	Removed by Transfer to Other Meth. Ch. and Discontinued	Total Full Members	Total Local Preachers (Incl. in Line 11)	Church School Membership							Attendance			General Information						Amount Paid for Local Work	Number Chartered Groups	Membership	Number Subscribers to The Christian Advocate	Number of Preaching Places	Estimated Value of Church Equipment, and Land	Estimated Value of Parsonages, Furniture and Land	Estimated Value of Other Property (Incl. Cash, Bonds, etc)	Indebt. on Bldgs., Equipment Parsonages and Current Expenses						
Infants Presented by Parents or Guardian	All Others: Children, Youth, Adults										Preparatory Members (Incl. Baptized Children)	Child Div, 0-11 Yrs.	Adult Div, 24 Yrs. & Over	Average Attendance at Sunday School (All Ages)	Average Att. Sun. Evening Fellowship	Children	Youth	Adults	Number of Church Schools on Charge	Meth. Pupils & Cointsituents in Vacation Ch. Schools	Meth. Pupils & Constituents in Weekday Schools	Church School Memb. Joining the Church on Prof. of Faith	Are All Lesson Material used App. by the Meth. Church	Church School Offering for World Ser. and Conf Bene.	Number of Societies (Not Guilds, Groups, or Circles)	Membership (Including Wesleyan Service Guild)															
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29	30	31	32	33	34	35	36	37	38	39	40	41	
1	2	19	92	3	2	1	2	90	7	8	10	5	9	6	45	19	5	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	15	.....	.....	Yes	7	1	32	45	.....	15	.....	1	9000	4000	.....	.....
2	2	5	65	4	3	.....	.....	79	8	.....	16	18	.....	13	55	42	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	2	.....	.....	.....	4	Yes	12	2	28	24	.....	.....	.....	2	6000	1500	.....	2000
3	.....	3	109	1	3	.....	.....	114	1	9	7	9	20	26	35	20	12	15	60	37	.....	2	.....	.....	.....	Yes	20	2	.....	500	.....	8	.....	2	2500	2000	.....	250	
4	5	23	43	2	6	.....	.....	50	3	2	16	8	5	9	35	28	4	.....	.....	.....	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	Yes	23	1	10	32	.....	6	.....	1	15000	.....	.....	166	
5	17	16	150	1352	10	19	26	12	13	69	1325	35	62	111	83	17	220	556	385	85	129	80	200	1	.....	12	Yes	.....	1	250	1768	1	65	70	1	175000	25000	40000	9600
6	1	.....	4	72	1	2	.....	75	2	2	.....	3	1	.....	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	Yes	20	1	6	50	.....	2	.....	1	35000	7500	.....	5700
7	.....	.....	38	228	.....	20	19	1	1	.....	267	2	10	20	20	17	.....	65	40	.....	.....	20	1	.....	35	.....	Yes	60	1	63	300	.....	65	.....	1	15000	9000	.....	.....
8	.....	.....	6	25	.....	.....	.....	33	2	2	.....	2	8	3	.....	6	19	12	3	4	3	2	1	.....	.....	.....	Yes	6	1	8	10	.....	.....	.....	1	3500	.....	.....	.....
9	13	5	18	212	2	40	12	1	1	299	1	15	12	33	18	12	18	108	70	30	20	20	1	40	10	Yes	120	1	80	400	1	25	13	1	25000	8589
10	17	226	226	1418	6	45	6	11	2	6	464	3	30	43	112	63	129	377	160	1	200	6	Yes	216	1	254	2648	1	60	14	1	255000	17000	5500	1500	
11	6	5	36	234	21	26	26	4	303	14	49	10	7	18	98	38	1	10	14	Yes	15	1	32	1068	1	20000	7500	2000	
12	3	23	56	87	30	3	3	117	12	3	49	12	4	3	15	46	6	12	6	4	1	17	Yes	30	1	12	15	4	1	1	4000	3000	
13	10	131	13	1	2	4	143	1	6	44	18	68	41	10	18	13	3	2	10	Yes	20	1	21	18	1	9	3	3000	500	
14	.....	.....	.....	55	.....	.....	1	.....	2	.....	52	.....	6	.....	11	12	29	.....	.....	.....	.....	2	.....	.....	.....	.....	Yes	19	2	11	.....	.....	.....	.....	2	2000	1000	.....	.....
15	6	4	13	88	4	2	.....	89	2	18	.....	18	.....	10	12	.....	22	62	55	40	23	21	10	3	.....	4	Yes	.....	1	28	27	.....	3	3	8000	3000	.....	.....	
16	5	.....	6	.....	.....	.....	.....	29	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	24	15	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	Yes	2	1	18	90	.....	9	6	1	2500	2300	.....	.....
17	.....	.....	4	29	1	.....	1	29	.....	.....	29	.....	3	.....	4	2	.....	4	9	10	.....	5	.....	2	1	.....	1	Yes	1	1	15	.....	.....	.....	1	3000	1500	.....	.....
18	1	5	62	5	67	8	8	15	8	37	25	15	8	1	2	Yes	22	1	10	60	2	25	2	1	15000	3000	2300	
†	78	282	512	4302	98	172	111	43	35	107	3633	10	188	130	469	402	103	522	1591	1020	185	228	224	308	24	267	35	77	Yes	593	21	863	7070	6	288	118	20	598500	87800	45500	33105
††	128	33	497	4146	65	119	69	45	22	57	4404	14	183	121	410	308	135	647	1545	977	210	323	209	380	22	288	20	34	Yes	658	28	738	3661	5	310	36	23	551500	82700	8000	45353
*	.....	149	15	156	33	53	42	.....	13	50	.....	5	9	59	94	.....	.....	46	43	.....	.....	15	.....	2	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	125	3409	1	.....	82	2	47000	5100	37500	12248
**	50	2	771	4	4	22	125	25	95	72	21	15	43	Yes	65	7	22	

- †Total
 ††Total Last Year
 *Increase
 **Decrease
- DALLAS:**
 1 Denison, J. B. Phoenix
 2 Ennis-Corsicana, S. G. Pharms
 3 Ferris-Lancaster, Charles Smith
 4 Dallas: St. Luke, I. C. Loud
 5 Dallas: St. Paul, I. B. Loud
 6 Dallas: Trinity, Marshall Hodge
 7 Dallas: Warren, I. H. Pierce
 8 Fort Worth: Cogswell, Abram McGill
 9 Fort Worth: Cowan, K. W. McMillan
 10 Fort Worth: St. Andrews, J. H. Carruthers
 11 Fort Worth: Thompson, W. W. Baker
 12 Mexia- Jones, Wm. L. Shaw
 13 Mexia Ct., J. F. Muse
 14 Milford-Italy, Willie Smith
 15 Pelham Ct., S. M. Cleaver
 16 Sherman, Chas. Espie
 17 Waxahachie, E. H. Calter
 18 Wichita Falls, D. B. Baker

Table No. 2

The Methodist Church

Financial Report

West Texas Conference, Central Jurisdiction, August 5, 1954

I. B. Loud, Dallas, Texas, Treasurer

	EXPENDITURES FOR LOCAL CHURCH				MINISTERIAL SUPPORT										Connctional Fund				BENEVOLENCES																	
	Paid on Principal and Interest on Old Indebtedness	Paid for Buildings and Improvements	Paid Other Current Expenses, Incidentals, etc.	Paid for Church School Administration, Lesson Materials Supplies, etc.	Pastors and Associate Pastors				Dist. Supt.'s Fund		Episcopal Fund		Conference Claimants' Fund		Minimum Salary Fund		General Administration	Jurisdictional Administration	Area, Conf. and Dist. Administration	Interdenom. Co-op. Fund		World Service & Conference Benevolences		World Service Special Gifts	General Advance Specials	Week of Dedication	Fellowship of Suffer. and Service	Conference Advance Specials	W.D.C.S. (Including W.S.G.) Cash Sent to Dist. & Conf. Treasurers	Meth. Student Day	Church School Rally Day	Meth. Youth Fund	Race Relations Sunday	All Other Benevolences	Grand Total 42-45, 47c, 48, 49b, 50b, 51b, 52b-55, 56, 57c-74.	
					Salary Estimated, for Pastor and Associate(s) at Beginning this Year	Paid Pastor	Paid Associate Pastor(s)	Total Paid Pastor and Associate Pastor(s)	Paid Pastor's Travel and Expense Fund	Apportioned	Paid	Apportioned	Paid	Apportioned	Paid	Apportioned				Paid	Apportioned	Paid	Apportioned													Accepted	Paid
42	43	44	45	46	47a	47b	47c	48	49a	49b	50a	50b	51a	51b	52a	52b	53	54	55	56a	56b	57a	57b	57c	58	59	60	61	62	63	64	65	66	67	74	75
1	1833	100	75	1500	915	915	915	220	220	20	20	150	150	20	1	1	11	1	1	42	42	34	3	30	5	15	1441									
2	1980	3614	15675	578	5700	5700	5700	1000	892	892	114	114	858	1466	114	114	30	26	759	24	24	1071	1071	1071	50	74	36	702	400	25	35	400	417	14115		
3	876	244	621	93	2000	1468	1468	320	276	40	25	300	50	40	4	3	110	3	3	148	148	132	10	38	10	12	3045									
4	4700	1110	80	3000	2773	2773	2773	200	480	480	60	40	450	416	60	6	148	6	6	296	296	240	5	4	178	33	4416									
5	475	626	600	1700	1314	1314	1314	120	320	300	26	10	297	26	26	2	2	124	2	2	22	22	82	3	5	3	105	35	77	2629						
6	3400	442	40	1300	520	520	520	208	203	26	3	195	14	26	2	1	1	15	1	1	110	110	46	3	3	36	2	846								
7	225	1000	55	2160	1625	1625	1625	15	335	289	22	103	30	22	3	3	37	3	3	114	114	114	80	10	2358											
8	9400	250	95	1000	1000	1000	1000	500	192	192	20	20	150	150	50	1	2	24	2	2	68	68	73	2	47	25	13	2069								
9	2545	3145	5147	842	6100	5200	900	6100	240	912	912	104	104	884	884	104	104	29	25	830	23	23	1078	1078	1038	25	74	25	753	200	104	13726				
10	100	7	600	420	420	420	420	96	94	12	90	4	12	1	1	17	1	1	29	29	20	1	1	21	8	571										
11	3078	1360	53	2600	2400	150	2550	250	416	456	52	48	390	370	52	8	7	93	6	6	338	338	284	5	12	5	186	61	147	4257						
12	150	230	48	1200	1000	1000	1000	100	240	240	20	10	150	45	20	3	3	131	3	3	148	148	119	10	60	25	39	1735								
13	52	38	116	1200	800	860	60	192	192	16	16	120	120	16	4	4	148	3	3	144	144	148	99	5	46	1649										
14	171	21	900	889	889	128	128	18	9	135	18	2	2	61	2	2	61	2	2	97	97	80	1	7	68	15	53	1243								
15	98	52	1300	1158	1158	208	208	26	20	195	20	26	10	4	3	123	3	3	114	114	125	3	8	3	80	26	63	1782								
16	19	1560	1100	1100	25	249	193	31	234	10	31	10	31	1	1	67	1	2	67	1	1	85	85	66	58	10	21	1502								
17	75	132	8	1200	400	400	25	192	112	24	7	180	40	24	1	1	36	1	1	338	338	36	1	3	24	3	10	675								
18	1000	150	432	2300	1860	1800	363	279	33	30	216	252	36	3	3	124	3	3	114	114	115	3	95	9	48	3679										
	6626	31316	26587	2775	37320	30482	1050	31532	2535	5873	5666	664	476	5097	4021	667	230	107	95	858	88	88	4356	4356	3823	89	210	82	2632	441	25	35	836	1108	61738	

DALLAS:

- 1 Dallas: St. Luke, I. C. Loud
- 2 Dallas: St. Paul, I. B. Loud
- 3 Dallas: Trinity, M. E. Hodge

- 4 Dallas: Warren, I. H. Pierce
- 5 Denison, J. B. Phoenix
- 6 Ennis-Corsicana, S. G. Pharms
- 7 Ferris-Lancaster, C. G. Smith
- 8 Fort Worth-Cowan, K. W. Meillan
- 9 Ft. W: St. Andrews, J. H. Carruthers

- 10 Ft. W: Cogswell, Agrom McGill
- 11 Ft. W: Thompson, W. W. Baker
- 12 Mexia: Jones, W. L. Shaw
- 13 Mexia: Circuit, J. F. Muse
- 14 Milford-Italy, Willie Smith, Jr.
- 15 Pelham Ct., S. M. Cleaver

- 16 Sherman-Pilot Pt., Charles-Espie
- 17 Waxahachie, E. H. Carter
- 18 Wichita Falls, D. B. Baker

Table No. 1

The Methodist Church

Statistical Report

West Texas Conference, Central Jurisdiction, May, 1954

C. D. Owens, Lubbock, Texas

CHURCH MEMBERSHIP												CHURCH SCHOOLS												W,D,C,S,		Meth, Men		Property and Other Assets													
Baptisms		Total Full Members Reported Last Year	Received from Preparatory Membership and on Prof. of Faith	Received from Other Denominations	Received by Transfer from Other Methodist Churches and Res.	Removed by Death	Removed to Other Denominations	Removed by Transfer to Other Meth. Ch. and Discontinued	Total Full Members	Total Local Preachers (Incl. in Line 11)	Church School Membership						Attendance			General Information					Number Chartered Groups	Membership	Number Subscribers to The Christian Advocate	Number of Preaching Places	Estimated Value of Church Equipment, and Land	Estimated Value of Parsonages, Furniture and Land	Estimated Value of Other Property (Incl. Cash, Bonds, etc)	Indebt. on Bldgs., Equipment Parsonages and Current Expenses									
Infants Presented by Parents or Guardian	All Others: Children, Youth, Adults										Nursery Home Members	Child Div, 0-11 Yrs.	Youth Division—12-23 Years	Adult Div, 24 Yrs, & Over	Adults (Exclude Col. 17)	Total (Add 13 - 18 Inclusive)	Average Attendance at Sunday School (All Ages)	Average Att. Sun. Evening Fellowship	Children	Youth	Adults	Number of Church Schools on Charge	Meth. Pupils & Ctonstituents in Vacation Ch. Schools	Meth. Pupils & Constituents in Weekday Schools									Church School Memb. Joining the Church on Prof. of Faith	Are All Lesson Material used App. by the Meth. Church	Church School Offering for World Ser. and Conf Bene.	Number of Societies (Not Guilds, Groups, or Circles)	Membership (Including Wesleyan Service Guild)	Amount Paid for Local Work			
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29	30	31	32	33	34	35	36	37	38	39	40	41	
1			96	3	4					103	1	15	10	20	35	30	25	100	20	15				3				Yes		1						3	5000				
2			24				2			22		8	7		7		16	24	15				2					Yes	32		2			4	1	2000	500				
3					4	6	1			36								20					2					Yes							2	2200	700				
4	8		273	3		3	2			277		15	20	30	35		16	106	33	20			1	65			Yes		1	28	357			3	1	30000	4000		5551		
5	4	6	177	10			4	2		184	1	12	15	15	9	14	50	36	3				2				Yes						1	12	16	2	16000	4000			
6	5		191		1	5		2		195	1	11	16	48	17		15	106	45				1			1	Yes	60	1	37	71	1	15		2	35000	5000				
7	2		103				1			102		7	20	10			5	42	25		15	4	6	1			Yes	30	1	18	40				1	6500	1800				
8	3		130			7	8	1	4	121	1	7	20	16			30	37	35	10			2				Yes	25	1	9	40				1	20000	4000				
9	4		103				7			96	1	12	12		10								3					Yes							4	4	9500	3000			
10			22			1	1	2		20		6	2	9	8	24		49	14				2					Yes		1		118		4	2	4500					
11	1	2	58	2	2			3	1	61		10		14	13		18	39	26	16	12	12	4	2					2		25	1		4	1	2000					
12			17							17			6	5			4	15	10				1													1	35000	15000		6500	
13	3		14	165	4	1	3	1		173	1	15	21	22	25	19	21	116	95		43	25	38	1	45		4	Yes	40	1	59	700	8	15	15	1	8000	800			
14			74		1		5			70	2	13					13	13					2			13		No		1	30				3	5280					
15		1	29	192	1		3	1	1	193	2	24	13	8	8	20	12	36	16	15	15	5	28	2			1	Yes	22	1	22	20			2	2	8000	800			
16	3	1	17	76	1	1			10	77		11	6	22	9		22	70	48		10	8	18	2				Yes	5	2	22	85	2	17	7	2	8000	3000			
17			13		1					14		3		5	4		3	12	10				1					Yes	4						1	1	1000				
†	33	10	113	1714	25	14	28	33	11	16	1731	10	169	122	235	186	102	194	815	461	79	95	54	94	29	110	13	6	Yes	218	13	197	1486	13	63	56	32	196980	40800		12051
††	50	22	188	1711	38	10	36	32	11	34	1610	10	162	101	222	142	79	274	710	361	219	114	90	118	31	171	45	15	Yes	469	15	243	1299	3	125	29	31	197500	39400		7856
*			3		4		1			121		7	21	13	42	23		105	100																	1		1400			4195
**	17	12	75		13		8			18							80				140	19	36	24	2	61	32	9		251	2	46						520			

VICTORIA:

†Total ††Total Last Year

*Increase **Decrease

- 1 Altairs, Marshall Majors
- 2 York Town, Frank Williams
- 3 Cologne Ct., T. W. Stevens
- 4 Columbus, L. W. Washington

- 5 Cuero-Morales, B. F. Lee
- 6 Edna-Ganada, A. D. Minor
- 7 Goliad-Fannin, T. J. F. Sims
- 8 Hallettsville, I. C. Green
- 9 Oakland, Jack Ceasar
- 10 Port Lavaca Ct., J. W. Goode

- 11 Schulenberg, D. C. Carroll
- 12 Sublime, Z. M. King
- 13 Victoria, J. H. Marshall
- 14 Weimar Parish, H. G. Simmons
- 15 Wharton Ct., Antone Dykes
- 16 Yoakum-Shiner, Z. E. King
- 17 Lavaca, Henry Williams

Table No. 2

The Methodist Church

Financial Report

West Texas Conference, Central Jurisdiction, August 5, 1954

I. B. Loud, Dallas, Texas, Treasurer

	EXPENDITURES FOR LOCAL CHURCH				MINISTERIAL SUPPORT										Connctional Fund				BENEVOLENCES																		
	Paid on Principal and Interest on Old Indebtedness	Paid for Buildings and Improvements	Paid Other Current Expenses, Incidentals, etc.	Paid for Church School Administration, Lesson Materials Supplies, etc.	Pastors and Associate Pastors				Dist. Supt.'s Fund		Episcopal Fund		Conference Claimants' Fund		Minimum Salary Fund		General Administration	Jurisdictional Administration	Area, Conf. and Dist. Administration	Interdenom. Co-op. Fund		World Service & Conference Benevolences		World Service Special Gifts	General Advance Specials	Week of Dedication	Fellowship of Suffer. and Service	Conference Advance Specials	W.D.C.S. (Including W.S.G.) Cash Sent to Dist. & Conf. Treasurers	Meth. Student Day	Church School Rally Day	Meth. Youth Fund	Race Relations Sunday	All Other Benevolences			
					Salary Estimated, for Pastor and Associate(s) at Beginning this Year	Paid Pastor	Paid Associate Pastor(s)	Total Paid Pastor and Associate Pastor(s)	Paid Pastor's Travel and Expense Fund	Apportioned	Paid	Apportioned	Paid	Apportioned	Paid	Apportioned				Paid	Apportioned	Paid	Apportioned													Accepted	Paid
42	43	44	45	46	47a	47b	47c	48	49a	49b	50a	50b	51a	51b	52a	52b	53	54	55	56a	56b	57a	57b	57c	58	59	60	61	62	63	64	65	66	67	74	75	
1	261		54	26	1000	585	585	10	160	160	20	3	150	25	20		1	1	13	1	1	75	75	39		1	4	1	44				5		1123		
2		725		25	300	250	250		48	32	6	1	45	5	6		1	1	2	1	1	16	16	7			1		10				2		323		
3				10	300	300	300		48	48	6	2	45	44	6		1	1	12	1	1	55	55	36			2		22				6		453		
4	500		300	42	2288	1300	1300		367	312	46	15	343	185	46		5	4	70	4	4	179	179	163		3	13	3	134				20	13	2604		
5	400		500	150	2400	2400	2400	150	384	384	48	48	360	140	48		7	6	83	6	6	202	202	25		3	16	3	157	40				25		4013	
6	800	250	375	65	3080	3080	3080	150	493	493	61	52	462	400	61		7	6	87	6	6	205	205	264		3	14	3	145	54					25		5397
7		515	306	26	1200	945	945	30	192	184	19	15	135	85	19		2	2	45	2	2	68	68	8		1	5	1	56	21				6		1418	
8	756	500	15	25	1500	1500	1500	100	240	240	30	30	200	200	30		3	3	37	2	2	114	114	11		1	8	1	74				5	3	3004		
9				10	1200	1000	1000		192	192	24	10	180	60	24		2	2	28	2	2	82	82	86		1	5	2	56				10		1388		
10				19	500	460	460		75	80	8	3	75	15	8		1	1	17	1	1	31	31	51		1	3	1	32				10		646		
11		60	10	41	700	500	500		112	116	14	10	105	75	14		2	2	29	2	2	113	113	87		1	6	1	63						860		
12				8	300	185	185		48	24	6		45	2	6		1	1	6	1	1	26	26	17			1		10						243		
13	633	699	500	53	3000	2600	2600		480	416	60	25	450	150	60		6	5	89	5	5	290	290	30		3	15	3	149				52	27	4028		
14		500	39	7	1000	377	377		160	145	20	6	150	13	20		2	2	21	1	1	17	17	64			3	1	31						634		
15		180	300	59	1450	1150	1150	35	232	232	29		218	5	29		5	4	58	4	4	163	163	178			9	2	91				11		1721		
16	151	240	114	40	1150	500	500	30	184	184	23	10	173	75	23		2	1	28	1	1	65	65	56		1	4	1	35	40			8		1075		
17			10	8	300	200	200		48	24	6		45	5	6		1	1	6	1	1	9	9	17			1		10			3		261			
	3501	3669	2523	614	21668	17332	17332	495	3463	3276	426	230	3181	1481	426		49	43	631	41	41	1710	1710	1544		19	110	23	1119	155			168	43	29191		

Grand Total 42-45, 47c, 48, 49b, 50b, 51b, 52b-55, 56, 57c-74.

VICTORIA:

- 1 Altair, Marshall Majors
- 2 Bay City Mission, Franks Williams
- 3 Cologne Ct., T. W. Stevens
- 4 Cuero Ct., B. F. Lee
- 5 Columbus, L. D. Washington

- 6 Edna Ct., A. D. Minor
- 7 Goliad, T. J. D. Sims
- 8 Hallettsville, I. C. Greer
- 9 Oakland Ct., Jack Ceasar
- 10 Port Lavaca, J. W. Goode
- 11 Schulenburg Ct., D. C. Carroll
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The Methodist Church

Financial Report

West Texas Conference, Central Jurisdiction, August 5, 1954

I. B. Loud, Dallas, Texas, Treasurer

	EXPENDITURES FOR LOCAL CHURCH				MINISTERIAL SUPPORT										Connctional Fund				BENEVOLENCES																	
	Paid on Principal and Interest on Old Indebtedness	Paid for Buildings and Improvements	Paid Other Current Expenses, Incidentals, etc.	Paid for Church School Administration, Lesson Materials Supplies, etc.	Pastors and Associate Pastors				Dist. Supt.'s Fund		Episcopal Fund		Conference Claimants' Fund		Minimum Salary Fund		General Administration	Jurisdictional Administration	Area, Conf. and Dist. Administration	Interde-nom. Co-op. Fund		World Service & Conference Benevolences		World Service Special Gifts	General Advance Specials	Week of Dedication	Fellowship of Suffer. and Service	Conference Advance Specials	W.D.C.S. (Including W.S.G.) Cash Sent to Dist. & Conf. Treasurers	Meth. Student Day	Church School Rally Day	Meth. Youth Fund	Race Relations Sunday	All Other Benevolences		
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42	43	44	45	46	47a	47b	47c	48	49a	49b	50a	50b	51a	51b	52a	52b	53	54	55	56a	56b	57a	57b	57c	58	59	60	61	62	63	64	65	66	67	74	75
1		77	100	60	1800	1700	1700	288	247	36	27	270	179	36			1	1	96	1	1	153	153	37			9	9	87	45			13		2347	
2		415	25	10	1600	1300	1300	331	256	160	32	240	5	32		6	1	1	72	1	1	106	106	50					62			10		1935		
3	3013	1592	3865	125	3250	3250	3250	750	520	520	65	65	483	483	65		5	4	309	4	4	456	456	173			28		281	195			104		8692	
4	4500	4000	86	28	1355	1275	1275	150	217	217	22		203	144	22		3	3	100	2	2	101	101	109			7		71	25			30	191	6716	
5				25	1300	1050	1050		208	200	26	20	195	75	26		1	1	66	1	1	101	101	29			6		62			33		1466		
6	30		395	85	2400	2000	2000	10	384	270	48	10	360	54	48		4	3	159	3	3	115	115	143			12		124	54			21		2764	
7	85	250	200	80	2000	1800	1800	100	320	220	40	20	300	90	40		1	1	9	1	1	183	183	28			9		93						2433	
8				8	650	400	400		104	75	13	3	98	30	13		1	1	17	1	1	67	67	52			5		46				10		586	
9		50	325	25	2080	1980	1980	100	332	256	42		312	50	42		2	2	18	1	1	206	206	53					64	20		10	10	2493		
10			347	35	2400	1600	1600	10	384	321	48		360		48		1	1	5	1	1	216	216	3					60			25		1975		
11		248	50	24	1300	700	700	100	208	186	26	14	195	72	26		3	2	79	2	2	62	62	90			4		62	10			27	10	1277	
12				10	350	300	300		48	48	6	3	45	10	6		1	1	5	1	1	24	24	10					15	5					387	
13		121	400	10	1000	600	600	200	160	130	20	12	150	90	20		1	1	11	1	1	101	101	33					46	20					1087	
14		850	800	221	3000	3000	3000	125	480	567	60	61	525	525	60		12	9	142	10	10	417	417	431			28		281	100			212		5082	
15	3100	2700	1950	380	4000	3800	3800	312	600	600	80	75	600	400	80		12	10	144	10	10	500	500	439			25		389			100			9110	
16	50	100	450	75	2340	2150	2150	260	374	245	47	25	351	50	47		7	6	277	5	5	225	225	235			15		155	124			25		3372	
17	300	5000		45	1520	1000	1000	120	243	192	30	10	228	25	30		4	3	47	3	3	220	220	143			18								1885	
18	542	168	300	18	500	500	500	5	80	80	10		75		10		1	1	8	1	1	75	75	25			3		27	20			10		1179	
19																																				
20	4500	2100	4200	295	4500	4500	4500	300	720	720	90	90	675	675	90		30	26	356	24	24	950	950	1086			66		670				100	100	12646	
21	2800		78	16	750	750	750	10	120	120	15		112	57	55		4	2	23	2	2	67	67	71			10	3	38	20			10	33	3882	
22				8	500	500	500		80	80	10		75		10		1	1	8	1	1	62	62	25					7						622	
23	380	290	628	272	2800	2800	2800	45	448	456	56	56	420	420	56	45	7	6	309	6	6	283	283	251			18		174				69		5040	
24		54	63	14	576	528	528		92	100	12	4	86	55	12		1	1	40	1	1	34	34	38			3		42				20		740	
	19300	18015	14262	1869	41971	37482	37483	2928	6706	5860	834	495	63583	449	834	51	104	87	230	83	83	4747	4747	3554			266	12	2856	638			829	344	77716	

Grand Total 42-45, 47c, 48, 49b, 50b, 51b, 52b-55, 56, 57c-74.

NOTE—
 Del Rio—Hospital 10
 Del Rio—Homes & Agencies for Children and Youth 15
 Harlingen—City & Dist. Miss. Soc. 15
 Kerville—City & Dist. Miss. Soc. 50

SAN ANTONIO:
 1 Beeville, O. K. Brewster
 2 Belmont Court, A. D. Porter
 3 Corpus Christi, T. M. Bruton
 4 Del Rio, Wm. Ellison, Sr.
 5 Floresville Ct., C. W. Franklin

6 Gonzales Ct., E. T. Fuller
 7 Harlingen, A. C. Holden
 8 Hondo, W. Logan Andrews
 9 Kerrville, C. J. Houston
 10 Kingsville, D. B. Baker
 11 Nixon, Elmo Watson
 12 Pearsall, E. M. Mooney

13 Ellison-Eades, L. H. Haywood
 14 East St. Paul, M. A. Freeman
 15 Jacobs Chapel, P. L. S. Woods
 16 Jones Chapel, T. R. Watkins
 17 Sanford Chapel, E. C. Tatum
 18 St. Luke, R. A. Nichols
 19 St. Mark,

20 St. Paul, E. A. Smith
 21 West Laurel Hts., L. B. Napier
 22 Seguin: Olmos, B. W. Anderson
 23 Seguin: Wesley, I. A. Pointer
 24 Harpers Chapel, A. S. Pitts

Table No. 2

The Methodist Church

Financial Report

West Texas Conference, Central Jurisdiction, August 5, 1954

I. B. Loud, Dallas, Texas, Treasurer

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42	43	44	45	46	47a	47b	47c	48	49a	49b	50a	50b	51a	51b	52a	52b	53	54	55	56a	56b	57a	57b	57c	58	59	60	61	62	63	64	65	66	67	74	75
1	495	300	100	60	1700	1758	1578	250	256	256	31	31	236	268	31		4	3	240	4	4	162	162	162			8		137	56			25		3344	
2	1805	48	669	72	2600	2354	2354	18	416	394	47	47	360	459	47		12	10	422	9	9	422	422	422		10		104	239			50		6002		
3	431	350	5000	50	4153	4153	4153		664	664	90	90	610	610	90		20	17	830	16	16	707	707	707		20	25	441	413			131		7551		
4		43	3	35	300	125	125		48	40	6	2	45	17	6		1	1	50	6	1	45	45	24										294		
5		150	65	36	1000	300	300		180	109	20	4	150	12	20		2	1	107	2	1	80	80	54				10						623		
6				32	1100	1100	1100	15	192	192	22	22	165	132	22		5	4	149	4	4	120	120	183				104						1829		
7			36	10	840	449	449	90	134	134	9	3	67	12	9		1	1	75	1	1	30	30	30				7						804		
8				10																															10	
9				10	1000	550	550	48	160	169	20	11	150	66	20		3	3	105	2	2	90	90	106				24							1067	
10	100	200	100	40	900	300	300	50	152	64	18		135		18		1	1	10	1	1	96	96	30				3							595	
11			779	10	500	245	245		48	72	5	3	52	13	5		1	1	64	1	1	45	45	32				10							440	
12			45	67	600	550	550	118	112	112	12	12	90	90	12		2	1	141	1	1	85	85	107		2		66	15			25			1198	
13			75	10	400	400	400		64	104	8	5	60	10	8		2	1	19	1	1	20	20	57				21							606	
14				10	360	200	200		58	59	7	4	52	16	7		1	1	66	1	1	22	22	22		3		3				10			378	
15		32	13	8	300	220	220		32	52	4	3	30	11	4		1	1	32	1	1	13	13	13			1	4							340	
16	155	655	448	127	2600	2600	2600	85	406	406	52	52	390	442	52		7	6	351	6	6	257	257	267		16	17	182	50			25			4491	
17		500	700	100	2600	1800	1800	3	406	404	36	2	270	117	36		6	5	262	5	5	257	257	212				38	64		5	14			2905	
18	8		100	10	200	200	200		36	39	4	2	30		4		1	1	8	1	1	6	6	6				1							266	
19		500	75	60	1300	1300	1300	80	248	248	26	22	196	211	26		4	3	45	3	3	133	133	137				70				5	132		2238	
20	235	12	906	107	2080	1880	1880	57	333	333	38	15	282	70	38	5	5	5	175	4	4	187	187	194				20					5		3080	
21		186	91	24	900	600	620	80	128	128	18	15	144	35	18		3	2	98	2	2	10	10	103				33				6			1105	
22				10	1000	500	500		160	124	20		150		20		1	2	119	1	1	71	71	63				24							817	
23		600		60	800	700	700		128	164	16	14	120	105	16		3	2	33	2	2	110	110	100			5	5	40							1178
	3221	3576	9205	958	27233	22104	22124	894	4411	4267	509	3593	7842	2696	509	5	87	723	401	74	68	2968	2968	3031			65	47	1342	837	5	301	137	41161		

Grand Total 42-45, 47c, 48, 49b, 50b, 51b, 52b-55, 56, 57c-74.

- AUSTIN:**
- 1 Austin: St. Peters, E. C. Purnell
 - 4 (A) Frederick's Temple, W. S. Byars
 - 10 Georgetown, C. L. King
 - 2 Austin: Simpson, J. L. Wattley
 - 5 Bartlett, Taylor Stewart
 - 11 Hutto-Littig, J. T. Thomas
 - 3 Austin Wesley, R. S. Mosby
 - 6 Belton, T. H. Foy
 - 7 Brady, E. L. Green
 - 12 La Grange, Wm. Ellison, Jr.
 - 8 Burnett
 - 9 Dale-Smithville, R. L. Foy
 - 13 Lampasas, Cleo Metclaf
 - 14 Llano, M. B. Burkley
 - 15 Mason, T. L. Mayfield
 - 16 Lockhart, M. C. Stone
 - 17 Luling, E. M. King
 - 18 St. Mary's, L. D. Johnson
 - 19 San Marcos, S. D. Miller
 - 20 Temple, E. L. Spencer
 - 21 Winchester, H. T. Franks
 - 22 Fayetteville, S. E. Moore
 - 23 Tilmon-Tilmon, Wm. Brothers

Table No. 1

The Methodist Church

Statistical Report

West Texas Conference, Central Jurisdiction, May, 1954

C. D. Owens, Lubbock, Texas

CHURCH MEMBERSHIP												CHURCH SCHOOLS												W,D,C,S,				Meth, Men		Property and Other Assets										
Baptisms		Total Full Members Reported Last Year	Received from Preparatory Membership and on Prof. of Faith	Received from Other Denominations	Received by Transfer from Other Methodist Churches and Res.	Removed by Death	Removed to Other Denominations	Removed by Transfer to Other Meth. Ch. and Discontinued	Total Full Members	Total Local Preachers (Incl. in Line 11)	Church School Membership				Attendance			General Information					Amount Paid for Local Work	Number Chartered Groups	Membership	Number Subscribers to The Christian Advocate	Number of Preaching Places	Estimated Value of Church Equipment, and Land	Estimated Value of Parsonages, Furniture and Land	Estimated Value of Other Property (Incl. Cash, Bonds, etc)	Indebt. on Bldgs., Equipment Parsonages and Current Expenses									
Infants Presented by Parents or Guardian	All Others: Children, Youth, Adults										Officers and Teachers	Nursery Home Members	Child Div, 0-11 Yrs, (Exclude Col. 14)	Youth Division—12-23 Years	Adult Div, 24 Yrs, & Over	Total (Add 13 - 18 Inclusive)	Average Attendance at Sunday School (All Ages)	Average Att. Sun. Evening Fellowship	Children	Youth	Adults	Number of Church Schools on Charge										Meth. Pupils & Constituents in Vacation Ch. Schools	Meth. Pupils & Constituents in Weekday Schools	Church School Memb. Joining the Church on Prof. of Faith	Are All Lesson Material used App. by the Meth. Church	Church School Offering for World Ser. and Conf Bene.	Number of Societies (Not Guilds, Groups, or Circles)	Membership (Including Wesleyan Service Guild)		
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29	30	31	32	33	34	35	36	37	38	39	40	41
1		12	62	4			2			64		8	12		18	16		44	30					2				Yes	16	2	22	22			5	2	4000			
2	2		84	5	11	2	1			102		9			13	25		47	26					2				Yes	4	2	16			2	2	1700	2000			
3	6		86	7		2				95	1	10		18	10	11		49	31	8		8		1				Yes	25	1	8	30			5	1	8000	2500		
4		15	20	6			3			127		10			38			48	38					2			8	Yes	20	2	21	12			1	2	8700	1000	1000	250
5			8			1				42		5						15	20	20	10		3	1				Yes	13	1		7				1	1200			
6	1	1	33							102	1	16		25	20		20	81	60	15				2				Yes	12		25					2	6000	2000		
7			25		1		2			61		8			28			36	27					2				Yes	35	2	25	40			4	2	11000	1000		800
8	2	4	38	4		1	1	4		241		6	7	28		10	12	51	30				1				4	Yes	20	1	36	256				1	5000	3500		
9			39	158	3	2	2		10	162	1	21	15	30	20	21	24	131	108	31				2			3	Yes		2	74	54		74		2	6000	2000	558	51
10				61		2	1			61		6		2	2	2	15	21	17					2				Yes		2					4	2	3500			
11			21	191						191		13		18	30		58	45						2				Yes	18	2	18				3	2	1900	800		
12			15	69		2	1			70		12	5	16	15		8	46	38					1				Yes	20	1	15	113			2	2	2000	1000		
13	26	2	62	171	6	2		2		176	1	12		60	32		18	122	72	20	10	15	12	1	69		6	Yes	40	1	16	180	1	14		1	10000	1200		
14	5		70	141	11		1	2		151		7	11	46	20	15	8	107	65	15	42	15	12	1				Yes	45	1	60			10	1	6000	4000		185	
15	8		47	127	2	4		1	1	131		7	12	8	8	12	9	56	30	27	9	5	13	1	60			Yes		1	42	190	1	15	3	1	5000	4000		2000
16	9		138	503		1	7	3	1	506	2	18		96	84		24	222	80	30	20	25	15	1			Yes	184	1	56	500	1	40	10	1	100000	10000		10000	
17	1		46	179	3		3			180		14		41	26		16	97	52					1				Yes	9	2	40	77			2	2	12000			
18	3		15	26		1				27		4	5		6	5		20	15					1				Yes	10	1	11	15			2	1	1200			
†	63	22	613	2429	51	26	18	21	8	16	2489	6	186	67	370	358	147	154	1251	784	166	91	67	27	129		28	Yes	476	25	485	1503	3	143	51	28	193200	35000	1558	13286
††	77	26	414	2421	48	19	19	45	3	21	2536	5	174	63	424	278	66	230	1003	815	219	41	43	25	29	23	15	Yes	244	23	345	782	5	163	61	27	214150	34750		12954
*			199	7	3	7		5				1	12	4	80	81		248			50	39	24	2	100		13	Yes	232	2	140	721				1		250	1558	332
**	14	4				1	24		5	47				54			76		31	53						23				2	20	10					20950			

WACO:

†Total ††Total Last Year

*Increase **Decrease

- 1 Bowman-Long Branch, B. D. Lindsey
- 2 Maysfield-Pf Sullivan, G. W. Kelly
- 3 Calvert, W. A. Webb
- 4 Chilton-Goodville, D. T. Tucker

- 5 Froza Chapel, R. W. Johnson
- 6 Groesbeck-Bremond, R. W. Smith
- 7 Hubbard-Hillsboro, H. E. Kuykendall
- 8 Marlin-Davis Chapel, G. F. Alexander
- 9 Mart-Springhill, C. J. Polk
- 10 Moody-Gatesville, John Precipths

- 11 Rocky-Cedar, S. M. Franklin
- 12 Valley Mills-Crawford, None
- 13 Bracks Chapel-Waco, G. J. Goff
- 14 Jones Chapel-Waco, Geo. L. Johnson

- 15 Mt. Zion, E. J. Tanner
- 16 St. James, S. A. Keese
- 17 Satin-Majors, S. W. Curtis
- 18 Rosebud, Wilbert Bledsoe



