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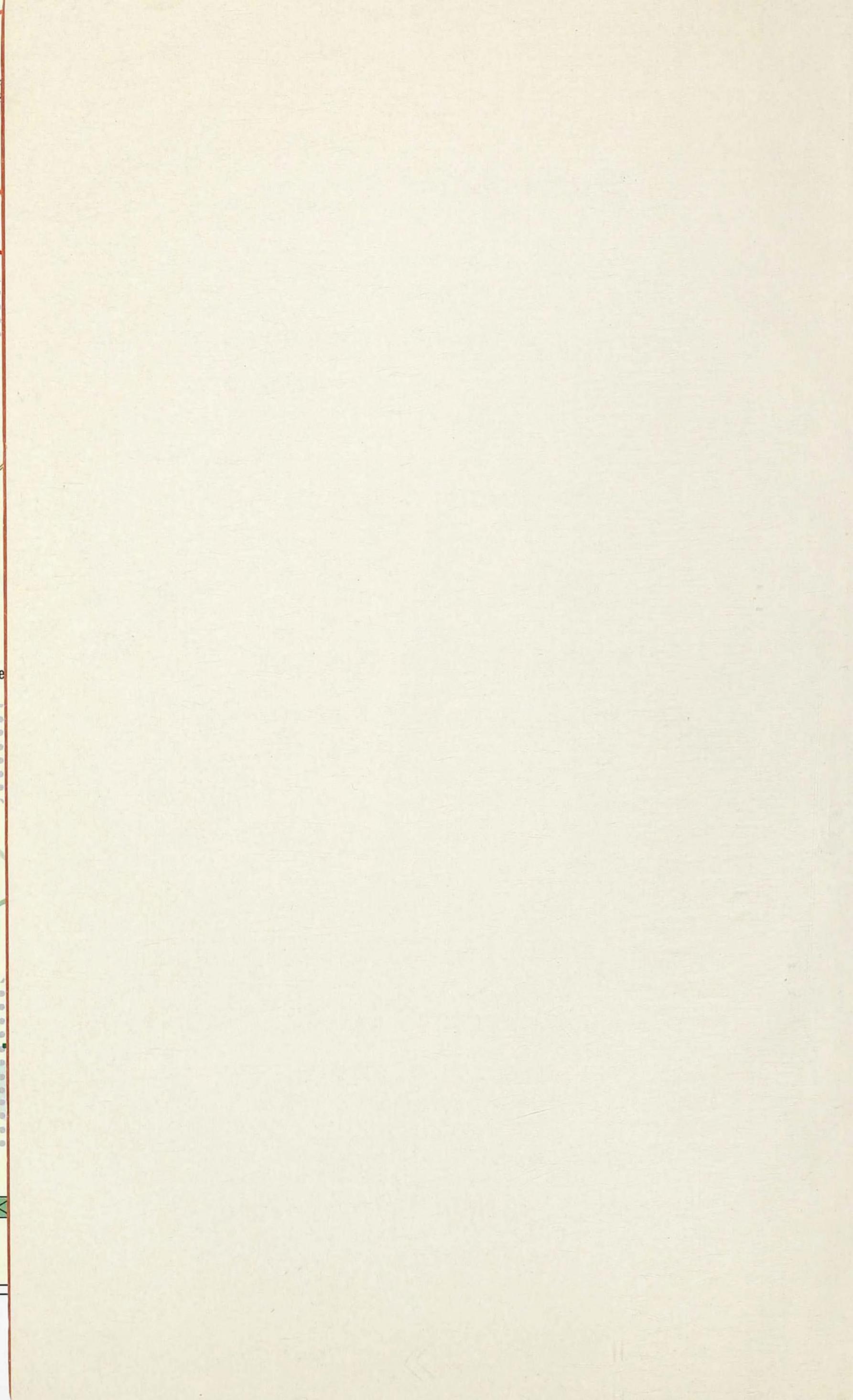
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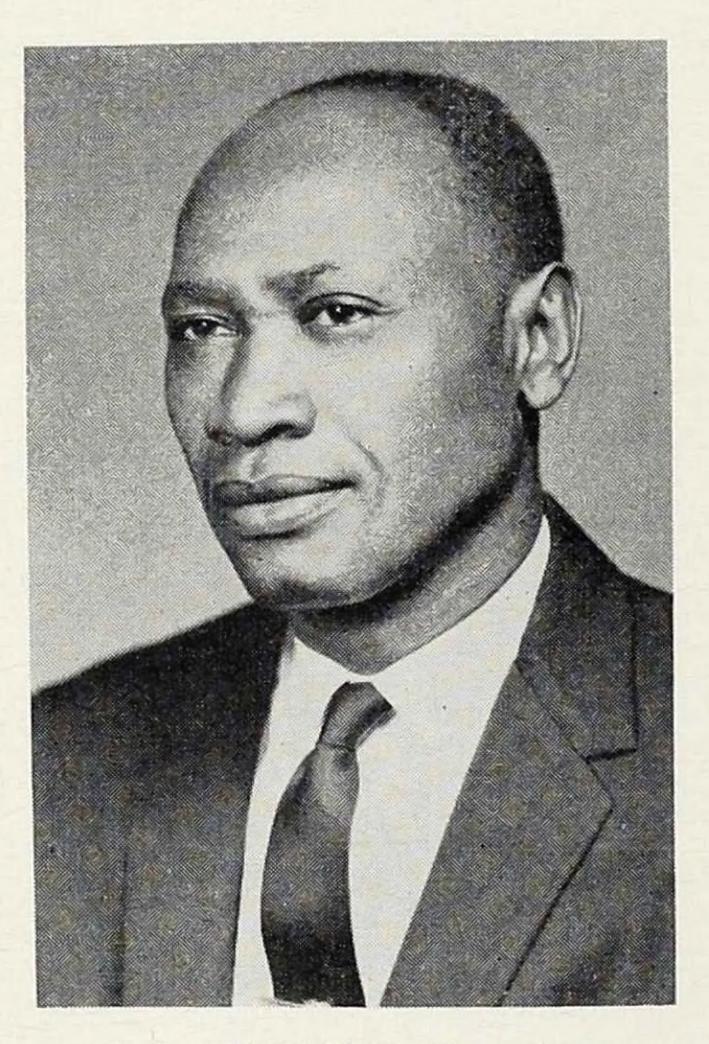




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Grosebeck-Bremond—Mrs. W. L. West	Grosebeck, Texas
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Hubbard-Hillsboro—Mrs. Amanda Moore *Mrs. Mabel Dunkins	
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*Monroe Baker	Grosebeck, Texas
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Bracks Chapel—W. L. Webb	
*Edmon Johnson Jones Chapel—Elihu Morris	
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Mt. Zion—Mrs. M. P. Sanford *Mrs. Corine Thompson	
St. James-Waco—Tully Stanley	
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Bartlett—Mrs. Irene Taylor *Mrs. Ruby Jackson	
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Dallas District

Earl Goins, District Lay Leader Associates: Clifford Davis, Elmer Porter

San Antonio District

Odie E. Davis, District Lay Leader Associates: Jessie Smith, Marvin Ellison Blackwell

Waco District

J. W. Thompson, District Lay Leader Associates: Elihu Morris, Charlie Hall, Jackie Gipson

Western District

G. R. Tomlin, District Lay Leader Associates: George Crayton, Clyde Carruthers, George Woods IV

Daily Proceedings

Conference Minutes First Day — Wednesday April 23, 1958

The 84th Annual Session of the West Texas Conference was convened in St. James Methodist Church, Waco, Texas, Wednesday morning, April 23, 1958, at 9:00 o'clock, with Bishop Willis J. King, Resident Bishop of the New Orleans Area, presiding. Morning devotions were conducted by Rev. S. A. Keesee, host-pastor. Music for the service was furnished by the senior choir of the host-church.

Holy Communion

The Communion meditation was given by Bishop King. Following the meditation, the bishop, assisted by the district Superintendents, administered the Lord's Supper to approximately 450 communicants. The Communion offering was \$125.69. At the close of the services, Bishop King recessed the conference for a period of fifteen minutes.

Roll Call

The conference reassembled at 11:00 A.M. Bishop King directed the secretary to call the roll of the ministerial members of the conference, the approved supply pastors, and the retired ministers. This was done. The bishop requested that the Lay-delegates be permitted to stand in recognition of their presence, and that the district superintendents give to the secretary the delegate roster from their respective districts. This was done.

Organization and General Business

Disciplinary question #1 was called: Who are elected for the quadrennium? At this point, Rev. William Ellison, Jr., secretary of the conference, stated that because of the press of his duties as Superintendent of the Western District, he felt unable to continue as secretary of the conference, and tendered his resignation. He thanked the conference for the privilege of serving as secretary for the past three years. The conference accepted the resignation, and Bishop King made remarks commending Rev. Ellison for the fine service rendered. Bishop King then called for the election of a new secretary of the conference. A motion by Rev. J. H. Carruthers, seconded by Rev. Cecil Williams that the conference vote by ballot, prevailed. The names of T. R. Watkins, I. C. Loud, W. Astor Kirk, and John Elliot were placed in nomination for secretary. Tellers: E. T. Dixon, Cecil Williams, E. J. Tanner, and M. T. Reed were named tellers for the election.

Tellers' Report on Voting Results: John Elliott, 11; W. Astor Kirk, 19; I. C. Loud, 34; T. R. Watkins, 48. T. R. Watkins received a majority of the votes cast. A motion by Rev. I. B. Loud that the conference cast a unanimous vote for T. R. Watkins as secretary of the conference, prevailed. T. R. Watkins was elected. The secretary named A. S. Pitts, M. C. Stone, and E. J. Tanner,

assistant secretaries.

Disciplinary question # 1, resumed: Who are elected for the quadrennium?

Secretary: T. R. Watkins, P. O. Box 284, Seguin, Texas. Assistant: A. S. Pitts, M. C. Stone, Emmitt J. Tanner.

Statistician: C. D. Owens, 421 Dearborn Street, Waco, Texas. Assistants: G. J. Goff, E. C. Purnell, Mrs. O. L. Jackson.

Treasurer: I. B. Loud, P. O. Box 934, Dallas, Texas. Assistant: W. R. Bryant, L. E. Muse, Irvin C. Loud, Mrs. Vivian M. Reece, K. W. McMillan.

Motion: A motion by W. Astor Kirk, seconded by E. T. Dixon, that the reports of the Board of Evangelism and the Board of Missions be given this afternoon; that the report of the Board of Temperance be given Thursday afternoon, April 25; and that the report of the Board of World Peace be given Friday afternoon, April 26, prevailed.

Disciplinary Question #2. Is the Annual Conference incorporated? (Paragraph 625) Yes.

Disciplinary Question #3. Bonding and auditing:

- a. What officers handling funds of the conference have been bonded, and in what amounts? I. B. Loud, Treasurer, \$10,000.00.
- b. Have the books of said officers of persons been audited? (Paragraphs 640, 729, 807). Yes.

Legal Limits

On motion by J. L. Wattley and seconded by J. B. Richardson, the bar of the conference was fixed to include the first **six rows of seats** across the auditorium of the church.

Committee on Conference Journal

A motion prevailed that Zan W. Holmes, C. H. Johnson, and J. L. Wattley be elected as the committee on the journal.

Motions: On separate motions, Rev. Lavalle Lowe was elected Reporter to the Newspapers, Rev. S. A. Keesee, Conference Postmaster, and the printed conference program was voted the Official guide for the session of the conference.

Memorial Service

With the Rev. John Boyd Richardson presiding, the Memorial Service began with the singing of hymn #312, "Come, Ye Disconsolate." Rev. E. T. Fuller read from the 46th Psalms, and prayer was offered by Rev. E. M. Cooper. The conference stood with bowed heads as the names of the ministers who died during the conference year were read. They were: F. Rivers Barnwell, R. A. Appling, and H. C. Tollerson. Following the singing of hymn #520, "Abide With Me", Rev. Eric C. Purnell delivered the Memorial Sermon from the Text: John 14:12, using as a Subject: "I Go Unto My Father". Benediction: Rev. E. C. Purnell.

Song Leader

By vote of the conference, Rev. Cecil Williams was elected Song Leader for this session of the conference.

Announcements

Chairmen of the various Boards, Commissions, and Committees made announcements relative to the time and place of meetings of their respective groups.

Point of Privilege: Presentation

Rev. I. B. Loud, on a point of privilege, asked that Mrs. Willis J. King be presented to the conference, and that Mrs. O. B. Coe, Conference president of the Woman's Society of Christian Service, make the presentation. Mrs. Coe escorted Mrs. King to the front of the auditorium and made the presentation. Mrs. King made brief, appropriate remarks.

Introductions

Bishop King introduced the following ministers to the conference: Rev. L. B. Felder, Trinity Church, Houston, Texas; Rev. James Feast, St. Paul Church, Galveston, Texas; Rev. Saul White, Waco, Texas; and Rev. C. C. Johnson, Edwards Chapel A. M. E. Church, Waco, Texas. Rev. Felder made brief remarks for the group.

Benediction: Bishop Willis J. King.

Afternoon Session First Day — Wednesday, April 23rd. 2:30 o'clock

The afternoon session began at 2:30 o'clock, with Rev. T. H. Foy conducting the devotional service. Rev. Cecil Williams, conference song leader, led the conference in singing hymn #4, "O Worship The King".

Conference Business

Passing of Character: The character of the ministers of the conference was passed unquestioned, in the following order: District Superintendents, Pastors, and Ministers in the detached services.

Disciplinary Question

Bishop King called Disciplinary question #8: What are the reports of the district superintendents as to the status of the work within their districts? Rev. O. B. Coe read the report. (See supplementary report.)

Conference Business

INTRODUCTION: Bishop King presented Dr. L. Scott Allen, Editor of the Central Christian Advocate. Dr. Allen, in brief remarks, made reference to the high quality of contents of the Advocate, and the large increase in subscription to the publication. He thanked the West Texas Conference for its part in making the increase in subscriptions possible, and presented the conference a check in the amount of \$1,877.86 from the Methodist Publishing House. Bishop King accepted the check with thanks in behalf of the conference.

PRESENTATION: Bishop King presented Rev. Thomas M. Bruton, Conference Secretary of Evangelism. Rev. Bruton explained the absence of Dr. W. D. Luster who was scheduled to address the conference at this time, and then presented as substitute for Dr. Lester, the Reverend L. B. Felder, pastor of Trinity Methodist Church, Houston, Texas. Rev. Felder dynanamically addressed the conference from the subject: "Evangelism For A Changing World."

Benediction: The benediction was given by Rev. L. B. Felder.

Thursday Morning, April 24th., 1958 Second Day, 9:00 A.M.

The morning devotions were conducted by Rev. M. T. Reed. Rev. A. Cecil Williams led in the singing of hymn #236, "Saviour More Than Life To Me." Following the Scripture lesson and prayer, the singing of hymn #315, "How Firm A Foundation," concluded the devotional period.

Conference Business

Disciplinary Question #19: Are all the ministerial members of the conference blameless in their life and official administration? Yes.

Disciplinary Question #20: Who constitutes the Conference Committee on Investigation? (Para. 931) See "Standing Committees"

Disciplinary Question #21: Who are the approved supply pastors? (See Approved Supply Pastors, Register and Directory of Ministerial and Lay Members.) (In their respective categories, see Condensed Minutes, Part 2.)

The roll of approved supply pastors was read by the registrar, Rev. Lavelle Lowe. On motion by Rev. Lowe, the character of the group was passed.

Disciplinary Question #22: What approved supply pastors are entitled with annuity claim on account of full-time service during the past year? (See condensed report)

Disciplinary Question #23: What preachers coming from other evangelical churches, have had their orders recognized? (a) As local deacons? None. (b) As local elders? Harold Ashurst.

Disciplinary Question #24: Who have been admitted from other evangelical churches as traveling preachers: (a) As members on trial: Deacons? None. Elders? None. (b) As members in full connections: Deacons? None. Elders? None.

Disciplinary Question #25: Who are admitted on trial: (a) With degrees from approved colleges and credits from approved schools of Theology? None. (b) With degrees from colleges not approved by the University Senate and credits from approved schools of Theology? None. (c) With

degrees from approved colleges and completion of the introductory studies for the ministry? Samuel J. Johnson. (d) With partial college credits, completion of the four-year course of study, and six years' service as approved supply pastors? None.

Disciplinary Question #26: Who are continued on trial, and what progress have they made in their ministerial studies: (a) In approved schools of theology? Zan W. Holmes, Jr., second year, Perkins School of Theology. (b) In the four-year course of study? James Broughton, U. S. Army, Joe H. Carter, advanced to studies of the third year, Jim Sam Loud, continued in the studies of the first year. (c) In the two years of special study? None.

Disciplinary Question #27: Who on trial are discontinued? Ellis Green.

Disciplinary Question #28: Who are admitted into full connection? W. A. Webb.

Disciplinary Question #29: Who have been elected deacons: (a) Theological students? None. (b) Members on trial in the course of study? None. (c) Approved supply pastors? None. (d) Other local preachers? None. (e) Missionaries? None. Chaplains? None.

Disciplinary Question #30: Who have been elected deacons? None.

Disciplinary Question #31: Who have been elected elders: (a) Theological graduates? None. (b) Course of study graduates? None. (c) Approved supply pastors? None. (d) Other local preachers? None. (e) Missionaries? None. (f) Chaplains? None.

Disciplinary Question #32: Who have been ordained elders? None.

Disciplinary Question #33: Who have been admitted or ordained to accommodate other conferences: (a) Admitted on trial? None. Into full connection? None. (b) Ordained after election by this conference? None. Ordained after election by other conferences: Deacons? None. Elders? None.

Disciplinary Question #34: Who are readmitted: As deacons? None. As elders? None.

Disciplinary Question #35: What retired ministers have been made effective? None.

Disciplinary Question #36: Who have been received by transfer? Haynes, L. L., from the Tennessee conference, June 29, 1957.

Disciplinary Question #37: Who have been transferred out? Smith, E. A., to the Mississippi conference, April 26, 1958. Washington, L. D., to the Texas conference, April 26, 1958.

Disciplinary Question #38: Who have had their conference membership terminated: (a) By voluntary location? None. (b) By involuntary location? None. (c) By withdrawal? Marshall Hodge. (d) By judicial procedure (expelled)? None.

Disciplinary Question #39: Deceased: (a) Retired? Appling, R. A., Barnwell, F. Rivers, Tollerson, H. C. Effective? None. On Trial? None. (b) What approved supply pastors have died during the year? None. (c) What deaconesses have died during the year? None.

Disciplinary Question #40: Who are the supernumerary ministers, and for what number of years has each held this relation? None.

Disciplinary Question #41: Who are granted sabbatical leave? (para. 364) None.

Disciplinary Question #42: What ministerial members have been retired: (a) This year? Simmons, H. G. Previously? See "Retired Ministers", Registry and Directory of The Ministerial and Lay Members.

Conference Business

PRESENTATION: Bishop King presented Dr. L. Scott Allen, Editor of the Central Christian Advocate, who addressed the conference. During the course of his address, Dr. Allen stated that due to the wide circulation and quality of contents of the Advocate, it has become one of the leading periodicals published by the church. He thanked the ministers and laity of the area for having made this possible, and urged their continued interest and support.

RECESS: Following Dr. Allen's address, Bishop King recessed the conference, to reassamble at 11:00 A.M.

Bishop King called the reassembled conference to order at 11:00 A.M. Rev. A. Cecil Williams led in singing hymn #162, "O For A Thousand Tongues To Sing."

PRESENTATION: Bishop King presented Dr. J. S. Scott, Wiley College; Rev. C. H. Bonner, Executive Secretary of Christian Education, Texas Conference; Rev. F. D. Mays, Texas conference; Rev. C. S. Weaver, Superintendent of the Marshall District, Texas Conference; and James E. McKell. Dr. Scott made brief remarks in behalf of the group.

POINT OF HIGH PRIVILEGE: On a point of high privilege, Bishop King granted Dr. T. B. Echols, Representative of the Board of Pensions, the privilege of introducing to the conference, Mrs. Nelwyn G. Patrick, a member of the secretarial staff of the General Board of Pensions, Chicago, Illinois. During the course of the introduction, Dr. Echols revealed that Mrs. Patrick, the daughter of Rev. and Mrs. C. L. King, of the West Texas Conference, was the first Negro ever to be employed as a secretary by the General Board of Pensions. A standing ovation was given Mrs. Patrick. She greeted the conference, and made appropriate remarks.

BISHOP FRED P. CORSON: Bishop King introduced to the conference the guest speaker of the week, Bishop Fred P. Corson, Resident Bishop of the Philadelphia Area. Bishop Corson addressed the conference from the subject:

"What Must We Be Doing To Do The Will Of God?"
Bishop King presented Dr. A. S. Gafford, Superintendent

Bishop King presented Dr. A. S. Gafford, Superintendent of the Waco District, Central Texas Conference, who offered prayer. The singing of hymn #244, "My Hope Is Built On Nothing Less, Than Jesus' Blood And Righteousness", the service was concluded.

INTRODUCTIONS: Bishop King requested Dr. Gafford to introduce to the conference the guests who accompanied him. Dr. Gafford introduced the following visitors: Rev. Leslie W. Seymour, Pastor, St. John's Methodist Church; Dr. G. Alfred Brown, Pastor, Austin Ave. Methodist Church; and Mrs. A. S. Gafford, all of Waco, Texas. Bishop King introduced the following visitors: Rev. Robert E. Hayes, Rev. H. D. Pace, Rev. C. M. Luster, Rev. James Perryman, Rev. R. H. Robinson, of the Texas Conference; and Rev. M. C. Griffin, New Hope Baptist Church, Rev. Marcus Cooper, Jr., Second Baptist Church, both of Waco.

The Benediction was pronounced by Bishop Fred P. Corson.

Afternoon Session Thursday, April 24th., 1958

The afternoon session began at 2:45 P.M., with Rev. J. H. Marshall, presiding. The devotional period was conducted by Rev. Lavelle Lowe,

assisted by Rev. W. A. Webb, who offered prayer.

The business sesion scheduled for this period having been suspended, the Board Of Pension held its Anniversary Service. Upon the suggestion of Dr. T. B. Echols, the service was conducted as a Forum. Periods for discussion, questions, and answers, were allowed. Rev. F. D. Young, Rev. M. A. Freeman, Rev. J. A. Wills, Rev. J. H. Childs, and Rev. L. L. Haynes, served as panelists. The Forum produced valuable information in the general area of pensions.

A session of the Board of Temperance followed the Board of Pension service. Rev. M. T. Reed, chairman of the Conference Board of Pensions, presided. After brief devotions, Rev. Reed presented Dr. Leon C. Matthis, Representative of the General Board of Temperance, who addressed the conference on, "The Alcoholic Menace." The report of the board was read, with the understanding that adoption of the report would be sought later.

The Benediction was pronounced by Rev. M. T. Reed.

Friday Morning, April 25th., 1958 Third Day -- 9:00 A.M.

The devotional period was conducted by Rev. S. W. Curtis. The conference joined in the singing of hymn #251, "Take Time To Be Holy", led by Rev. A. Cecil Williams, conference song leader. Following the scripture lesson and prayer, the period was concluded with the singing of hymn #248, "Jesus Keep Me Near The Cross".

Conference Business Bishop Willis J. King, Presiding

After making highly commendatory reference to the many accomplishments and contributions of Bishop Fred P. Corson in the area of Christian education, and to the high position he now holds in the field of higher Christian education, Bishop King invited Bishop Corson to preside during the reading of the report of the Commission on Christian Higher Education. Bishop Corson accepted the invitation, and presided during the period.

Bishop Corson called for the report of the committee on the Journal. Rev. Zan W. Holmes gave the report. He stated that the committee had examined the minutes, and found them to be correct. On motion by Rev. Holmes, the report was adopted.

Report; The Commission On Christian Higher Education: The report was submitted in three sections as follows: 1. Introductory statement, read by Dr. John T. King, chairman of the commission. 2. Goals of the commission, read by Dr. J. J. Seabrook, President of Huston-Tillotson College. 3. New Projects and Recommendations, read by Professor W. Astor Kirk, secretary of the commission. (see report) Professor Kirk moved the adoption of the report, and Dr. John T. King seconded the motion. Bishop King suggested that the conference vote only on the portion of the report not dealing with finance, and that the financial portion be referred to the commission on world service and finance. The suggestion was accepted, and the report, (except the financial portion) was adopted. (For financial portion, see Report of Commission on World Service and Finance.)

Bishop Corson and Bishop King made commendatory remarks on the report. Following Bishop King's remarks, Bishop Corson relinquished the chair to Bishop King who presided during the remainder of the session. Report: The Proposed Children's Home: The report was made by Rev. Prenza L. S. Woods. (see reports) On motion by Rev. Woods, seconded by Rev. J. H. Carruthers, the report was adopted.

Sermon of the Day: Bishop King presented Bishop Corson, who delivered a stirring message from Matthew 27:47, using for his subject: "Some Stood, Some Said, One Ran". Before delivering his sermon, Bishop Corson invited Mr. C. H. Johnson, conference lay leader, to sit with him on the platform, symbolizing the fact that the "bringing in of the Kingdom of God" is the responsibility of laymen, as well as the clergy. Following the sermon, Bishop Corson led the conference in singing, "I Can Hear My Saviour Calling." Bishop King offered prayer. Closing hymn: "God Be With You 'Till We Meet Again." The benediction was given by Bishop Corson.

Recess: Bishop King recessed the conference for a period of fifteen minutes. The conference reassembled at 11:30 A.M., and the business of the conference was resumed. Bishop King invited Dr. Dennis R. Fletcher, Representative of the Board of Missions; Dr. Robert F. Harrington, Area Sec.; Dr. Daniel E. Taylor, Rep. of the Board of World Peace; and Dr. James H. Touchstone, Rep., the Gen. Board of Lay Activities, to sit on the rostrum. Area M.Y.F. Convocation: Dr. Ernest T. Dixon was presented, and made brief remarks relative to the Area-wide Methodist Youth Fellowship Convocation to be held at Dillard University, New Orleans, La., July 28 - August 1, 1958. A suggestion by Dr. Dixon that the number of youths sent to the convocation by the several districts of the conference, be determined on the percentage quota carried by the districts, was accepted. On this basis, the districts will send representatives as follows: Austin-Victoria District, 10; Dallas District, 10; San Antonio District, 12; Waco District, 6; Western District, 2. Disciplinary questions 36 and 37, reopened: Bishop King reopened disciplinary questions 36 and 37. Disciplinary question #36: Who have been received by transfer? L. L. Haynes, June 29, 1957. Disciplinary question #37: Who

have been transferred out? E. A. Smith, April 25, 1958, L. D. Washington, April 25, 1958. ANNOUNCEMENTS: General announcements were made. Benediction: Bishop King gave the benediction.

Friday, April 25th., 1958 Third Day — Afternoon Session

The afternoon session began at 2:30 P.M., with Rev. A. D. Minor conducting the devotion. Hymns for the service were: "Draw Me Nearer" and #210, "I Heard The Voice Of Jesus Say". Rev. E. M. Cooper read the Scripture lesson, and offered prayer.

Conference Business

Board of World Peace, Rev. L. D. Washington, presiding: Rev. L. D. Washington, secretary of the conference board of world peace, made brief opening remarks, and then presented Mrs. O. B. Coe, Conference chairman of the board. Mrs. Coe introduced to the conference, Dr. Daniel E. Taylor, Representative of the General Board of World Peace, who addressed the conference. Hymn #244, "My Hope Is Built On Nothing Less Than Jesus' Blood And Righteousness". Report, The Conference Board of World Peace: Mrs. O. B. Coe read the report of the conference board of world peace. On motion by Mrs. Coe, the re port was adopted. See report. Announcements and the Benediction followed. The Benediction was given by Dr. Taylor.

Saturday, April 25th., 1958 Fourth Day, Morning Session

The morning session began at 9:00 A.M. The devotional service was conducted by Rev. R. L. Palmer. Hymns for the service were, #23, "Come Thou Fount Of Every Blessing", and #346, "O Thou In Whose Presence My Soul Takes Delight." Rev. Palmer offered prayer, and also, brought the meditation.

Conference Business Bishop Willis J. King, presiding

Report on the Journal: Bishop King called for the report on the Journal. Rev. Zan W. Holmes gave the report, stating that the minutes of Friday's proceedings had been inspected by the committee, and were correct. He moved the adoption of the report. The motion carried.

Presentation: Bishop King presented Dr. Dennis R. Fletcher of the Board of Mission. Dr. Fletcher briefly addressed the conference. He congratulated the conference on the fine manner in which the churches of the conference who had received loans from the board of missions, were repaying their loans.

Disciplinary question #44, reopened: Bishop reopened disciplinary question #44. Question #44: Who are left without appointment to attend school? On motion by Rev. G. F. Alexander, seconded by Rev. A. D. Minor, Rev. E. M. Cooper was granted this relation.

Disciplinary question #48: Where shall the next session of the Annual conference be held? Rev. C. D. Owens, pastor of Warren Methodist Church, Dallas, Texas, extended an invitation to the conference to meet in Warren Methodist Church, Dallas, for its next session. The conference unanimously accepted the invitation.

Reports Bishop King called for reports in the following order: Report of the Board of Lay Activities: Mr. C. H. Johnson, conference lay leader, stated that the report was not ready at this time. Bishop King asked that the report be completed, and placed in the hand of the conference secretary to be published in the Conference Journal.

Report: The Conference Statistician: Rev. C. D. Owens, conference statistician, read the report, and moved its adoption. The motion was seconded by Rev. I. C. Loud. By vote of the conference, the report was adopted.

Report: Conference Treasurer: Rev. I. B. Loud, Treasurer, read the report, and moved its adoption. Rev. S. A. Keesee seconded the motion. The conference adopted the report. (See report).

Committee Report reopened: Bishop King asked for a reopening of the report of the committee on the Proposed Children's Home. Rev. L. L. Haynes read a revised report, and moved its adoption. The motion was seconded by Dr. T. B. Echols. The report was adopted.

Recess: Bishop King recessed the conference for a period of 15 minutes.

Saturday, April 26th., 1958 Fourth Day, Morning Session, 9:00 A.M. Conference Business

Conference Business, resumed: Bishop called the reassembled conference to order at 11:00 A.M. Hymn #293, "Work For The Night Is Coming", led by the conference song leader, was sung.

Report: Bishop King called for the report of the Commission on World Service and Finance. The report was read by Rev. S. A. Keesee, chairman of the commission. Bishop King, noting that the funds recommended by the commission for the General and Annual Conference Benevolences and Administration Budget, the fund recommended by the Board of Missions as a goal, and the fund recommended by the Commission on Christian Higher Education as a goal, had not been totaled, asked the commission to complete this item, and submit the report to the conference Sunday, April 27, for consideration. The commission agreed.

Priority Granted: A motion by Dr. J. J. Seabrook, seconded by Rev. F. D. Young, that the item of \$500.00, recommended for expenses by and for the Commission on Christian Higher Education be given priority of disbursement by the treasurer, carried.

Report: Conference Board of Missions: The report of the board of missions was read by Rev. J. H. Carruthers, chairman of the board, and by Rev. F. D. Young. Rev. Young read the portion of the report relative to priorities for new churches on the several districts of the conference. Bishop King suggested that the report, along with the recommendations for finances, be filed with the commission on World Service and Finnance, and that the conference vote on the recommendations as a part of the report of the commission on finance. This was done.

Report: The Conference Board of Pensions: The report of the board of pensions was read by Rev. Marcus A. Freeman, and Rev. F. D. Young. On motion by Rev. Freeman, seconded by Rev. L. L. Haynes, the report was adopted. See Report.

Election: By vote of the conference, Rev. L. L. Haynes was elected to membership on the Board of Pensions.

Presentation: Bishop King presented to the conference, members of the Ministers Wives and Daughters Association of the West Texas Conference. Mrs. I. B. Loud, Conference president of the association, made brief remarks relative to the work of the organization, and made the following report, by districts, of funds raised for the Reserve Pension Program:

Austin-Victoria District	\$453.56		
Dallas District			
San Antonio District			
Waco District			
Western District		Total	\$3 021 50

Bishop King highly complimented the group for their fine work. He invited them to attend the Ministers Wives Retreat at Gulfside in August as part of their summer vacation.

Bishop King presented Mrs. O. B. Coe, Conference preseident of the Woman's Society of Christian Service, and Mrs. J. J. Seabrook, wife of the president of Huston-Tillotson College. Mrs. Coe gave a report of the work of the society. Mrs. Seabrook made brief remarks.

Rev. I. B. Loud requested Bishop King to have Mrs. King give the ministers wives more detailed information relative to the Ministers Wives Retreat. This was done.

Report: The Conference Board of Temperance: The report of the Board of Temperance was read by Mrs. Mattie Ruth Bell. Upon a motion by Mrs. Bell, seconded by Rev. M. T. Reed, the report was adopted. (See report).

Motion: Board of Social and Economic Relations: A motion by Rev. L. L. Haynes, that the Board of Temperance and the Board of World Peace, be merged into one Board to be known as "The Board of Christian Social Relations of the West Texas Conference", was adopted.

Report: Conference Board of Evangelism: Printed copies of the report of the Board of Evangelism were passed out among the members of the conference without having been read by the secretary of Evangelism. Upon a motion by the secretary, Rev. T. M. Bruton, the report was adopted.

Report: Conference Board of Education: Rev. John Elliott read the report of the Board of Education, and moved its adoption. By vote of the conference, the report was adopted. (See report).

Recommendations: The Conference Board of Trustees: The Board of Trustees of the West Texas conference recommended that the churches, Sandy Chapel, Elm, and Mt. Zion, known as the Mexia Circuit, be merged, and that the merged church and charge be named Union Memorial Methodist Church. On a motion by Rev. F. D. Young, seconded by Rev. T. M. Bruton, the recommendation was approved.

Election: By vote of the conference, Rev. I. B. Loud was elected to membership on the Conference Board of Trustees, replacing Rev. K. W. McMillan.

Recommendations: The Board of World Peace: Mrs. O. B. Coe read the recommendations previously submitted in the report of the board, but not voted upon. A motion by Mrs. Coe that the recommendations be approved, carried.

Report: Conference Board of Church Location: Rev. O. B. Coe read the report, and moved its adoption. The report was adopted. (See report).

Motion on Adjournment: A motion by Rev. I. B. Loud, seconded by Rev. F. D. Young, that following the reading of the appointments on Sunday, April 27, the 84th session of the West Texas Conference be adjourned, Sine Die, carried.

Benediction: The benediction was given by Bishop King.

Sunday, April 27th., 1958 Fifth Day, 9:00 A.M.

The Sunday morning session of the West Texas Annual Conference began at 9:00 A.M., with a Love Feast Service, conducted by the Reverends R. L. Palmer and D. B. Baker. Spiritual singing, testimonials, and fervent prayer featured the service.

Morning Worship Service

The regular morning worship service began at 10:00 A.M. Rev. S. A. Keesee, host pastor, presided over the service, and music for the service was furnished by the St. James choir. The invocation was given by Rev. J. G. Owens, Rev. P. S. L. Woods read the scripture lesson from Exodus 14:1-15. Bishop Willis J. King delivered the morning message, using for his subject: CHRISTIAN PILGRIMS. The morning offering was \$297.71. A special Sustentation offering of \$173.94 was received.

At the close of the worship service, a brief business session of the conference was held. Bishop King called for the report of the Commission on World Service and Finance, which had been read previously, but sent back to the commission for completion. Rev. S. A. Keesee read the report, and moved its adoption. The report was adopted. (See report).

Report: The Committee on Resolutions and Courtesies: Rev. E. J. Tanner read the report. The conference unanimously adopted the report.

The appointments for the year 1958-1959 were read by Bishop King. The benediction was pronounced by Bishop King.

MISCELLANEOUS EVENING SERVICES TUESDAY, APRIL 22, - SATURDAY, APRIL 26, 1958 Tuesday Evening, 7:15 Local Program

Rev. S. A. Keesee presided. Music for the occasion was furnished by the St. James Senior Choir. Welcome from St. James Church was extended to the West Texas Conference and visitors by Mrs. Katheryne Stanley. Rev. W. M. Ellison responded to the welcome in behalf of the conference. Following the program, a reception to Bishop and Mrs. Willis J. King, was held in the dining hall of the church. Rev. O. B. Coe, superintendent of the Waco

District, was in charge of the reception program. The St. James choir furnished music for this affair also.



MRS. WILLIS J. KING
"First Lady of the New Orleans Area"

The Ministers Wives and Daughters Association of the West Texas Conference, on behalf of the Association and the Conference, expresses sincere thanks to Mrs. Willis J. King, "First Lady of the New Orleans Area" for her inspiring address, and for the film presentation, EUROPEAN TRAVELOGUE.

Wednesday Evening, April 23, 1958 8:00 P.M. MINISTERS WIVES AND DAUGHTERS ASSOCIATION Mrs. I. B. Loud, Presiding

Devotions were conducted by Mrs. S. A. Keesee. The invocation was given by Rev. D. B. Baker. Miss Dolores Owens and Mrs. Katheryne Stanley sang solos. Following the devotions, the Queen Pageant, featuring queens representing the several districts of the conference, was held. Coronation of the Conference Queen folowed. Mrs. O. B. Coe, conference president of the W. S. C. S., introduced Mrs. Willis J. King, wife of the bishop, who presented a film presentation titled, "European Travelogue". The film was made during the recent European tour of Bishop and Mrs. King. Mrs. I. E. L. Sephas rendered two vocal numbers.

Afternoon and Thursday Evening, April 24, 1958 5:00 P.M.

West Texas Conference Ministers' Wives and Daughters' Association

The meeting of the West Texas Conference Ministers' Wives and Daughters' Association at 5:00 P.M. consisted of Worship, Inspirational talks, and Reports. Inspirational remarks were made by Mrs. I. B. Loud, conference president of the association, Mrs. Willis J. King, and Dr. T. B. Echols. A grand total of \$3,021.50 was reported by the association for the Reserve Pension Fund.

Thursday Evening, 8:00 P.M. WORSHIP SERVICE

The evening worship service began at 8:00 P.M. Rev. I. B. Loud, pastor of St. Paul Church, Dallas, presided and conducted the devotions. The St. Paul Senior Choir furnished music for the service. Rev. Zan W. Holmes offered prayer. Bishop King presented Bishop Fred P. Corson, who delivered the evening message. The text for the sermon was from 2nd. Peter 3:11, Subject: WHAT MAKES A BETTER WORLD? The benediction was given by Dr. R. F. Harrington.

Friday Evening, April 25, 1958 College Night, 8:00 P.M.

College Night activities began at 8:00 P.M. with Dr. R. S. Mosby, presiding. Rev. I. B. Loud gave the invocation. Music for the program was furnished by the Huston-Tillotson choir. Dr. Mosby presented Dr. J. J. Seabrook, president of Huston-Tillotson College. President Seabrook addressed the audience from the subject: "Reasons Why We Should Support Church-related Colleges".

The offering (by districts) was as follows:

Austin - Victoria District	\$ 60.01
Dallas District	
San Antonio District	45.00
Waco District	100.00
Western District	38.05

Members of the faculty of Huston-Tillotson, Mrs. Willis J. King, Dr. Adams, President of Paul Quinn College, and Rev. E. H. Hooker, President of the Huston-Tillotson Alumni Association, Waco, were presented.

Bishop Willis J. King made remarks. Benediction, Rev. F. D. Young.

Total\$299.06

Saturday Evening, April 26, 1958 Youth Program, 7:30 P.M.

V

The Methodist Church

THE BUSINESS OF THE ANNUAL CONFERENCE

The Minutes of the West Texas Annual Conference held in St. James Methodist Church, Waco, Texas, from April 23, 1958, through April 27, 1958, Bishop Willis J. King, Resident Bishop of the New Orleans Area, presiding. Date when organized January 7, 1874. Number of this session 84th.

Part I. Organization and General Business

- 1. Who are elected for the quadrennium (Paras. 629, 803): Secretary? Secretary? T. R. Watkins, P. O. Box 284, Seguin, Texas. Statistician? C. D. Owens, 114 Cherry Street, Waco, Texas. Treasurer? I. B. Loud, P. O. Box 934, Dallas, Texas.
- 2. Is the Annual Conference incorporated? (Par. 625) Yes.
- 3. Bonding and auditing:
 - (a) What officers handling funds of the conference have been bonded, and in what amounts? (Paras. 640, 729, 807). I. B. Loud, Treasurer. Amount, \$10,000.00.
 - (b) Have the books of said officers or persons been audited? (Paras. 640, 729, 803, 807).
- 4. Have the conference boards, commissions, and committees been appointed or elected? (Paras. 666-80, 695, 721):

(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 Church Location and Building? Yes.
- (f) Board of Trustees of the Annual Conference? Yes.(g) Commission on World Service and Finance? Yes.
- (h) Commission on World Service and Finance? Yes.
- (i) Deaconess Board? No.
- (j) Board of Missions? Yes.(k) Board of Education? Yes.
- (1) Board of Temperance? Yes.(m) Board of Lay Activities? Yes.
- (n) Board of Hospitals and Homes? Yes.

(o) Board of Evangelism? Yes.

(p) Board of Pensions? Yes.

(q) Commission on Christian Vocations? Yes.

(r) Conference Woman's Society of Christian Service? Yes.

(s) Commission on Minimum Salaries? Yes.

(t) Commission on Promotion and Cultivation? Yes.

(u) Committee on Reserve Pensions? Yes.

(v) Quadrennial Committee on Local-Church Goals? No.

(w) Optional commission and committees? Yes.

- 5. Have the secretaries, treasurers, and statisticians kept their respective records upon and according to the forms prescribed by the Methodist Church? (Par. 662) Yes.
- 6. What is the report of the statistician? (See report).
- 7. What is the report of the treasurer? (See report).
- 8. What are the reports of the district superintendents as to the status of the work within their districts? (See supplementary report).
- 9. What is the schedule of minimum salaries for pastors? (Par. 826). \$1,400 for married pastors, \$1,200 for unmarried pastors.
- 10. What is the plan and what are the approved claims for the support of the district superintendents for the ensuing year? (Paras. 801-2). 16% of the Pastor's estimated salary.
- 11. What amount has been apportioned to the pastoral charges within the conference to be raised for the support of conference claimants? (Paras. 1623, 1645, Sec. 4). 15% of the pastor's cash salary.
- 12. What are the apportionments to this conference:
 - (a) For the World Service Fund? \$10,737.00.
 - (b) For the Episcopal Fund? 2% of pastor's cash salary.
 - (c) For the General Administration Fund? \$742.00.
 - (d) For the Interdenominational Co-operation Fund? \$588.00.
 - (e) For the Jurisdictional Administration Fund? \$440.00.
- 13. What is the percentage division between world service and conference benevolences for the current year: World service? 68.2%. Conference benevolences? 31.8%.

14. What are the reports, recommendations, and plans of the conference agencies:

(a) What is the report of Pensions and what appropriations for conference claimants are reported and approved? (Par. 1623). (See report). 15% of pastor's cash salary.

What is the report of the Board of Missions of disbursements of missionary aid within the conference? (Par. 1303). (See report).

(c) What is the report of the Commission on World Service and Finance? (Paras. 791-812). (See report).

(d) What is the report of the Commission on Christian Vocations? (Paras. 675-77). (See report).

(e) What are the other reports? (See Report Section of Journal).

- 15. What Methodist institutions or organizations are approved by the conference for annuity responsibility? (Par. 1618, Sec. 2c,9) Huston -Tillotson College, Austin, Texas; Gammon Theological Seminary, Atlanta, Georgia; Langston University, Langston, Oklahoma.
- 16. What date is determined for Golden Cross Enrollment Sunday? (Par. 1559). None.

17. Conference lay leader (Par. 1507):

(a) Name: C. H. Johnson, 229 West 7th Street, San Angelo, Texas.

(b) What is his report? (See report).

Who are district and associate district lay leaders? (Par. 1510). (See by Districts, Conference Journal).

18. What local churches have been:

- (a) Organized? (Par. 155). Hamilton Park, Carver Heights, Dallas District.
- (b) Merged? (Paras. 186-87). Mexia Ct., Zion, Elm, and Sandy.

(c) Discontinued? (Paras. 126, 188, 354). None.

(d) Relocated, and to what address? None.

Transferred into this conference from the Central Jurisdiction, and with what membership? (Par. 532):

(1) This year? None. (2) Previously? None.

Part II. Pertaining to Ministerial Relations

19. Are all the Ministerial members of the conference blameless in their life and official administration? Yes.

20. Who constitutes the Conference Committee of Investigation? (Par. 931). (See standing committees).

21. Who are the approved supply pastors: W. L. Andrews, Harold Ashurst, William Brothers, W. S. Byars, Edward Clark, Nathan Daniel J. S. C. Grattin, J. W. Goode, Andrew Gooden, H. D. Hamilton, A. T. Hargrove, Joel Roger Harris, J. B. Holden, Jesse Hudson, A. N. Johnson, Harold Johnson, Jr., Mason Johnson, Samuel Johnson, John Kellum, Harvey Kinchlow, Z. M. King, Burt Langford, Julius A. Matthews, A. M. Mason, J. L. Mayfield, James McCants, Abram McGill, Cleo Metcalf, Eugene Mooney, Willie F. Moore, James Mooring, L. B. Napier, C. J. Polk, W. R. Reager, E. A. Rogers, A. D. Saunders, Jr., N. C. Scott, Rufus Smith, Glover Thomas, J. T. Thomas, I. E. Townsell, Robbie Wade, Elmo Watson, Frank Williams, and Henry Williams.

(a) Student approved supply pastors? (Paras. 317, Sec. 1, 318), and in what schools are they enrolled?

Robbie Wade, Senior, Huston - Tillotson College. Nathan Daniel, Sophomore, Wiley College.

Joel Roger Harris, Junior, Huston-Tillotson College.

(b) Part-time approved supply pastors (Paras. 317, Sec. 2, 318), and what progress has each made in the course of study? Placed in the studies of the first year: W. L. Andrews, A. D. Saunders, Jr., Henry Williams. Continued in the studies of the first year: A. T. Hargrove, Z. M. King, C. J. Polk, Rufus Smith. Continued in the studies of the second year: Jesse Hudson. Continued in the studies of the third year: J. W. Goode.

Continued in the studies of the fourth year: W. S. Byard, Elmo Watson, Frank Williams.

(c) Full-time approved supply pastors (Paras. 317, Sec. 3, 318), and what progress has each made in the course of study?

Placed in the studies of the first year: W. R. Reager, Willie F. Moore, Harold Johnson, James McCants, Harold Ashurst, N. C. Scott, A. M. Mason, J. S. C. Grattin, I. E. Townsell, Burt Langford, Andrew Gooden, John Kellum, H. D. Hamilton, Julius A. Matthews.

Continued in the studies of the first year: A. N. Johnson, J. L. Mayfield, Glover Thomas.

Advanced to the studies of the second year: James D. Mooring, Eugene Mooney, E. A. Rogers, J. B. Holden.

Advanced to the studies of the third year: Abram McGill, Cleo Metcalf.

Continued in the studies of the third year: Edward Clark.

Advanced to the studies of the fourth year: Harvey Kinchlow.

Continued in the studies of the fourth year: William Brothers,

22. What approved supply pastors are credited with annuity claim on account of full-time service during the past year? (Par. 1631). William Brothers, W. S. Byars, Edward Clark, Harvey Kinchlow, Z. M. King, Eugene Mooney, L. B. Napier, C. J. Polk, Jerry Thomas, Elmo Watson, Robbie Wade, J. W. Goode, Samuel Johnson, J. B. Holden, Abram McGill, Glover Thomas, J. D. Mooring, A. N. Johnson, Mason Johnson, H. D. Hamilton, Rufus Smith, Jesse Hudson, E. A. Rogers.

Mason Johnson, L. B. Napier, Jerry Thomas.

- 23. What preachers, coming from other evangelical churches, have had their orders recognized (Par. 411):
 - (a) As local deacons? None.
 - (b) As local elders? Harold Ashurst.
- 24. Who have been admitted from other evangelical churches as traveling preachers: (See note under question 33).
 - (a) As members on trial: Deacons? None. Elders? None.
 - (b) As members in full connection: Deacons? None. Elders? None.
- 25. Who are admitted on trial:
 - (a) With degrees from approved colleges and credits from approved schools of theology? (Paras. 323-24). None.
 - (b) With degrees from colleges not accrediated by the University Senate and credits from approved schools of theology? (Par. 324, Sec. 1). None.
 - (c) With degrees from approved colleges and completion of the introductory studies for the ministry? (Par. 325, Sec. 2). Samuel T. Johnson.
 - (d) With partial college credit, completion of the four-year course of study, and six years service as approved supply pastors? (Par. 325, Sec. 3). None.
- 26. Who are continued on trial; and what progress have they made in their ministerial studies (Par. 330):
 - (a) In approved schools of theology? Zan W. Holmes, Jr., second year, Perkins School of Theology.
 - (b) In the four-year course of study? James Broughton, U. S. Army; Joe H. Carter, advanced to studies of the third year; Jim Sam Loud, continued in studies of the first year.
 - (c) In the two years of special study? (Par. 343, Sec. 2). None.
- 27. Who on trial are discontinued? Ellis Green.
- 28. Who are admitted into full connection? W. A. Webb.
- 29. Who have been elected deacons (Par. 393):
 - (a) Theological students? None.
 - (b) Members on trial in the course of study? None.
 - (c) Approved supply pastors? None.
 - (d) Other local preachers? None.
 - (e) Missionaries? None.(f) Chaplains? None.
- 30. Who have been ordained deacons? None.

31. Who have been elected elders (Par. 403):

(a) Theological graduates? None.

- (b) Course of study graduates? None.
- (c) Approved supply pastors? None.(d) Other local preachers? None.
- (e) Missionaries? None.
- (f) Chaplains? None.
- 32. Who have been ordained elders? None.
- 33. Who have been admitted or ordained to accomodate other conferences:

(a) Admitted: On trial? None. Into full connection? None.

- (b) Ordained after election by this conference: Deacons? None. Elders? None.
- (c) Ordained after election by other conferences: Deacons? None. Elders? None.
- 34. Who are readmitted:
 - (a) As deacons? None.
 - (b) As elders? None.
- 35. What retired members have been made effective? None.
- 36. Who have been received by transfer?
 - L. L. Haynes, Tennessee Conference, June 29, 1957.
- 37. Who have been transferred out?
 - E. A. Smith, Upper Mississippi Conference, April 26, 1958.
 - L. D. Washington, Texas Conference, April 26, 1958.
- 38. Who have had their conference membership terminated:
 - (a) By voluntary location? None.
 - (b) By involuntary location? None.
 - (c) By withdrawal? Marshall Hodge.
 - (d) By judicial procedure (expelled)? None.
- 39. Deceased:
 - (a) What ministerial members have died during the year? Retired: R. A. Appling, F. Rivers Barnwell, H. C. Tollerson. Effective: None. On trial: None.
 - (b) What approved supply pastors have died during the year? None.
 - (c) What deaconesses have died during the year? None.
- 40. Who are the supernumerary ministers, and for what number of years consecutively has each held this relation? (Par. 365). None.
- 41. Who are granted sabbatical leave? (Par. 364). None.
- 42. What ministerial members have been retired:
 - (a) This year? H. G. Simmons.
 - (b) Previously? D. B. Baker, C. C. Brown, M. B. Burkley, J. H. Childs, Wm. Ellison, Sr., R. L. Foy, T. H. Foy, C. W. Franklin, J. J. Hardeman, J. F. Hutchinson, K. W. McMillan, W. M. Mosley, J. F. Muse, J. S. Ross, Turner Snow, N. W. Stevens, H. C. Tollerson.
- 43. What approved supply pastors have been retired:
 - (a) This year? None.
 - (b) Previously? B. W. Anderson.
- 44. Who are appointed to attend school?
 - W. M. Cooper, John Preciph, Dennis Woodling.
- 45. What is the number of:
 - (a) General Information:

Pastoral charges?	104
Approved supply pastors?	46
Received on trial?	
Received into full connection?	1
Transferred in?	1
Total value?	
Transferred out?	
Received from other evangelical churches?	None
Readmitted?	None
Discontinued?	1
Withdrawn?	

Expelled?	None
Indebtedness?	
Located?	None
Deceased?	
Local preachers? Women under appointment?	None
Retired made effective?	None
Retired serving as supply pastors?	2
District parsonages?	4
(b) Ministerial members:	
(1) On trial:	1
(a) As pastors?	4
(b) Under special appointment?	1 3 8
Total on trial?	8
(2) In full connection:	
(a) Effective:	
(i) As pastors and district superintendents?	70
(ii) Under special appointment?	
(iii) Appointed to attend school? (iv) On sabbatical leave?	
Total effective?	
(b) Retired?	17
(c) Supernumerary?	
Total ministerial members:	101
46. What other personal notation should be made? None.	
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Part III. Concluding Business	
47. What are the detailed objectives of this conference for the year?	ne coming
48. Where shall the next conference session be held? Warren Methodist Church, Dallas, Texas.	
49. Is there any other business? None.	at Annual
50. What changes have been made in appointments since the la Conference Session? None.	ist Annual

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51. Where are the preachers stationed for the ensuing year?

(See list of appointments).

WEST TEXAS ANNUAL CONFERENCE APPOINTMENTS 1958 - 1959

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

AUSTIN - VICTORIA DISTRICT

R. S. Mosby, Superintendent (1)

	Years
Austin: Wesley Chapel O. B. Coe	1
Simpson M. A. Freeman	3
St. Peters E. C. Purnell	7
San Marcos I. H. Pierce	4
La Grange Circuit (Robbie Wade)	1
Lockhart J. B. Richardson	4
Luling Circuit G. F. Alexander	2
Tilmon Circuit C. L. King	1
Dale - Smithville H. T. Franks	4
Fayetteville Circuit Robert T. King	1
Winchester Circuit (Taylor Stewart)	1
Alleyton Circuit (A. T. Hargrove)	5
Altair Circuit (Cleo Metcalf)	1
Columbus Lavelle Lowe	5

Goliad Parish C. W. Smith, Sr. Hallettsville Circuit T. J. Simms Oakland Circuit (Edward Clark) Sublime Circuit (Julius Matthews) Yoakum - Shiner L. H. Haywood Schulenburg Parish D. C. Carroll Martindale Circuit (W. S. Byars) Cuero O. K. Brewster Edna - Morales E. J. Tanner El Campo Parish S. M. Franklin Victoria S. M. Franklin Victoria Z. W. Holmes Port Lavaca (Z. M. King) District Missionary Secretary District Missionary Secretary Secretary of Evangelism M. A. Freeman Secretary of Temperance E. J. Tanner	1 1 2 1 4 10 3 1 1 2 3
DALLAS DISTRICT	
T. M. Bruton, Superintendent (1)	Years
Denison (Samuel Johnson)	2
Dallas: St. Paul I. B. Loud	11
St. Luke	1
Trinity	1
Trinity Valley (Abram McGill)	2
Carver Heights (Glover Thomas)	2
Corsicana	4
St. Andrews L. L. Haynes	$\frac{1}{2}$
Cogswell (K. W. McMillan)	1 5
Thompson	5
Mexia: Jones	2
Mexia Circuit (James S. Loud)	3
Milford - Italy J. B. Holden Pelham Circuit (Harold Ashurst)	1
Sherman - McKinney Charles Espy	8
Waxahachie (John Kellum)	1
Wichita Falls E. T. Fuller	1
Grand Prairie	1
Secretary of Evangelism L. L. Haynes	
Secretary of Temperance J. L. Wattley	
SAN ANTONIO DISTRICT	
Prenza L. S. Woods, Superintendent (5)	
Trenza L. S. Woods, Superintendent (5)	Years
Beeville W. A. Webb	1
Belmont Circuit	3
Corpus Christi	1
Floresville Circuit (Elmo Watson)	1
Harlingen W. M. Walmsley	4
Kerrville J. H. Marshall	2
Kingsville	1
San Antonio: East St. Paul A. D. Minor	3
Ellison Eades - St. Luke (J. S. C. Gratten)	1
Jacob Chapel	1
Sanford's Chapel (J. D. Mooring)	ī
St. Paul J. H. Carruthers	2
West Laurel Heights	6
Wesley Chapel T. R. Watkins	4
Gonzales - Waelder Čircuit A. C. Holden	1

District Missionary Secretary J. H. Carruthers
Secretary of Evangelism D. H. Hansboro
Secretary of Temperance A. S. Pitts

WACO DISTRICT

C. D. Owens, Superintendent (1)	77
	Years
Bowman - Long Branch Joe H. Carter	3
Calvert: St. Paul R. J. Smith	1
Maysfield I. C. Greer	3
Chilton - Goodeville	2
Frosa Chapel M. B. Burkley	1
Groesbeck - Bremond	4
Hubbard - Hillsboro Wm. L. Shaw	4 2
Marlin: Davis Chapel E. L. Spencer	2
Mart - Spring Hill (C. J. Polk)	7
Moody - Gatesville	1
Rocky - Cedar (H. D. Hamilton)	1
Satin - Majors	2 5
Valley Mills Circuit	5
Wage: Bracks Changl	12
Waco: Bracks Chapel	2
Mt. Zion	1
St. James	7
Delten Cinquit 7 F King	1
Belton Circuit	1 4 2 3
Temple: St. James	9
Georgetown	3
Bartlett Circuit (D. B. Baker)	0
District Missionary Secretary G. J. Goff	
Secretary of Evangelism George L. Johnson	
Secretary of Temperance	

WESTERN DISTRICT

William Ellison, Superintendent (2)

Years
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SPECIAL APPOINTMENTS

Associate, Board of Pensions	T. B. Echols
Associate Secretary, General Board of Education	E. T. Dixon
Faculty: Bennett College	Edwin Edmonds
Faculty: Huston - Tillotson College	Cecil Williams
Conference Missionary Secretary	F. D. Young
Conference Secretary of Evangelism	T. M. Bruton
Conference Secretary of Temperance	M. T. Reed
Executive Secretary, Conference Board of Education	W. J. Washington

HUSTON - TILLOTSON COLLEGE BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Mrs. C. A. Barr — 2502 Aztec Street, Austin, Texas.
Dr. William E. Brehm — First Congregational Church, Graceland Avenue and Marion, Des Plaines, Illinois.

Dr. William C. Burton — First Congregational Church, Trail Lake Drive and Manderly Pl., Fort Worth, Texas.

Mrs. O. B. Coe — 114 Cherry Street, Waco, Texas.

Miss Muriel Day — 150 Fifth Avenue, New York, N. Y.

Dr. James L. Dickey — 601 Bland St., Taylor, Texas.

Dr. William F. Frazier — 287 Fourth Avenue, New York, N. Y.

Dr. John O. Grass — Box 871, Nashville 2, Tennessee.

Dr. Edmund Heinsohn — 2409 Guadalupe St., Austin, Texas.

Mr. E. W. Jackson — 709 Rio Grande St., Austin, Texas.

Mr. D. A. Lacy — 4305 Arcady St., Dallas, Texas.

Dr. T. K. Lawless — 4321 South Parkway, Chicago ,Illinois.

Dr. H. E. Lee — 2103 Berry St., Houston, Texas.

Dr. Ira B. Loud — St. Paul Methodist Church, Good and Munger Streets, Dallas, Texas.

Dr. Paul P. McClellan — 12 Highway Avenue, Old Greenwich, Conn.

Mr. S. E. McCreless — The American Hospital and Llife Insurance Co., San Antonio, Texas.

Bishop William C. Martin — 1910 Main Street, Dallas, Texas.

Rev. John D. Moore — The Pilgrim Congregational Church, Live Oak at Berry, Houston, Texas.

Mr. Don P. Newton — 3012 Maple Avenue, Dallas, Texas. Mrs. Elbert Read — 400 West Street, Shenandoah, Iowa.

Dr. Phillip W. Sarles — 7301 Curtis at Monica, Detroit 21, Michigan.

Bishop A. Frank Smith — 1049 Kirby Drive, Houston 19, Texas.

Dr. Philip W. Widenhouse — 287 Fourth Avenue, New York 10, N. Y.

Dr. Gordon Worley — 802 E. 47th St., Austin, Texas.

Rev. Fred D. Young — 408 S. Polaris St., San Antonio, Texas. Dr. Connie R. Yerwood — 1115 E. 12th St., Austin, Texas.

Bishop Willis J. King — 631 Baronnet, New Orleans 12, Louisiana.

VII

DISTRICT SUPERINTENDENTS' COMPOSITE REPORT

West Texas Annual Conference - Central Jurisdiction The Methodist Church Eighty - Fourth Session

Bishop King, delegates, and friends of the West Texas Annual Conference: It is my high privilege to make the composite report for the District Superintendents of the West Texas Conference. I am deeply grateful for this opportunity, not simply because it gives me a chance to appear before this distinguished body, but because my tenure in office as district superintendent, along with two of my colleagues, comes to a close at this Annual Conference. It is an occasion for us to say "Thanks" to the Cabinet, Conference, and especially the Austin-Victoria, Dallas, and Waco Districts for allowing us to serve in this capacity for six consecutive years. We shall be grateful to you as long as gratitude is a quality of the soul. Our prayer is - "If I have wounded any soul today, if I have caused one foot to go astray, if I have walked in my own willful way, Dear Lord, forgive."

We are not here because of our own merits, but because God, in His infinite mercy, has permitted us to meet together in another Annual Conference. His grace has brought us safe thus far. James Weldon Johnson expressed our sentiments when he wrote, "God of our weary years, God of our silent tears, Thou who hast brought us thus far on the way, Thou who hast by Thy might, led us into the light, keep us forever in the path, we pray. Lest our feet stray from the places, our God, where we met Thee:

. . . Shadowed beneath Thy hand, may we forever stand, True to our

God, true to our native Land."

In the light of God's mercy, we should here and now pledge anew our allegiance to Him and rededicate ourselves to the task of "Kingdom Building."

Huston - Tillotson College

This could be called "a year of decision." Since the launching of the satellite (Sputnik) by the Russians, there seems to be a crisis in our

national and world affairs confronting the forces of education with a challenge of urgency and of immense opportunity; hence, it is imperative that education must effectively meet this challenge.

Accreditation

The Southern Association of Colleges and Secondary Schools, the accrediting agency of the Colleges, Universities and Secondary Schools of the Southern Region, classified Huston - Tillotson as one of the twenty - three (23) senior colleges of high ranking in the South. Fifteen (15) senior colleges were for the first time accepted on an integrated basis and eight (8) are scheduled to be accepted next year. Huston - Tillotson is one of the eight. The college has been approved by the National Accediting Association and the Association of American Colleges and Universities; University Senate of the Methodist Church; Texas Education Agency of the State of Texas; The Texas Association of Colleges.

Students

This year Huston-Tillotson had the largest Freshman Class since 1952, the year of the merger; and the enrollment showed an increase for the first time over the previous year. The present Freshman Class made the highest scores on the college entrance tests since the merger which indicates that they have students of exceptional ability. For the first time, students of Huston-Tillotson were admitted to membership in Who's Who Among Students in American Colleges and Universities.

The Trustees and the Conference

Bishop King, Dr. Loud, and Mrs. Coe have been very helpful trustees to the college. Bishop King encouraged the conference to increase its appropriations to the college; Dr. Loud is Chairman of Special Campaign of UNCF to secure capital funds for the Colleges of Texas; and Mrs. Coe has worked with a committee seeking to transfer the funds from the sale of Eliza Dee Home to Huston-Tillotson College on the Library Building. We hope this will materialize.

The District Superintendents, Ministers and Laymen have cooperated with the President in "selling the college" to the constituency of the West Texas Conference. The fine relationship between the college and the con-

ference is more in evidence than it has been for several years.

Last year, the Conference accepted a budget of \$1.00 per member (\$16,000) for the College. To date, over half of this amount is raised and should be in the Treasurer's hands. This represents a 100% increase over last year and we hope that the total will reach at least \$10,000 on Friday night, Huston-Tillotson College night.

The Human Relations Conference

The Conference on Human Relations which was held on September 12 and 13, 1957, was one of the best in the whole church, says Dr. Dudley Ward, Executive Secretary of the Commission on Social and Economic Relations of the Methodist Church.

Bishops King, Martin, and Smith collaborated on bringing the Conference to Huston-Tillotson College. There were 400 ministers and laymen—delegates from the six Annual Conferences of Texas. Four Conferences of the South Central Jurisdiction (North Texas, Northwest Texas, Central Texas, and Southwest Texas); two of the Central Jurisdiction (West Texas and Texas) were represented.

Other Meetings

Other meetings of the West Texas Conference held at Huston - Tillotson College were the School of Missions of the Woman's Society of Christian Service and the Laymen's Retreat.

The President, faculty, and the 440 students express their thanks to the Bishop, ministers, and laymen of the West Texas Conference and wish for them a successful Annual Conference here in Waco.

Woman's Society of Christian Service

This great Missionary Organization has moved forward under the leadership of its President Mrs. O. B. Coe and the consecrated women of the societies and Guilds supporting it with their service, prayers,

and gifts to meet the challenging needs around the world. Their School of Missions was one of the best. Much interest was shown in our Youth School of Missions where nearly 30 youths attended. The outgrowth has been rewarding.

We have one youth in National College for Christian Work, one rural worker in Tennessee and West Virginia, several in Huston - Tillotson College training for full time Christian service, and others in High School who

are interested in becoming full time missionaries.

Seminars, Officers' Training Day, and Workshops on Promotion were effectively held at all scheduled points. All officers have promoted their work vigorously. The spirit of Christ is being exemplified throughout the Conference.

AUSTIN - VICTORIA DISTRICT

The merging of the Austin and Victoria Districts at the session of the 1957 Annual Conference, has added both strength and encouragement to every local church of the district. The impact and enthusiasm have been felt by both ministers and laymen from every charge. It has been a wonderful experience to have had the privilege to serve these six years as District Superintendent. I owe a great deal of appreciation and many thanks to every minister and layman in every congregation for the faith, courage, loyalty, and devotion given us that we were able to succeed in all our undertakings.

World Service and Conference Benevolences, Advance, Higher Education, M. C. O. R., Week of Dedication, Reserve Pension, and other causes have been emphasized by letters, District Institutes, Roll Calls, District and Quarterly Conferences. Along with these causes, we have also stressed the importance of the Quadrennial Emphasis Evangelism, Missions, Education, Stewardship and Finance, and Social Concern. The results have

been most gratifying.

Building and Improvements

Debts and Loans-St. Peter's Church, Austin, under the leadership of Rev. E. C. Purnell, made an addition of two rooms and car port to its beautiful parsonage-making it one of the most attractive homes for ministersi n the entire district. St. Peter's spent more than \$3000 and also kept up in a fine way its loan to the Board of Missions.

St. Paul Church, Columbus, under the leadership of Lavelle Lowe, Jr., has done the unbelieveable. Five years ago, the Conference sent Brother Lowe to St. Paul, at which time there was a local debt of more than \$7000. This debt has been completely wiped out, and St. Paul is now in the process of purchasing pews for the Sanctuary at a cost of more than

\$1500.

The Simpson Church, Rev. M. A. Freeman, Pastor, who has always been the first to pay all claims, has been able to meet the monthly note on a loan from the Board of Missions. They are now in the midst of a drive that will

liquidate the entire loan.

The Austin-Victoria District has purchased a District Parsonage at 2609 Oaklawn Street, Austin, at a cost of \$8000. The initial payment was made from the following: \$759 from the 1956-57 advance Austin District; \$330 from the former Victoria District; \$144.63 from sale of lot at Reedsville and building at Giddens; and \$721 rom funds in 1957-58 Budget for District Parsonage.

To each pastor and each local congregation across the District, we say, "Well done, thou good and faithful servants; you have been faithful over many things." May His peace, happiness be with you many, many years

to come.

DALLAS DISTRICT

Again, the Dallas District is happy to report another year of its steward-

ship for the Building of God's Kingdom.

There has been an increased interest in the educational aspect of the churches as our pastors have led their congregations in the studies and applications of the program of Local Church Emphasis.

Evangelism

Most of the churches of the district report a marked increase in

membership. During the month of March a very effective evangelistic program was set up and carried out over the district. This program was launched by our district Secretary of Evangelism, the Rev. W. W. Baker. A large number of new members were added to the various churches as a result of this effort.

A new congregation has been organized in the Carver Heights Community in Dallas, with a membership of twenty members. A building and grounds have been purchased. This has been done under the leadership

of Rev. Glover Thomas.

A new congregation has been organized in Hamilton Park, Dallas, with a membership of more than eighty members. The acquisition of a new building and grounds is being made with the help of the Highland Park Methodist Church of Dallas.

New Property

It is with a sense of deep humility and gratitude to Almighty God that the Dallas District again reports rapid progress in its building program. Under the leadership of Rev. J. S. Loud, a new church is being erected on the Mexia Circuit. The three charges which made up this Circuit are now merged. Plans are under way for the erection of new buildings at Mexia-Jones, Sherman, Italy, Cogswell, and Denison. On a whole, the property on th Dallas District is in excellent shape.

Benevolences

The Dallas District is ever concious of its privileges of serving and sharing with our great Church around the world. Therefore, every congregation has worked diligently in seeking to make a sound report financially. Most of the churches have striven to make their report in full.

As we come to the close of our six years of service here on the Dallas District, we want to give thanks to our Heavenly Father for His blessings upon our work. Thanks again to our ministers for their untiring support to

our Conference and District Program.

THE SAN ANTONIO DISTRICT

The pastors and congregations of the San Antonio District have again demonstrated commendable loyalty and devotion to the cause of Kingdom Building. Pastors have given good leadership spiritually and administratively, and the laymen have responded in a very fine way. Effective revivals or preaching missions have been held in several charges, and the strengthening of the local church organizational structure has been emphasized. Careful attention has been given to the claims of the conference financially, and the Treasurer's report will evidence the success realized.

The new church building for the Harpers Chapel congregation was completed in March. This congregation took on the task of re-building their church with the District Advance program contributing \$900 and the Board of Missions and Church Extension donating \$500. The total cost of the structure and furnishings was \$4900. The workmanship is excellent, and the building will suit the needs of the congregation for the next several years.

Rev. A. D. Minor has led the East St. Paul congregation to the brink of their building program. The plans have been approved and have been submitted to contractors for bids. Rev. J. H. Marshall has done the same thing for the Barnett's Chapel, Kerrville, congregation. We look forward to getting both of these projects started during the next conference year. Plans are under way for the establishing of a new church for east-end of San Antonio.

St. Paul, San Antonio, is not only a big church, but it is a great church under the leadership of Rev. J. H. Carruthers; Rev. T. M. Burton has kept St. Paul, Corpus Christi, on the march; Wesley Chapel, Seguin; Jacobs Chapel, San Antonio; St. Paul, Harlingen; and Jones Chapel, Beeville, all have given excellent accounts during the conference year. It has been truly a good year for the San Antonio District, and we lift our hearts in thanksgiving to God for His continued good benedictions.

THE WESTERN DISTRICT

The Western District is having one of its finest years of dedicated and consecrated service among the ministers, laymen, and youth. We are indeed grateful to God for the wonderful leadership each pastor is giving His work,

and to my predecessors who have shared many of their rich experiences. The district is well organized; group meetings, well planned and attended.

Building and Improvements

During the year, under the leadership of Brother I. C. Loud, pastor at Lubbock, a beautiful new stone church was erected at Levelland—a conditional gift of the First Methodist Church. This church was officially opened August 12, 1957, with appropriate services.

Brother L. D. Washington led the people at Brownwood in repairing

the parsonage, and they have just about paid off the debt.

Brother John A. Wills, a veteran of many years of consercated service, and the people at Amarillo are proud of the work undertaken in having the

street paved.

A survey of the District, earlier in the conference year, reflected the thinking of the brothers regarding the areas in which the work of the District might be strengthened; for example: retiring of long and outstanding debts, techniques and skills for increasing and holding membership, an extensive program of recruitment for the Christian ministry, and finally, the possibility of proper supporting newly established churches. Visitations and careful study of the District reflected the futile struggle of continuing the work at Hobbs, New Mexico. There remains an urgent need for men with a pasion and consecration to meet the challenge which the West affords.

Stewardship

We have not, this year, enjoyed the economy and the wealth characteristic of the west as in other years. However, the combined efforts of pastors and laymen have been most gratifying in reporting for World Service, Benevolences, Advance Goals, and Higher Education. Special Days have not been overlooked.

Evangelism and Membership

This is an area of much concern to the church. We have had a great year in the field of evangelism. Pastors and laymen have worked and prayed to bring people into the church. The results have been most encouraging as the reports will show. Three young men have declared themselves for the Christian ministry.

The Future

We are fortunate in having in the district men of vision, determination, enthusiasm, and devotion. On the district, plans have been projected whereby a Scholarship Fund to aid worthy young men who are committed to the Christian ministry is to be established. A district parsonage is contemplated. Several charges have plans under way either to remodel the church or parsonage. Our church at El Paso, located for many years in a commercial area, is contemplating a new site. We commend both ministerial and lay for a job well done in the past, and it is our belief, greater things for the future are in the offing.

THE WACO DISTRICT

Our theme for 1957-1958 was a "Fuller Interpretation of our Local Church's Responsibility". This has truly been our watch word throughout the district. We not only discovered our responsibility but put forth every effort within our power to carry it out. As a result, we have enjoyed the best year in our six years of service on the district. Pastors have given excellent leadership and congregations have responded gracefully. Three-fourths of our charges show increase in membership, and attendance is gratifying. Visitation, Evangelism, and Preaching Missions have been conducted in most Charges. We have presented all claims throughout the district and pastors' reports will show how well we have done.

Building and Improvement

Debts and Loans: With St. James, Waco, clear of debt, the district has only a small balance of six hundred dollars (\$600) with the Board of Missions—that being owed by Mt. Zion. Plans are now under way that this amount will be paid by June this year.

Rev. E. L. Spencer has all notes up to date at Davis Chapel, Marlin. Rev. R. W. Johnson at Satin-Majors has painted the church at Majors and

purchased new pews for the congregation. This is the most complete rural plant on the district. Rev. Geo. L. Johnson at St. James, Temple, and Rev. L. E. Muse, Jones' Chapel, Waco, have extensive building programs that

will materialize during the next Conference year.

Our church at Lampassas was completely washed away at the close of last Annual Conference. The pastor, Rev. H. G. Simmons, was stricken ill in July, and has not been able to carry on. But this small group has purchased another building with the help of the First Methodist Church there, and several churches of our own Conference. It is now housed again. However, in order to complete the job, they will need some help which we have plans under way to give.

We have held one district conference in each district, one young people's institute, four quarterly roll calls, and have held or caused to be held at least two quarterly conferences in each charge within the conference year.

Humbly submitted,
O. B. Coe
J. G. Owens
D. H. Hannsboro
W. M. Ellison, Jr.
Prenza L. S. Woods

VIII

REPORT OF COMMISSION ON WORLD SERVICE AND FINANCE 1958 - 1959

Bishop King and members of the West Texas Annual Conference. We, your commission on World Service and Finance have made a careful study of all benevolent and service causes claiming the attention of our Conference and have used every precaution that no cause, board, or commission be neglected. We are also mindful of the present economic status of our people and their willingness to share their material possessions that the Kingdom of God may be realized in our day. We feel that our budget is reasonable and therefore submit the following report for your action and determination.

The Christian Higher Education Emphasis

The 1956 General Conference provided for an Emphasis on Christian

Higher Education.

This movement is a church wide effort to expand and strengthen the Educational program of the Methodist church. To strengthen the bonds that bind our Institutions to the church, to lead our schools and colleges to a growing commitment to christian standards and ideals and to lead our church in an effort to undergird the Institutions with adequate moral and financial support.

The Higher Education Emphasis is planned to meet the challenge of the contemporary world struggle for men's minds with an Education designed to make all thoughts and life captive to Jesus Christ, and to lead Methodists to a deeper appreciation of the necessity of Christian Higher

Education.

For every Annual Conference to assume its share of the moral and financial support for Methodist Educational Institutions. The General Conference suggested \$1.00 per member each year as a current minimum for Colleges.

Therefore, the members of the West Texas Conference are requested to contribute a minimum of \$1.00 per year for Huston-Tillotson College.

Many of our members can and will give more to this all important cause. We are including in our Total Conference Budget a minimum amount of \$16,500 for Christian Higher Education. Each Charge in the Conference is apportioned a minimum goal. Let us keep this Christian Higher Education Emphasis before our people at all times, giving them an opportunity to make regular contributions to this cause. Let us also request the Organizations of the Churches to make contributions to this cause.

Special Emphasis shauld be placed upon the Christian Higher Edu-

cation Emphasis on Race Relation Day.

Money collected in the churches for the Christian Higher Education Emphasis should be sent immediately to the conference Treasurer by Cashier's Check, Money Order, or Certified Check, clearly designated for Christian Higher Education.

The conference Treasurer shall immediately remit all funds received for Christian Higher Education to the conference commission on Christian

Higher Education.

Please Note: There is an amount of \$500.00 included in the \$16,500 apportionment for Travel and Promotional expense of the Conference Commission on Christian Higher Education. This \$500.00 represents the maximum amount to be used by the Conference Commission on Christian Higher Education for Travel and Promotion this Conference year.

We are recommending that each District's percentage of this \$500.00 be collected and sent to the Conference Treasurer not later than 60 days

after the close of the Annual Session.

Special Days

We recommend the observance of the following special days. Paragraphs 250, 296.

1. The Week of Dedication:

Emphasizing Ash Wednesday and culminating on the First Sunday in Lent which shall be designated as: The Day of Dedication.

2. The Fellowship of Suffering:

World Wide Communion Sunday, the First Sunday in October.

3. World Service Sunday:

The Fourth Sunday in each month.

4. Church School Rally Day:

Date to be designated by the West Texas Annual Conference.

5. Methodist Student Day:

The Second Sunday in June.

6. Race Relation Day:

The Second Sunday in February.

7. Children's Day:

The First Sunday in May.

8. National Family Week:

The First to The Second Sunday in May.

9. Commitment Day:

The First Sunday in December.

10. Student Recognition Day:

The Sunday after Christmas.

11. Laymen's Day:

Date set as provided for in Paragraph 1493.

12. World Order Sunday:

The Sunday preceding November 11th.

13. Universal Bible Sunday:

The Second Sunday in December.

14. Hospital and Homes' Week:

Beginning with Golden Cross Enrollment Sunday, Par. 1559, Sec. 1.

15. Retired Ministers' Day:

Par. 1610, Sec. 6.

16. Rural Life Sunday:

Special Information

The Commission on World Service and Finance shall make the apportionments for World Service, Conference Benevolence and all other Conference directly to the Charges of the Conference. Par. 796.

The Charges of the Conference shall pay World Service, Conference Benevolence and all other Conference Askings by Certified Check, Cashier Check or Money Orders. All such Checks and Money Orders shall be made to the Annual Conference Treasurer. Money collected on the World Service and Conference Benevolence Budgets shall be remitted to the Conference Treasurer monthly by local Charge Treasurers.

The above rules concerning Annual Conference Finances do not apply to the District Superintendent Fund. The District Superintendents will

give direction concerning this item.

Advance Funds

The West Texas Conference Advance Specials are to be administered by the Conference Board of Missions. The total Advance Goal for the West Texas Conference for this Conference Year is \$19,000.00

Recommendations

We recommend that the following percentages be used in making apportionments to the several Districts of the Annual Conference:

100.0%

Ministerial Support

The Episcopal Fund

We recommend that the Episcopal Fund shall be 2% of the Pastor's Cash Salary.

The Conference Claimant Fund

(A) We recommend that the Conference Claimant Fund shall be 15% of the Pastor's Cash Salary.

(B) 12% of this amount shall be for immediate distribution. 3% of this amount shall be for the Reserve Pension Fund.

The Minimum Support Fund

We recommend that the Minimum Support Fund shall be 2% of the Pastor's Cash Salary.

The Sustentation Fund

We recommend that the Sustentation Fund shall be 1% of the Pastor's Cash Salary.

The District Superintendent Fund

(Paragraphs 802, 821, 822 — 1956 Discipline)

We recommend that the District Board of Stewards of the Several Districts of the Conference shall set the District Superintendent Fund at 16% of the Pastor's and Associate Pastor's salaries. This amount shall include the District Superintendent's Salary, Travel and Office Expenses. This amount shall also include the District Superintendent's House Rent on those Districts that do not have District Parsonages.

The Western District is the Missionary Extension District of the Conference and is entitled to Conference Board of Mision Subsidy Funds, Maintenance Funds and Advancement Funds. An amount of \$1,500.00 is included in the Conference Budget for the Conference Board of Missions to subsidize

the District Superintendent Fund on the Western District.

We are recommending that an amount of not less than \$900.00 of the amount received by the Conference Board of Missions from the General Board of Missions for maintenance in the West Texas Conference be allocated to the Western District to be applied to the District Superintendent Fund for that District.

We further recommend that at least \$900.00 out of the Conference Advance Funds be appropriated to the Western District to supplement the Traveling Expense of the District Superintendent of the Western District.

No other amount shall be levied against any of the Churches or any of

the Districts of the Conference for the District Superintendent Fund.

Increases in Pastor's Salaries will not affect the District Superintendent

Fund during this Quadrennium, 1956-60.

The term "District Superintendent Fund", as used in the above paragraphs is not to be confused with the purchasing and Maintenance of District Parsonages. For information concerning "The Purchasing and Maintenance of District Parsonages". See paragraph 716 of the Methodist Discipline.

We recommend that Substantial increases be made in Pastor's Salaries in those Charges through out the Conference where the present Salaries for

Pastors are inadequate.

BUDGET FOR THE COMBINED WORLD SERVICE AND ANNUAL CONFERENCE BENEVOLENCES ADVANCE GOALS AND CHRISTIAN HIGHER EDUCATION GOALS 1958-1959

Benevolences:		
General — World Service 61.2% \$	10,737.00	
		\$10,737.00
Annual Conference Benevolences:		
Education:	2 400 00	
Executive Secretary's Salary\$	720.00	
Executive Secretary's House Rent Executive Secretary's Travel	600.00	
Executive Secretary's Promotion	300.00	
Gulfside Pastor's School	1,584.00	
Gammon Seminary	200.00	
Total Annual Conference Benevolence38.8%		6,804.00
Administration:		
General	742.00	
Interdenominational Cooperation Fund	588.00	
Jurisdictional	440.00	
Area	4,500.00	
Area	4,500.00	
Total:		6,270.00
Annual Conference:		
	400.0	
	400.0	
(b) Board of Mission Subsidy Dist. Supt. Fund Westren District	1,500.00	
	1,500.00	
(c) Board of Missions for Warren Chapel	1,000.00	
Dallas, Texas	200.00	
(d) Board of Education		
(e) Board of Ministerial Training	150.00	
(f) Special for Ministerial Students	150.00	
Attending Perkins School of Theology	150.00	
(g) Board of Evangelism(h) Board of Temperance	200.00 100.00	
(i) Board of Lay Activities	300.00	
(j) Board of Social and Economic Relations	200.00	
(k) Board of World Peace	100.00	
(1) Board of Hospitals and Homes	100.00	
(m) Radio and Television Ministry	50.00	
(n) Planning Commission of Texas Methodism	100.00	
(o) Commission on Children's Home	1,500.00	
(p) Memorial Committee	40.00	
(q) Commission on World Service and Finance	400.00	
(r) Conference Treasurer	600.00	
(s) Secretary and Staff	250.00	
(t) Statistician and Staff	150.00	
(u) Conference Journal	1,200.00	
Total:		8,690.00
Total General and Annual Conference		
Benevolence and Administration Budget		\$32,501.00
Advance Goals		
		\$19,000.00
Christian Higher Education Goals		\$16,500.00
Grand Total		\$68,001.00

APPORTIONMENTS TO THE FIVE DISTRICTS OF THE CONFERENCE

Districts	Percentages	W.S.C.B. Budget Quotas	Advance	C. H. Ed. Goals
Austin-Victoria	25.5%	\$ 8,288.00	\$ 4,845.00	\$ 4,207.00
Dallas	25.6	8,320.00	4,864.00	4,224.00
San Antonio	25.6	8,320.00	4,864.00	4,224.00
Waco	17.0	5,525.00	3,230.00	1,805.00
Western	6.3	2,048.00	1,197.00	1,040.00
	100.0%	\$32,501.00	\$19,000.00	\$16,500.00

CONFERENCE AUTHORIZED DISTRICT QUOTAS AND GOALS Austin - Victoria District 25.5%

W. S. C. B. Budget Quotas \$	8,288.00	Separate Item
Advance Goals		Separate Item
C. H. Education Goals	4,207.00	Separate Item

		W.S.C.B. Budget	Advance	C. H. Ed.	
Charges	rcentages	Quotas	Goals	Goals	
Alleyton Ct	.5%	\$ 41.00	\$ 24.00	\$ 21.00	
Columbus	1.6	133.00	78.00	67.00	
Cuero Ct	3.5	563.00	330.00	286.00	
Dale, Smithville	3.0	249.00	145.00	126.00	
Edna - Morals	7.5	622.00	363.00	316.00	
El Campo Parish	3.6	298.00	174.00	152.00	
Fayetteville Ct	1.8	149.00	87.00	76.00	
Frederick's - St. Mary	.5	41.00	24.00	21.00	
Goliad Parish	2.7	224.00	131.00	114.00	
Hallettsville Ct	3.3	274.00	160.00	139.00	
La Grange Ct	1.7	141.00	82.00	72.00	
Lockhart		563.00	330.00	286.00	
Luling	6.8	563.00	330.00	286.00	
Martindale Ct	1.0	83.00	48.00	42.00	
Oakland Ct	2.0	166.00	97.00	84.00	
Port Lavaca	.5	41.00	24.00	21.00	
San Marcos	3.0	249.00	145.00	126.00	
Schulenburg Ct	1.3	108.00	63.00	55.00	
Simpson	10.3	854.00	499.00	433.00	
St. Peter	4.0	332.00	194.00	168.00	
Tilmon	2.1	174.00	102.00	88.00	
Sublime	.3	25.00	14.00	13.00	
Wesley	15.4	1,276.00	746.00	648.00	
Winchester Ct	2.1	174.00	102.00	88.00	
Yoakum, Shiner	1.1	92.00	53.00	46.00	
Victoria	6.8	563.00	330.00	286.00	
	100.0%	\$ 8,288.00	\$ 4,845.00	\$ 4,207.00	

CONFERENCE AUTHORIZED DISTRICT QUOTAS AND GOALS Dallas District 25.6%

W. S. C. B. Budget Quotas \$	8,320.00	Separate Item
Advance Goals	4,864.00	Separate Item
C. H. Education Goals	4,224.00	Separate Item

	Percentages	W.S.C.B. Budget Quotas	Advance	C. H. Ed. Goals
St. Luke	1.0%	\$ 83.00	\$ 49.00	\$ 42.00
St. Paul	25.0	2,080.00	1,216.00	1,056.00
Trinity	2.5	208.00	122.00	105.00

Warren	8.9	741.00	433.00	376.00
Dennison	3.7	308.00	180.00	156.00
Corsicana	1.7	142.00	82.00	72.00
Cogswells	1.0	83.00	49.00	42.00
Cowan McMillan	3.3	275.00	160.00	140.00
St. Andrews	25.0	2,080.00	1,216.00	1,056.00
Thompson	8.5	707.00	413.00	359.00
Ferris, Ennis-Lancaster		249.00	146.00	127.00
Mexia Ct	2.6	216.00	126.00	110.00
Mexia Jones	2.1	175.00	102.00	88.00
Milford Italy	1.5	125.00	73.00	63.00
Pelham Ct	2.6	216.00	126.00	110.00
Sherman McKinney	2.0	166.00	97.00	84.00
Waxahachie	1.0	83.00	49.00	42.00
Wichita Falls	3.0	249.00	146.00	127.00
Grand Prairie	.2	17.00	10.00	9.00
Hamilton Park	1.0	83.00	49.00	42.00
Trinity Valley		17.00	10.00	9.00
Carver Heights	.2	17.00	10.00	9.00
	100.0%	\$ 8,320.00	\$ 4,864.00	\$ 4,224.00

CONFERENCE AUTHORIZED DISTRICT QUOTAS AND GOALS San Antonio District 25.6%

Charges	Percentages	W.S.C.B. Budget Quotas	Advance Goals	C. H. Ed. Goals
Beeville	2.8%	\$ 233.00	\$ 136.00	\$ 118.00
Belmont Parish	1.5	125.00	73.00	63.00
Corpus Christi		1,165.00	681.00	591.00
Del Rio - Uvalde		275.00	161.00	139.00
Floresville - Pleas	2.0	166.00	98.00	84.00
Harlingen		233.00	136.00	118.00
Kerrville		233.00	136.00	118.00
Kingsville		150.00	88.00	76.00
Nixon-Runge Parish		150.00	88.00	76.00
East St. Paul		798.00	467.00	406.00
Ellison Eads-St. Luke		83.00	49.00	42.00
Jacobs Chapel	13.0	1.082.00	632.00	549.00
Jones Chapel		250.00	146.00	127.00
Sanford Chapel		250.00	146.00	127.00
St. Paul		1,997.00	1,166.00	1,017.00
West Laurel Hts	2.0	166.00	98.00	84.00
Harpers Chapel	1.0	83.00	49.00	42.00
Wesley Chapel		498.00	292.00	253.00
Gonzales-Waelder Ct		383.00	222.00	194.00
	100.0%	\$ 8,320.00	\$ 4,864.00	\$ 4,224.00

CONFERENCE AUTHORIZED DISTRICT QUOTAS AND GOALS Waco District 17%

Charges	ercentages	E	V.S.C.B. Budget Quotas		dvance Goals	C. H. Ed. Goals
Bowman Ct	. 2.5%	\$	138.00	\$	81.00	\$ 71.00
Calvert	. 2.5		138.00	1	81.00	71.00
Chilton Ct	. 3.8		210.00		123.00	107.00
Frosa	5		28.00		16.00	14.00
Groesbeck - Bremond	. 4.0		221.00		129.00	112.00

Theband Hillahone 10	221.00	129.00	112.00
Hubbard - Hillsboro 4.0			293.00
Marlin Davis Chapel 10.4	575.00	336.00	
Mart - Springhill 4.0	221.00	129.00	112.00
Maysfield - Par 4.0	221.00	129.00	112.00
Moody - Gatesville 1.0	55.00	32.00	28.00
Rocky - Cedar 4.0	221.00	129.00	112.00
Satin - Majors 4.0	221.00	129.00	112.00
Valley Mills-Crawford 2.5	138.00	81.00	71.00
Bartlett Ct 2.0	111.00	65.00	56.00
Belton Ct 4.3	238.00	139.00	121.00
Georgetown Ct 4.3	238.00	139.00	121.00
Temple St. James 7.0	387.00	226.00	196.00
Waco Bracks 6.0	331.00	194.00	168.00
Waco Jones Chapel 6.0	331.00	194.00	168.00
Waco Mt. Zion 6.0	331.00	194.00	168.00
Waco St. James 17.2	950.00	555.00	482.00
100.09	\$ 5,525.00	\$ 3,230.00	\$ 2,805.00

CONFERENCE AUTHORIZED DISTRICT QUOTAS AND GOALS Western District 6.3%

Charges P	ercentages	W.S.C.B. Budget Quotas	Advance Goals	C. H. Ed. Goals
Abilene	6.0%	\$ 123.00	\$ 72.00	\$ 62.00
Amarillo	6.0	123.00	72.00	62.00
Brady	3.0	61.00	36.00	31.00
Brownwood		123.00	72.00	62.00
El Paso		328.00	191.00	167.00
Lubbock	4 0 0	328.00	191.00	167.00
Midland	11.0	226.00	132.00	115.00
Odessa	440	226.00	132.00	115.00
Roscoe Ct		20.00	12.00	10.00
San Angelo	21.0	430.00	251.00	219.00
Hobbs-Lovington				
Lampasas	1.0	20.00	12.00	10.00
Llano-Burnett		20.00	12.00	10.00
Mason	1.0	20.00	12.00	10.00
	100.0%	\$ 2,048.00	\$ 1,197.00	\$ 1,040.00

Members of the Conference Commission on World Service and Finance: Par. 791.

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REPORT OF THE CONFERENCE BOARD OF EDUCATION April 26, 1958

TO: Bishop Willis J. King and members of the 84th Session of the West Texas Annual Conference.

The Board of Education of the West Texas Annual Conference is pleased

to make the following report:

At the 83rd Session of the Annual Conference the Board of Education recommended, and the Conference granted, a leave of absence with partial salary stipulation to Reverend W. J. Washington, Executive Secretary of the Board. This leave was granted for the purpose of enabling Rev. Washington to pursue training at Boston University with a view to receiving the Master's

degree in religious education.

Because of the absence of Rev. Washington, the scope of activities of the Board during the past year was rather limited. However, five one-day institutes for church school workers were held, with one being conducted in each of the five districts. These institutes were under the supervision of Rev. E. T. Dixon, a member of this Board and also a member of the staff of the general Board of Education. A total of over 200 persons attended these institutes. The matters discussed at those institutes included the following: (1) the organization and responsibilities of the commission on education in the local church, (2) the duties and responsibilities of adult workers with children, youth, and adults, and (3) the church school literature of Methodism. The reports of the district superintendents indicate that all of these institutes served a very useful function.

During the next conference year, the Board of Education, through the Executive Secretary, plans to work toward a more standardized program for

the several summer district institutes.

Rev. Washington has advised the Board that he will receive the Master's degree in June of this year. Rev. Washington has requested an extension of his leave until June 16, 1958, at which time he will assume full responsibility of the educational work of the Conference. The Board of Education recommends that this request be granted.

In accordance with the procedure prescribed by the Division of the Local Church of the General Board of Education of the Methodist Church, the Conference Board of Education has approved the application of Mr. Nathaniel G. Williams for certification as a minister of music in the Methodist Church.

The Conference Board of Education has considered the proposed constitution of the Texas Methodist Student Movement. This proposed constitution makes it possible for our Annual Conference to become a member of and participate in the Texas Methodist Student Movement. The Board recommends that our Annual Conference approve the proposed constitution and participate in said Texas Methodist Student Movement.

Respectfully submitted, Rev. Robert S. Mosby, Chairman

REPORT OF THE COMMISSION ON CHRISTIAN HIGHER EDUCATION

TO: Bishop King and members of the 84th Session of the West Texas Annual Conference of the Methodist Church.

It is a pleasure to submit at this time the annual report of your

Conference Commission on Christian Higher Education.

During the past conference year the Annual Conference Commission on Christian Higher Education held one general meeting. A number of meetings were held by various special committees of the Commission. Through these meetings, the Commission was able to complete action on certain projects and to plan new programs—all with a view to implementing the "quadrennial emphasis" within the West Texas Annual Conference.

The Commission cooperated with Huston-Tillotson College in planning a "service of commitment." This service was held at the College on December 13, 1957. Dr. Robert S. Mosby, pastor of Wesley Methodist Church, Austin,

Texas, was the speaker for the occasion.

The Christian Higher Education "blueprint" of the General Conference Commission on Christian Higher Education calls upon every Methodist-related college and university to hold a service of rededication, either in the fall of 1957 or the spring of 1958. Your Annual Conference Commission has cooperated with Huston-Tillotson College in planning its service of rededication, which is scheduled for April 28, 1958. On that occasion, Bishop Willis J. King, Resident Bishop, will preside, and Dr. Edmund Heinsohn, pastor of the University Methodist Church of Austin and Chairman of the College's board of trustees, will deliver the rededication address.

The Commission has considered the possibilities of establishing Wesley Foundations at the two state institutions which serve a great many students

from Methodist Churches within the Central Jurisdiction. These two institutions are Prairie View A&M College and Texas Southern University. Since these institutions lie within the geographical area of the Texas Conference, the Commission deemed it advisable to explore this matter with

its counterpart in that Conference.

The General Commission requested all Methodist - related colleges and universities to redefine their "Christian Mission." Although this was not a direct responsibility of the Annual Commission, we were pleased to have three Commission members serve on the special College committee that studied the aims, purposes, and program of Huston - Tillotson. Largely through the leadership of these Commission members, one of which served as committee chairman and another as committee secretary, the special college group completed its work last summer, submitting its report to President Seabrook at the end of June, 1957.

A special committee of the Commission considered it essential that a brochure of Huston-Tillotson College be published. It was felt that such a brochure would serve the function of outlining the College's history, purposes, church relationships, as well as its immediate and future needs. This brochure, published recently and distributed to the members of this Conference, states clearly and concisely what the various groups—church, alumni, faculty, trustees, and community—who comprise the "Huston-Tillotson family" might do to help meet these needs in order that the

College may achieve its historic religious commitment.

NEW PROJECTS

The Commission has adopted the following projects for the next Conference year:

1. To establish a lectureship on the Christian faith, with lectures being

given annually at Huston-Tillotson College.

2. To cooperate with the Conference Board of Ministerial Training and Qualifications, the Conference Commission on Christian Vocations, the Conference Board of Education, and Huston-Tillotson College in planning a conference on the ministry, to be held at the College

in the spring of 1959.

3. To establish a speakers bureau and a committee on public relations to help the Commission interpret to the local church the importance of support for Methodist-related institutions. These two agencies are to be subject to the supervision of the Commission's Secretary, Mr. W. Astor Kirk, who will be able to provide speakers on Christian higher education for local churches at their request.

4. To publish, in the Methodist press, information concerning the five members of the Huston-Tillotson faculty who were honored recently for having given over 25 years service to the College. This project carries out the General Commission's suggestion that publicity be given to the contributions of great teachers in Methodist-related

institutions.

5. To formulate plans to ensure the regular observance of special days in every local church, especially those which emphasize the educational program of the church, such as Methodist Student Day, College Day, Race Relations Sunday, and Student Recognition Day.

RECOMMENDATIONS

In order to implement the new projects for the next Conference year, the Commission submits the following recommendations for Conference consideration:

1. That the Conference authorize and direct that promotional funds be made available to the Commission at least on a quarterly basis.

2. That the Conference Treasurer be asked to submit a written report to the Commission quarterly detailing the financial contributions which have been made for the support of higher education.

3. That the Conference Treasurer be asked to submit a written "special report" to the Commission covering Race Relations Day offerings, by

districts, not later than March 1st of each year.

4. That the Commission on World Service and Finance be asked to appoint three of its members to serve with a committee of the Commission to formulate plans to endow a lectureship on Christian faith at Huston-Tillotson College. 5. That each minister be asked to place more stress on the Christian higher education emphasis of the church during the remainder of the quadrennium. The West Texas Annual Conference has accepted the responsibility of securing an annual contribution of at least \$1.00 per member for Christian higher education.

The Commission wishes to express its deep appreciation of Bishop King's encouragement and guidance during the past year. It also expresses its thanks to all the ministers of the Conference and to the district superin-

tendents for their support and cooperation.

The Commission is especially grateful to President Seabrook for his and the College's assistance in many ways. The College financed the work of the Commission during its first year, and advanced the necessary funds to enable the Commission to function during the past year.

Respectfully submitted, John T. King, Chairman W. Astor Kirk, Secretary

REPORT WEST TEXAS CONFERENCE BOARD OF MISSIONS AND CHURCH EXTENSION April, 1958

Bishop King, Fellow workers:

I am pleased to submit the annual report of your Board of Missions. It is with deep regret that I must report the fact that we have not functioned in the field of Cultivation this year. Because funds appropriated for the work of the board were so limited, we were unable to hold Missionary Institutes, Board meetings, etc. Our activities have been confined to handling individual problems and to administering the maintenance funds from the General Board. Hence, the major items in this report will consist of the accounting of these funds and the listing of the debts owed by the various churches of the conference to the Board of Church Extension.

You will recall the fact that the Board of Church Extension found it necessary to curtail its practice of making loans to our churches due to the poor manner in which the loans were repaid. Therefore, the expansion

program within our conference is our responsibility.

As a Conference, we should be disturbed over the response of the local churches to our Conference Advance Program. It is the opinion of the general church that a greater part of the expansion program is the business of the local church and conference. One of the questions on the application blanks for loans or aid from the General Board is: (a) What amount is the local church contributing? (b) What amount is the annual conference contributing? Unless we can give favorable answers to these questions, the possibility of receiving help from the Board is remote.

The "needs" for Remodeling, Expansion, and New Project within our conference are urgent. Hordes of people from the rural areas and small towns are moving into our larger cities; San Antonio, Dallas, Ft. Worth, Austin, Waco, and into West Texas. It is our purpose, through Advance Specials, to adequately meet the needs of these people and others, by building new churches in new communities; to subsidize the income of ministers and their families who labor in these new fields, and to help meet the

needs of other worthy projects beyond our own door-steps.

A few of our urgent needs are listed as follows: The San Antonio District: \$2400.00 for the re-location project of Ellison-Eads-St. Luke; \$800.00 for ministerial support; \$600.00 for house rent; \$1000.00 for the purchase of land, and \$2000.00 for the East St. Paul building project.

Dallas District: \$1200.00 subsidy for the Hamilton Park Church, and funds to aid in establishing a new church in West Dallas and in Lake Como,

Ft. Worth.

Western District: \$500.00 is needed to promote the work on the Western District.

Beyond our door-steps: \$1500.00 is needed for our work in Africa, \$500.00 for the Film, Radio, and Television Program, and \$500.00 for our college in Alaska.

Now Brethren, if these projects, plus the projects that are already a part of our expansion program are to become reality, our Conference Advance

Program must succeed.

Therefore, to meet the above outlined program, we, your Conference Board of Missions, submit the following recommendation: That a goal of \$19,000.00 for Conference Advance Specials be accepted by the West Texas Conference.

We sincerely hope that every local church of the conference will assume its part of this glorious opportunity to share in the outreach and growth of our conference, and that every local church indebted to the Board of Church Extension will realize the moral obligation to pay its debt. No good minister can afford to treat this lightly. May we go forward with the spirit of conquorers to do the job 100 percent for our conference, for the sake of Methodism, and for the Kingdom of God.

Humbly submitted; J. H. Carruthers, Chairman, The Board of Missions West Texas Conference

REPORT HOME MISSIONS MAINTENANCE FUNDS WEST TEXAS CONFERENCE May 1, 1957 — April 1, 1958

DETAILED REPORT	OF THE DISBURSEMENTS	
Name of Charge	To Whom Paid	Amount
St. Peter's		\$ 137.50
Hutto-Littig	" J. T. Thomas	
	" S. D. Miller	91.67
Lampasas		114.58
Tilmon Circuit	" Wm. Brothers	58.67
Winchester	" Cleo Metcalf	
	" Charles Smith	125.52
Burnett	" M. M. Burkley	166.70
Martindale	" W. S. Byars	67.90
Trinity (Dallas)	" S. M. Cleaver	1,016.63
Cogswell	" Marshall Hodge	
	" K. W. McMillan	1,280.73
Denison	" Samuel Johnson	150.00
Trinity Valley	" Abram McGill	1,000.00
Kerrville	" J. H. Marshall	150.00
Del Rio - Uvalde	" Elmo Watson	137.50
Ellison - Eades	" Wm. Ellison	179.20
Floresville	" Mason Johnson	137.50
Seguin - Olmos	" W. L. Andrews	137.50
Hondo - Pearsall	" Harvey Kinchelow	91.67
Altair	" S. M. Franklin	137.50
Port Lavaca	" John Goode	158.30
Weimar - Parish	" Eddie Clark	
	" W. A. Webb	87.52
Georgetown	" S. D. Miller	72.90
Yoakum	" L. H. Haywood	139.62
Calvert	" Z. E. King	745.80
Grosebeck	Roy Stanley	500.00
Abilene	" C. J. Houston	183.33
Brownwood	" L. D. Washington	160.42
Western District Supt	" Wm. Ellison, Jr	500.00
Slaton	" E. A. Rogers	
	" J. H. Hudson	187.50
Roscoe - Colorado City	" E. A. Rogers	
	" J. H. Hudson	206.25
Lovington - Hobbs, N.M	" Charles Smith	
	" Wm. Ellison, Jr	1,750.00
Levelland	" I. C. Loud, Jr	
TOTAL AMOUNT REC	CEIVED	\$10,372.41
TOTAL AMOUNT DIS		\$10.372.41
UNUSED BALANCE C	N HAND	\$00,000.00

April 1, 1958

DETAIL OF RECEIPTS

Date	Amount	Check No.
May, 1957	\$ 760.11	008697
June, 1957	597.48	008867
July, 1957	597.48	009142
August, 1957	897.48	009417
September, 1957	697.48	009699
October, 1957	1,041.23	009966
October, 1957	150.00	009869
November, 1957	766.23	010260
November, 1957	600.00	010415
December, 1957	600.00	010432
December, 1957	966.23	010533
January, 1958	966.23	010951
February, 1958	866.23	011048
March, 1958	866.23	011267

Total Receipts \$10,372.41

Name	Orig. Loan	Balance	Past Due Principal	
Ft. Worth, Texas - Thompson	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 672.63	\$ 63.00	\$ 1.44
Seguin, Texas - Wesley		1,840.69		
Waco, Texas - Mt. Zion	2,000.00	623.50	1,000.00	6.24
Austin, Texas - Simpson	12,000.00	4,761.92	297.62	32.13
Waco, Texas - St. James	10,000.00	1,120.32		
Brownwood, Texas - Emanuel	6,000.00	5,669.18	5,606.18	
Abilene, Texas - Plum St	3,000.00	1,112.51		
Kingsville, Texas - Scotts (1)	1,500.00	1,356.94	767.76	9.47
Kingsville, Texas - Scotts (2)	500.00	465.84	271.78	2.33
Victoria, Texas - Webster	4,289.85	2,281.90		
Ennis, Texas - St. Delight	2,000.00	2,011.16	1,689.10	29.33
Amarillo, Tex Wyatt Meml	1,500.00	885.45	445.79	
Richardson Chapel, Texas	2,500.00	1,000.00		
Warren - Dallas	40,000.00	24,615.09	1,837.09	
		\$48,417.13	\$11,015.95	\$79.50

DONATIONS TO WEST TEXAS CONFERENCE 1957 - 1958

1. Dale, Texas - Corinth Church	\$1,000.00	
2. Pleasanton, Texas - Jacob's Chapel	500.00	
3. Seguin, Texas - Harper's Chapel		
4. Waco, Texas - St. James Church	1,120.32 (on loan)	
5. Ft. Worth, Texas - Cowan Chapel)

REPORT WEST TEXAS CONFERENCE BOARD OF TEMPERANCE APRIL, 1958

Bishop King and Members of the West Texas Conference: Your Board of Temperance respectfully submits the following report:

The Methodist Church has been and is an implacable foe of the liquor traffic. The liquor industry has never been able to regulate itself. It fights for grain while the hungry of the world cries for food. It is owned, operated and controlled by those who have but one objective, "Profit".

We refuse, in the name of individual liberty, to be deterred in our righteous crusade against the liquor industry, the narcotic menace, and other modern evils that threaten to destroy our youth, and the very foundations of our homes and nation.

We hereby serve notice upon these insidious forces of evil ,that we shall be relentless in our fight to secure through proper legislative channels, regulatory measures that will reduce to a minimum the destruction wrought by their operation. We shall also, through the medium of education, seek to

rear up a generation wise enough to realize that the initial stimulation of alcohol soon becomes the "Fact of Eventual Deterioration".

We refuse, in the name of Temperance, to condone the use of liquor by

the clergy, or by the laity.

Too many people are confused by the everyday contradiction connected with "drink". On the one hand, they see the sweep of social approval, the dominant influence of so called "High Society", and the seeming rapture of the various states of intoxication, while on the other hand, they see the abandonment of restraint and moral controls of the past, and hear the conflicting philosophies of "Moderation", "Total Abstinence", and "Free Indulgence". In the light of these facts, we, without a doubt, face a challenge unparalled in modern history. The Methodist Church in the past has always faced every moral issue uncompromisingly. We cannot afford to do less, today.

With the sincere hope that the cause of Temperance in the West Texas Conference will be enhanced, we submit the following recommendations:

1. That every pastor of the West Texas Conference diligently promote a campaign of Temperance Education in the local church, and that special emphasis be placed on the Church School Temperance Lessons.

2. That Commissions on Christian Social Relations be organized the Local, District and Conference levels. (b) That said Commissions be actively engaged, cooperating with similar organizations, and by

precept and example, promote the cause of Temperance.

3. That each District include in its budget \$100.00 for the promotion of Temperance on the district level, and that the Annual Conference allocate the sum of \$250.00 to send a representative to the Regional Briefing Conference on Alcohol.

> Humbly Submitted: Merril T. Reed, Chairman Mrs. M. R. Bell, Secretary

REPORT WEST TEXAS CONFERENCE BOARD OF WORLD PEACE

Bishop King, Ministers, Laymen and Friends:

It is with a deep sense of gratitude that I make this report for the Board of World Peace. We are grateful indeed, to Dr. Daniel E. Taylor for his presence, and for the excellent message he brought to us this afternoon. It was a challenge to each of us. Surely, as we gain insight into the seriousness of world conditions, we must also muster the courage and faith to face reality, and to work ceaselessly for a better world order.

Mankind has always dreamed of a better order of things. That fact underlies the whole philosophy of progress. This attitude has never been more strikingly put than by the writer who said, "Dwelling in tents, they looked for a city which hath foundations, whose builder and maker is God." Such an attitude is indispensable to any worthwhile and noble achieve-

ment. Certainly there could be little progress without it.

The human mind has always accomplished progress by the construction of "Utopias." But man's efforts have not been a sustained progress. The tragedy of his history is that he has so often destroyed the things he has built at tremendous cost; and that the painful labors and sacrifices of the centuries, with their inestimable gains, have been foolishly and ruthlessly laid to waste. It is because man's cities and societies are simply his life built into institutions, and when they are cast down, nothing matters to him so much as their recovery.

To begin with, what kind of world do we want "Tomorrow's World" to be? Communism has its own philosophy of what it should be, and the democracies have theirs. Here in America, we talk proudly and gibly, though somewhat vaguely, of the American Way of Life, and we feel that we must preserve it. Ten or twelve years ago some eminent American scholars collaborated in producing The City of Man, a declaration on World Democracy. It was good, even excellent, as far as it goes, but it does not go far

enough.

I have no blue print of what Tomorrow's World has to offer. But of some things we may be sure; namely, that, whether we want it or not, Tomorrow's World will be a world of atom and hydrogen bombs, Jet and

rocket planes, guided missles, electronic marvels, and countless unimagined wonders of man's ingenuity. Unless we can somehow, find a formula that will inspire us to use these Miracle Inventions for peaceful and beneficial purposes, it will be a World of sensate culture, of clashing ideologies, rivalries, hatreds, fears, destructive wars, haunting dissatisfactions, and pre-

sistent and inescapable frustrations.

If we would believe it, the ideal for Tomorrow's World was given nearly 2,000 years ago by Jesus in His teaching about the kingdom of God. It has to do not so much with things, as with people. It is concerned with building a community of love and good will, a society which, first and last, is based upon and geared to the Eternal Purpose; a society, therefore, which carries the promise and potency not only of the highest that man can hope or dream, but of the fulfillment of its own Divine destiny.

We know, however, that the shape of things to come will depend largely on the quality and temper of those who do the shaping. So, when we talk about Building Tomorrow's World, Today, if we are sincere and serious

about it, we are confronted with the task of starting with ourselves.

We are all blind until we see That in the human plan Nothing is worth the making, if It does not make the man. Why build these cities glorious, If man unbuilded goes? In vain we build the world, unless The builder also grows.

"Build me a world," said God "Out of man's fairest dreams: Heaven must be its dome, Lighted by prophets' gleams; Justice shall be the stones On which my world shall rise; Truth and Love its arches gripping Gripping my ageless skies. Out of Dreams on the earthly sod, Build me a world," said God.

Give me your life, and day shall be like a new world. The uncelan shall be clean; the cowardice, courage; the weakness, power; Give me your life, and I will make it a spade to dig the foundations of a new world.

Man, without God, is a bubble in a sea, a single grain of sand on an infinite beach. God, without man, i sa mind without tongue or ears, or eyes, or fingers, or feet. God and man together are such power as not all atoms or Sputniks in all creation can match! And man said, I laid my hand there in the hand of God. If we would, we must come to that— "I laid my hand there in the hand of God"!

Conference Activities

Throughout the conference we have attempted to promote the work of world peace. Sermons have been preached by our Ministers on World Peace, lectures given in schools and community clubs, Foreign Students have shared their time and talents in order that we might become more informed about some of the things they are interested in, in making a better world. Special days have been observed, participation in Trick or Treat for Unicef, Clothing sent for overseas relief, cash sent for meals for millons. Many of our Districts followed through with promoting suggested programs on World Peace. We are interested in moving towards the objective of an active local church commission on Christian Social Relations in every congregation.

The Chairman attended the United Nations session in January of this year, and will be sharing throughout the year information as it relates to the work of same. Especially do we wish you to contact your Senators and Representatives when important issues are pending and make known your stand on the same. This is important. You will be alerted by this Board.

Members of the Board look forward to attending the Regional leadership Conference at Mt. Sequoya, July 8-11. The purpose of this Conference is:

(1) To present in a dynamic and up to date way the total picture of Social Concern to the Annual Conference and district leaders who

work in Christian Social Relations.

(2) The enrichment of individuals through inspiration and information in workshop periods and general sessions for the entire group.

(3) To train leaders through workshop, job analysis and discussion sessions.

Recommendations

In planning our program for Next Year, these are possible:

Issues and Areas of Concern

Tariff and trade legislation; Organization for Trade Cooperation. Nuclear-space problems; missles race; radioactivity hazards. Disarmament; universal and progressive. Economic aid and technical assistance. Colonialism; time-tables of self-determination.

Program Goals and Objectives

Regular meetings of Annual Conference Board of Peace Committee (or Commission).

A Commission on Christian Social Relations in each local church.

A peace secretary for each district.

Trained district and local leaders.

Participation and representation in regional leadership training schools.

At least one selected pamphlet distributed annually.

Budget

Conference board meetings	\$ 70.00
Expenses of district secretaries and workers	35.00
Literature materials: purchase and mailings	
Filmstrips	10.00
Representative to United Nations seminar	100.00
Board chairma nand delegate to regional meeting	
	\$325.00

Conference Board of World Peace

Committee:

Mrs. O. B. Coe, Chairman	1201 Hackberry St., Austin
Rev. I. C. Greer 80	8 West Second St., Cameron
Rev. C. D. Owens	3731 Myrtle St., Dallas
Rev. L. D. Washington	P. O. Box 521, Brownwood
Mrs. Jestine Lott	123 Matamoris St., Beeville
Rev. S. D. Miller	1163 Salina St., Austin
Mrs. J. M. Rodgers 6	505 South Glass St., Victoria
Mrs. I. M. Bell. Pres. of Conf. M.Y.F.	2910 Madera St., El Paso

REPORT WEST TEXAS CONFERENCE BOARD OF PENSIONS APRIL 26, 1958

Bishop King, Members of the West Texas Annual Conference, Friends:

Your Conference Board of Pensions views with much concern and with some alarm, the apparent slackening in interest on the part of the West Texas Conference in our Pension Plan.

The report from the Treasurer's office shows a decline of \$800.00 in the fund for **immediate distribution** as compared with the same report one year ago. The item of two percent of the minister's cash salary recommended by the conference for the Reserve Pension Fund, has faded almost to the vanishing point. This is both embarassing and alarming, when viewed in the light of what is taking place in the other conferences of the area.

We can look with pride only at the very excellent work being done by the Ministers' Wives and Daughters Association of the Conference to help us qualify for membership in the Methodist Reserve Pension Plan. We pay high compliment to the courage, determination and effort of these good women. Therefore, in order that the West Texas Conference may qualify for membership in the Reserve Pension Plan during the ensuing conference year, your conference Board of Pensions submits the following recommendations:

1. That every charge in the West Texas Conference raise its full amount for conference claimants (the amount raised by each charge to be equal to 15 percent of the pastor's cash salary); twelve percent of which shall be used for immediate distribution and three percent for our Reserve Pension Fund.

2. That every Minister of the West Texas Conference pay an amount equal to two percent of his cash salary to the Reserve Pension Fund, and that a Roll Call be held at the next session of the annual con-

ference to collect same.

3. That each District of the Conference promote a "Reserve Pension Fund Campaign" to secure special pledges and gifts from ministers and laymen, in keeping with the gold, silver, green and white bond

plan of the General Board of Pensions.

4. That October of this year be designated as Reserve Pension Month, at which time every charge in the conference will emphasize the Reserve Pension Program, and that the District Superintendents, as chairmen of District Reserve Pension Committees, will furnish leadership and inspiration for this enterprise.

Respectfully Submitted, Fred D. Young, Chairman M. A. Freeman, Secretary

FINANCIAL AND STATISTICAL REPORT WEST TEXAS CONFERENCE BOARD OF PENSIONS APRIL 26, 1958

Amount Available For 1957 - 58 Distribution

Amount of balance after 1957 - 58 distribution	11,585.00 803.27 1,030.00 80.00
Amount transferred from Stabilization Fund	1,000.00
Total Available for Distribution	\$16,422.44
Responsibility of the Board of Pensions	
For Service in this conference	448.00 375.00
Total Responsibility of Board	\$ 24.44 \$18,900.52 \$ 196.43
Balance in Chicago Office, 4/11/58 Ministers' Wives Association From Charges on Appropriation (3% MRPF) From Charges on Reserve Pension Special Ministers 2% of Cash Salary	3,000.00 2,896.00 384.00
Total	\$50,654.00

Fred D. Young, Chairman M. A. Freeman, Secretary I. B. Loud, Treasurer

STATEMENT OF PROSPECTIVE DISTRIBUTION RETIRED MINISTERS WEST TEXAS CONFERENCE 1958 - 1959

Annuity Rate \$15.00

Name	Total Ap'v'd A Yrs.		Texas Anu'y			Total Anu'y
Baker, Daniel B	00	$\frac{34\frac{1}{2}}{29}$	518 435			518 435
Brown, Charles C Burkley, Martin B		261/2	398	1	16	414
Childs, Jonah H	0011	303/4	461 593			461 593
Foy, R. L.	•	$\frac{39\frac{1}{2}}{6}$	90			90
Foy, Thomas H	$41\frac{1}{2}$	411/2	623			623 608
Franklin, Charles W Hardeman, Jesse J	0011	$40\frac{1}{2}$ $39\frac{1}{2}$	608 593			593
Hutchinson, Floyd J	351/4	351/4	529	10	252	529
McMillian, Kay W Mosely, Wm. M		$\frac{32\frac{1}{2}}{17}$	488 255	18	252	740 255
Muse, James F	441/2	441/2	668			668
Ross, James S Snow, Turner		47	705 135			705 135
Stephens, Newton W	. 11	11	165			165
Simmons, Herman G	5 3/4	 5 3/4	86	_		86
	5083/4	4893/4	7350	19	268	7618

STATEMENT OF PROSPECTIVE DISTRIBUTION WIDOWS WEST TEXAS CONFERENCE 1958 - 1959

Annuity Rate \$10.50

	Widow's					
	Ap'v'd I	MRPF	West	Texas	Other	Total
Name	Yrs.	Yrs.	Yrs.	Anu'y	Yrs. Anu'y	Anu'y
Allen, Elijah T	. 81/4		81/4	92		92
Allen, Ralph W	. 14½		141/2	152		152
Appling, Robert A	. 273/4		273/4	291		291
Bailey, Robert R	. 91/4		91/4	97		97
Barnwell, F. Rivers	. 14½		141/2	152		152
Blair, Frank L	. 7		7	74		74
Braden, Robert	. 9		9	- 95		95
Browne, James G	$2\frac{1}{2}$		$2\frac{1}{2}$	26		26
Cooke, Victor A	. 18		18	189		189
Downs, Earl E.*	. 93/4	5	4 3/4	50		50
Eggleston, Joseph B	. 223/4		$22\frac{3}{4}$	239		239
Eusan, Joseph C.	$18\frac{1}{2}$		$18\frac{1}{2}$	194		194
Fountain, Mumford	. 211/4		31/4	34	18 176	210
Holden, Adolphus D.	. 12		12	126		126
Hudspeth, Francis M	. 20		20	210		210
Humphrey, Sandy D	. 11		11	116		116
Jacques, Alfred D	. 171/4		171/4	181		181
Jones, H. A.	. 25 3/4		$25\frac{3}{4}$	270		270
Kelly, George W	. 26 %		26 3/4	281		281
King, Ervin N.	. 9%		93/4	102		102
Lott, William B	. 4134		4134	438		438
McKinney, Hiram L	. 13%		1334	144		144
Moore, Norrell J	. 27½		27½	289		289
Morgan, James W	041/		121/4	129		129
Mosely, S. D	$24\frac{1}{2}$		$24\frac{1}{2}$	257		257

Phillips, Preston, H	7		7	74			74
Roberts, Lewis W			6 3/4	71			71
Robinson, Walter A	6 3/4		6 3/4	71			71
Sodia, Riley			223/4	239			239
Stone, John W., Jr	$10\frac{1}{2}$		10½	110			110
Stone, John W., Sr	$32\frac{1}{2}$		$32\frac{1}{2}$	341			341
Tollerson, H. C			$15\frac{1}{2}$	163			163
Tucker, Dee T			291/4	307	-		307
White, W. M			131/4	139			139
Whitaker, Charles E			191/4	202			202
Williams, Cornelius B			$24\frac{1}{2}$	257			257
Wyatt, Thomas H			261/4	276			276
Wyatt, M. L			$29\frac{3}{4}$	312			312
		_			_		
	6693/4	5	646 3/4	6790	18	176	6966

STATEMENT OF PROSPECTIVE DISTRIBUTION CHILDREN WEST TEXAS CONFERENCE 1958 - 1959

Annuity Rate \$3.75

(Name of Mother of Guardian first; name of child second)

		Father's Ap'v'd I		West	Texas	Other	Total
Name	Age	Yrs.	Yrs.	Yrs.	Anu'y	Yrs. Anu'y	Anu'y
Blair, Mrs. Frank L Cynthia Ann		211/4		$21\frac{1}{4}$	80		80
Blair, Mrs. Frank L Frank L., Jr		211/4		211/4	80		80
Blair, Mrs. Frank L Lorenzo Wayne		211/4		211/4	80		80
Downs, Mrs. Karl Karleen Mae		14½	51/4	91/4	35		35
		781/4	51/4	73	275		275

STATEMENT OF PROSPECTIVE DISTRIBUTION SPECIAL CONFERENCE CLAIMANTS WEST TEXAS CONFERENCE 1958 - 1959

Annuity Rates: Retired \$9.75; Widows \$6.83; Children \$2.44

MINISTERS:
Name

Name .	Years	Annuity
Anderson, B. W	12	117
Moore, C. E. (SW)	10	98
Total	22	215
WIDOWS:		
Caesar, Mrs. Jack	28	191
Lindsey, Mrs. B. D	$14\frac{1}{4}$	97
Mathis, Mrs. Silas	10	68
Prince, Mrs. Belt	11	75
Stevens, Mrs. Thomas	25	171
Total	881/4	602
CHILDREN:	1/1/	05
Prince, Mrs. Belt	$14\frac{1}{2}$	35
Prince, Mrs. Belt	141/2	35
	29	70

REPORT THE BOARD OF SABBATH OBSERVANCE

Bishop King and Members of the West Texas Annual Conference:

It is with a deep sense of humility and gratitude that the Conference

Board of Sabbath Observance makes its report.

We are gravely concerned over the manner in which so many of our people observe the Sabbath. In spite of the fourth Commandment which charges us to "Remember the Sabbath Day, to keep it Holy," far too many Christians use the Sabbath as a day for various forms of recreation. Fishing parties, hunting trips, automobile rides, social events, etc. are deliberately scheduled on Sabbath days. As a result, in many instances church attendance has definitely fallen off, and the effectiveness of the church has been imparied.

"The Sabbath was made for man, and not man for the Sabbath." Man needs the Sabbath. Living in a world fraught with clashing ideaologies, fears, strife, tensions, and evils of all kinds, man sorely needs a day set aside for quiet meditation, prayer, and Spiritual guidance. The Sabbath

was made to fill this Special Need of man.

In order that the cause of Spiritual Observance of the Sabbath might

be enhanced, we submit the following recommendations:

1. That every local church, through its Commission on Membership and Evangelism, participate in the "World Wide Church Attendance Movement," and in other Attendance Campaigns of the Methodist Church.

2. That Sabbath Observance be vigorously taught in the Church Schools

of every local church.

3. That the several "Special Days," indicated in paragraph 296 of the Discipline of the Church, be conscientionally observed.

Humbly submitted,
George L. Johnson, Chairman
Z. E. King
Troy Williams
T. L. Bell
Edwin Edmonds
Mrs. Arlene Tucker
Mrs. Amanda Moore
Mrs. L. L. Stafford, Secretary

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE CONFERENCE SECRETARY OF EVANGELISM WEST TEXAS CONFERENCE WACO, TEXAS April 26, 1958

Bishop King and Members of the West Texas Conference, Greetings:

It is indeed an honored privilege for me to give you in this report, a brief synopsis of the activities of the Conference Board of Evangelism during

the past year.

As we look back over the fields of our labors and can see the many avenues through which men might have been brought to Christ, we are made to feel that somewhere along the road, we have failed. Jesus once said to his disciples, "And I, if I be lifted up from the earth, will draw men unto Me." Evidently, we have not been able to lift **Him Up** high enough for Him to demonstrate His Drawing Power, for too many people still throng the highways and by-ways of life in sin and darkness.

Anyone, by studying the Statistical Reports compiled by the pastors of the conference, can see that the church is not keeping pace with the population growth of our cities and towns. Towns that were considered small some few years ago, are fast becoming Cities, and our big cities are becoming Bigger. Meanwhile, many of our churches are not even holding their own; still others are seriously considering closing up, due to the lack

of growth.

It is the belief of the Board, and especially the belief of your Conference Secretary of Evangelism, that there is not a single church in the West Texas Conference that should be labeled BARREN. No matter where the church may be located nor how small the membership, we feel that there are people who need to be brought to Christ. We feel that they CAN be brought to Christ and His Church if, and when we care enough to diligently seek them.

Brethren, SOMETHING MUST BE DONE. We have continuely said to ourselves and to our congregations, "God is the answer," and that we, the Evangels of God, must tell America about Christ and His Saving Power. And yet, the shocking condition of men and some churches described above, still exist. In some instances, the conditions are getting progressively worse. In spite of all this, we are encouraged to put forth greater efforts through Evangelism, for we have discovered that vast numbers of unsaved people are definitely and earnestly seeking the Answer.

They are asking us the question that was asked the Apostles of old: "What must we do to be saved?" Can we, like the Apostles, by precept

and example, give them the answer? God help us so to do.

We are forced to conclude that our Evangelism Efforts of the past conference year were only mildly successful. Preaching and Evangelistic Missions were held in each District, and some souls came to Christ and the church on profession of faith. We hope that every pastor within the conference, along with the Commissions on Membership and Evangelism, will re-double their efforts to bring in a great harvest of souls during the ensuing conference year, and that we will earnestly pray that God will send more laborers unto the harvest; for truly, "The fields are white unto harvest, but the laborers are few."

In order that we, by the Grace of God, may accomplish outstanding successes in the field of Evangelism during the ensuing conference year, we

submit the following recommendations:

1. (a) That an "Evangelism Study Retreat" be held in each District of the Conference.

(b) That in these Study Retreats, emphasis be placed on the NEEDS, NATURE, AND PURPOSE of Evangelism, rather than on the

Methods of Evangelism.

2. That a copy of the booklet "The Good News of God" be sent to each Minister of the Conference, and to Laymen who plan to attend the Retreats. (The booklets can be purchased from Tidings, at a cost of 30¢ per copy in lots of ten or more).

We suggest that these proposed retreats be held at the earliest possible time, in order that those participating, might be prepared to participate in the Convocation On Local Church Evangelism, to be

held in Washington, D.C., July 3-5, 1958.

3. That at least, the District Superintendent, one Pastor, (who may be the District Secretary of Evangelism) and one Laymen from each District, attend the Convocation in Washington, and upon their return, hold District Convocation, in order that the local churches might share in the inspiration and information gained at the National meeting.

We suggest that an Evangelistic Program be promoted in every local church in the Conference, and that not only preaching Missions, but also, Teaching and Reaching Missions be promoted; and that results of said programs be reported to the Conference Secretary of Evan-

gelism through the District Secretary of Evangelism.

Humbly submitted, Thomas M. Bruton, Conference Secretary, Board of Evangelism

ANNUAL REPORT OF BOARD OF LAY ACTIVITIES WEST TEXAS CONFERENCE Conference Year 1957 - 58

April 26, 1958

Bishop King, Ministers, Laymen and Friends of the West Texas Conference; Greetings:

The following report is submitted to you from your Conference Board

of Lay Activities:

Our Board is dedicated to the task of promoting the program of Lay

Activities in the West Texas Conference in all areas where lay leadership is needed. We realize the importance of lay coopration in the program of the church. We urge laymen to accept such responsibilities gladly; for we are aware of the fact that if the program of the church is to be effective, the minister and laymen must work together.

1. Activities

As Conference Lay Leader, I attended the Second National Conference of Methodist Men, held at Purdue University, July 19-21, 1957. Twelve laymen from the West Texas Conference attended this important meeting. Districts having representatives there were, Mr. Odie E. Davis, Jr., Lay Leader, and two laymen, from the San Antonio District.; Mr. G. R. Tomlin, District Lay Leader of the Western District; Mr. Elmer Porter, Associate Lay Leader of the Dallas District and four laymen from St. Paul Methodist Church, Dallas, Texas. This was a great meeting. The total attendance was nearly 5,000. All men from our conference stated they received information and inspiration that would enable them to do a better job in their local church, district, and conference. The discussion groups, addresses, and other activities were enlightening. The welcome was made by Bishop Richard C. Rains, Indiana Area. Other addresses were made by Dr. E. Harold Mohn, General Secretary—Commission on Promotion and Cultivation, Dr. Marshall T. Steel and others. Bishop Matthew W. Clair, Jr. conducted the Communion Service Sunday morning at 6:00 a.m.-7:30 a.m. Bishop Gerald H. Kennedy gave the closing message. Conference closed at 11:15 a.m.

The Discussion Groups were Lay Speaking, Lay Leadership, Official Boards, Methodist Men and Commission on Stewardship and Finance. Those attending the meeting had a choice of two of the five discussion groups they could attend.

Leaving the National Conference at Purdue; I went to the New Orleans Area Methodist Men's Council. Att. Edw. Hines, Jr. is the President. Dr. James H. Touchstone and Mr. Robert C. Williams of the Secretarial Staff of the General Board were consultants at this meeting; approximately one hundred men from the Area registered. Four men from Wesley Chapel Methodist Church, San Angelo, Texas, attended from the West Texas Conference.

Interracial Conference at Huston - Tillotson College in September was a wonderful experience. Nearly five hundred Methodists throughout Texas registered for this meeting as official delegates. The leaders for actually perfecting and the implementation of the physical plans for success of the conference were: Bishop A. Frank Smith of the Houston-San Antonio Area; Bishop William C. Martin, of the Dallas-Fort Worth Area; and Bishop Willis J. King of the New Orleans Area, with two Texas Conferences being within the other two areas.

Much credit must be given Dr. A. Dudley Ward, of the General Board of Social and Economic Relations, Chicago, for his untiring effort and energy expended in setting up this conference.

Approximately fifty ministers and laymen from the West Texas Conference were official delegates, with others as visitors. Rev. I. B. Loud was a discussion leader of one group, and Rev. Prenza L. S. Wood was recorder for another group. This was a conference on human relations. Some of the problems involved in the relations between races were freely discussed and solutions suggested; which if accepted would improve conditions in many localities.

2. Methodist Men

Some new Methodist Men Clubs have been issued charters for this year, and this is a sign of growth. However when we see some of the old clubs fail to renew their charters, it shows a lack of interest in the lay program of our church. No Methodist Men Club can do effective work without chartering their club. When a club is chartered you receive literature and other information from the General Board of Lay Activities, that will help men know the value of an active club. If the man power of the church is to be recruited, I feel it can be done more effectively through Methodist Men Clubs.

3. Lay Speaking

The importance of this activity has been recognized by most of the District Lay Leaders, and they are making efforts to have these men trained and dedicated in this phase of lay activities. Lay Speakers can be used effectively in local churches where there is a full time minister. In churches where there is not a full time minister a dedicated and trained lay speaker could be helpful to such churches.

4. Stewardship and Finance

It seems that more recognition is being given to the program of Stewardship and Finance in many local churches. It is important that this Commission be organized and in operation before the Every Member Canvas is attempted. This canvas should be made in each church. The General Board recommends that every church promote the Every-Member-Canvas as required by para. 267-1 of the Discipline, and that it be done on a conference or district level. Stewardship should be interpreted and considered as applying to all phases of life.

5. Laymen's Day

Laymen's Day was observed in more churches this conference year than in 1956-57. Lay Programs and Laymen filling many of the pulpits throughout the conference have been reported. District Lay Leaders have encouraged the observance of Laymen's Day and helped supply lay speakers at the request of the pastors.

6. The Second Conference Lay Retreat

This Retreat was held on the campus of Huston-Tillotson College, November 15-16, 1957. The registrations at this Retreat did not show the growth that was expected. A well planned program was prepared by the chairman of the Program Committee, Dr. John T. King. Four District Lay Leaders and some of the Associate Lay Leaders were present. Two of the District Superintendents and Mrs. O. B. Coe attended. Some of the local women and ministers wives attended the meetings. Laymen registered from San Antonio and Waco districts. The Austin - Victoria District had the largest number to register. We were pleased to see each minister and other visitors in our sessions. All members of the Conference Board of Lay Activities left the campus feeling that the conference program had been strengthened, and those who attended were benefited. The Conference Board requests the cooperation of all laymen and ministers of the conference in the next effort. Dr. J. J. Seabrook, President of Huston-Tillotson College, received the THANKS of all men present for the fine way we were received on the campus. Dr. John T. King, Dr. W. Astor Kirk, and Dr. Collins made fine contributions to the success of the Retreat.

Recommendations

- 1. That all Methodist Men Clubs renew Charters immediately, and new clubs be organized in each church where the man power will justify the organization of a club.
- 2. Lay Speaking: We recognize the growing interest in lay speaking in the Methodist Church and urge more laymen to become interested in this essential lay ministry.

That the Manual for Lay Speakers be used in the training of certified lay speakers, and a certificate be given certified lay speakers.

- 3. That the recommendations from the General Board "Specific Goals for each Methodist Men Club" be accepted.
 - a. Every ten men win one man on profession of faith for membership in the local church.
 - b. Double the membership of the club by 1960.
 - c. Sponsor the organization of at least one new club by 1960.
 - d. Work toward a program of ongoing projects on three levels: local, district and/or conference, and national.
- 4. Laymen's Day be observed in each local church in the conference.

At the request of the local churches, your district board will supply

speakers.

Humbly submitted, C. H. Johnson, Chairman John T. King, Vice Chairman Odie E. Davis, Secretary G. R. Tomlin J. W. Thompson Earl Goins

AUDIT REPORT OF 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 of the 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 fair principles of accounting maintained by the Conference Treasurer during the period under audit and during the preceeding years, the financial position as of July 31, 1958, and the results of operations for the twelve months.

GEOGRE L. ALLEN & COMPANY By: James Walker, Public Accountant Dallas, Texas - October 2, 1958

October 3, 1958

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 Annual Conference of the Methodist Church, we are submitting hereon below a report covering same. The period covered by this audit is the time embraced between August 1, 1957 and July 31, 1958, both dates inclusive.

Income and Disbursements

Income was derived by checking the Conference Treasurer's report from Pastoral Charges and tracing these entries into the bank deposits and bank statements. Test checking was here employed. Available cancelled checks were examined with entries in the cash journal in order to support disbursement items of the Conference.

Total receipts from all sources during the period under audit amounted to \$72,327.86. Of this amount some \$66,291.12 came direct from District Charges. Total disbursements of \$72,988.27 includes dishonored and uncollected checks in the amount of \$101.00. These vouchers are presently on hand in the possession of the Conference Treasurer for personal examination if considered necessary.

Balance Sheet

The balance sheet as of July 31,1958, shows total assets of cash in bank amounting to \$1,617.07 with gross assets amounting to \$2,997,124.07. Outstanding obligations representing notes payable, adequately secured by Church property, aggregating \$238,774.00 leaves the Conference possessed of a surplus of \$2,758,350.07; this of course is after due allowance has been made for depreciation of 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.

Jimmy Walker, Auditor

WEST TEXAS ANNUAL CONFERENCE OF THE METHODIST CHURCH Dallas, Texas

STATEMENT OF INCOME AND DISBURS INCOME FOR ALL SOURCES:	SEMENTS	
District Charges		
Austin-Victoria \$15,398.65 Dallas 17,866.34 San Antonio 18,640.18 Waco 9,462.00 Western 4,923.95	\$66,291.12	
Ministers' Wives Association		
Austin-Victoria 453.56 Dallas 834.07 San Antonio 806.50 Waco 473.65 Western 433.72	\$ 3,001.50	
Annual Conference Offerings		
Public Offerings Communion Offering	\$ 566.91	
Methodist Publishing House	1,877.86 500.00 90.47	
Total Income		\$72,327.86
DISBURSEMENTS:		
General Treasurer's Office Inter-Denominational Corp. Fund\$ 588.00 Episcopal Fund	\$14,890.64	
General Board of Education		
Huston-Tillotson College Fund\$ 7,898.00 Methodist Youth Fund	\$ 8,161.84	
Conference Board of Education		
Salary, Rent & Travel\$ 3,026.66 Promotion & Travel for Board Members 1,037.70 Youth trips (Mt. Sequoyah)		
Youth Assembly Convocation 460.50	\$ 4,524.86	
Jurisdictional Fund	440.00 5,020.00	
Huston-Tillotson College	279.67 1,500.00	
Board of World Peace	235.00 100.00	
Board of Temperance	70.50	
Board of Lay Activities Board of Evangelism	417.65 169.00	
Board of Missions	98.75	
Pastor's Training Schools	\$ 1,497.68	

Board of Social & Economic Relations Conference on Human Relations	\$ 1,504.35		
C. farance Administration			
Conference Administration \$ 153.81 Conference Journal 1,105.89 Conference Secretary 250.00 Conference Statistician 150.00 Annual Conference Expense 835.83 Conference Telephone & Telegrams 1,018.10 Conference Commission World 378.00 Treasurer's Office 303.61 Printing 303.61 Printing 330.19 Surety Bond 50.00 Postage & Materials 362.00 Audit Fee 175.00 \$ 1,565.10	\$ 5,456.73		
Memorial Committee	10.00 17,035.08 390.00		
(Includes special collection for Sustentation)	6,773.84 1,465.22		
tration & Parsonage	\$ 2,717.16 101.00		
TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS		\$72,988.27	
EXCESS DISBURSEMENTS OVER INCOME		\$ - 660.41	
WEST TEXAS ANNUAL CONFERENCE OF THE METHODIST CHURCH			
BALANCE SHEET as of July 31, 1	958		
ASSETS Cash in Bank *Church Building, Equipment & Land *Parsonage, Furniture & Land *Bonds & other assets	\$ 2,	1,617.07 361,573.00 495.139.00 138,795.00	
Total Assets	\$2,	997,124.07	
LIABILITIES			
*Notes Payable	\$ 2,	238,774.00 758,350.07	
Total Liabilities & Surplus	\$2,	997,124.07	
*These items were taken from 1957 report and were i	not verified.		
WEST TEXAS ANNUAL CONFERENCE OF THE METHODIST CHURCH Reconciliation of Bank Balance July 31, 1958 Republic National Bank - Dallas, Texas			
Balance Per Bank Statement		\$1,617.07 -o-	
TOTAL	\$1,617.07	\$1,617.07	

REPORT

THE JOINT COMMITTEE OF THE TEXAS AND WEST TEXAS ANNUAL CONFERENCES, APPOINTED BY BISHOP WILLIS J. KING TO EXPLORE THE BUILDINGS AND FACILITIES OF THE METHODIST CHILDRENS' HOME, WACO, TEXAS

Bishop King and Members of the West Texas Conference:

We, the Joint Committee of the Texas and West Texas Annual Conferences, after having visited the Methodist Children's Home in Waco, Texas, explored and studied its buildings and facilities, submit the following recommendations for your consideration:

- 1. (a) That a Joint Commission, consisting of not more than fifteen members from the two conferences, be appointed to explore the possibilities of establishing a similar home for Negro children;
 - (b) That said commission further explore the possibility of making such a home an Inter-racial Project;
 - (c) That, including the above proposals, the commission will take into consideration possible locations and resources for the proposed home.
- 2. We further recommend that a Director of the Commission be appointed by the Bishop; and that an expense budget of \$3000.00, shared equally by the two conferences, be authorized for the work of the commission.

Humbly submitted,

J. S. Scott

C. S. Weaver

J. H. Carruthers

L. L. Haynes

REPORT COMMITTEE ON COURTESY

Waco, Texas April 27, 1958

Bishop Willis J. King;

Ministerial and Lay Delegation of the West Texas Annual Conference; and Friends:

Your Committee on Courtesies submits the following report: The sessions of this eighty-fourth Annual Conference are far different from those of the last session held in this fair city of Waco. Last year a tornado that struck the city of Waco one day before the conference was to open, left destruction, fear, and sadness everywhere.

WHEREAS, the citizens of Waco have cooperatively worked to remove the blemishes of destruction, the committee would like first to commend, on behalf of the Conference, the fine people who had the courage and the fortitude to fight back so much so that the ugly scars can scarcely be seen today.

WHEREAS, Bishop King, his Cabinet, and Conference Presidents of Boards and Committees were wise in their selection of a program for the sessions of this conference in that our hearts will ever burn from the messages delivered by Bishop Fred Pierce Carson, Resident Bishop of the Philadelphia Area of the Northeastern Jurisdiction.

WHEREAS, Bishop King, a native son of Texas and the West Texas Conference, nobly led with dignity this eighty-fourth session of the West Texas Conference, and saw fit to grace the conference with the presence of his charming wife;

WHEREAS, the local church went their full length in providing comfort and well being for the delegation;

WHEREAS, the homes into which we visited were comfortable and warmed with congenial hosts who made us feel that we were wanted;

And WHEREAS, we stand on the threshold of the adjournment of one of the greatest conference sessions that this generation has seen in that brotherly love and Christian fellowship prevailed throughout, and the presence of God's spirit has been evidenced among us:

BE IT RESOLVED:

That we humbly bow our heads in submission to God our Father for His abundant mercy.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED:

That the West Texas Conference give thanks to Almighty God for His gift to us of our resident bishop, and his cabinet with all others responsible for the formulation and execution of the program which now becomes history; and for the fine spirit of cooperation exhibited by the Pastor, Members, and Friends of the St. James Methodist Church in caring for the entertainment of the conference in a fine way.

Humbly submitted, The Committee: E. J. Tanner, Chairman L. H. Haywood, Secretary

PROPOSED CONSTITUTION THE BOARD OF CHRISTIAN SOCIAL RELATIONS WEST TEXAS ANNUAL CONFERENCE

Submitted to the West Texas Annual Conference for Approval, April, 1958

ARTICLE I — NAME

The name of this board shall be The Board of Christian Social Relations. It shall be a major board of the West Texas Annual Conference of the Methodist Church. It shall combine the work now being done by the West Texas Conference Boards of Temperance and Social and Economic Relations and the Commission on World Peace.

ARTICLE II — PURPOSE

The purpose of this board shall be to implement through education and action the teachings of Jesus Christ as expressed in the Social Creed of the Methodist Church in all areas of our present day social relationships. This includes:

- 1. Stimulating the organization of functioning Commissions of Christian Social Relations in every local church.
- 2. Stimulating the organization of District Committees of Christian Social Relations.
- 3. Making available to individuals, local churches, and various conference organizations, resource materials pertaining to Christian social relations.
- 4. Planning projects, programs, conferences, and workshops in specific areas of social concern to help train persons at the District and local levels.
- 5. Working with other conference groups, i.e., Methodist Youth Fellowship, The Woman's Society of Christian Service, Methodist Men, on projects and programs of mutual concern and interest.

- 6. Working with other approved church and community groups on problems in the area of Christian Social Relations.
- 7. To carry out other responsibilities in the field of Christian social relations as they arise.

ARTICLE III — MEMBERSHIP

Section A. Membership of this Board shall consist of:

The resident bishop

Two WSCS representatives

(conference secretary of Christian Social Relations and one other)

Two MYF representatives

(conference chairman of Program Areas of outreach and citizenship)

*Adapted from Plans of Organization in the Detroit and West Virginia Annual Conferences.

A representative from the Cabinet

A representative from each district

The conference lay leader

Twenty (20) members at large

The representatives of groups whose offices are not designated shall be selected be their respective groups.

The district representative shall be the Chairman of the District

Committee on Christian Social Relations.

The members at large shall be nominated at the beginning of a new quadrennium in accordance with the annual conference rules.

Section B. The Board shall be composed of three sections:

- 1. The section of Social and Economic Relations
- 2. The section on Temperance
- 3. The section on World Peace

ARTICLE IV — OFFICERS

Section A. Officers of the Board shall be:

- 1. Chairman
- 2. First Vice-Chairman
- 3. Second Vice-Chairman
- 4. Third Vice-Chairman
- Secretary

Section B. Elections

- 1. The Board shall be organized at the beginning of a new quadrennium in the following manner:
 - a. The Convener at the Annual Conference Session shall call for the election of a temporary chairman who shall convene the Board within a month following the adjournment of the Annual Conference.
 - b. The temporary chairman shall select a nominating committee which shall nominate a permanent chairman and secretary, to be selected at the regular meeting following the Annual Conference.
- 2. Sections:
 - In the same meeting, after the Board Chairman is elected, he shall divide the Board members into sections, in so far as possible according to individual interest in a particular section.
- 3. At the election meeting the members of the various sections shall meet separately and elect a section chairman, vice-chairman, and secretary by nominations from the floor.
- 4. The Section Chairman shall serve as Vice-Chairman of the Board in the following order:
 - a. Chairman of the Section on Social and Economic Relations
 - b. Chairman of the Section on Temperance
 - c. Chairman of the Section on World Peace

Section C. Term of office shall be for the Quadrennium.

ARTICLE V — DUTIES OF OFFICERS

Section A. The Chairman shall be the chief executive officer of the Board. He shall preside at all meetings, and shall be chairman of the Executive Committee. He shall issue the call for all Board Meetings and Executive Committee Meetings. He shall appoint the members of each section as elsewhere provided for in the constitution. The chairman shall be an ex-officio member of each section and he shall see that the sections function and shall co-operate with the section chairman toward that end. He shall call for periodic section reports to be made to the Board and shall be responsible for preparing the annual report of the Board to the West Texas Annual Conference.

Section B. If for any reason the Chairman is unable to perform his duties, the Vice-Chairman next in rank shall occupy his position and perform his duties, having the same authority as the Chairman.

Section C. The Secretary shall be under the supervision and direction of the Chairman and the Executive Committee. His duties shall be as follows:

- 1. To perform such duties as are designated to him by the Chairman and the Executive Committee
- 2. To keep accurate minutes of all meetings of the Board and the Executive Committee

ARTICLE VI — MEETINGS

Section A. The Board shall meet at least twice each conference year. Time must be provided for the sections to meet.

Section B. The chairman shall be the convenor and statements of time and place shall be sent to all members of the Board.

Section C. One third of the membership shall constitute a quorum.

ARTICLE VII — COMMITTEES

Section A. Membership of all committees shall be chosen from the membership of the Conference Board of Christian Social Relations. The Chairman of the Board is an ex-officio member of each committee without vote. The chairman of the Board, with the approval of the Executive Committee shall appoint the members of the various committees and name a convenor for each Committee other than the Executive Committee, subject to the approval of the Board.

Section B. Executive Committee

This committee shall be composed of:
 Officers of the Board
 Chairman of the Sections
 Secretaries of the Sections
 Secretary of Christian Social Relations of Conference
 Woman's Society of Christian Service
 Conference Lay Leader
 MYF Chairman, Program Area of Christian Citizenship

2. It shall attend to administrative matters in between meetings of the Board. The Chairman of the Board shall be Chairman of the Executive Committee.

Section C. Standing Committees

- 1. The Board shall have the power to set up standing committees as special issues and concerns arise.
- 2. Each standing committee shall be responsible to the Board of Christian Social Relations.
- 3. Each may initiate and carry out programs and projects in the area of their concern and responsibility.

- 4. Each shall elect any needed officers for not more than four consecutive years.
- 5. The following are examples of Cimmittees that may be set up:

a. Separation of Church and Stateb. Public Morals

- c. Intergroup Relations
- d. Labor-Management Relations
- e. International Affairs
- 6. Each Standing Committee shall work in close cooperation with the section to which its specific responsibility is related.

Section D. Co-ordinating Committee

1. It shall be composed of the Executive Committee and chairman of all Standing Committees. Its function shall be to approve any public statement to be issued between meetings of the Board. A majority vote of this Committee would permit the release of such a statement in the name of the Committee. It shall coordinate programs and projects of various Standing Committees and make recommendations about them to the total Board. All policy making proposals shall be presented to or originate in this Co-ordinating Committee.

ARTICLE VIII — FINANCE

Section A. The Executive Committee shall be responsible for the Budget of the Board.

- 1. It shall recommend the unified budget to the Board after hearing and receiving the requests of the sections and standing committees.
- 2. It shall designate four persons, including the Board Chairman, to present the budget to the West Texas Conference Commission on World Service and Finance.
- 3. It shall administer only those funds that are allocated to the Board as a whole.
- Section B. The sections shall administer the funds that are allocated to them.
 - 1. Each section shall prepare a budget and submit it to the executive committee of the Board by April 1 each year.
 - 2. The section to which a Standing Committee is most closely related shall be responsible for including in its budget the financial needs of that particular committee.
- Section C. All funds allocated to the Board and Sections shall be deposited with the Conference treasurer. A request signed by the chairman and secretary shall be necessary for a Board or Section to withdraw funds.

ARTICLE IX — CONFERENCE REPORT

Section A. Each Section and each Standing Committee shall prepare a suggested statement in its area of interest before the spring meeting of the Board. These statements shall be considered by the entire Board and approved for inclusion in the final report.

Section B. The total report of the Board may be submitted to the annual conference by the chairman of the Board or a Section Chairman.

ARTICLE X — DISTRICT AND LOCAL CHURCH ORGANIZATION

Section A. There shall be on each District a Committee of Christian Social Relations. These shall be organized by the respective District and/or District Superintendent. The Chairman of this Committee shall be the District Representative on the Conference Board of Christian Social Relations. Memberships of such Committees should include the District Christian Social Relations Secretary of the W.S.C.S., the District Chairmen of Citizenship and Outreach of the

MYF, a representative of the District organization of Methodist Men, and representatives chosen from other laymen and ministers of the District.

Section B. There shall be in every local church a Commission of Christian Social Relations. This Commission shall be elected at the Fourth Quarterly Conference on nomination by the Nominating Committee. The Commission chairman shall be elected by the same Quarterly Conference. The Commission shall elect other officers as needed such as: vice-chairman, secretary, and treasurer. The Commission shall be responsible to the Official Board, making regular reports and shall make an annual report to the Fourth Quarterly Conference.

ARTICLE XI — AMENDMENTS

Section A. Proposed amendments to the constitution or by-laws shall be presented to the Board of Christian Social Relations. They shall be mailed to all members of the Board at least one week in advance of the regular meeting of the Board. Upon approval, such will be presented to the succeeding Annual Conference session for adoption.

ARTICLE XII

The foregoing provisions are to be carried out in harmony with the Discipline of the Methodist Church.

ANNUAL CONFERENCE RULES

Mr. Chairman:

1. Nominations

The District Superintendents shall be a standing committee on nominations and shall nominate all members of the quadrennial 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 occurring 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 Superintendents, the host-Pastor, the chairman 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 dates 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 Thompson. The Conference then organized included Louisiana, Mississippi, and Texas, and was named the "Mississippi Mission Conference." Three annual sessions of this Conference was 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, Presiednt.

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 five districts, 109 Pastoral Appointments, and a school that is a credit to the denomination, viz., Huston - Tillotson College, located at Austin, Texas.

ANNUAL CONFERENCE SESSIONS

Note: Annual Conference Sessions held during the period when the present WEST TEXAS CONFERENCE was a part of the Mississippi Mission Conference and the Texas Conference respectively, are listed first.

SESSIONS OF THE MISSISSIPPI MISSION CONFERENCE

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

SESSIONS 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		
I. W. Wiley	W. B. Fayle C	Galveston, Jan. 8, 1872
Thomas Bowman	W. B. Fayle	Marshall, Jan. 7, 1873

WEST TEXAS CONFERENCE

SESSIONS OF THE WEST TEXAS CONFERENCE

візнор	SECRETARY	PLACE AND YEAR
Thomas Bowman	.G. W. Honey	Columbus Feb 22, 1875
W I Harris	L. H. Carliart	Austin Feb 20 1876
E. G. Andrews	.A. M. Gregory	
Gilbort Haven	D D C :	Wietoria Dec 3 1879
E O Haven	D E G '41	Austin Dog 1 1880
Thomas Bowman	D E Coulth	Columbus Dec 7 1882
F C Andrews	D. F. Consikh	Son Antonio Dec 19 1883
W. L. Harris S. M. Merrill	B. F. Smith	Waco, Dec. 4, 1884
P S Foster	I T Cibbons	Victoria Dec 16 1886
J. F. Hurst Thomas Bowman	J. W. Robinson	Columbus, Dec. 7, 1887
D. A. Goodsell	T T Cibbons	San Antonio Feb 6 1890
J M. Walder	T T Cibbons	Waco Feb 5 1891
C. D. Foss	B. F. Smith	Austin, Dec. 15, 1892
I N Fitzgerald	Andrew Poster	Columbus Dog 5 1894
H. W. Warren E. G. Andrews	. Andrew Foster	
W. X. Nindle	N I Johnson	Waco Dec 8, 1897
W. F. Mallalieu	N I Johnson	Denison, Dec. 6, 1898
I. W. Joyce	I W H Pickney	Dallas Dec 8 1901
L. B. Wilson	T H Wyatt	San Antonio Nov 30, 1905
	I H WVVAII	()
W. M. Burt W. A. Quayle	- I D WVAII	WALLE NOV. ZO. 1301
	I. H. WVAII	Waco. Nov. 20. 1909
- TT 350000	I. H. WVAII	Austin, Nov. 6, 1910
T. B. Neely	T. H. Wyatt	Luling, Dec. 11, 1912
TO 1 4 Marting	. T. H. Wyatt	Calvert, Dec. 10, 1913
W. O. Sheppard	T H Wyatt	Victoria, Dec. 10, 1914
III O Channard	J. W. Warren	Waco, Dec. 13, 1916
R. J. Cooke	J. W. Warren	Cuero, Dec. 10, 1917
Chas P Mitchell	J. W. Warren	
D E Jones	S. N. Harvey	Georgetown, Dec. 8, 1920
R. E. Jones	C. W. Franklin	Austin, 1921
P F Iones	C. W. Franklin	Fort Worth, 1923
F. T. Keeney	C. W. Franklin	Austin, 1924
P E Jones	C. W. Franklin	Victoria, 1926
R E Jones	C. W. Franklin	San Antonio, 1927
R. E. Jones	J. H. R. Dudley	Austin, 1929
Chas. F. Locke	J. H. R. Dudley	
R. E. Jones	J. H. R. Dudley	Fort Worth, 1931
R. E. Jones	W. W. Baker	San Antonio, 1933
Chas. L. Meade		
R. E. Jones	W. W. Baker	Dallas, 1935 Austin, 1936
A. P. Shaw	W. W. Baker	Waco, 1937
R. E. Jones	J. H. R. Dudley	Fort Worth, 1938
R. E. Jones	C. R. Greene	Dallas, 1945
R. E. Jones	J. H. R. Dudley	Dallas, 1940
A. P. Shaw R. E. Jones	C. R. Greene	Waco, 1942
R. N. Brooks	C. R. Greene	Fort Worth, 1943
R. N. Brooks	C. R. Greene	San Antonio, 1944
R. N. Brooks R. N. Brooks	F. D. Young	
R. N. Brooks	F. D. Young	San Antonio, Oct. 12, 1948
R. N. Brooks 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 A. P. Shaw	Prenza L. S. Woods	Austin, May 19, 1954
A. P. Shaw	William Ellison, Jr	Dallas, May 18, 1955
A. P. Shaw Willis J. King	William Ellison, Jr	Fort Worth May 24, 1956
Willis J. King	T. R. Watkins	Waco, April 23, 1958

In Memory of the Decensed

WHO DIED DURING THE CONFERENCE YEAR 1957 - 1958

R. A. APPLING

F. RIVERS BARNWELL

H. C. TOLLERSON

Nearer than the youth whom fortune Beckons where the strange lands loom; Just behind the hanging curtain, SERVING in another room.

-Robert Freeman

XI.

OUR HONORED DEAD

"THESE ALL DIED IN FAITH . . ."

	DI 105 05 DIVELLE	Time Entered	Years in
NAME AND DATE OF DEATH	PLACE OF BURIAL	Ministry	Ministry
J. B. Ferguson, Jan. 6, 1874	Bell County	1854	20
J. S. Strickland, March 25, 1874			4
E. S. Havens, Feb. 29, 1875	Girard, Kan	1870	5
Reuben Coleman, Dec. 3, 1875			5
Isaac Wright, April 3, 1875	Austin	1874	2
J. G. Webster, March 14, 1877	Cootonwood Colony	1874	3
Ben Hoffman, March 31, 1878	Eagle Lake	1874	4
John Wright, Jan. 17, 1880			6
Archey Johnson, Feb. 6, 1880	Giddings	1874	6
Hiram Melton, Aug. 3, 1880			6
Jacob A. Oakman, Oct. 1, 1882			10
Jackson Johnson, Oct. 1, 1882	Manor	1875	7
Jackson Caesar, Sept. 21, 1883	Wharton	1879	4
Larkin Carper, April 26, 1885	San Antonio	1870	15
Elijah Nesbitt, Sept. 26, 1885			10
Caesar King, Aug. 16, 1885			11
Washington Goodwin, May 3, 1890			14
G. W. Brothers, Aug. 20, 1893			10
J. W. Robinson, Sept. 1, 1888			14
J. H. Brawley, April 20, 1893			6
I. S. Smith, 1894			19
Toney Augustus, June 10, 1894			4
J. H. Purnell, Oct. 10, 1894			15
J. H. Williams, Oct. 3, 1895			2
J. T. Gibbons, Aug. 3, 1895	San Antonio	1883	12
A. L. Armstrong, Sept. 6, 1896	Gatesville	1883	3
Daniel Harper, Sept. 1, 1896	Victoria	1874	22
Nathan Caswell, Dec. 20, 1896			21
C. L. Madison, Sept. 16, 1900			25
G. A. Shanklin, Dec. 29, 1900	Hubbard City	1881	19
B. F. Smith, March 20, 1902	Cuero	1877	25
L. A. Harvey, July 4, 1902	Cuero	1896	6
A. S. Bethany, June 30, 1902	Fort Worth	1893	9
Chas. Hart, Aug. 10, 1902	Winchester	1877	25
Daniel Humphrey, July 4, 1903	Marlin	1877	16
Samuel Gates, Feb. 25, 1905	Austin	1874	31

	DI ACE OF BURIAL	Time Entered	
NAME AND DATE OF DEATH	PLACE OF BURIAL	1974	Ministry 31
Mack Henson, June 17, 1905 Anderson Brack, Sept. 10, 1905	Waco	1874	31
Andrew Foster, Nov. 26, 1906	Victoria	1880	26
B I Adams March 10, 1908	Littig	1893	15 14
John Neal, March 22, 1908	Mariin	1000	22
Willis Graves, May 10, 1908	Waco	1876	32
Gabriel Wilson, July 16, 1908			33 31
James Jorman, Dec. 9, 1908	Waco	1882	28
W. H. Davis, Sept. 12, 1910	Seguin	1887	23
J. T. Jacobs, March 11, 1911	San Antonio	1882 1893	29 18
A. J. Lynch, March 18, 1911	Bremond		33
C. P. Westbrooks, Dec. 30, 1911	Hubbard City	1885	26
J. H. Holden, May 1, 1912	Hondo	1887	16 25
Robert Dukes, July, 1912	Luling	1886	26
R. H. Ponton, Sept. 19, 1912	Belton	1882	30
Lee Reed, May 14, 1913	Luling	1881	32 26
Alfred Dickerson, June 9, 1913 E. E. Henderson, Sept. 9, 1913			32
F. L. Kirkpatrick, Dec., 1915	Austin	1897	18
Grauvil Norman, 1915 W. H. Mosby, Jan., 1916			7 28
W. E. Blackson, Feb. 9, 1916			17
R. S. Lovinggood, Dec. 1, 1916	Austin	1901	15
Christopher Young, Aug. 13, 1916			41
G. W. Townsend, Sept. 19, 1916	Victoria	1883	33 20
L. R. Parker, 1916			15
John Bickman, Oct. 24, 1917			21
Joseph Harriford, 1917 Ephrahrim Jones, April, 1918			26 27
A. T. Jackson, 1918	Dallas	1887	34
P. B. Bennett, 1918	Waco	1887	31
Riley Sodia, Nov., 1918 W. L. Huff, 1918	Austin	1895	23
C. C. Scruggs, 1919	Yoakum	1877	42
R. N. Dennis, 1919	Calvert	1902	17
A. Lockhart, 1921 E. L. Jackson, 1921	Waco	1879	34
C. H. Franklin, 1921	San Antonio	1894	26 16
J. W. Warmley, 1921			32
G. W. Nevils, March, 1922	La Grange	1892	32
Primus Cates, 1922 A. L. Carper, 1924	San Antonio	1874	17 25
S. D. Humphrey, 1924	Marlin	1912	12
D. C. Halley, 1924	Waxahachie	1896	26
B. J. Goff, Jan. 8, 1925	Waco	1890	33
D. C. Lacy, Dec. 25, 1925 Harry Swann, May 25, 1925	Victoria	1875	37 46
W. H. Stevens, 1925	Winchester		22
W. H. Purnell, April, 1925 Moses Smith, Jan. 12, 1925	Waco	1906	19
Moten Lott, 1925	Austin	1876	43 5
W. M. Mooney, Nov. 30, 1925	Cuero	1893	30
J. C. Mayes, 1925	Temple	1900	25
Albert Johnson, 1926 C. N. Strait, 1927	Luling	1990	30 7
J. C. Eusan, Feb. 15, 1927	San Antonio	1898	30
N. H. Townsend, Aug., 1928 H. H. Qualls, June 10, 1928	Yoakum	1894	30
J. H. Swann, June 11, 1928	Lytton Springs	1800	31 35
S. W. Harvey, Aug. 10, 1928	Ennis	1881	36
J. W. Wright, 1929 J. L. S. Edmonson, Oct. 13, 1929	Mexia	1907	16 10
M. S. Jordan, 1930	Cuero	1893	30
B. F. Wright, Oct. 15, 1930	Fayetteville	1929	1
J. H. Hutchinson, 1930	Austin	1892	32
Alfred Brown, 1931 William Reed, 1931	Waco	199/	36 35
C. M. Melton, 1931	Kerrville	1899	28
George Pleasant, 1931 J. W. Weekley, 1932	Austin	1899	5
G. M. Moten, 1952	Waco	1928	41
Chilton Schuler, 1932	Luling	1925	5
S. E. Jones, 1933	Cuero	1900	30
J. N. Napier 1933	Columbus	1924	9
John Coe, 1955	Marlin	1011	18
J. E. Brown, 1934 E. E. Cooper, 1934 Enoch Cogswell, 1934		7000	25
Zirocii Cogowell, 1304	M/Ont	1075	$\frac{12}{20}$
L. W. Roberts, 1935	Milford	1908	27

NAME AND DATE OF DEATH	PLACE OF BURIAL	Time Entered Ministry	Years in Ministry
J. W. Stone, Jr., June, 1935	Hubbard City	1915	19
C. S. Williams, 1935	Marshall	1903	32
J. W. Stone, Sr., 1937 C. H. Hamilton, 1937	Mexia Ct	1016	$\frac{40}{21}$
George Waters, 1937	Yoakum	1898	30
James Coe, June 12, 1938	Luling	1911	5
I. T. Sanford, July 13, 1938	Waco	1894	33
H. A. Jones, Dec. 23, 1938 A. D. Jacques, January, 1939	Pine Bluff Ark	1904	34 32
L. L. Strait, January, 1939	Gonzales	1922	17
A. M. Suerington, Aug. 22, 1939	Cameron	1936	3
G. M. Mallory, 1939 W. A. Robinson, 1940 (Prot. Meth.)			22
T. J. Jackson, (Prot. Meth.) 1940	Dale	1939	30
S. S. Hudspeth, (Prot. Meth.) 1940	Lockhart	1939	
E. C. Henderson, 1941	Schulenburg	1905	16
George Bailey, Prot. Meth., 1941	San Antonio	1939	21 48
J. W. Downs, Feb. 18, 1941			20
M. Fountain, 1942			24
S. D. Mosley, 1942	San Antonio	1912	26
J. D. Mackey, 1942	Luling	1916	21
J. T. Carper, 1942 L. H. Richardson, 1942	San Antonio	1894	29 37
E. T. Allen, 1943			9
J. G. Brown, 1943	Waco	1907	36
C. E. Whitiker, March, 1943			20
M. L. Wyatt, 1943 B. F. Braden, Prot. Meth., 1940			29 21
M. W. Stephens, Oct. 20, 1943			27
J. B. Eggleston, Oct. 27, 1943	Yoakum	1919	24
J. W. Warren, Nov. 23, 1943			39
D. F. Vance, Dec., 1943	Austin	1905	35
B. J. Easter, May 4, 1944			13 44
F. C. Callihan, Prot. Meth., 1945	Not given	1920	19
T. S. Moore, 1945			31
W. M. White, 1945	Hondo	1919	17
M. C. Ellison, Sept. 27, 1946 A. G. Russell, Oct. 6, 1946	Floresville	1922	24 24
J. H. R. Dudley, Oct., 1947			29
J. S. Medlock, 1947	Mexia	1900	33
Victor A. Cook, Dec. 15, 1947	Austin	1915	32
Ralph A. Allen, Mar. 28, 1948	Goliad	1924	24 31
S. G. Graham, Oct. 1, 1948 T. H. Wyatt, June 1, 1948	Austin	1910	47
T. H. Bryant, Aug. 12, 1948	Alleyton	1926	22
Karl Downs, Feb. 26, 1948	Austin	1935	13
H. L. McKinney, Aug. 24, 1949	San Antonio	1926	14
Frank Blair, 1949	Bremond	1940	24 10
H. G. Grant, 1950	Hallettsville	1942	10
Joel S. Jordan, 1950	Cuero	1927	22
H. S. Byars, Prot. Meth., 1950	San Antonio	1927	22
J. W. Maye, 1950	Kyle	1920	30 38
J. W. V. Hutchinson, 1950			26
J. H. Strait, 1950	San Antonio	1921	21
A. D. Holden, 1950	Hondo	1923	27
J. H. Brown, 1951 J. N. Hooey, 1951	Houston	1924	22 34
B. A. Byars, 1951			32
G. A. Deslandes, Jan. 26, 1951	San Antonio	1900	41
R. H. Duncan, 1951	Austin	1896	23
S. N. Harvey, 1951 Belt Prince, 1951	Hallettsville	1905	46 11
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G. V. Cavitt, 1952 W. M. Booker, Sept. 13, 1953	Oakland	1943	9
W. B. Lott, 1953	San Antonio	1900	41
F. M. Huhspeth, 1953	San Antonio	1920	22
B. F. Lee, 1955 Esau Smith, 1955	El Campo	1922	33 36
T W Stevens 1955	Hallettsville	1933	22
E. N. King, 1955 W. M. Franklin, 1956	Maysfield	1935	20
W. M. Franklin, 1956	Victoria	1921	33
P. H. Philips J. W. Morgan, 1956	Waco	1939	16
D. T. Tucker, Feb., 1957	Mexia	1927	28
Geo. W. Kelley, April, 1957		1929	27
B. D. Lindsey, 1957 Jack Caesar, 1957			
R. A. Appling, 1958	Fort Worth		28
F. Rivers Barnwell, 1958	Fort Worth	1942	15
H. C. Tollerson, 1958	San Antonio		16

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

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Exc.—Years Not Effective
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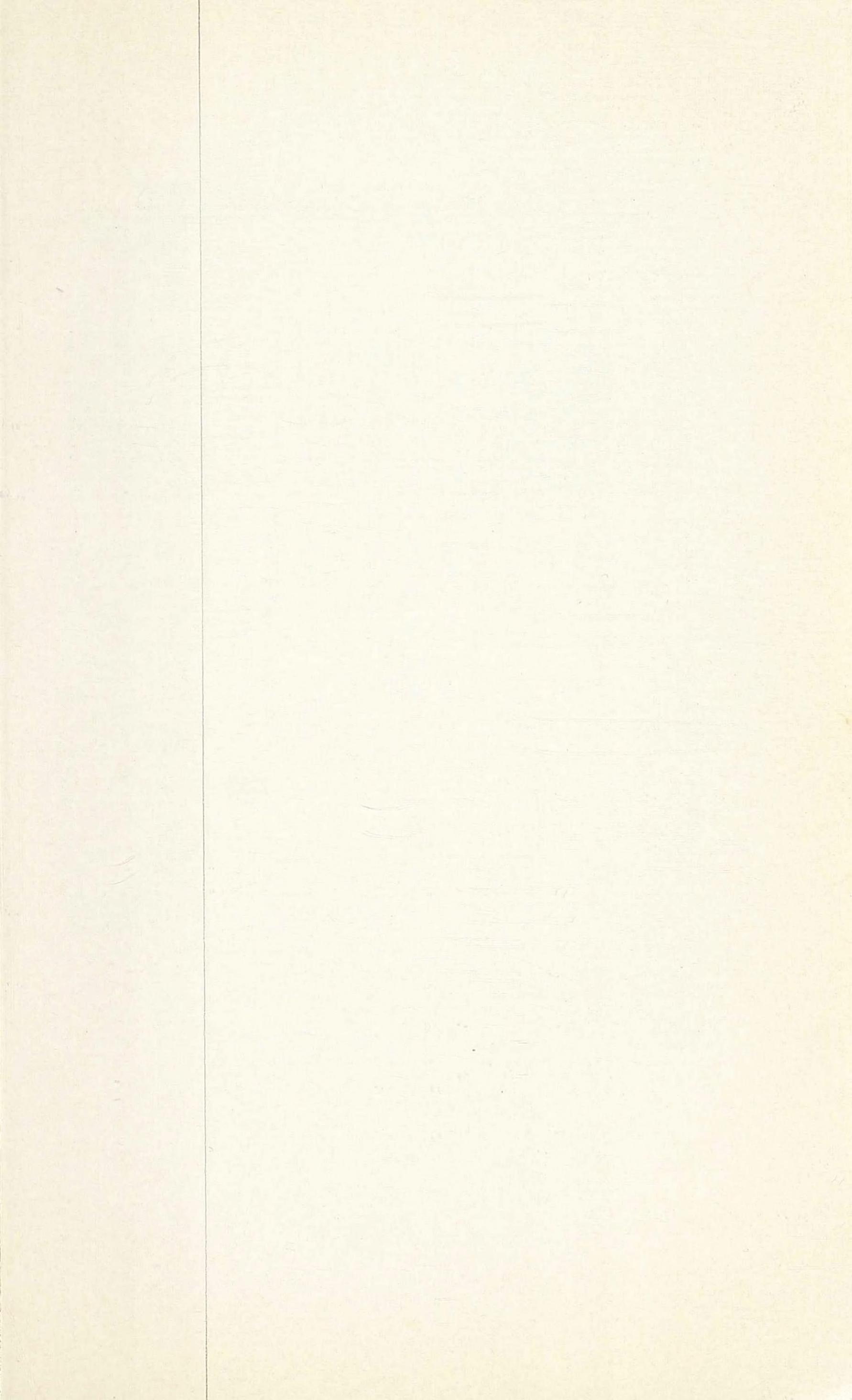
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	Relation	Conference	Year	How	Connection	Deacon	Elder	Rec'd - West	Texas	Exc.	Ret'd	Service
Alexander, G. F.	. Ef.	West Texas	1920	O.T.	1922	1920	1924	O.T.	1920			38
Baker, D. B.		West Texas	1921	O.T.	1922	1921	1925	O.T.	1921		1956	35
Baker, W. W.	77.0	West Texas	1921	O.T.	1923	1921	1925	O.T.	1921		1000	37
Barnwell, E Rivers	. Re.	West Texas	Apple 1900 and 1900 a	0.1.	1942	1021	1942		37139 - 7770 Taran		19	
Brown, C. C.		Col. M. M. F	- 4040	O.T.	1922	1010		Union	1942			14
Bruton, T. M.						1919	1920	Mer.	1939		1949	32
Provetor O V	. El.	West Texas	1924	O.T.	1926	1926	1928	O.T.	1924			34
Brewster, O. K.	. EI.	West Texas	1941	O.T.	1943			O.T.	1941			17
Burkley, M. B.		West Texas	1920	O.T.	1922	1920	1924	O.T.	1920		1952	34
Carroll, D. C.		West Texas	1930	O.T.	1934	1930	1933	O.T.	1930			28
Carter, E. H.	. Ef.	West Texas	1954		1956	1950	1950	O.T.	1930			3
Carruthers, J. H.	Ef.	West Texas	1929	O.T.	1931	1929	1933	O.T.	1929			29
Coe, O. B.		West Texas	1924	O.T.	1926	1924	1929	O.T.	1924			34
Childs, J. H.		West Texas	1915	O.T.	1918	1915	1918	O.T.	1915		1946	33
Cooper, E. M.	Ef	West Texas	1951	O.T.	1953	1951	1010				1340	7
		September 19 and	700000000	0.1.			1056	O.T.	1951			2
	. El.	West Texas	1954		1956	1953	1956					3
Crawford, Jr., Evans D.		*** / ***	1010	0 5	1955	40.44			-0.10			
Curtis, S. W.		West Texas	1943	O.T.	1945	1941	1947	O.T.	1943			15
Dixon, E. T.	Ef.	West Texas	1943	O.T.	1946	1945	1946	O.T.	1943			15
Dykes, Antone	Ef.				1955							3
Echols, T. B.	Ef.	West Texas	1922	O.T.	1924	1922	1926	O.T.	1922			36
Edmonds, Edwin	Ef.	West Texas	1945	O.T.	1951	1945	1951	O.T.	1945			14
Elliott, John W.	Ef.	West Texas			1955		2002	0.2.	10.10	-		3
Ellison, Wm., Jr.		West Texas	1929	O.T.	1931	1929	1933	O.T.	1929	2		97
Ellison, Wm., Sr.	Re.					Control of the Contro				4	1050	49
Foy D I	ne.	West Texas	1912	O.T.	1916	1912	1918	O.T.	1912		1952	42
Foy, R. L.		West Texas	4045	0.70	1950		1000	O.T.			1956	
Foy, T. H.	Re.	West Texas	1915	O.T.	1918	1915	1920	O.T.	1915		1957	41
Franklin, C. W.	Re.	West Texas	1915	O.T.	1914	1912	1916	O.T.	1914		1953	43
Franklin, S. M.	Ef.	West Texas	1946	Cred.	1946		1946	Cred.	1946			12
Franks, Hiawatha	Ef.	West Texas			1955							3
Freeman, M. A.	Ef.	West Texas	1928	O.T.	1930	1928	1931	O.T.	1928	3		27
Fuller, E. T.	Ef	Col. M. M. P		O.T.	1927	1924	1929	Mer.	1939			34
Goff, G. J.	Ef	West Texas	1946	O.T.	1951	1945	1951	O.T.	1946			19
Croor I C	THE	West Texas	1933	O.T.	1935		10 m 20 20 20 20 20 20 20 20 20 20 20 20 20					25
						1933	1937	O.T.	1933			25
Hansboro, D. H.		West Texas	1937	O.T.	1939	1937	1941	O.T.	1937			21
Hardeman, J. J.	Re.	West Texas	1912	O.T.	1916	1912	1918	O.T.	1912		1925	42
Haywood, L. H.	EI.	West Texas	1943	O.T.	1946	1938	1943	O.T.	1943			15
Holden, A. C.		West Texas	1929	O.T.	1931	1929	1933	O.T.	1929			29
Holmes, Z. W.	Ef.	West Texas	1927	O.T.								
Holmes, J., Zan W.		West Texas	1957	O.T.	1929	1927	1931	O.T.	1927	3		28
Houston, C. J.	Ef.	Col. M. M. P		O.T.	1931	1928	1933	Mer.	1939			29
Hutchinson, F. J.	D.	West Texas	1914	O.T.	1916	1914	1918	O.T.	1914		1950	38
Johnson, George L.							1310				1330	15
Tohnson Dobout W	Tr.	West Texas	1943	O.T.	1946	1943		O.T.	1943			19
Johnson, Robert W.		III t. m	4050	Cred.	1955				1958			3
Johnson, Samuel T.		West Texas	1958	Cred.	100 20210		Telegraph.	Cred.	1938			1
Keesee, S. A.	EI.	West Texas	1929	O.T.	1931	1929	1933	O.T.	1929			29

Name	Present Relation	Conference	First Admit	ted How	Full Year Connection	Orda Deacon	ined Elder		d When	Exc.	Date Ret'd	Years of Service
King, C. L.	Ef.	Col. M. M. P.	1940	O.T.	1942	1940	1944	O.T.	1940			17
King, Robert	Tre .	West Texas		O.T.	1955							2
King, Z. E.	TOE	West Texas	1927	*O.T.				O.T.	1927	6		24
Kuykendall, H. E.		West Texas	1923	O.T.	1927	1925	1929	O.T.	1923			35
Tand T D	L.t	West Texas	1933	O.T.	1935	1933	1937	O.T.	1933			26
Tand T C	TOF	West Texas	2000	O.T.	2000	2000	100.	O.T.	2000			7
Majors, Marshall		West Texas	1925	O.T.	1927	1925	1929	O.T.	1925			33
Manchall T II	Tre	West Texas	1925	O.T.	1927	1925	1929	O.T.	1925			33
Marshall, J. H. McMillan, M. W.		Texas Conf.	1900	O.T.	1902	1020	1020	O.T.	1900		1951	53
		West Texas	1000	O.T.	1002			0.1.	1000		1001	8
McMillan, M. E	THE	Col. M. M. P.	1924	O.T.				O.T.				34
	Ef.	West Texas	1947	O.T.	1927	1927	1929	Mer.	1939			19
Minor, A. D	E1.	West Texas	1919	O.T.	1021	1021	1020	O.T.	1909			39
Mosby, R. S.	Do	West Texas	1927	O.T.	1921	1919	1923		1010		1044	
Mosley, Wm.	Re.		The state of the s	O.T.	1929			O.T.	1919		1944	18
Muse, J. F.	Re.	West Texas	1911			1927	1931	O.T.	1927		1956	45
Muse, L. E.	EI.	West Texas	1922	O.T.	1913	1911	1915	O.T.	1911			36
Owens, Curtis	EI.	West Texas	1946	O.T.	1924	1922	1926	O.T.	1922			11
Owens, J. G.	EI.	West Texas	1939	O.T.	1948	1946	1015	O.T.	1946			19
Palmer, R. L.	EI.	West Texas	1925	O.T.	1943	1939	1945	O:T.	1939			33
Pharms, S. G.	Ef.	West Texas	1927	Cred.	1927	1925	1929	O.T.	1925			11
Phoenix, J. B.	Ef.	West Texas	1922	O.T.	1947		1947	Cred.	1947			36
Pierce, I. H.	Ef.	West Texas	1924	O.T.	1924	1922	1926	O.T.	1922			34
Pitts, Albert S	Ef.	West Texas										
Porter, Ashley	Ef.	Col. M. M. P.	1917	O.T.	1926	1924	1929	O.T.	1924			3
Purnell, E. C.		West Texas	1946	O.T.	1955							41
Reed, M. T	Ef.	West Texas	1943	O.T.	1919	1917	1921	O.T.	1917			12
Richardson, J. B.	Ef.	West Texas	1943	O.T.		1945	1951	O.T.	1946			15
Ross, James		Col. M. M. P.	1901	O.T.	1946	1943	1947	O.T.	1943			15
Seabrook, J. J.	Ef.	South Carolin	a 1928	O.T.	1946	1943	1947	O.T.	1943		1948	49
Simms, T. J. D	TAC	West Texas	1921	O.T.	1901		1903	Mer.	1901			
Simmons, H. G.		West Texas	1952	O.T.	1955							37
Smith, C. W.	77.0	West Texas	1947	O.T.	1923	1921	1925	O.T.	1921			5
Smith, E. A.	m c 3	Upper Miss.				1947		O.T.	1947			11
Smith, Willie	THE	West Texas	1948	O.T.	1941	1939	1941	Trans.	1951			17
Shaw, William	TIC	West Texas	1953			1948		O.T.	1948			10
Spencer, E. L.		West Texas	1936	Cred.	1955							3
Stanley, Roy E.	Ef.	West Texas	1952		1936			Cred.	1936			22
Stewart, Taylor		West Texas	1954		1955	1952	1956	0.00.	2000			3
Stone, M. C.		West Texas	1943	O.T.	1956	1934	1956					3
Tanner, Emmitt J.		West Texas	10.10	0.1.	2000	1001	1000					2
Walmsley, Walter		West Texas	1948					ОТ				6
Washington, J. W.		West Texas	1951	O.T.	1951	1947	1951	O.T.	1948			14
Washington, L. D.		Texas Conf.	1001	0.1.	1953	1951	1953	O.T.	1951			14
Watkins, T. R.		West Texas	1943	O.T.	1945	1941	1947	O.T.	1943			15
Wattley, J. L.		West Texas	1919	O.T.	1921	1919	1923	O.T.	1919			15
Webb, W. D.		West Tenas	1010	0.1.	1955	1010	1020	0.1.	1313			
Williams, Albert Cecil					1955							2
Wills, J. A.	Ef	West Texas	1005	OT		1925	1929	ОТ	1005			3
		West Texas	1925	O.T.	1927	1925	1323	O.T.	1925			32
Woodling, Dennis		TITA TO-	-0.4-		1955	1015	40.40	O				
Woods, P. L. S.		West Texas	1941	O.T.	1948	1945	1948	O.T.	1941	6		10
Young, F. D.	EI.	West Texas	1923	O.T.	1926	1924	1928	O.T.	1923			34

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23 Cuero, O. K. Brewster
24 Edna - Morales, J. L. Watley
25 El Campo Parish, Antone Dykes
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