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# DISTRICT LAY LEADERS AND ASSOCIATE LAY LEADERS 

## Austin-Victoria District

Mr. O . H. Elliott, District Lay Leader
Associates: John T. King, E. E. Hackett, Mrs. M. M. Brown

## Dallas District

Elmer Portor, District Lay Leader
Associates: Clifford Davis, Elmer Washington

## San Antonio District

Bailey J. Brown, District Lay Leader Associate: Odie E. Davis

Waco District
Rayford Wilkins, District Lay Leader
Associate: Eddie Evans
Western District
George Crayton, District Lay Leader
Associates: Clyde Carruthers, George Woods

## IV

## Daily Proceedings

## Conference Minutes

## First Day - Wednesday, May 13, 1964

The ninetieth session of the West Texas Conference was convened in historic St. Paul Methodist, in the city of Dallas, Texas, Wednesday morning, May 13, 1964, at 9:00 o'clock with Bishop Matthew W. Clair, Jr., presiding.

Opening devotions were conducted by Ira B. Loud, host-pastor, assisted by the district superintendents. Music was furnished by the Senior Choir of St. Paul Church.

## Holy Communion

Bishop Clair delivered a most fitting mediation on the subject, "Jesus Christ Is Lord To The Glory of God". Following the meditation the conference stood and sang Hymn No. 419. Bishop Clair announced that the Communion offering would go towards the relief of earthquake victims in Alaska. The amount received was $\$ 139.05$.

Assisted by the district superintendents, Bishop Clair administered the Holy Sacraments to 360 communicants. The benediction was pronounced by Bishop Clair; the conference was in recess for ten (10) minutes.

## Call To Order

Bishop Clair called the conference to order and proceeded with the business of the conference. A motion by J. L. Wattley, seconded by A. S. Pitts was adopted that set the bar of the conference. The first seven rows of pews across the church became the legal seating arrangements of the delegation.

## Organization

The following persons were nominated for the election of a secretary in the following order: A. S. Pitts, M. C. Stone, and I. B. Loud. Each name was presented and a standing vote called for. The results were as follows: I. B. Loud received 36 votes. M. C. Stone received 78 votes. A. S. Pitts received 12 votes. M. C. Stone was declared elected. He named A. S. Pitts, E. J. Tanner, Samuel H. Callier, and J. S. C. Grattan as his assistants.

MOTION: A motion was made by I. B. Loud to make the election of M. C. Stone the unanimous vote of the conference. It was seconded by E. J. Tanner. The motion carried.

The name of G. J. Goff was placed in nomination for election as conference statistician by E. C. Purnell. The door of nomination was closed on the motion of William J. Washington. It was seconded by E. C. Purnell. The conference secretary was instructed to cast a unanimous ballot for the conference. I, M. C. Stone, the secretary of the West Texas Conference, do cast 126 ballots for G. J. Goff, and do here and now declare G. J. Goff to be elected.
G. J. Goff named as his assistants, Mrs. O. L. Jackson, W. L. Shaw, J. Boyd Richardson.

## Orders of the Day Set

By vote of the conference the following orders of the day were set: Report: Board of Missions, 4:00 P.M., May 13.
Report: Board of Lay Activities, 4:40 P.M., May 13.
Report: Board o fChristian Social Concerns, 5:15 P.M., May 13.
Report: Committee on Conference Relations, 2:15 P.M., May 14.
Report: Board of Pensions, 2:45 P.M., May 14.
Report: Board of Evangelism, 4:15 P.M., May 14.
Report: Woman's Society of Christian Service, 3:00 P.M., May 14.
Report: Board of Education, 9:15 A.M., May 15.
Report: Conference Treasurer, 10:45 A.M., May 16.
Report: Commission on World Service and Finance, 11:15 A.M., May 16.
Report: Minister's Wives and Daughters Ass'n., 2:15 P.M., May 16.
Report: Statistician, 2:45 P.M., May 16.
Report: Board of Hospitals and Homes, 3:30, May 16.
With these changes in the printed program it was adopted as the official schedule and order of business.

Marcus A Lucas Freeman, district superintendent of the Western District, and Secretary of the Cabinet, was called to read the nominations of the Nominating Committee for membership of the 1964-'68 Quadrennial boards, committees and commissions. These having been found to be incomplete became the order of the day for Friday afternoon.

By vote of the conference Ira B. Loud, and L. L. Haynes were elected to the Conference Publishing Board. By Vote of the conference Marshall E. Hodge, and Zan W. Holmes, Jr., were elected Conference News Reporters to daily and church newspapers.

## History is Made

At this point, Bishop Clair informed the conference that history was being made in that upon his elevation to the bishopric in 1952 his first official act was presiding over a conference session in the state of Texas. One of the last official acts in his retiring year (June, 1964) was presiding over the session of the West Texas Annual Conference.

## Presentation

Bishop Clair presented Mr. Addison Cutter, Administrative Assistant to the Texas Methodist Foundation, and Mr. C. L. Henderson, Ad Interium Coordinator of affairs for Gammon Theological Seminary. Each addressed the conference relative to their work and needs. L. D. Washington, member of the Texas Conference was presented. Mr. Claude Kellough, representative of the Board of Lay Activities, was presented. He addressed the Conference.

## Memorial Service

J. B. Richardson, Chairman of the Conference Committee on Memoirs, was presented for his presentation of the memorial service in memory of those who died during this conference year. The conference stood as the name of William M. Ellison, Sr., Newton W. Stephens, Earl Goins, and Mrs. J. W. Goode were read.

The organist offered the following Hymns in a medley of music: "O, Perfect Love", "Sunset, And Evening Star", and "Come Ye Disconsolate". The Invocation and Scripture were given by S. W. Curtis. The Conference stood and sang "Abide With Me", after which Mr. Richardson presented Mr. Lavalle Lowe who gave the memorial sermon. Mr. Lowe gave worthy tribute to the stalwarts who "fought their good fight" and have gone to their reward". Encouched in the message were words of encouragement to those of us who yet "seek the prize of our high calling". This service was brought to a close with the pronouncement of the benediction.

Bishop Clair appointed Mr. J. B. Richardson as chairman of the committee on resolutions and courtesies. He appointed two new members to the Committee. They are Mrs. Cleo Booker and Mr. Frank Breedlove.

## First Day May 13, 1964 <br> Afternoon Session

The devotions were conducted by Booker T. Adams. The business session was presidend over by Bishop Clair. A check for $\$ 2,326.94$ from the Methodist Publishing House was presented to Bishop Clair for the Pension Fund. He announced the amount of the check to the conference and instructed the conference secretary to send a telegram of thanks to the Publishing House. This was done.

## District Superintendents Composite Report

The character of Mr. T. R. Watkins, superintendent of the Austin-Victoria District, was passed without question, and he was called to read the composite report of the district superintendents. Full text in part VII.)

Bishop Clair asked the committee on Conference Relations and the Board of Ministterial Qualifications to meet together for the purpose of synchronizing their report, and be prepared to make the report Friday.

## Board of Mission Report

Mr. Dennis R. Fletcher, representative of the General Board of Missions and Church Extension, J. Hudson Carruthers, Chairman of the Conference Board of Missions, and Prenza L. Woods, Conference Missionary Secretary, were presented. Mr. Fletcher addressed the conference relative to the work of the Board. Mr. Carruthers and Mr. Woods made their reports. The reports were adopted.

MOTION: A motion, predicated on the report of Mr. Carruthers, was made by L. L. Haynes petitioning the Cabinet to list other needy churches not now receiving ministerial support from the Board of Missions that they may share in the funds being given by the South Central Jurisdiction. The motion was seconded by William J. Washington. The motion received adoption.

A telegarm was received from Bishop and Mrs. Noah W. Moore, president of the West Texas Conference. It was read and the secretary was directed to respond on behalf of the conference. It was done.

## Presntation

Mr. W. Astor Kirk, representative of the General Board of Christian Social Concerns, was presented. He brought greetings from the staff members of the Board and addressed the Conference. Following his address a question and answer period was engaged in.

GREETINGS: Bishop Clair asked the secretary to read a telegram from the Upper Mississippi Conference in session in Greenwood. Mississippi, and send an acknowledgement. This was done.

Motion: On the motion of Ira B. Loud, seconded by Albert S. Pitts the conference stood adjourned until the evening session. The benediction was pronounced by W. W. Baker, a retired member of the conference.

First Day - Evening Session<br>Wednesday May 13, 1964-7:30 P. M.

Mr. J. Garfield Owens, presiding officer conducted the devotions. He was assisted by the Warren Methodist Church Choir. Hymn No. 162 was sung. The Scripture lesson was read from Act 1:1-16. Special music was sung by the choir concluding with Hymn No. 210. Mr. Owens presented Mr. Dennis R. Fletcher. Mr. Fletcher spoke from the subject, "Why Was Pentecost Necessary?" This was the first of a series of sermons on "Pentecost". After the sermon, an offering of $\$ 60.00$ was received. The Choir sang "I Trust In God". After singing Hymn No. 209 the benediction was pronounced by Mr. Fletcher.

## Second Day - Thursday, May 14, 1964 9:00 A. M.

The devotion was led by Mr. Alexander M. Mason, Jr. Hymn No. 31 was sung as the opening Hymn. He led the conference in the "Prayer For The Church" (Methodist Hymnal, page 515). John 16:5-16 was read for the Scripture. Hymn No. 179 brought the devotion to a close. Mr. Mason presented Bishop Clair, presiding officer.

## Business of the Annual Conference

COMMITTTEE ON JOURNAL: Bishop Clair asked for the report of the Committee on journal. Mr. Zan W. Holmes, Sr., Chairman, reported that the minutes for Wendesday's sessions had been inspected and found to be correct. He moved the adoption of the minutes, extending editorial priviledge to the editorial committee. The motion received the second by Mr. Lavalle Lowe, Jr. The motion was adopted.

APPOINTMENT: Bishop Clair appointed Martin J. Walker as conference song leader. Question 9 was asked. The answer, $\$ 1,400$ for married pastors, $\$ 1,200$ for unmarried pastors.

Questions 10 through 18 were asked. (For answers see part V of the journal.)

Bishop Clair called for the name of the ministerial and Lay members of the district committee on ministerial qualifications and building and locations. Each district superintendent read the names. (See part II of the journal for names.)

The following reports were made, received and adopted by vote of the conference: Board of Ministerial Training and Gualification, Mr. E. T. Dixon, Chairman; the Committee on Conference Relations, Mr. T. R. Watkins, Chairman.

Question 48 was asked. Mr. J. Hudson Carruthers placed the name of St. Paul Methodist Church, San Antonio in nomination. Mr. J. L. Wattley moved the door of the nomination closed on the name of St. Paul Church. It. was seconded by S. D. Miller. The conference voted unanimously to convene in San Antonio, Texas in 1965.

Bishop Clair instructed the secretary relative to questions 29 through 33c to place a certification of ordination in the journal, bearing his signature. This was done. At this point Mr. George Brewer was granted Deacons Orders and admitted on trial in the West Texas Conference under Para. 328.3 by $2 / 3$ majority vote of the Conference. Mr. John Wesley Tatum was granted Deacons Orders, and admitted on trial as a theological student. Mr. Martin J. Walker was granted Elder Orders as an Approved Supply Pastor.

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## Presentation

Bishop Clair presented the following ministers of the Texas Conference: Mr. W. B. Randolph, minister St. Mark's Methodist Church, Houston, Texas; representing the Texas Students Movement at Prairie View College: Misters E. T. Albudy, L. B. Felder, M. D. Lamb, Texas Conference, Mr. L. D. Washington, of the Marshall District, Texas Conference; A. D. Phelps, district Superintendent, in the Texas Conference; Mr. A. M. Silas, member of the Texas Conference; Mr. A. M. Mayes, Fairfield, Texas, Texas Conference; and Mr. Robert E. Hayes, District Superintendent in the Texas Conference. Mr. Haynes represented the Central Christian Advocate in the absence of Mr . L. Scott Allen, Advocate Editor. He presented the cause of he Central Advocate, and set up his office to receive the subscriptions.

## Offering Lifted

An offering was lifted to help pay expenses for telegrams ordered by the West Texas Conference. $\$ 16.13$ was given.

## Presentation

Mr. J. Otis Young, Associate Publisher of the Methodist Publishing House, was presented. He presented the check from the Publishing House for the Pension of the retired ministers of the West Texas Conference and addressed the Conference. He lifted three points in his address: (1) He lifted the point of "giving honor to the past", (2) "Serving the Present"; and "Preparing for the future". We were thrilled by his presentation. Bishop Clair thanked Mr. Young for his address and urged the conference to catch the vision. The conference was recessed at 10:30 A. M.

## Call To Order

Bishop Clair called the conference to order at 10:40 after a ten minute recess. Disciplinary questions were the order of the day. Question no. 19 was asked. Before the answer was recorded, Bishop Clair called roll as followes: minister of the Austin-Victoria District (the district superintendent, T. R. Watkins, having had his character passed without question prior to his reading of the composite report of the district superintendents); their character was passed without question. The superintendent of the Dallas District, Mr. T. Madison Bruton was called. No formulated complaints having been placed against him, his character was passed. The ministers of the Dallas District were asked to stand. No formulated complaints having been placed against any of them, their character was passed. Robert S. Mosby, superintendent of the San Antonio district was requested to stand. No formulated charge having been placed against him, his character was passed.

Bishop Clair called C. D. Owens, superintendent of the Waco district, requesting him to stand. No formulated charges having been placed against him, his character was passed. The pastors of the Waco district were requested to stand. No formulated charges having been placed against them, their character was passed.

Bishop Clair called the name of Marcus A. Freeman, superintendent of the Western district, requesting him to stand. No formulated charge having been placed against him, his character was passed. The Pastors of the Western district were requested to stand. No formulated Charge having been placed against them, their character was passed. The answer to question 19 was then recorded. (see part II of section V)

The following reports were made and received adoption by vote of the conference: Conference Board of Ministerial Training and Qualification, by E. T. Dixon, Jr., Committee on Conference Relations, by T. R. Watkins.

PRESENTATION: The Reverend William J. Washington presentd a book written by Dr. Timothy B. Echols entitled, "Pioneering In Religious Education", and urged its purchase. Proceeds of the book will establish a scholarship Fund for students interested in pursueing an education in the
field of religious education at Huston-Tillotson College. It was well received.
The Rev. Robert S. Mosby presented the cause of Rev. Obie Coe, Conference Member forced to retire becaues of ill health. An offering of $\$ 153.02$ was received.

NOON-DAY MESSAGE: The Rev. R. L. Palmer was called to the rostrum to conduct the devotions. Hymn no. 198 was sung. The Responsive Reading on page 592, "The Mind of Christ", was read. Hymn no. 179 was sung. Prayer was offered by the Rev. Eari D. Alexander. A trio from Morales sang "How Great Thou Art" after which Dr. Dennis R. Fletcher delivered the second sermon in his Series on Pentecost. The sermon was enjoyed by all. The Benediction was pronounced by Dr. Fletcher. The Conference adjourned for lunch.

## After-noon Session Second Day - Thursday, May 14, 1964

A brief devotion was conducted by Rev. E. Joseph Tanner. He was assisted by Rev. Elmo Watson. The Edna-Morals Trio rendered a number. Rev. Tanner presented Bishop Matthew W. Clair.

## Conference Business

Bishop Clair called for the report of the Woman's Society of Christian Service. Mrs. I. C. McAlister, Conference President, read her report. The report was approved. (See report section)

The Committee on Ministerial Qualifications was called for its report. It. was read and adopted by vote of the conference. (See report section)

RESOLUTION: A resolution was presented to the conference from the Lexington Conference calling for the adoption of its plan of merger with the Annual Conferences of the North Central Jurisdition. The Resolution was read. On the motion of Rev. L. L. Haynes, and the second of Rev. S. A. Keesee the conference adopted the resolution by a standing vote. The vote was as follows: Number present and voting: 118. Number voting against: None. Number Abstaining: None. Number voting for: 118.

RESOLUTION: A resolution was presented by Dr. Earnest T. Dixon from the West Texas Annual Conference requesting adoption of its plan of merger with the Annual Conferences of the South Central Jurisdiction. After much discussion the resolution was adopted by standing vote. The vote was as follows: Number present and voting: 116. Number voting for: 115. Number voting against: 1 . Number Abstaining: None. These resolutions are printed in the resolution section.

A motion by Rev. Marshall E. Hodge to enter into discussion by the churches of the West Texas Conference with churches of the South Central Jurisdiction received a second by Rev. M. T. Reed. The conference voted approval.

REPORT: The conference voted to receive the report of the Conference Lay Leader. Mr. Rayford Wilkins, Conference Lay Leader, read his report. It was adopted by vote of the conference. (See report section).

## Thursday Evening 7:30 p.m.

The devotions were conducted by Rev. Zan W. Holmes, Jr. After appropriate hymns were sung, the scripture read, and the invocation, Dr. Dennis R. Fletcher was presented to deliver the last sermon in his series of sermons on "Pentecost". His Sermon was thoughtful, inspirational, and challenging. The offering was lifted, and announcements made. The Benediction was pronounced by Dr. Fletcher.

Third Day<br>Friday, May 15, 1964<br>9:00 a.m.

Devotions were conducted by Rev. L. R. Proctor. He read Psalms 24, and offered the invocation. Hymns No. 162, and 244 were used. Rev. Proctor presented Bishop Clair.

## Conference Business

Bishop Clair called for the report on Conference Journal. Rev. Zan W. Holmes, Sr. reported that the Journal of the previous days sessions had been examined and found to be correct. His motion included editorial privileges of the editing committee. The motion was seconded by Rev. Alexander M. Mason. It was adopted.

REPORT: Bishop Clair called for the report of the Conference Board of Education. The Reverend Prenza L. Woods made a brief statement, and presented the Conference Executive Secretary, Rev. John W. Elliott, Sr.; he presented Mrs. Yvonne Blakely, Conference Dirctor of Children's Work. She addressed the conference relative to her work.

Rev. Woods presented the Rev. Robert C. Monk, Associate director of the Texas Methodist Student Movement. He addressed the conference in behalf of the Movement.

Dr. John T. King was presented. He brought highlights of the work of Christian Higher Education. At the conclusion of his report he placed a motion before the conference seeking authorization of the conference Board of Education to set up a Commission on Christian Higher Education. His motion was seconded by Rev. L. L. Haynes. It was adopted by the Conference.

Rev. Robert S. Mosby asked for an explanation of the amendment to the Civil Disobedience clause which was passed at the General Conference. Explanation was given by Dr. Earnest T. Dixon, and Dr. John T. King.

Bishop Clair asked Rev. S. A. Keesee, Chairman of the Conference Commission on World Service and Finance, for the report on the budget for Gulfside. Rev. Keesee stated that the report on Gulfside budget was included in the Commission's World Service report. (See Report section).

In connection with the report of the Commission on Christian Social Concerns Bishop Clair introduced Mr. Albert Tucker, representing the Texas Narcotic and Alcohol Commission. He addressed the conference and distributed literature. Rev. L. L. Haynes, conference chairman of the commission on Christian Social Concerns was presented. He made his report. He presented a motion that the conference send a telegram to the Texas Senators urging their support of the Civil Rights Bill in its present form. The motion was seconded by Rev. M. T. Reed. The motion was adopted, and the secretary instructed to sed the telegram. It was done.

REPORT: Bishop Clair called for the report of the Committee on Ministerial Training. and Qualifications. Questions 21, 22, and 24 were answered. Question 23 was referred back to the committee.

RECESS: The conference recessed at 10:35 for five minutes. At 10:40 a.m. Bishop Clair requested the song leader, Rev. Martin J. Walker, to lead the conference in singing Hymn No. 523. At this point Bishop Clair called an Executive Session concerning the case of Rev. Elmo C. Tatum.

Question 23 was reconsidered. On the unanimous vote of the ministerial delegation action taken against Rev. Tatum in 1957 recorded on page 25 oì the journal of 1957 was rescinded. The committee recommended that Rev. Tatum's Orders be recognized, and that he be received into full connection in the West Texas Conference. The resolution received the unanimous vote of the conference on a standing vote. (See resolution in report section). The conference, Lay and Ministerial, reassembled.

The Conference Song Leader led the conference in singing Hymn No. 209, after which the Rev. Zan W. Holmes. Sr. was presented to bring the noon-day message. He spoke from 2nd. Corinthians the 12th. chapter and the 9 th. verse. He delivered a very inspirational message. The invitation to Christian discipleship was extended, as the conference sang "The Old Ship of Zion". The Benediction was pronounced by Rev. C. D. Owens. The conference adjourned for lunch.

## After-noon Session Friday, May 15, 1964-2:0 P. M.

The afternoon session began with the Congregation Song Leader, Rev. Martin J. Walker, leading the conference in singing Hymn No. 23. Bishop Clair read the 29th chapter of the book of Proverbs and led the conference in prayer. Rev. Martin was requested to sing, "How Great Thou Art".

## Conference Business

REPORTS: Reports were received from the Conference Bord of Pension. Rev. A. S. Pitts, Conference Secretary, read the report. This was followed by a report from Dr. Timothy B. Echols, Field Representative of the General Board of Pensions. On the vote of the conference these reports were adopted. (See report section.)

The conference chairman of the Commission on World Service and Finance, the Rev. S. A. Keesee, came forward to present the proposed budget for the conference year 1964-1965.

MOTION: A motion by Rev. I. B. Loud to hold the discussion of District Superintendent's Funds until the budget be adopted. It was seconded by Rev. H. T. Franks. After a brief discussion Rev. Loud withdrew the motion. Rev. Loud placed another motion before the conference "that District Superintendent's Funds be tabled until the budget is adopted item by item". It was seconded by Rev. Prenza L. Woods. The motion was adopted.

Rev. E. T. Dixon placed a motion before the conference calling for an increase in house allowance for the conference executive secretary. It was seconded by Rev. Marshall E. Hodge. The motion was adopted, raising house allowance from $\$ 720.00$ per annum to $\$ 1200$.

Rev. Keesee read the Commission on World Service and Finance report and moved its adoption. It was seconded by Rev. M. T. Reed. The motion was arrested at the point of the question and several ministers discussed portions of the budget. The previous question was called for by T. M. Bruton, seconded by Rev. E. T. Dixon The conference adopted the Commission report (See report section.)

Rev. I. B. Loud made a motion to accept the recommendation of the Commission relative to the District Superintendent's Funds. It was seconded by Rev. E. M. Cooper. The motion was adopted. (See report section.)

The Commission Chairman, Rev. S. A. Keesee, nominated Rev. J. Garfield Owens to serve the conference for the 1964-1968 quadrennium. The door of the nomination was closed on the motion by Rev. Prenze L. Woods and seconded by Rev. M. T. Reed. The secretary was instructed to cast a a unanimous ballot for the election of Rev. J. Garfield Owens. This was done.

Bishop Clair called for the report of the Committee on Conference Relations. Rev. T. R. Watkins, Committee Chairman, read the report. On the motion of Rev. I. B. Loud, and second by Rev. William J. Washington, the report was adopted by vote of the conference. (See report section.)

Rev. I. B. Loud made a motion that the Cabinet name a Commission on Centennial Program towards the observance of "One Hundred Years of Methodist. Societies in Texas" beginning with the organization of the Mississippi Mission Conference in New Orleans, La. at Christmas in 1865. It was seconded by Rev. M. T. Reed. The motion was adopted.

The conference adjourned with the benediction pronounced by Rev. J. L. Wattley.

## Friday Evening Huston-Tillotson College Night Dr. Ira B. Loud, Presiding

The Rev. I. B. Loud presented Mr. Nathaniel Williams, Director of the Huston-Tillotson College Choir. He directed the choir and conference in singing Hymn no. 381. The Rev. Zan W. Holmes, Jr. gave the invocation. The Rev. William J. Washington, Director of Wesley Foundation at Texas Southern University in Houston, Texas, gave the statement of the occasion.

Following appropriate music by the college choir, Dr. John T. King,

Dean of Huston-Tillotson, introduced and presented Dr. J. J. Seabrook, College President, who delivered the principle address of the evening's program. Dr. Robert S. Mosby, District Superintendent of the San Antonio District, gave a very fitting response to the progarm in the absence of Bishop Clair.

Following brief remarks by Rev. Loud, Dr. King introduced several members of the faculty, staff, and student body.

The District Superintendents conducted the offering. $\$ 236.58$ was received, afterwhich the college choir rendered several soul-stirring numbers closing with the Alma Mater. The benediction was pronounced by the Rev. Prenza L. Woods.

## Fourth Day - Saturday, May 16,1964 Morning Session

Opening devotions were conducted by Rev. E. L. Spencer. The conference joined in singing Hymn No.302. The Scripture lesson was read from Mark 1:35 and Luke 11:1. Rev. Spencer gave devotional thoughts on "Spiritual Renewal".

The devotional period closed with a duet; Mrs. E. L. Spencer and daughter, Miss Clara Spencer sang "The Beautiful Garden of Prayer".

## Business

REPORT: Bishop Clair called for the report on the journal. Rev. Zan W. Holmes, Sr., Chairman of the committee reported that the minutes of the previous day had been examined and found to be correct. He moved the adoption of the minutes with editorial priviledge. It was seconded by Dr. John T. King. The report was adopted.

Bishop Clair called for the report of the Ministers Wives and Daughters Association. The report wa made by district as follows:

| Austin-Victoria District | $\$ 770.00$ |
| :--- | ---: |
| Dallas District | 506.00 |
| San Antonio District | 921.00 |
| Waco District | 860.00 |
| Western District | 500.00 |
| Total |  |
|  | $\$ 3,560.00$ |

The Ministers' Wives and Daughters were commended for the fine contribution being made by them to the pension fund.

Bishop Clair called for the Disciplinary question No. 19. The answer was "Yes".
HOSPITALS AND HOMES: Dr. Connie R. Yerwood, Chairman, was absent. She asked Dr. John T. King to make a statment concerning her work, and distribute literature. This was done. Bishop Clair urged pastors to appoint a hospital steward in their local church to represent this vital phase of Methodist work.

TREASURER'S REPORT: A motion by Rev. Marshall E. Hodge, seconed by Rev. John Preciph, to have the treasurer read his report district by district was adopted by a vote of the conference. It was done. (See report section.)

PRESENTATION: Bishop Clair presented Bishop William C. Martin, resident bishop of the Dallas-Ft. Worth area. Bishop Martin gave remarks of praise for the dignity and intrepid manner which marked Bishop Clair's administration as a bishop of the Methodist Church. He also brought greetings to the West Texas Conference. Rev. Prenza L. Woods was appointed by Bishop Clair to respond. Bishop Martin was well worthy of the beautiful words given by Rev. Woods for both, Bishop Clair and the West Texas Conference. He lifted the beneficence of Bishop Martin in behalf of Huston-Tillotson College. At this point Rev. Rev. Robert S. Mosby, district Superintendent of the San Antonio District, gave a statement of praise and appreciation to Bishop Clair in behalf of the Conference for his administrative service this conference session.

REPORT: Bishop Clair called for the report of the conference statistician. He read his report and motioned its adoption. It was seconded by Rev. G. J.

Goff. It was arrested at the question and several ministers made statements of dissatisfaction to the decrease shown in the report. The previous question lost the approval of the conference. A motion by Rev. E. T. Dixon to refer the report to the statistician and the district superintendents for clarification and clearance of any possible discrepancies that may appear in the report. It was seconded by Rev. A. S. Pitts. An ammendment was offered by Rev. Dixon. The ammendment was adopted. The motion was made to read, "that each district superintendent work with the statistician to check the report from his district". The previous motion was adopted with the conversion brought on by the adopted ammendment.

MOTION: A motion by Rev. E. T. Dixon, seconded by Rev. E. J. Tanner. the conference voted in favor of setting up a special committee, to be named "Study Committee", that will have the following responsibility:
(1) Locating every church and charge in the West Texas Conference on a map of Texas.
(2) Finding out the exact membership of each church and charge.
(3) Indicating those conferences of the South Central Jurisdiction in which each of the churches and charges of the West Texas Confenrece are located. This Committee is to report to the 1965 session of the West Texas Annual Conference. The motion was adopted.
EVANGELISM: Bishop Clair called for the report of the Board of Evangelism. The report was read by Rev. E. Josheph Tanner. The report was adopted. (See report section).

NOMINATIONS: The district superintendents read their nominations for the committee on ministerial training and qualifications and the committee on building and locations. These nominations along with the nominations coming from the Cabinet were adopted with the stipulation that any necessary changes would be made by the Bishop and his Cabinet.

At this point Bishop Clair instructed the Conference Secretary to memiograph and mail to the ministerial and lay delegation the new quadrennial boards, commissions, and committees. He further instructed the conference that this expense would be expended from the Annual Conference funds. To assist this funds an offering of $\$ 16.13$ was received to cover ali expenses ordered by the conference.

The secretary was further authorized to use the mail to transmit information to the conference or other General Boards with the expense to be paid by the Annual Conference. The action establishing the presidence was motioned by Rev. T. R. Watkins and was seconded by Rev. Taylor Stewart. The motion was adopted by vote of the conference.

Mr. Odie E. Davis, Conference Lay Leader, was called to name the Lay Conference Representative and District Lay Leaders for the ensueing year. He named the following persons:

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\text { Mr. E. C. Ransom } & \text { Associate Conference Lay Leader } \\
\text { Mr. George Woods } & \text { Associate Conference Lay Leader }
\end{array}
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## Conference Representatives

Mr. O. H. Elliott, Conference Director Stewardship and Finance, AustinVictoria District.

Assistant: Mr. Elijah Morris, Waco District.
Dr. John T. King, Conference Director of Lay Speaking, Austin-Victoria District.

Assistant: Mr. Foster Roberts, San Antonio District.
Mr. B. J. Brown, Conference Director of Methodist Men, San Antonio District.

Assistant: Mr. T. M. Shadowens, Dallas District.
Districî Lay Leaders
Austin-Victoria District ..................... Mr. O. H. Elliott, Austin, Texas
Dallas District ..................................... Elmer Porter, Pelham Circuit, Texas
San Antonio District ................ Mr. B. J. Brown, Corpus Christi, Texas
Waco District .................................... Mr. Rayford Wilkins, Waco, Texas
Western District .................... Mr. George Crayton, Brownwood, Texas

The Conference Secretary read a telegram of greetings from the Georgia Conference.

The secretary was instructed to respond to the greetings. This was done. The conference adjourned with the benediction being pronounced by Rev. W. W. Baker.

## Afternoon Events

2:00 p.m. YOUTH DAY AT THE ANNUAL CONFERENCE, Rev. John W. Elliott, Sr. presiding.
(a) Reorganizational session
(b) Planning evening Program
(c) Fellowship
(d) Electing delegates to Regional
(e) M. Y. Fund collected $\$ 49.00$
(f) Installation of Youth Officers.

4:00 p.m. Minister's Wives and Daughters Association Tea.

## Evening Services Bishop Matthew W. Clair, Jr., presiding

6:00 p.m. (a) Recognition of Retired Ministers (See List).
(b) Ordination of Deacons and Elders
(c) Rededication of Young Persons Committed to the Pastoral Ministry and Other Church Related Vocations.
The above solomn events were carried out with ceremony suited to the solemnity of the occasion.

Bishop Clair, assisted by the district superintendents ordained the following persons: (a) Deacons: (b) Elders:

Deacons: George Brewer and Wesley Tatum
Elders: Martn J. Walker
7:45 P. M. Youth Worship Service was opened with a prelude by Mrs. Thelma Sparks. Rev. Marshall E. Hodge, presiding. Others appearing on program were Aaron Black, Robert Burford, Linda Ellison, Eddie Edmonds, Jesse Preciphs, St. James, Waco Youth choir, and Wesley Youth Choir if Austin.

Principle speaker was Dr. Joseph D. Quillian, Jr., Dean of Perkins School of Theology, Southern Methodist University in Dallas, Texas.

Sixteen youth came forward to give themselves to christian vocations. Closing remarks were given by Rev. John W. Elliott, Sr., Executive Secretary of West Texas Conference. Public offering for the night was $\$ 44.94$.

## Closing Session <br> West Texas Conference St. Paul Methodist Church Sunday, May 17, 1964-10 A: M. Worship Service

The "Love Feast" opened at 9:00 a. m. ,Rev. J. B. Phoenix, retired minister led the conference in song and speaking service. Rev. Martin J. Walker, conference song leader, closed this service with a solo. He sang "Just As I Am".

Mrs. Edythe J. Collins, St. Paul Organist, played approiate Hymns five minutes for quiet meditation. The closing worship service began promptly at 10:00 a. m. with Rev. Ira B. Loud presiding. He was assisted in the service by the district superintendents. Rev. T. R. Watkins read the responsive reading; lesson was on page 585, the first reading. The Scripture was read by T. M. Bruton. He read from the Book of Job. Rev. Marcus Freeman gave the Pastoral Prayer.

A total of $\$ 705.61$ was received in the general offering. Several Ministers, under the direction of Rev. Robert S. Mosby, served as stewards.

Bishop Matthew W. Clair, Jr., presiding officer, came forward to bring
the closing sermon. His subject, "He Knoweth The Way That I Take: When He Hath Tried Me, I Shall Come Forth As Gold". Job 23:10. It was forcefully and challengingly delivered.

Invitation to Christian Discipleship was extended as the choir sang. Bishop Clair called for the concluding business of the conference.

REPORT: The committee on Journal report that the minutes of the Saturday sessions were read and found to be correct. The Chairman, Rev. Zan W. Holmes, Sr., motioned the report be received and adopted with editorial priviledge to the editorial committee. It was seconded by Rev. Alexander M. Mason, Jr. The motion was adopted.

REPORT: The committee on Resolutions and Courtesies was read and adopted. The Chairman, Rev. J. Boyd Richardson.

DISPLINARY QUESTION: Displinary question 49: "Is there any other business?" The answer was: None.

READING OF APPOINTMENTS: Bishop Clair read the appointments for the 1964-1965 conference year. The benediction was pronounced by Bishop Clair.

## CERTIFICATE OF ORDINATION

This is to certify that in the City of Dallas, Texas, on the 16 th day of May, 1964, I, Matthew W. Clair, Jr., a bishop of the Methodist Church, ordained as Deacons under the election of the West Texas Conference of the Methodist Church the following men:

## John Wesley Tatum - George Brewer

On that same day, and in the same place assisting by several Elders, I ordained as an Elder:

## Marłin J. Walker



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## The Altethuidist Churrh THE BUSINESS OF THE ANNUAL CONFERENCE

The minutes of the West Texas Annual Conference Held in St. Paul Methodist Church, Dallas, Texas, from May 13, 1964, through May 17, 1964. Bishop Matthew W. Clair, Jr., presiding. Date When Organizied January 22, 1874. Number of this Session 90th.

## Part I. Organization and General Business

1. Who are elected for the quadrennium (Paras. 629, 803): Secretary Meredith C. Stone, 1401 Harvey St., Austin, Texas. Statistician? G. J. Goff, 1210 Paul Quinn Street, Waco, Texas. Treasurer? J. Garfield Owens, P. O. 1443, Dallas, Texas.
2. Is the Annual Conference incorporated? (Para. 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). J. Garfield Owens, Treasurer. Amount, $\$ 10,000.00$.
(b) Have the books of said officers of persons been audited? (Paras. 640, 729, 803, 807). Yes.
4. Have the conference boards, commissions, and committees been appointed or elected? (Paras. 666-80, 695, 721) : Yes.
(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 Town and Country Work? Yes.
(i) Deaconess Board? Yes.
(j) Board of Missions? Yes.
(k) Board of Education? Yes.
(1) Board of Christian Social Concerns? 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) Television, Radio and Film Commission? Yes.
(v) Committee on Publishing Interests? Yes.
(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? (Para. 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). $18 \%$ of the pastor's estimated salary based on the 1964-1965 conference year; to be effective for the 1964-1968 quadrennium.
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 .) $18 \%$ of the pastor's cash salary
12. What are the apportionments to this conference:
(a) For the World Service Fund? 23,235
(b) For the Episcopal Fund? 2\% of pastor's cash salary.
(c) For the General Administration Fund? $\$ 1,154.00$.
(d) For the Interdenominational Co-operation Fund? $\$ 721.00$
(e) For the Jurisdictional Administration Fund? 440
(f) For the maintenance of our institutions of higher learning? 15,000
13. What is the percentage division between world service and conference benevolences for the current year: (Para. 795) World Service? $26.2 \%$. Conference benevolence? $73.8 \%$.
14. What are the reports, recommendations, and plans of the conference agencies:
(a) What is the report of the Board of Pensions and what appropriations for conference claimants are reported and approved? (Par. 1623). $\$ 15.00$ per service year
(b) 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 other organizations are approved by the conference for annuity responsibility? (Par. 1618, Sec. 2c9). HustonTillotson College
16. What date is determined for Golden Cross Enrollment Sunday? (Par. 1559.) Sunday before Thanksgiving Sunday
17. Conference lay leader. (Par. 1507).
(a) Name Odie E. Davis, Jr., 1014 Montana St., San Antonio, Texas
(b) What is his report? (See Report).
(c) Who are district and associate district lay leaders? (Par. 1510). Rayford Wilkins, O. H. Elliott, George Crayton, Elmer Porter, B. J. Brown, E. C. Ransom, George Woods, Elijah Morris, John T. King. Foster Roberts, T. M. Shadowens, Clifford Davis, C. G. Smith, S. E. Chase, E. E. Hackett, Mrs. M. M. Brown, Eddie Evans, Clyde Carruthers. Associate Conference Lay Leaders: C. H. Johnson, E. C. Ransom, George Woods, O. H. Ellitt, John T. King, J. B. Brown.
18. What local churches have been:
(a) Organized? (Para.) Lambuth Methodist Church, Dallas, Texas
(b) Merged? (Paras. 186-87). None.
(c) Discontinued? (Paras. 126, 188, 354.) None
(d) Relocated, and to what address? None.
(e) 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). R. L. Palmer, J. H. Carruthers, T. R. Watkins, C. D. Owens, G. J. Goff, Reserves: A. S. Pitts, S. A. Keesee, William M. Ellison, Jr.
21. Who are the approved supply pastors?

| Anderson, C. W. | Daugherty, Morris | Kinchlow, Harvey |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Andrews, W. L. | Fields, Mart. G. | Lyons, Theodore R. |
| Ashurst, Harold | Finley, C. |  |
| Bell, Troy J. | Goode, J. W. | Nichols, Albert F. |
| Bledsoe, Wilbur | Hamilton, Henry D. | Thomas, J. W. Glover |
| Brothers, William R. | Hamilton, R. H. | Thomas, J. T. |
| Cade, William V. | Harris, Joel R. | Walker, Lawrence |
| Carruthers, James R. | Holden, J. B. | Walker, Martin J. |
| Champion, Mitchell | Holmes, Johnny C. | Watson, Elmo |
| Clark, Edward H. | Houston, James L. | Welch, Leroy R. |
| Curtis, Henry Wells | Johnson, A N. |  |

(a) Student approved supply pastors? (Para. 317-1, 318), and in what schools are they enrolled?
J. L. Houston, Huston-Tillotson College.

Edward H. Clark, Huston-Tillotson College.
Albert F. Nichols, Paul Quinn College.
(b) Part-time approved supply pastors (Para. 317-1, 318) , and what progress has each made in the course of study?
First Year-Troy J. Bell, A. L. Walker, T. R. Lyons, A. N. Johnson, Cornin Finley, W. L. Andrews, Joel R. Harris, Mart Fields, C. W. Anderson, William V. Cade.
Second Year-Leroy Welch, J. B. Holden, Harvey Kinchlow, Mitchell

Champion, Morris Dougherty.
Third Year-J. R. Carruthers. Fourth Year-William R. Brothers. Completed-Elmo Watson, Wilbur Bledsoe.
(c) Full-time approved supply pastors (Para. 317-2, 318), and what progress has each made in the course of study?
Continued in First Year-J. W. Goode, Glover Thomas.
Continued in Third Year-Henry D. Hamilton.
Completed Four-Year Course of Study-Martin J. Walker.
22. What approved supply pastors are credited with annuity claim on account of full-time service during the past year? (Paras. 1631, 1632.10)
George Brewer, J. T. Thomas, J. W. Goode, Glover Thomas, Martin J. Walker, Henry D. Hamilton.
23. What preachers coming from other evangelical churches have had their orders recognized? (Par. 411.2)
(a) As local deacons? None.
(b) As local elders? None.
24. Who have been admitted from other evangelical churches as traveling preachers: (See note under question 33.) (Par. 411.3-5).
(a) As member on trial: Deacons? None. Elders? None.
(b) As members in full connection: Deacons? None. Elders? E. C. Tatum.
25. Who are admitted on trial: (List alphabetically. See note under question 33.)
(a) With degree from approved colleges and credits from approved schools of theology? (Para. 323-24.) John Wesley Tatum.
(b) With degree from colleges not accredited by the University Senate and credits from approved schools of theology? (Par. 325, Sec. 1). None.
(c) With degree from approved colleges and completion of the introductory studies for the ministry and the first year course of study? (Para. 325-2.) None.
(d) With partial college credit, completion of the four-year course of study, and six years service as approved supply pastor? (Par. 325, Sec. 3.) George Brewer.
26. Who are continued on trial; and what progress have they made in their ministerial studies (Par. 330):
(a) As students in approved schools of theology? Luther Wade Henry.
(b) As graduates of approved schools of theology? None.
(c) In the four-year course of study? Lawrence A. Walker.
(d) In the four graduate courses of study? (Par. 343, Sec. 2). None.
27. Who on trial are discontinued? Hector J. Grant, Jr.; James McCants (transferred to Central West Conference, June 1, 1964).
28. Who are admitted into full connection? (List alphabetically: See note under question 33.) None.
29. Who have been elected deacons (Par. 393): (See note under question 33.)
(a) Theological students? John Wesley Tatum.
(b) Members on trial in the course of study? George Brewer.
(c) Approved supply pastors? None.
(d) Other local preachers? None.
(e) Missionaries? None.
(f) Chaplains? None.
30. Who have been ordained deacons? (See note under question 33.) None.
31. Who have been elected elders (Par. 403): (See note under question 33.)
(a) Theological graduates? None.
(b) Course of study graduates? None.
(c) Approved supply pastors? Martin J. Walker.
(d) Other Local preachers? None.
(e) Missionaries? None.
(f) Chaplains? None.
32. Who have been ordained elders? (See note under question 33.) None.
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: Deacons? None. Elders? None.
(c) Ordained after election by other conferences: Deacons? None. Elders? None.
(NOTE: Members of this conference who were admitted or ordained through the accommodation of other conferences during the year should be listed under Questions 24-32, whichever are appropriate, along with their fellow members who were admitted or ordained at the current session. In each case the date and accommodating conference should be recorded. Under Question 33 should be listed persons, now members of other conferences, who were members of this conference only during the period necessary for their admission or ordination, if at all. In each case the conference of which the person is now a member, and any other conference involved, should be recorded. Transfers preceding or folowing actual service in this conference should be listed under Questions $36-37$.)
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? (List alphabetically. If probationer, so indicate. See note under question 33.) L. D. Washington, Texas Conference, May 24, 1964.
37. Who have been transferred out? (List alphabetically. See note under question 33.) Elmo C. Tatum, Lexington Conference, June 14, 1964.
38. Who have had their conference membership terminated:
(a) By voluntary location? None.
(b) By involuntary location? None.
(c) By withdrawal? None.
(d) By judicial procedure (expelled)? None.
39. Deceased:
(a) What ministerial members have died during the year? Inactive: William M. Ellison, Sr., June 8, 1963; Newton W. Stephens, October 23, 1964.
(b) What approved supply pastors have died during the year? E. Goins.
(c) What deaconesses have died during the year? None.
40. Who are the supernumerary ministers, and for what number of years consecutively has each held this relation? (Para 365.) Sherrill Moore (1).
41. Who are granted sabbatical leave? (Par. 364.) None.
42. What ministerial members have been retired:
(a) This year? O. B. Coe, T. B. Echols, R. L. Foy, S. M. Franklin, A. C. Holden, H. E. Kuykendall, S. G. Pharms, Walter Walmsley, J. L. Wattley.
(b) Previously? D. B. Baker, W. W. Baker, O. K. Brewster, M. B. Burkley, E. H. Carter, J. H. Childs, C. W. Franklin, C. L. King, J. H. Marshall, J. F. Muse, L. E. Muse, J. B. Phoenix, I. H. Pierce, A. D. Porter, J. S. Ross, H. G. Simmons, T. J. D. Simms, F. D. Young.
43. What approved supply pastors have been retired?
(a) This year? None.
(b) Previously? B. W. Anderson, Jesse Hudson.
44. Who are appointed to attend school? (List alphabetically.) Luther Wade Henry, John Wesley Tatum.
45. What is the number of:
(a) General Information: $\quad$ Pastoral charges ........................................................................................... 103

Approved supply pastors .............................................................................................................................. 32
Received on trial ........................................................................................ 2

Transferred in ............................................................................................ 1
Transferred out ........................................................................................... 1
Received from other evangelical churches .............................................. 1
Readmitted .......................................................................................... None
Discontinued ................................................................................................ 2
Withdrawn ............................................................................................ None
Expelled ............................................................................................... None
Located ................................................................................................................................................................
Deceased .................................................................................................... 3
Local preachers ........................................................................................ 21
Women under appointment ..................................................................... 1
Retired made effective ....................................................................... None
Retired serving as supply pastors .........................................................................
District parsonages ..................................................................................... 5
Value .................................................................................... \$85,500.00
Indebtedness ............................................................................................. 31,830.00
(b) Number of Ministers:
(1) On trial
(a) As pastors ................................................................................... 3
(b) Under special appointment ................................................ None
(c) Appointed to attend school ...................................................... 2

Total on trial .............................................................................. 5
(2) In full connection:
(a) Effective
(i) As pastors and district superintendents ................... 70
(ii) Under special appointment .......................................... 7
(iii) Appointed to attend school ..................................... None
(iv) On sabbatical leave ................................................ None

Total effective ................................................................ 77
(b) Retired ......................................................................................... 27
(c) Supernumerary ........................................................................... 1

Total ministerial members: (Add total on trial, effective, retired, and supernumerary.)105
46. What other personal notation should be made? On the unanimous vote of the conference the case of Elmo C. Tatum was reconsidered concerning Question 23, page 25, 1957 Journal, referiig it to the Committee on Conference Relations. It recommended that the action of the 83rd. session of the West Texas Conference be recended, and that Mr. Tatum's Orders be recognized, and that he be received as a minister in full connection in the West Texas Conference. By unanimous vote of the conference this was done. (See resolution in report section.)

## Part III. Concluding Business

47. What are the detailed objectives of this conference for the coming year? (See supplementary report).
48. Where shall the next conference session be held? St. Paul Methodist Church, San Antonio, Texas.
49. Is there any other business? None.
50. What changes have been made in appointments since the last Annual Conference Session? W. J. Washington, to Wesley Foundation, Texas Southern University; John W. Elliott, to Executive Secretary of Christian Education; Mason Johnson, to Columbus; (L. A. Walker) to West Laurel Heights; (Mart Fields) to St. Luke, San Antonio.
51. Where are the preachers stationed for the ensuing year? (See list of appointments).

# West Texas Annual Conference APPOINTMENTS - 1964-1965 

## Austin- Victoria District

T. R. Watkins, District Superintendent - 1

Charge Pastor Years
Altair Circuit (Harold Ashurst) ..... 2Austin:
Simpson Memorial William Ellison, Jr. ..... 2
St. Peter's M. C. Stone ..... 2
Wesley Prenza L. Woods ..... 5
Associate (F. D. Young) ..... 2
Columbus .Mason Johnson
Cuero-Yorktown Charles W. Smith ..... 2
Dale-Smithville E. M. Cooper
Edna-Morales E. J. Tanner
El Campo Parish(James L. Houston)${ }_{7}$
Goliad Parish ..... 1(T. J. D. Simms)
Halletsville-Breslau ..... 4(C. L. King)
Lagrange Parish (Elmo Watson)1
Lockhart George Brewer ..... 3
Luling-Union Hill Collie J. Polk ..... 2
Martindale (J. T. Thomas) ..... 2
Oakland Circuit Taylor Stewart ..... 3
Port Lavaca Marshall Majors ..... 6
San Marcos-Tilman H. T. Franks ..... 1
Schulenburg Parish S. D. Miller ..... 3
Sublime (C. Finley) ..... 2
Victoria J. S. C. Grattan ..... 1
Winchester Circuit
Winchester Circuit (J. W. Goode) ..... 2
Yoakum-Shiner (Edward H. Clark) ..... 2
District Missionary Secretary Prenza L. Woods
District Secretary of Evangelism M. C. Stone
District Director of Christian Social Concerns J. S. C. Grattan
Dallas District
J. Hudson Carruthers, District Superintendent - 1
Charge
Pastor
Years
Corsicana (C. W. Anderson) ..... 2
Dallas:
(T. R. Lyons) ..... 1
Carver Heights
Crest-Moore ... Zan W. Holmes, Sr.
6
Highland Hills Zan W. Holmes, Jr. Zan W. Holmes, Jr.
Lambuth Samuel H. Callier ..... 1
St. Luke (J. R. Carruthers) ..... 1
St. Paul I. B. Loud ..... 17
Trinity (To Be Supplied)
Warren J. G. Owens ..... 7
Dennison A. M. Mason, Jr. ..... 1
Ferris-Lancaster B. T. Adams ..... 3
Fort Worth:
(J. L. Wattley) ..... 2
Cogswell
S. A. White
S. A. White ..... 3 ..... 3
Cowan-McMillan
Cowan-McMillan
L. L. Haynes, Sr. ..... 8 ..... 8
Thompson Chapel ..... 6M.E. Hodge2
Charge Pastor
Grand Prairie (A. N. Johnson) ..... 7
Milford-Italy (Glover Thomas) ..... 1
Pelham Circuit (J. B. Phoenix ..... 6
Waxahacie-Ennis (W. V. Cade) ..... 2
Witchita Falls C. C. Metcalf ..... 2
District Missionary Secretary J. G. Owens
District Secretary of Evangelism Zan W. Holmes, Jr.
District Director of Christian Social Concerns Earl E. Allen
San Anłonio Districł
D. H. Hansboro, District Superintendent - ..... 1
Charge Pastor Years

District Missionary Secretary C. D. Owens
District Secretary of Evangelism ..... T. M. Bruton
District Director of Christian Social Concerns R. S. Mosby
Waco District
E. C. Purnell, District Superintendent ..... 1
Charge Pastor Years
Bartlett Circuit (D. B. Baker) ..... 9
Belton Circuit Z. E. King ..... 7
Bowman-Longbranch ..... (J. B. Holden) 1
Calvert ..... (J. W. Reager) 1
Georgetown Circuit (Wilbur Bledsoe) 1
Groesbeck- Bremond Roy E. Stanley ..... 10
Hubbard-Hillsboro (Albert Nichols) ..... 1
Marlin ..... A. D. Minor 1
Mart-Spring Hill S. W. Curtis 2
Maysfield Circuit I. C. Greer ..... 9
Charge Pastor Years
Moody-Gatesville (R. H. Hamilton) ..... 1
Mexia:
Jones Chapel (H. E. Kuykendall) ..... 3
Union Memorial (W. W. Baker) ..... 2
Rocky-Cedar-Frosa (H. D. Hamilton) ..... 7
Satin Major Parish R: W: Johnson ..... 8
Temple G. L. Johnson ..... 8
Waco:
L. R. Proctor ..... 2
Bracks Chapel
S. M. Cleaver ..... 7
St. James Lavalle Lowe, Jr. ..... 6
Wesley ..... 2
Wm. L. Shaw Valley Mills-Crawford ..... 2
District Missionary Secretary G. J. Goff
District Secretary of Evangelism George L. Johnson
District Director of Christian Social Concerns S. M. Cleaver
Western District
M. A. L. Freeman, District Superintendent - ..... 5
Charge Pastor Years
Abilene Charles Espie ..... 2
Amarillo E. A. Rogers ..... 1
Brady-San Saba (Joel R. Harris) ..... 6
Brownwood E. T. Fuller ..... 4
El Paso A. S. Pitts ..... 2
Lampasas-Llano Circuit Robert T. King ..... 2
Levelland M. T. Reed ..... 2
Lubbock M. T. Reed ..... 7
Midland John L. Preciph ..... 2Mason-Burnet ..................................................................................... Be Supplied)
Odessa Joe H. Carter
San Angelo R. L. Palmer ..... ${ }_{8}^{1}$
Slaton J. S. Loud ..... 3
District Missionary Secretary R. L. PalmerA. S. Pitts
District Director of Christian Social Concerns ..... M. T. Reed
SPECIAL APPOINTMENTS
Without Annuity Claim:
Staff Member, General Board of Education Ernest T. DixonPresident, Husto-Tillotson CollegeJ. J. SeabrookWith Dixwell Avenue Congregational Church,New Haven, ConnecticutEdwin Edmonds
Deaconess, Huston-Tillotson College Dr. Carmen LowryChaplain, United States ArmyI. C. Loud, Jr.
With Annuiry Claim:Wesley Foundation- Texas Southern UniversityWilliam J. WashingtonExecutive Secretary, Conference Board of Education
Special Conference Appointments:
Conference Missionary Secretary .....
Prenza L. Woods Conference Secretary of Evangelism E. J. Tanner
Appointed to Attend School:
John Wesley TatumLuther W. Henry

## Reports

## REPORT NUMBER 1

## COMPOSITE REPORTS OF THE DISTRICT SUPERINTENDENTS

Bishop Matthew W. Clair, Jr. and members of the Ninetieth Session of The West Texas Conference:

May the Gow of Hope fill you with all Joy and Peace in believing, that ye may abound in hope, through the power of the Holy Spirit. It is with profound gratitude, yet a deep sense of humility that we, your five District Superintendents, come to this solemn hour to submit this our annual report to this distinguished Ninetieth Session of our Annual Conference. Here we come with praise and gratitude to God and you for the victories which we have experienced during this year. We also come with humility, and even regrets, because of the defects and failures which we have sustained due to the fact that in our selfishness and pride we have hindered the grace of God.

When we remember the path over which we have come this year, we join in song with John Newton (that great Hymn writer), "Through many dangers, toils, and snares, I have already come, This grace hath bro't me safe thus far, and grace wil lead me home." On the other hand, anxious messages have followed messages hearing the sad tidings concerning many of OUR comrades. As tragedy darts the horizon, and many of our brethren over-powered by illness, are forced to sit on the side-line, we must say again, "surely the hand of affliction has been heavily upon us." Yet as followers of Christ the Crucified, and brethren of the Apostle Paul, we join him in saying, "We are afflicted, in every way, but not forsaken; struck down, but not destroyed."

## Huston-Tillotson College

We never tire of expressing our deep appreciation to the President, Dr. J. J. Seabrook; Dean, Dr. John T. King; Members of the Faculty; Bishop Noah W. Moore, Jr., and Trustees of Huston-Tillotson College, for the fine job being done. The college continues to suffer from grave growing pains, yet one need only to pay one visit to the college to discover that those growing pains are being cured; yes, additions and expansions to both girls and boys dormitories are now being made-yes to be sure there is a college down in Austin.

## The Austin-Victoria District T. R. Watkins, District Superintendent

"The Austin-Victoria District has had an excellent year." In making this statement, we do not intend to imply satisfaction on our part. To the contrary, we are keenly aware that all quotas have not been raised in full; nor, have all goals been attained; although strenuous efforts have been made to do the complete task. Until this very desirable situation is obtained, we shall not be satisfied. However, in light of the notable progress made by a majority of the pastors and charges of the district in practically all areas of endeavour, we feel justified in terming this conference year, "an excellent year for the Austin-Victoria District."

The morale of the pastors, district officers, and laymen of the district is at a high point. Their dedication to the total program of Methodism is heartening and highly commendable. With such a fine spirit of loyalty and dedication prevailing, the Austin-Victoria District can be counted upon to do an increasingly better job for Christ and His Church.

## IIIness and Death

The district has not escaped the ravages of two of man's most common enemies, illness and death. We are thankfull, however, that in both categories, the statistics are comparatively low. The Reverends S. G. Pharms, Marshall Majors, and T. J. D. Simms, have been handicapped in their work because
of illness. Other pastors of the district have been hampered by illness, but not to the extent that their work suffered. Death claims Mrs. Mattie Goode, wife of Rev. J. W. Goode. Surely, we share his deep sorrow, and fervently pray for a complete restoration of health to our pastors who are $1 l l$.

## Promotion and Cultivation

The program of the General Church has been vigorously promoted in the charges of the district. In many of the churches, paper organizations have become "flesh and blood," and are moving. The educational work of the church is being carried on in a fine way by the organizations charged with this responsibility. The district Woman's Society of Christian Service and Wesleyan Service Guild, under leadership of Miss L. B. Wilson and Miss Dora Smith, respectively, continue to function effectively. The same is true of the societies and guilds on the local church level.

## Numerical Growth

Statistical reports of the pastors reveal increases in membership, especially in churches located in cities and larger towns. We have given considerable time and attention to churches in small towns and rural communities, with revitalization as a goal. We have had an appreciable measure of success in this effort.

## New Church Edifice

Hearty congratulations to Rev. J. L. Houston and the good people of Jackson Chapel Methodist Church, San Marcos, Texas, for having given to the city of San Marcos, the Austin-Victoria District, the West Texas Conference, and to Methodism, a brand new church building. The building, erected at a cost of approximately $\$ 12,000$, is beautiful, modern and completely adequate for the needs of the congregation for a long time to come. One simply must see it, to fully appreciate what has happened in San Marcos for Methodism.

## District Parsonage

The remodeling of the district parsonage has been one of the outstanding accomplishments of the year on the district. At the beginning of the conference year, the parsonage was small, run-down, and altogether inadequate. Through the untiring efforts and expert supervision of the district board of trustees, the Austin-Victoria District Parsonage is now a modern, beautiful, well appointed, very livable home, with bricked front, three bed rooms, two complete baths, larger living room-dining area, convenient halls, and adequate storage space. To the board of trustees: Rev. P. L. Woods, Dr. John T. King, Attorney Virgil Lott, Mr. Lloyd Stafford, Rev. Zan W. Holmes, Sr., Rev. J. D. Mooring, and Rev. Taylor Stewart; and to the district parsonage committee: Mrs. Clara Johnson, Miss Lillie B. Wilson, Mrs. Ruthie B. Henderson, Mrs. M. A. Bailey, and Mrs. Alberta Richardson; THANK YOU for a job - WELL DONE.

## General Improvements and Accomplishments

Space alloted for this report is far too limited for me to give a detailed account of all improvements and noteworthy accomplishments of the pastors and their charges this year. The year's work of a majority of them might well be summed up by paraphrasing the last line of Longfellow's, The Village Blacksmith: "something attempted, something done, has earned ... a firm well done. A brief account of a few of the "somethings attempted, something done", follows: P. L. Woods and Wesley, Austin: for the fourth consecutive year, paid all benevolence quotas in full; erected imposing outside bulletin, all indebtedness current, added members, exerted influence for good on the spiritual, civic, and social life of Austin. Wm. Ellison, Jr., and Simpson, Austin: effected "a new look" organization-wise; added new members, reactivated inactive members, erected outside bulletin, youth organization (second to none) a good job financially. M. C. Stone and St. Peters: All departments fully organized and working; added new members, paid off burdensome debts, revitalized spiritual life of the church, commendable job in area of finance.
J. D. Mooring and St. Mark, Lockhart: This most efficient pastor-administrator and his loyal congregation have, as was expected, done another magnificent job in every phase of the work of the church. Elmo Watson and La Grange Parish: An exceptionally good year; general improvements
made at every point of the parish, and an excellent report financially. Zan W. Holmes, Sr., and Webster Chapel, Victoria: Paid off indebtedness on pews, installed new organ, financial report fair. E. J. Tanner and Edna-Morales: Usual good job in every respect. C. J. Polk and Luling-Union Hill, H. T. Franks and El Campo Parish, Marshall Majors and Port Lavaca-Placedo, T. J. D. Simms and Goliad Parish, C. Finley and Sublime, S. D. Miller and Schulenburg Parish, E. M. Cooper and Dale-Smithville, Harold Ashurst and Altair Ct., J. T. Thomas and Martindale, Taylor Stewart and Oakland Ct., Edward Clark and Yoakum-Shiner, Charles W. Smith and Cuero-Yorktown: "something attempted, something done", has earned a "firm well done."

## Huston-Tillotson College and President J. J. Seabrook

This report would be incomplete without a word concerning HustonTillotson College and President Seabrook. The Austin-Victoria District is proud indeed, that our beloved college is located within the bounds of our district. We are thrilled as we note its continuing growth and progress, and are deeply appreciative of the dignified and judicious manner in which President Seabrook administers its affairs. President Seabrook has given unstinted support to the district program of the church, notwithstanding the exceedingly heavy responsibilities placed upon him as President of a college. He has graciously provided free office space for the district superintendent on the campus of the college. Thank you, Mr. President.
Bishop Noah W. Moore, Jr.
Finally, to Bishop Noah W. Moore, Jr.: Thank you, for having given me the opportunity and high privilege of serving our great Church as district superintendent. The experience has greatly enriched my humble ministry, and your expressed confidence in me has inspired me to greater effort for Christ and His Church. I can only hope that my ministry has been in a small measure, at least, acceptable.

## Dallas District

## T. M. Bruton, District Superintendent

God's blessings have been in evidence upon us during the year. We have for the most part enjoyed good health. Brther Earl Goins, our pastor at Carver Heights (Dallas) became seriously ill and passed away during the first of the year. His widow was so loved by the little mission that they were happy to carry on under her guidance. Brother Foy, our pastor at the Trinity Church also in Dallas, Texas has had a long stretch of illness but he is much improved, and the work has moved on under his guidance, even at times from his sick room.

We have to the best of our ability looked after all matters concerning the church, both local and general. New members have been added to all of the churches except two (2), some have added as many as 200 or more. Brother Hodge, our pastor at Morningside (Ft. Worth), has had great success in adding members. Highland Hills, and Crest-Moore, both new Churches in (Dallas) have had fine growth. Each of these new projects have not only had additions to their memberships, but have been able to meet their obligations both with the General Board, and Conference-wise. Hamilton Park, under the dynamic leadership of Brother Holmes, has had one of its greatest years. During the year Brother Holmes has led his people in the building of one of our most modern Educational buildings. Here at Hamilton Park, we find both pastor and people happily working together. This church has in six years grown from a membership of 45, to more than 700 at this time. We are happy when we note that most of the churches in the Dallas District have had growth. The Dallas District has gained more than 1200 members during the six (6) years of my tenure. For this, I am grateful to all pastors who have served with us during these six years as district superintendent of the Dallas District.

During the six years we have with the help of the pastors and their good members been able to build, re-build, and buy out-right eleven (11) churches and educational buildings on the Dallas District. We have organized four new congregations with total membership of eight hundred (800) and each of these new churches is growing in membership each week. The churches on the Dallas District have been led on by such men as: J. L. Wattley, George Brewer, Saul A. White, C. W. Anderson, A. D. Minor, T. R. Lyons, B. T.

Adams, A. N. Johnson, Zan W. Holmes, Earl E. Allen, J. R. Carruthers, Marshall E. Hodge, J. B. Phoenix, L. L. Haynes, Glover Thomas, W. A. Webb, S. A. Keesee, R. L. Foy, J. G. Owens, W. V. Cade and C. C. Metcalf.

The above named ministers have all given great leadership to the people to whom they were assigned. As I come to this, my last year with you, I wish it were possible for me to find words with which to thank each of you personally for the many kindnesses shown me by you and your congregations.

The work of the Woman's Society has had its best year under the leadership of Miss L. C. Dunlap. Higher Education has been steadily kept before each of the churches in the district, and the work of Christian Education has done even better, though we were forced to change secretaries in the middle of the year. Brother Elliott has done well during his short tenure and we hope for him a great future in his work.

Other Building: Under the leadership of Brother I. B. Loud, pastor of our St. Paul Church (Dallas), there has now been completed what is called the Methodist West Apartments, at a cost of nearly a million dollars. This project is sponsored excusively by the St. Paul Methodist Church in Dallas, Texas. In Fort Worth, Texas under the leadership of Brother L. L. Haynes, we shall soon have another of the Government financed apartments. This project is being sponsored by the Saint Andrews Methodist Church (Fort Worth, Texas). This project has already been approved by the Administration, and will soon be under construction.

I could not close this report without giving a word of thanks to Bishop and Mrs. Moore for kindness shown us during the four years it has been ours to serve under their leadership. We thank them for striving always to understand us, even when we tried and failed. Thanks, Thanks, Thanks.

## San Antonio District

## Robert S. Mosby, District Superintendent

We close our work as District Superintendent of the San Antonio District with a deep sense of gratitude and obligation for the privileges and opportunities which have been ours in this great succession. There is ever the thrill and hope in Kingdoms work. We have done what we could.

We have been constantly conscious of the necessities. The needs and demands through our conference have been, for us reminders that we must ever look on the fields because the harvest is great.

World Service, Pensions, Education. Missions, Youth Work and Demands, Church Extension, Ministerial support, Evangelism. Lay Activities, the work with our women of the Woman's Society of christian Service and Speciai Askings have all received our attention and services and support.

We have given special emphasis to the work of Social Concerns. We have attempted to understand and interpret the forces in our Social Order which are causing concern and developing the trends in our revolts.

Illness has come to some of our parsonages. Rev. O. B. Coe has had a vicious siege.

I express further my sincere thanks and acknowledge my obligations to the following ministers and their families and churches for giving of themselves in unstinted service: E. D. Alexander. W. L. Andrews. W. R. Brothers, J. H. Carruthers, O. B. Coe. Antone Dykes, J. S. C. Grattan, D. H. Hansboro, L. H. Haywood, L. A. Walker, A. C. Holden, Harvey Kinchelow, E. L. Spencer, E. C. Purnell, J. B. Richardson, C. J. Houston, S. M. Franklin, M. J. Walker, Leroy Welch, and Mart Fields.

We have been eagerly striving to help in the task of Recruitment for Christian Service. In our District Meetings we have presented this cause and earnestly endeavored to find some ways and means to help in this mighty challenge.

I say goodbye with a feeling f deep contentment. Although unworthy for so great a task, I have been blessed to work, been lifted in my ministry,
and encouraged in my life.

## The Waco District C. D. Owens, District Superintendent

At the conclusion of this Annual Conference session, the Superintendent of the Waco District ends his term of office.

A sincere thanks is expressed to the Annual Conference for the opportunity to have served in this capacity. Thanks also to the Ministers and Laymen with whom he has worked for their loyalty and support.

It has been an inestimable experience in personal growth, also the growth of the District is due to the courageous effort on the part of the fine members of the Waco District.

We have kept before the District the entire program of the church, Evangelism, Mission, Education, World Services, Pensions; all have received our careful attention; in each of these, progress has been made. Planning Conference, District Conferences, Workshops, Institutes, and Seminars have been held both of interest and profitable.

The Ministers of the Waco District are: Reverends J. W. Reagor, Lonnie R. Proctor, S. W. Curtis, S. M. Cleaver, Alexander Mason, Wilber Bledsoe, H. D. Hamilton, Roy E. Stanley, G. J. Goff, R. W. Johnson, Wm. L. Shaw, Albert Nichols, I. C. Greer, Z. E. King, Mitchell Champion, George L. Johnson, D. B. Baker, Lavalle Lowe, Jr., R. H. Hamilton, W. W. Baker, and H. E. Kuykendall. These men have given fine leadership to the District; thanks for your efforts. Reverends H. D. Hamilton and Z. E. King are on the sick list; we earnestly pray for their full recovery.

The Woman's Society of Christian Service has experienced another fruitful year under the un-tiring leadership of the President, Mrs. H. B. Thomas and her loyal workers.

During our six years of serving the Waco District, we have, with the fine help of the congregations and pastors, purchased a modern and comfortable District parsonage, twelve churches have been remodeled, five new churches have been built, with the Port Sullivan Church now debt free; thanks to Rev. I. C. Greer and that fine congregation. The new Wesley Church in Waco was bought from a white congregation, and it is growing by leaps and bounds. Rev. G. J. Goff is pastor. A Multi-Family Housing Project is sponsored by the four churches and pastors in Waco; Bracks, Mt. Zion, Wesley, and St. James, known as the River Oaks Methodist Projects.

This project was built at a cost of almost a million and a half dollars. This means better living conditions for a number of families. We are happy to announce that this project is completely integrated and without incidents; the races are living together in peace.

As I come to the close of my years in this capacity, a feeling of deep appreciation steals over me, for even though unworthy for all of these things, God has blessed our feeble effort.

And now again using Paul's words to Timothy, "The last drops of our own sacrifice are falling, our time to go has come, we have fought in the good fight."

## The Western District

## M. A. L. Freeman, District Superintendent

Humanity on its long journey down the ages, has tested life at every point and has reached certain well-defined conclusions, which are available for those who are setting out on life's difficult way.

The ages assure us for example, that obligation is a fact. That the word "duty" stands for something essential to the right ordering of life.

Nothing can help us feel God's care and love more swiftly than the recollection of our blessings. God has guided us through fifty thousand or more miles of dangers, toils, and snares. He has enabled us to conduct the required meetings that are to be held on a District Level by the Methodist Church.

The District Superintendent, wishes to express his deep appreciation to
the following Ministers: Charles O. Espie, E. T. Fuller, Joel R. Harris, Albert S. Pitts, Robert T. King, M. T. Reed, J. L. Preciphs, E. A. Rogers, Mrs. Alma Bailey, R. L. Palmer, J. H. Carter, and Jim Sam Loud for a job weil done.

The paramount meeting of the year was the Western District Institute. We are grateful to our brave and courageous Youth, who "let His train fill the Temple". Thanks to our Dean, M. T. Reed, and the Executive Secretary, John W. Elliott, Sr., for their contribution to the Institute.

The Woman's Society of Christian Service under the dynamic leadership of Mrs. T. L. Bell, President, and her co-workers, who have been very cooperative in every phase of the district work this conference year.

## Building and Improvement

Under the leadership of Rev. Charles O. Espie, our Plum Street Church and Parsonage at Abilene, Texas, have been completely renovated. This church has an increase in membership and attendance.

## Church Debts

Myrtle Avenue Church, El Paso; Hollowell Church, Midland; Wesley Church, San Angelo; St. Luke Church, Levelland; debts have been reduced substantially with no delinquencies.

Our work would not have been a success without the able leadership and guidance of Bishop and Mrs. Noah W. Moore, Jr., who have emphatically placed upon the hearts and minds of the ministers that every cause or asking is of great significance. With this type of leadership the West Texas Conference will go forward.

And now the God of Peace that brought again from the dead, our Lord Jesus, that great Shepherd of the sheep through the blood of the everlasting covenant; make you perfect in every good work to do His Will, working in you that which is well pleasing in His sight, through Jesus Christ, to Whom be glory for ever and ever.

Humbly Submitted:
T. R. Watkins, Austin-Victoria District
T. Madison Bruton, Dallas District
R. S. Mosby, San Antonio District
C. D. Owens, Waco District
M. A. L. Freeman, Western District

## REPORT NUMBER 2

## REPORT OF <br> COMMISSION ON WORLD SERVICE AND FINANCE 1964-1965

Bishop Clair 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 to see 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 possession, that the Kingdom of God may be realized in our day. We feel that our budget is reasonable and we call upon our members to support it with their whole hearts.

The members who have heeded the call of our Lord to Tithing should see that a reasonable portion of their Tithe is set aside for the Benevolence of the Church.

Members who have not yet heeded the call of our Lord to Tithing should make a liberal pledge to the Benevolences of the Church. Some are blessed of God to give $\$ 100.00$, some $\$ 50.00$, others $\$ 25.00$. Even members of small incomes can give at least the minimum asking. All of us according to our financial abilities are called upon to give to the great Benevolence Program of the Church of Jesus Christ Our Lord.

If we will heed the call of Our Lord, His Kingdom will move forward
in the earth. Let us therefore rededicate our lives to the advancement of the Kingdom of Our Lord in the earth.

## Respectfully submitted, your Commission on World Service and Finance:

S. A. Keesee, Chairman
D. H. Hansboro
G. J. Goff
M. C. Stone, Secretary

Mrs. Ludie Dukes
John T. King
Rayford Wilkins
Atty. Clifton Davis
C. H. Johnson
W. M. Ellison, Jr.

Mr. Chairman and Members of the Conference:
Your Commission on World Service and Finance is presenting for your consideration at this time two phases of the total report.

The World Service and Annual Conference Benevolence and Administration Budget and the recommendations pertaining to Ministerial Support.

Our Budget for the 1964-1965 Conference Year represents a decrease of $\$ 1,400.00$.

Our Budget for the 1963-1964 Conference Year was $\$ 85,800.00$.
Our Budget for the 1964-1965 Conference Year is $\$ 84,400.00$.
Your Commission is recommending that if and when the part of the total report we are now presenting for your consideration is adopted, that all other features of the total report remain the same for the 1964-1965 Conference Year as they were for the 1963-1964 Conference Year.

Respectfully,
Your Commission on World Service and Finance.

## Christian Higher Education Huston-Tillotson College and Wesley Foundations Special Race Relation Day Offering

The General Conference provided that the responsibility of the Commission on Higher Education in the Annual Conference shall be assigned to the Conference Board of Education and that the Program of Christian Higher Education shall be given accelerated emphasis.

The members of the West Texas Conference are requested to contribute a minimum of $\$ 1.00$ per year for Huston-Tillotson College, and $30 \phi$ per member for Wesley Foundations.

The minimum Goal for the Conference is $\$ 15.000 .00$. Money collected on Race Relation Day for Christian Higher Education in the charges of the Conference shall be sent by the local charge treasurer by Cashier Check, Money-Order, or Certified Check to the Conference Treasurer clearly designated Race Relation Offering for Christian Higher Education.

## Special Days <br> Paragraphs 296, 760

1. One great hour of sharing on or about the fourth Sunday in Lent.
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.

June, 1964, is due in the Office of the Annual Conference Treasurer not later than Wednesday after the first Sunday in June and at the same specified time each month thereafter, until the total amount equal to $18 \%$ of the Pastors' and Associate Pastors' estimated salaries, based upon the estimation for the Annual Conference Year 1964-1965 is paid to the Annual Conference Treasurer in full.

It shall be the duty of the several District Superintendents of the Conference to give Official Guidance and Directives pertaining to all phases of the District Superintendent Fund in all of the Charges of the Conference.

## Percentage Distributions to the Five Districts of the Conference

We recommend that the following percentages be used in making apportionments to the five Districts of the Conference.

> Austin-Victoria District .......................................... $22.0 \%$
> Dallas District ......................................................... $29.8 \%$
> San Antonio District ............................................................... $26.5 \%$
> Waco District ........................................................... 16.5\%
> Western District ...................................................... $5.2 \%$
100.0\%

The above District Percentages are based on the District Church Membership reported in the 1960 West Texas Annual Conference Journal and the 1960 General Minutes of the Methodist Church.

## Apportionments to the Charges of the Five Districts of the Conference

- Paragraph 797 -

The District Superintendent of each District of the Conference shall call a meeting of the District Board of Stewards composed of the District Superintendent as chairman and the District Stewards elected by the several Quarterly Conferences and shall make the distribution to the Charges of the District using such methods as the District Superintendent and District Stewards may determine.

## Budget <br> World Service and Annual Conference Benevolence 1964-1965

GENERAL BENEVOLENCES
General World Service - 39.4\% ..... \$23,235
Annual Conference BenevolencesConference Board of Missions15,000
EDUCATION
Board Meetings ..... \$ 200
Office of Executive Secretary (Salary) ..... 4,600
House Allowance ..... 1,200
Office Allowance
790
790
Travel Allowance ..... 900
TOTAL\$ 7,690
Commission on Higher Education
Meetings and Promotional Activities ..... \$ 500
Huston-Tillotson College ..... 5,000
Wesley Foundations M. S. M. ..... 2,000TOTAL
$\$ 2,000$
Gulfside Pastors' School
200
Gammon Seminary\$ 7,500
Special for Ministerial Students Preparing for Annual Conference Membership ..... 600
Board of Ministerial Training ..... 350
Board of Missions ..... 300
Missionary Secretary ..... 100
Board of Evangelism ..... 200
Board of Lay Activities ..... 400
Board of Christian and Social Concerns ..... 600
Board of Hospitals and Homes ..... 200
Inter-Board Commission ..... 400
Commission on Promotion and Cultivation ..... 200
Radio and Television Ministry ..... 100
TOTAL ..... \$ 5,650
TOTAL Annual Conference Benevolence - $60.6 \%$ ..... \$35,840
TOTAL General and Annual Conf. Benevolences ..... \$59,075
Administration
GENERAL ..... \$ 1,154
Interdenominational Co-operation Fund ..... 721
Jurisdictional ..... 440
AREA
Area Budget ..... \$5,862
Gulfside ..... 1,000
Methodist Men's Retreat ..... 264
Ministers' Wives' Retreat ..... 660
Institute on Church Music ..... 264
M. Y. F. Convocation ..... 440
TOTAL\$ 8,490
Episcopal Residence ..... 2,550
Annual Conference
Annual Conference Expense Fund ..... \$1,000
Methodist Centre ..... 800
Texas Council of Churches Denominational Asking ..... 100
Texas Council of Churches - Delegate Expense ..... 200
Planning Commission of Texas Methodism ..... 100
Commission on World Service and Finance ..... 720
Conference Treasurer's Office Expense and Travel ..... 1,500
Conference Treasurer's Bond ..... 100
Audit by C. P. A ..... 600
Secretary and Staff ..... 450
Statistician and Staff ..... 400
Conference Journal ..... 1,400
Conference Reserve - Emergency Fund ..... 4,500
Conference Historical Society ..... 100
TOTAL Annual Conference Administration ..... \$11,970
TOTAL BUDGET ..... \$84,400
Advance Specials ..... \$ 2,000
Race Relation Day for Huston-Tillotson College, Wesley Foundation and M. S. M ..... \$15,000
Rally Day Goal ..... \$ 1,600
Temporary General Aid Fund ..... \$ 315

| 1964-1955 |  |  |  |  |
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| Apportionments to the Five Districts |  |  |  |  |
| Districts | Percentage | W.S.C.B. Budget | Advance Specials | R.R. Off. $\$ 1.30$ Per Member |
| Austin-Victoria | 22.0\% | \$18568 | \$ 440 | \$ 3300 |
| Dallas | 29.8\% | 25151 | 596 | 4470 |
| San Antonio | 26.5\% | 22366 | 530 | 3975 |
| Waco | 16.5\% | 13926 | 330 | 2475 |
| Western | 5.2\% | 4389 | 104 | 780 |
| Total | 100.0\% | \$84400 | \$2000 | \$15000 |


| Austin-Victoria District - 22.0\%R. Watkins, District Superintend1964-1965 |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Charge | Charge Percentage | W.S.C.B. Budget | Adv. Specials | R.R. Off. <br> C.H. Ed. |
| Altair Circuit ...................................... | 2.0\% | \$ 371 |  |  |
| St. Peters . | 4.4\% | 817 |  |  |
| Simpson | 12.0\% | 2228 | 53 | 396 |
| Wesley Columbus | 13.0\% | 1300 | 31 | 231 |
| Cuero-Yorktown | 2.0\% | 371 | 9 | 66 |
| Dale-Smithville | 3.0\% | 557 | 13 | 99 |
| Edna-Morales | 6.2\% | 1151 | 28 | 205 |
| El Campo Parish ............................... | $6.1 \%$ | 1133 | 27 | 201 |
| Goliad Parish | 3.0\% | 557 | 13 | 99 |
| Hallettsville-Breslau | 3.0\% | 557 | 13 | 99 |
| La Grange Parish ............................... | 5.0\% | 928 | 22 | 165 |
| Lockhart ........................................... | 6.0\% | 1114 | 26 | 198 |
| Martindae ...................................................... | 6.0\% | 1114 | 26 | 198 |
| Oakland Circuit ....................................................... | 2.0\% | 371 | 9 | 66 |
| Port Lavaca ..................................... | . $6 \%$ | 111 | 3 | 20 |
| San Marcos-Tilmon | 5.1\% | 947 | 22 | 168 |
| Schulenburg Parish .......................... | 2.6\% | 483 | 11 | 86 |
| Sublime .............. | . $4 \%$ | 74 | 2 | 13 |
| Victoria .......................................... | 6.2\% | 1151 | 28 | 205 |
| Winchester Circuit .......................................................... Yoakum-Shiner ....... | $2.0 \%$ $2.0 \%$ | 371 371 | 9 9 | 66 66 |
| Yoakum-Shiner .............................. | 2.0\% |  |  |  |
| Totals | 100.0\% | \$18568 | \$440 | \$3300 |

## Dallas District - 29.8\%

T. M. Bruton, District Superintendent

1964-1965

Charge

| St. Paul ............................................. | 23.5\% | \$ 5910 | \$140 | \$1051 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| St. Andrews | 23.5\% | 5910 | 140 | 1051 |
| Warren | 11.0\% | 2766 | 65 | 492 |
| Hamilton Park | 8.0\% | 2012 | 47 | 358 |
| Cowan-McMillan | 4.5\% | 1132 | 27 | 201 |
| Thompson | 4.5\% | 1132 | 27 | 201 |
| Trinity | .5\% | 126 | 3 | 22 |
| Cogswell | 1.5\% | 377 | 9 | 67 |
| St. Luke | 1.5\% | 377 | 9 | 67 |
| Haven Chapel | 2.0\% | 503 | 12 | 90 |
| Dennison-Sherman .............................. | . $5 \%$ | 126 | 3 | 22 |
| Mt. Calvary | 2.0\% | 503 | 12 | 90 |
| Wichita Falls-Corsicana ..................... | 1.5\% | 377 | 9 | 67 |
| Ennis | . $5 \%$ | 126 | 3 | 22 |
| Ferris-Lancaster | 2.0\% | 503 | 12 | 90 |
| Milford-Italy ...................................... | .5\% | 126 | 3 | 22 |
| Pelham Ct. | 1.5\% | 377 | 9 | 67 |
| St. Andrews | . $5 \%$ | 126 | 3 | 22 |
| Waxahachie-Carver Heights .............. | . $5 \%$ | 126 | 3 | 22 |
| St. Rose ............................................ | . $5 \%$ | 126 | 3 | 22 |
| Morning Side | 3.5\% | 880 | 21 | 156 |
| Highland Hill | $3.0 \%$ | 755 | 18 | 134 |
| Crest-Moore | 3.0\% | 755 | 18 | 134 |
| Totals | 100.0\% | \$25151 | \$596 | \$4470 |

San Antonio District - 26.5\%
R. S. Mosby, District Superintendent

1964-1965

| Charge | Charge <br> Percentage | W.S.C.B. | Adv. <br> Budget |
| :---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| Specials C.H. Ed. |  |  |  |

Waco District - 16.5\%<br>C. D. Owens, District Superintendent 1964-1965

| Charge | Charge Percentage | W.S.C.B. Budget | Adv. Specials | R.R. Off. C.H. Ed. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Bartlett Ct. | 2.3\% | \$ 320 | \$ 8 | \$ 57 |
| Belton Ct. | 2.7\% | 376 | 9 | 67 |
| Bowman and Longbranch | 2.5\% | 348 | 9 | 62 |
| Calvert ............................. | 3.0\% | 418 | 10 | 74 |
| Frosa | 1.0\% | 139 | 3 | 25 |
| Georgetown Ct. | 2.9\% | 404 | 10 | 72 |
| Groesbeck and Bremond | 3.0\% | 419 | 10 | 74 |
| Hubbard and Hillsboro | 3.0\% | 418 | 10 | 74 |
| Marlin | 7.5\% | 1044 | 25 | 186 |
| Mart and Springhill | 4.0\% | 537 | 14 | 99 |
| Maysfield Ct. | 4.5\% | 627 | 16 | 111 |
| Mexia: Jones Chapel | 4.0\% | 537 | 14 | 99 |
| Union Memorial | 4.0\% | 537 | 14 | 99 |
| Moody and Gatesville | 1.5\% | 209 | 5 | 37 |
| Rocky and Cedar Ct. | 3.0\% | 418 | 10 | 74 |
| Satin Majors ........... | 6.5\% | 537 | 23 | 161 |
| Temple | 6.1\% | 849 | 21 | 151 |
| Valley Mills Ct. | 2.4\% | 334 | 8 | 58 |
| Waco: Bracks Chapel | 6.1\% | 849 | 22 | 151 |
| Mt. Zion | 5.9\% | 822 | 22 | 146 |
| St. James | 18.5\% | 2576 | 65 | 458 |
| Wesley | 6.1\% | 849 | 22 | 151 |
| Total ................................ | 100.0\% | \$13926 | \$330 | \$2475 |

Western District - 5.2\%<br>\section*{M. A. L. Freeman, District Superintendent}

1964-1965

| Charge | Charge Percentage | W.S.C.B Budget | Adv. <br> Specials | R.R. Off. C.H. Ed. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Abilene | 5.5\% | \$ 241 | \$ 5 | \$ 35 |
| Amarillo | 10.5\% | 461 | 5 | 35 |
| Brownwood | 6.4\% | 281 | 5 | 35 |
| Brady-San Saba | 4.0\% | 175 | 5 | 8 |
| El Paso .............. | 14.1\% | 619 | 18 | 130 |
| Lampasas-Llano | 4.0\% | 175 | 5 | 8 |
| Mason-Burnet . | 2.0\% | 88 | 4 | 8 |
| Levelland | 1.0\% | 44 | 2 | 4 |
| Lubbock | 14.1\% | 619 | 18 | 130 |
| Midland | 7.7\% | 338 | 12 | 110 |
| Odessa | 7.7\% | 338 | 12 | 110 |
| Slaton | 1.0\% | 44 | 1 | 5 |
| San Angelo | 22.0\% | 966 | 20 | 165 |
| Totals | 100.0\% | \$4389 | \$104 | \$780 |

REPORT NUMBER 3

# REPORT OF <br> THE BOARD OF EDUCATION AND THE COMMISSION ON CHRISTIAN HIGHER EDUCATION 

1964-1965<br>Executive Secretary's Report<br>Infroduction

The current topic of discussion in Methodist circles is the inclusive church. This is not an attempt to define the inclusive church but a look to see if it has any real meaning for us. The General Conference is in session now toiling to bring an atmosphere of goodwill to Methodism as they resolve to at least talk about an inclusive church and hope for its realization by 1968.

The inclusive church, to me, seems to stand opposed to a segregated church. It defies the idea of separate but equal. With all of these things in mind and many other areas of concern it is time for us to decide the kind of conference we will have, the quality of the educational enterprises we will offer, the degree to which we can support our program financially. When we decide these things in a positive way and see hope of entertaining the idea of an inclusive church this will not be the panaced for all of our ills.

Our Conference Board of Education in its most recent meeting declared that we need a broad base upon which to operate. This is a good declaration of intents. But "intents" is not enough. This office is desirous of finding a program based on the need of our churches.

If we need a broad base upon which to operate the Conference Board and develop and support a program; we need to establish what the base is. As a member of the Board of Education for eight years it seemed that we imagined that we had a base, that we accepted a base in principle and fact or we had no base at all. Either the Board has dealt with theological issues or the cause was lost. The Board assumed that it had an administrative body in the board's structure that co-ordinated the total education program of our Conference. Apathy and lack of understanding could truly be our prevailing problem.

Our broad base need not be so broad that it is dangerously weak at any point, our broad base should not be so thick that it cannot be flexible where flexibility is needed. It ought not be so high until no one sees its
goal. It ought not be so low until it is common.
This office exists primarily to satisfy or speak to needs educational in nature as they arise. There is always room for improvement and every church must come to realize this point of view. Accordingly, every church must project a program that supports itself within the dimensions of its own capabilities. Some churches will derive benefit from enterprises on the local level. Other churches may need to encourage or support enterprises on sub-district, district or conference levels, still other churches can profit from enterprises on the Inter-Conference, Jurisdictional, Regional or General Church level. Every church has to run the risk of discovering its potential by making available to its congregation the resources that are truly yours if you request them. You are your own judge.

As we begin to project a program for next year remember that responsibility needs to be defined, that our staff is not professional but volunteer and working with limited funds, that geographical distances keep us from being self-contained. The inclusive church should not frighten us but be an incentive for every church, sub-district or district within our Conference to be responsible for developing the best possible educational program that it can imagine.

The rest of my report will be by way of review and projection for next year in each area of work.

## Children's Work

The new curriculum for children has been the topic of discussion in our Conference for quite sometime. The topic is still vague and meets apathy on every hand. Only five churches in our Conference have sent in the estimated needs for the new curriculum.

This change is causing undue alarm and concern. This material will be used September 6 whether we are ready or not. This is all the Methodist Literature we will have. Our Conference Director of Children's Work has been in communication with all of the district directors.

Many of our churches had Vacation Church Schools. There were more schools than we received reprts for I am sure.

## Projection

The Waco District is making plans for a District Workshop in the New Curriculum. Every District should move forward with great anticipation. There is a need for a city with more than one church to plan its own Workshop. In turn, it could furnish leadership in a Sub-district or district workshop.

In early summer plans will be made for our Vacation Church School Coaching Conference. This could be done at Gulfside as plans are made to show churches how to promote and establish Children's Work Councils in each local church.

Those churches desiring help should look to the Conference Director of Children's Work, their district director, this office or their Commission on Education. Unlimited resources will be shared at Gulfside. Every church that desires can send a representative to the class on Methodist Literature for Children. A limited number of people from our Conference can go to the Jurisdictional Leadership School at Mt. Sequoyah. One from each district can go to the Laboratory School on the New Curriculum in Ft. Worth this summer.

## Yoừh Work

The Youth of our Conference engaged in several activities. The five districts had their own institutes. The Western District is still sharing in a leadership enterprise that is interdenominational in nature. This has been a successful activity for several years.

Our Youth attended the Tri-Conference Officers Training School. 23 were in attendance of a total enrollment of 160 persons.

The Regional at Mt. Sequoyah was still the most arousing activity. Our youth usually showed signs of apathy when they returned home. But this year they are still enthusiastic about the potential and dynamic motivations projected at the Regional. Our youth are still in search of that something that they got a glimpse of in the Regional.

Some few of our youth play prominent roles in the United Christian

Youth Movement which meets in Brownwood each year. Eddie Edmons, our Conference Youth President, is Vice-President of the United Christian Youth Movement, which is now the Texas Ecumenical Youth Movement.

Eddie Edmons was in attendance at the National Conference of Methodist Youth, held annually for Presidents or a duly appointed representative. He was appointed a youth member of the General Board of Education.

## Projection

District Institutes: Every district is planning a district institute. Beginning next year the General Board of Education will train a team from each district if the districts approve. This is a three stage training program. The Themes: The Great Belonging, Confronted with Life (New); The Meaning of Discipleship.

Your response to this idea will be appreciated
Tri-Conference Leadership School: It is anticipated that our largest delegation ever will go to the Officers Leadership School. It has proven itself worthy of our support.

## Area Youth Convocation

Our Area Youth Convocation will be held at Dillard University in New Orleans. Date: August 4-8. The Theme is One Witness in One World.

## National Conference of M.Y.F.

This meeting will be held at Purdue University in West LaFayette, Indiana. Date: July $23-27$. Our present youth president will attend but not as our representative. We must have a representative.

## National Convocation of Methodist Youth

July 27-21 the National Convocation of Methodist Youth will meet at Purdue University in West LaFayette, Indiana. Our quota is eight youth and two adults. The deadline is already past but someone must represent us.

## The M.Y.F. Regional

August $14-21$ is the date of the Regional. A team of youth and adults will represent our Conference at the Regional. Our Conference Program for beyond the local church will be projected.

All persons who have ever attended the Regional are being sought to help us promote a program for the M.Y.F. in our Conference.

## The Texas Ecumenical Youth Movement

The Texas Ecumenical Youth Movement, formerly the United Christian Youth Movement, belongs to the Texas Council of Churches. They will still hold their annual meeting in Brownwood.

Our youth have been moving along in the right direction. The Youth Movement lacks one thing, stability. Our youth grow up so fast until they are gone when we are ready for them. We are requesting that those young people who went to the Regional, National Conference of the M.Y.F. or National Convocation, Ara Convocation a few years ago lend their support to the Youth Program as youth or in a leadership role as young adults. We need what you have to offer. Your experiences are invaluable as we try to do youth work. Therefore every charge must have a Youth Activities Week. Youth Activities could be in August or January.

This year Junior-High work will be projected. Christian Adventure Week and Christian Adventure Camps will be attempted.

## Aduli Work

The structure for adult work in our Conference needs to be studied. Adult Work seems to be one broad category when in reality it could be divided in young, middle and older adult work. There are other categories or classifications the Conference Committee on Adult Work will give this area of work much consideration.

## Projection

In addition to the Tri-Conference Young Adult Assembly held with the Rio Grande and Southwest Texas Conferences we need to think seriously about an assembly or a convocation or workshop of our own. We must
think through a program for ourselves and project it.
These are the critical years when young adults, especially, feel like the church has forsaken them as they strive to raise families, buy homes and work hard to keep things running smoothly and maintain a sense of purpose and security. Too often this is done without a real awareness that the church has a ministry for them in their early marital life. Some of these needs can be met through the Children's Division of the Church SchoolNursery, Home Visitor, Nursery and Kindergarten Programs. Family night at Church is a possibility.

## General Church School Work

The General Board of Education in its most recent meeting in Dallas, January, 1964 reported that our church schools are decreasing in membership. There is no single factor which accounts for this fact. However, one thing can be pointed out, local churches are losing their touch in winning pupils and keeping them in Church School.

In spite of the fact that most of our churches use Methodist literature our problems will be magnified this year as we begin to use the new literature for children.

September 6, 1964 will mark a new era in the Children's Division of our Church Schools. Each church must organize a Children's Work Council, get counseling teachers, define the responsibilities of the superintendents, lead teachers and counseling teachers. There is the need to become familiar with the names of the books in the New Curriculum.

These are the listing of the books:
Christian Home - Monthly - $\$ .60$ per Quarter
Expectant Parents - Into Parenthood - $\$ 1.00$
Nursery Home Visitor - The Methodist Teacher - \$1.00
Nursery Infants and Nursery Toddlers - (More than four years before the first grade)
The Nursery Teacher - (For Parents) - $\$ 1.00$
A Baby is For Loving (Nursery) - $\$ 1.25$
Hello Toddler (Nursery-Toddler) - $\$ 1.25$
Nursery II (Four years before first grade)
The Methodist Teacher - Nursery - $\$ 1.00$
Nursery II - Story book (pupil) - $\$ .80$
Nursery Days - $\$ .25$
Into Childhood (Parent book) - $\$ 1.25$
Nursery I (three years before first grade)
Methodist Teachers - Nursery - $\$ 1.00$
Nursery I Story Book - (Pupil) - $\$ .25$
Nursery Days - $\$ .25$
Kindergarten II-I (two years and one year before first grade)
Methodist Teacher - Kindergarten - $\$ 1.00$
Methodist Pupil - Kindergarten - $\$ .25$
Kindergarten - $\$ .25$

WESLEY SERIES
Elementary 1-11
Methodist Teacher 1-11 .......... \$1.00
Methodist Student 1-11 .......... . 30
One/Two ..................................... . 40
Elementary III-IV
Methodist Teacher III-IV ........ \$1.00
Methodist Student III-IV ........ . 35
Three/Four ................................. . 40
Elementary V-VI
Methodist Teacher V-VI \$1.00
Methodist Student V-VI ............ $\quad .40$
Five/Six
.40

Every parent needs to subscribe to the Christian Home. Every child should have a Methodist Class Teaching Packet for individual use in particular classes.

The Commission on Education should provide teachers with:
Workers With Elemenłary Boys and Girls
The Counseling Teacher and Christian Education of Children

The Conference Staff, Children's Directors of each district and additional people will be projecting a program by September 6, 1964. They would have attended meetings in Gulfside, Mt. Sequoyah and Ft. Worth. These enterprises will be giving specific help with the new materials. Mt. Sequoyah offers a limited training experience to six people. The laboratory school in Ft. Worth will help ten people. Gulfside will accommodate as many as will go to the leadership school.

There will also be a Projected Activity for Divisional Superintendents and Church School Administrators.

## Leadership Education

The responsibility for leadership education belongs to the Conference Board of Education, the District Board of Education, the District Board of Education or the Commission on Education in the local church. In some areas of work Mt. Sequoyah has opened up, Educational Assistants, Directors or Ministers of Education, Directors or Ministers of Music, Evangelism, Christian Social Concerns, Children's Work, Youth Work, Adult Work, General Church School Work.

Our own leadership school offers some of these courses and other activities are offered under separate schedules and dates.

There are interconference projects for several years: a Christian Workers School has been held at Perkins School of Theology at S.M.U. It is planned for next year. The Nashville-Birmingham and New Orleans Area Leadership School is an inter-cnference program sponsored jointly with the General Board of Education. Our Vacation Church School Coaching Conference is sponsored by our Conference and the Texas Conference.

## Church Music

There are five certified directors of Music in our Conference. Wesley, Austin, has two - Mr. Nathaniel Williams and Mrs. Marcet Hines King; St. Paul, San Antonio, has one - Mr. T. Lloyd Hines; St. James, Waco, has one, Mr. Dillard Warner; Hamilton Park, Dallas, has one, Mrs. Thelma Sparks.

It is desired that as many of our churches will get as many of its qualified people certified as quickly as possible by next Annual Conference

All of the musicians in our churches need to attend Music Institutes at Gulfside and Mt. Sequoyah. There should be District Workshops. They shouid have good periodicals made available to them, such as Music Ministry.

Two of our outstanding Music Workshops will be held:
July 6-11, 1964 - Mt. Sequoyah
August 3-8, 1964 - Gulfside

## Rally Day

OUR RALLY DAY GOAL IS $\$ 1600$. This is a minimum. When you see the proposed budget you will realize that a little money must go a long way. The people from your church will benefit from this as conference officers or a person representing our Conference in a special way. This office and the District Superintendents will make the goal for each church known by Planning Conference Time.

## The Informer

This is the title of our Newsletter. It will keep you informed of the dates, places, and time of all events pertaining to the work in our educational endeavors. It will keep you informed about the changes in curriculum. It will keep you in touch with all Conference or District Activities sponsored by the Board of Education.

## Schedule of Instifutes

Dallas and Waco - June 29 - July 3
Western and San Antonio - July 6-10
Austin-Victoria, to be announced

## Youth Calendar

Every church should have a Christian Adventure Week during the summer. Our program will call for a Christian Adventure Camp. This is Junior High work.

Every church should have a Youth Activities Week during the summer
or in its proper schedule of the last week in January. Our own Officer Training School or Assembly for Senior Highs should be in our thinking.

May 29-30 - Ft. Worth, Central Texas Conference Youth Day
June 1-5 - Mt. Wesley, Officers Leadership School
June 8-12 - Camp Buttman - Leadership School
July 23-27 - Purdue - National Conference of the MYF
July 27-31 - Purdue - National Youth Convocation
August 3-8 - Dillard - Area Youth Convocation
August 10-13 - Mt. Sequoyah - "Youth Section" on Evangelism
August 14-23 - Mt. Sequoyah - Regional MYF

## Leadership Enterprises

June 6-7 - (Dallas District Only) Church School Administrators Institute (North Texas)
June 20-21 - (Dallas District Only) Divisional Superintendents Institute (North Texas)
July 6-11 - Church Music Institute - Mt. Sequoyah
July 6-24 - Leadership School - Mt. Sequoyah
July 13-24 - Lab. School - Mt. Sequoyah
July 19-24 - Conference School of Missions, Huston-Tillotson College
July 24-26 - Briefing Conference on Christian Social Concerns, Mt. Sequoyah
August 3-8 - Area Music Institute - Gulfside
August 10-13 - Leadership School - Gulfside
August 16-21 - Inter-Conference Lab. School - Fort Worth
December 6-10 - Conference Staff - Dallas
February, 1965 - Christian Workers School - Dallas, S.M.U.

## Special Days

May 3 - Children's Day
May 3-10 - National Family Week
May 24 - Ministry Sunday
*June 14 - Methodist Student Day
August 23-30 - Christian Education Week
*August 30 - Rally Day
August 30 - Promotion Day
*October 4 - Worldwide Communion
December 27 - Student Recognition Day
*February 14, 1965 - Race Relations Sunday
*Fourth Sunday - Church School World Service
*Denotes an offering to be taken.

## West Texas Conference Board of Education - Proposed Budget

I. Board of Education

1. For Board Meetings ................................................................. \$ 200.00
2. For the Office of Executive Secretary
a. Salary
$\$ 4600.00$
b. House Allowance (rent, utilities, telephone) .......................... 1200.00
c. Travel Allowance ...................................... 1200.00
d. Office .................................................... 790.00
Total
\$ 779000
3. Promotion and Cultivation ....................................................... 2100.00
Total ....................................................................................... \$10090.00
II. Commission on Higher Education
4. For expenses, materials and meeting of Commission .............................................. \$ 500.00
5. Total support of Huston-Tillotson College 14240.00
6. Wesley Foundations and Methodist Student Work 5760.00

Total
Anticipated Income
I. Board of Education
A. Conference Benevolent Budget ..... \$ 7990.00
B. Church School Rally Goal
B. Church School Rally Goal ..... 1600.00 ..... 1600.00
C. General Board of Education Grant ..... 500.00
Total ..... $\$ 10090.00$
II. Commission on Higher Education
A. Conference Benevolent Budget

1. Commission expenses ..... \$ 500.00
2. Huston-Tillotson College (Chapel Fund) ..... 5000.00
3. Wesley Foundation and MSM ..... 3000.00
Total ..... \$ 8500.00
B. Race Relations Offerings ..... 12000.00
Total ..... $\$ 30590.00$
*77\% goes for Higher Education.$23 \%$ goes for Wesley Foundation - MSM
Promotion and Cultivation - Proposed Budget
A. Children's Work ..... \$ 300.00
B. Youth Work ..... 350.00
C. Junior High Work ..... 100.00
D. Adult Work ..... 150.00
E. Leadership Education ..... 350.00
F. Family Life ..... 100.00
G. Music and All ..... 200.00
H. Church Vocations ..... 100.00
I. Staff Expenses ..... 150.00Week in DallasDeans Meeting
J. General Church ..... 200.00School workChristian WorkersSchool - SMU
Miscellaneous ..... 100.00
Total ..... $\$ 2100.00$
Report on Christian Higher Education
To: Bishop Clair and Members of the 90th Session of The West Texas AnnualConference, The Methodist Church.
Education for a Changing World
(Facing the Unknown)
"The change that has swept the world in our century has altered thelives of nearly every person in it, or will soon do so. Unfortunately, it hasnot yet produced anywhere in corresponding magnitude the necessary adap-tion in education. There has come into being a fateful lag between thecircumstances of life in which men and women must live and their innerpreparation to do so wisely and effectively."
"The most painful consequences of that lag may be in store for the United States, whose 190,000,000 people have been thrust by events into the vortex of world affairs. So great are the changes in perspective and the increases in knowledge required of us, that new approaches to learning are essential at every level from the elementary school to the continuing
education of adults."
We should regard an intelligent understanding of our changing world as the basic ingredients of education today. We should understand that the dissemination of knowledge is not the whole business of education. More elusive elements must be included. The nature of the knowledge to be disseminated is qualified by the condition, "useful in the good life and in the maintenance and improvement of American Society." Both ethics and
the nature of American civilization are drawn into immediate and inescapable consideration. Knowledge alone does not present imperatives of conduct; nor kindle aspiration for the good life; nor necessarily exemplify it. Ethics is not a side issue with education but is a central concern - a concern that gives direction to the spread of knowledge. "The selection of knowledge to be disseminated and emphasis placed on courses of study are ethical choices, not categorical commands arising solely out of knowledge orout of studies hitherto pursued."

It has been said by many that the functions of educational institutions are not fully described by summary of programs, curricula, and methods. No written or spoken words do, or can, completely convey the real meaning of education as the day-to-day living force that it is in fact and may be-in the transactions of the classroom, in the relations of faculty and students, in the associations of student and student and in the experiences of the library and gymnasium. In the classroom, the auditorium, laboratory, and gymnasium, are in constant operation moral and cultural forces just as indispensable to civilization as knowledge or any material elements.

In classrooms, day by day, thousands of teachers come into contact with students of all sorts and conditions, religious and cultural backgrounds. From homes of every kind-those broken by disputes of parents, wracked by the uncertainties and distresses of poverty and unemployment, as well as those supplied by the means of material well-being. From homes poor in spirit, devoid of art, without books, without interest in things above the routine of living and the babble of gossip, thin in culture, beset by distempers of mind, no less than from homes which represent the best in American life. Thus, the institution is challenged with the responsibility of providing the inspiration and information necessary for success in this changing world.

The era which is upon us has been in a developmental process for some years. Each generation has been faced with demands and has had to meet the challenges wrought upon it. Each generation has had to prepare for the opportunities available to it and has expanded the sphere of these opportunities for the next generation so that its young people could peer just a bit farther into the unknown. The educative process has, of necessity, been modified to meet the needs and demands of the times. These modifications have helped students become aware of the revolutionary scale of the changes wrought in the world. Students must have a feeling for history and a capacity to project present trends into the future. They must know how to use historical knowledge to test their projections.

Students must also be made aware of the continuous interaction among peoples, cultures and communities of which he is a part. "When he understands the dynamics of interaction, history will become more meaningful, and he will gain new insight into how his world came into being."

Recent events in the world and especially in America have had an effect, not only on history, but on higher education as well. The "March on Washington in August, 1963," the Civil Rights Issue in the Congress, the President's War on Poverty, the involvement of young people in community affairs, the "bumper crop" of war babies now in college and the increase in international students-all of these have an impact upon present history and will surely bring about changes which will affect higher education in the ensuing years.

In order to prepare adequately for the many changes which are taking place and will take place in higher education, colleges and universities are enhancing curricula offerings, strengthening teaching faculties and staffs, improving student services, increasing and improving physical facilities. Huston-Tillotson College is moving to keep pace with the changing times. With its 586 students, many of whom are from states other than Texas and some of whom are from other countries-Uganda, Southern Rhodesia, Kenya, Nigeria, Saudia Aradia, and with a teaching faculty, of 40 well qualified persons, the College is a part of the "tomorrow minded" group of institutions. The campus, buzzing with bull-dozers, trucks, and construction workers, is rapidly assuming a new look, for the dormitory complex for young women and the one for young men, each adds positively to the campus scene. Other buildings are in the offing for the College continues to solicit funds for a chapel and will consider plans for a Classroom-Administration Building soon. Unfortunately, these plans require money for buildings and continuous, annual support. The General Conference, at its 1964 Session, endorsed the continuance of the $\$ 1.00$ for colleges and universities and $\$ .50$ for Wesley

Foundations, or $\mathbf{\$ 1 . 5 0}$ per member annually as a goal for Higher Education. It is most vital that the West Texas Annual Conference continue to move toward a realization of this goal. As we begin our new Quadrennium, let us join hands and hearts in promoting the Cause for Christ and His Church in all that we do. To this end, Huston-Tillotson College, its Administration, Faculty and Staff, and Students pledge our enthusiastic support and complete cooperation.

The Commission and the College express gratitude to Bishop Noah W. Moore, Jr., our Resident Bishop, the five District Superintendents, the other ministers, and the laymen of our Conference for their great concern, understanding, and support of our work in Christian Higher Education. Through our combined efforts our College and Wesley Foundations will continue to grow and be productive. We solicit your continued support and your prayers.

JOHN T. KING<br>Commission Chairman<br>J. J. SEABROOK<br>College President

REPORT NUMBER 4

# FINANCIAL STATEMENT AND REPORT BY CERTIFIED PUBLIC ACCOUNTANTS July 1, 1964 

Reverend S. A. Keesee, Chairman
Conference Commission on World Service and Finance
The West Texas Conference of
The Methodist Church
2804 Prospect Street
Fort Worth, Texas
Dear Reverend Keesee:
We have examined the books and records of The West Texas Conference of The Methodist Church for the period of July 15, 1963 through July 1, 1964. In connection therewith, we have examined recorded cash receipts, bank statements, cancelled checks and such other records that we considered necessary in the circumstances. We submit herewith our report.

In our opinion, the attached statements correctly reflect the recorded cash receipts and disbursements of the West Texas Conference for the period of July 16, 1963 through July 1, 1964 and the cash position at July 1,1964 , in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles.

Patterson and Pickle
Certified Public Accountants

## Accountant's Comments

We were able to account for all transactions during this audit with a minor exception as indicated. This marked improvement in control over last year is mainly due to the efforts of Mrs. J. Garfield Owens.

The accounting and auditing problems inherent with your organization are not simple. There is a multiplicity of transactions generated each year involving a significant amount of money.

It is difficult for one not directly involved to realize what a great burden of responsibility that Mrs. Owens is taking in properly handling the day-to-day financial transactions of your conference. This is an area of responsibility that can easily be taken for granted.

We are obligated to inform you that if Mrs. Owens should be unexpectedly removed from the picture by sickness or otherwise, we are of the opinion that her absence could result in some serious and costly circumstances unless a substitute of equal calibre was immediately available.

Financial responsibility must be recognized as a major criterion for public judgement of any organization. The accounting records that you now have will insure your position in this respect. There is room for improvement, but we feel that the progress being demonstrated now will lead to very satisfying results in the future.
Summary of Cash TransactionsJuly 15, 1963 through July 1, 1964
Cash in First National Bank at July 15, 1963 ..... \$ 2,965.95
Add-Receipts from Churches and other
sources from July 15, 1963 through July 1, 196490,563.37
Total Cash to be accounted for ..... \$93,529.32
Subtract-Disbursements during Period \$80,495.89
Returned checks ..... 750.0081,245.89
Cash Balance at July 1, 1964 ..... \$12,283.43
Bank Reconciliation
Cash in First National Bank at June 30
1964 per bank statement ..... \$11,998.42
Add-Deposit July 1, 1964 ..... 835.01$\$ 12,833.43$

| Date | No. | Payee | Amount |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| May 26, 1964 | 667 | Council of World |  |
|  |  | Service Finance | 150.00 |
| July 1, 1964 | 690 | O. B. Coe | 400.00 |Cash Balance at July 1, 1964550.00$\$ 12,283.43$

Statement of Receipts and Disbursements July 15, 1963 through July 1, 1964
Receipts from Districts
Episcopal Fund ..... \$ 2,719.32
Conference Claimants ..... 17,033.97
Reserve Pensions
One Hour Sharing ..... 213.20
World Service Conference Benevolences ..... 43,111.21
District Fund ..... 7.50
Advance Specials ..... 508.00
Ministers' Wives ..... 301.00
TV - Radio Ministry
World Wide Communion ..... 515.10
Minimum Salary ..... 26.00
Methodist Student Day ..... 137.00
Race Relations ..... 3,314.84
MYF ..... 41.18
Rally Day ..... 542.78
Alaska ..... 445.00
Miscellaneous ..... 1,216.35
Total\$70,132.45
Other Income
National Board of Missions ..... \$12,942.49
General Board of Education ..... 500.00
Ministers' Wives ..... 2,800.59
Conference Offering ..... 378.60
Huston-Tillotson Offering ..... 228.00
Checks and Change Replacement ..... 441.63
Methodist Publishing House ..... 2,326.94
Checks Re?deposited ..... 415.00
Checks Refunded ..... 353.00
Total ..... \$20,386.25
Difference between Receipts and Reports and Deposits ..... 44.67
Total ..... 90,563.37
Less Returned Checks ..... 750.00
Total Income ..... 89,813.37
Less Disbursements ..... 80,495.89
Excess Receipts over Disbursements ..... \$ 9,317.48

## Analysis of Receipts from Districts July 15, 1963 through July 1, 1964


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Analysis of Disbursements
July 15, 1963 through July 1, 1964
Disbursements
Ministerial Items
Board of Pensions - Conference Claimants ..... \$21,512.34
Episcopal Fund ................................................................. 500.00 ..... \$22,012.34
World Service and Annual Conference BenevolencesCouncil of World Service and Finance11,650.00
Board of Education - Executive Secretary Salary - Travel and Promotion ........................................... 5 5,086.37
Salary - Secretary ...........
390.00 Salary - Secretary ..... 2,465.00
Salary - Statistician ..... 320.00 ..... 8,261.37
Commission on Higher Education ..... 6,465.00
Board of Ministerial Training ..... 163.00
Board of Missions
Conference Board of Missions .............. 1,550.00
National Board of Missions ..... 11,905.21 ..... 13,455.21
Total World Service and Benevolences ..... 39,994.58
Other
Jurisdictional Conference ..... 2,518.46
General Administrative ..... 500.00
Special Offering ..... 244.60
District Superintendent ..... 4,690.00
Refund on Checks ..... 303.00
Entertainment and Gifts ..... 675.35
Printing, Office supplies and Telephone ..... 1,336.99
District Fund ..... 50.0010,318.40
Area Expense
New Orleans Area Fund ..... \$ 2,235.46
Auditing ..... 610.00
Rally Day Area Fund ..... 2,000.00
Christian Social Concern ..... 100.00 ..... \$ 4,945.46
Special District FundsDallas District FundChapel Fund
Texas Council of Churches ..... 71.77
Gulfside Assembly ..... 150.00221.77
Annual Conference Expense

| Conference Administrative Expense | \$ 1,614.60 |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Conference Board of Lay Activities .......... | 55.00 |  |
| Conference Mission Secretary .................. |  |  |
| Conference Products ............................... |  |  |
| Conference Ministers' Wives ................... | 113.65 |  |
| Conference Treasury Bond ....................... | 25.00 |  |
| Conference Change Fund .......................... | 400.00 |  |
| Conference Comm. on World Service ...... | 725.09 |  |
| Conference Board of Evangelism | 70.00 | 3,003.34 |
| Total Disbursements |  | 80,495.89 |

## REPORT NUMBER 5

# REPORT OF THE BOARD OF PENSIONS 

by T. B. Echols

\$35 Minimum Pension Rate
The General Conference in its 1964 quadrennial session established a Temporary General Aid Fund for the purpose of giving assistance where needed so that the minimum of $\$ 35$ annuity rate may be achieved by annual conference throughout the Church.

An Annual Conference shall be eligible for assistance from the Temporary General Aid Fund for minimum pension purposes if the annuity rate during 1964-1965 Conference year was less than $\$ 35$; provided, however, that the support from the Fund will be supplied for pension purposes only to the extent that such Conference provides its portion of the additional pension cost as outlined in the following schedule:

1. Period of distribution June 1, 1965 through May 31, 1967. The fund will provide a matching amount at the ratio of $\$ 3.00$ for each $\$ 1.00$ of the additional annual cost incurred in an eligible Annual Conference to increase the annuity rate from the $1964-1965$ rate up to $\$ 35.00$.
2. The fund will continue to provide a percentage of the support given during the first period of distribution as follows:
a. 2nd. Period of distribution-June, 1967 through May 31, 1969-80\%.
b. 3rd. Period of distribution-June 1, 1969 through May 31, 1971- $60 \%$.
c. 4th. Period of distribution-June 1, 1971 through May 31, 1973-40\%.
d. 5th Period of distribution-June 1, 1973 through May, 1975-20\%.
3. The fund will discontinue its support of the program for pension purpose on May 31, 1975.

## \$3,000.00 Minimum Salary

The Temporary General Aid Fund is also to assist in lifting the cash salaries of Conference members and approved supply pastors serving a pastoral charge full time to a minimum of $\$ 3,000$ annually, for those whose salaries are less than $\$ 3,000$; provided, however, that the support from the fund will be granted for minimum cash salary purposes-ONLY IF SUCH CONFERENCE MAINTAINS A MINIMUM CASH SALARY FUND AND TO THE EXTENT THAT IT PROVIDES ITS PORTION OF THE TOTAL ADDITIONAL COST AS FOLLOWS:

Beginning in the Conference year 1965-1966, the fund will provide a matching amount at the ratio of $\$ 3$ for each $\$ 1$ of the additional annual cost incurred in an eligible Annual Conference to increase the minimum salary level from the amount paid during the 1964-1965 Conference year up to $\$ 3,000$.

# General Board of Pensions of the Methodist Church Statement of Prospective Distribution Annual Conference, West Texas - Conference Year, 1964-65 RETIRED MINISTERS 

Annuity Rate - $\$ 16.00$

| Name | Tołal Apvd Yrs | mrpf Yrs | Yrs |  | Anuty | $\underset{\mathrm{Yrs}}{\mathrm{O}}$ | her Anuty |  | Total Anuty |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Baker, Daniel B. | 34.50 |  | 34.50 | \$ | 552.00 |  |  | \$ | 552.00 |
| Baker, William W. .... | 40.50 |  | 40.50 |  | 648.00 | ......... |  |  | 648.00 |
| Brewster, O. K. ......... | 20.50 |  | 20.50 |  | 328.00 |  |  |  | 328.00 |
| Burkley, Martin B. .... | 27.50 |  | 26.50 |  | 424.00 | 1.00 | 23.00 |  | 447.00 |
| Carter, Elvis H. ....... | 20.50 | .. | 20.50 |  | 328.00 |  |  |  | 328.00 |
| Childs, Jonah H. | 30.75 | .. | 30.75 |  | 492.00 | ........ |  |  | 492.00 |
| Coe, Obie V. ............. | 39.50 |  | 39.50 |  | 632.00 |  |  |  | 632.00 |
| Echols, Timothy B. .... | 26.00 | 2 | 24.00 |  | 384.00 |  |  |  | 384.00* |
| Foy, Relbue L. ........... | 10.00 |  | 10.00 |  | 160.00 |  |  |  | 160.00 |
| Franklin, Chas. W. .... | 40.50 |  | 40.50 |  | 648.00 |  |  |  | 648.00 |
| Franklin, Samuel M. .. | 17.75 | .. | 17.00 |  | 272.00 | 75 | 12.75 |  | 284.75 |


| Name | Total Apvd Yrs | $\operatorname{mrpf}_{\text {Yrs }}$ | Yrs | Anuty |  | her Anuty | Tołal Anuty |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Holden, Aaron C. ...... | 34.50 | .. | 34.50 | 552.00 |  |  | 552.00 |
| King, Chas. Lott ........ | 28.50 | .. | 28.50 | 456.00 |  | ......... | 456.00 |
| Kuykendall, Hy. E. .... | 40.50 | .. | 40.50 | 648.00 | ....... |  | 648.00 |
| Marshall, John H. .... | 35.50 | .. | 35.50 | 568.00 | ....... |  | 568.00 |
| Muse, James F. ......... | 44.50 | .. | 44.50 | 712.00 |  |  | 712.00 |
| Muse, Lucky E. ......... | 38.25 | .. | 38.25 | 612.00 |  |  | 612.00 |
| Pharms, Samuel G. .. | 16.50 | .. | 16.50 | 264.00 | ...... |  | 264.00 |
| Phoenix, Joshua B. .... | 36.25 | .. | 36.25 | 580.00 | ....... | ......... | 580.00 |
| Pierce, Ila H. ............. | 36.25 | .. | 36.25 | 580.00 |  | ........ | 580.00 |
| Porter, Ashley D. .... | 26.50 | .. | 26.50 | 424.00 | $\ldots$ |  | 424.00 |
| Ross, James S. ......... | 47.00 | .. | 47.00 | 752.00 | ...... | ......... | 752.00 |
| Simmons, H. G. ......... | 5.75 | .. | 5.75 | 92.00 | ....... | ......... | 92.00 |
| Simms, T. J. D. ......... | 38.50 | .. | 38.50 | 616.00 |  |  | 616.00 |
| Walmsley, W. M. ....... | 14.50 | .. | 14.50 | 232.00 |  |  | 232.00 |
| Wattley, James L. .... | 43.50 | .. | 43.50 | 696.00 | ....... |  | 696.00 |
| Young, Fred. D. ........ | 39.50 | .. | 39.50 | 632.00 |  |  | 632.00 |
|  | 834.00 | 2 | 830.25 | \$13284.00 | 1.75 | \$35.75 | \$13319.75 |

*Additional Pensions Paid from MRPF

## General Board of Pensions of the Methodist Church Statement of Prospective Distribution <br> Annual Conference, West Texas - Conference Year, 1964-65 wIDOWS



# General Board of Pensions of the Methodist Church <br> Statement of Prespective Distribution <br> Annual Conference, West Texas - Conference Year, 1964-65 <br> CHILDREN 

Annuity Rate - $\$ 4.00$

| Father's Total <br> Approved <br> Years |  |  |  |  |  | Years |
| :--- | :---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | Anuty | Total |
| :---: |
| Name |
| Anuty |


| General Board of Pensions of the Methodist Church |
| :---: |
| Statement of Prospective Distribution |

Annual Conference, West Texas - Conference Year, $1964-65$
Special Conference Claimants
RETIRED MINISTERS
Annuity Rate $-\$ 16.00$


# General Board of Pensions of the Methodist Church Statement of Prespective Distribution Annual Conference, West Texas - Conference Year, 1964-65 Special Conference Claimants CHILDREN <br> Annuity Rate - $\$ 4.00$ 



Financial and Statistical Report<br>Conference Board of Pensions<br>West Texas Conference<br>Annuity Rate - $\$ 16.00$<br>\section*{Receipts}

Balance after 1963-64 Distribution ................................... \$ 1,463.08
Received from Charges on apportionment ............................. 17,461.00
Interest on endowment Funds ............................................. 985.15
Interest on Conf. Claimants Dist. Fund .............................. 132.15
Chartered Funds ..................................................................... 100.00
Illinois Corporation ............................................................................. $1,150.00$
From Distribution Reserve ..................................................... 2, 284.00
Methodist Publishing House ................................................. 2,326.94
From Minister's Wives (MRPF) ......................................... 3,560.00
Special Reserve (MRPF) ...................................................... 124.00
Total Received .................................................... \$30,146.32
Conference Responsibilities
For service in this Conference, Ministers .......................... \$13,319.75
Widows ......................... 7,362.60
Special Conference Claimants ................................................... $1,794.60$
Payable to Clearinghouse ................................................... 629.00
Minister's Wives (MRPF) .................................................. 3,560.00
Special Reserve ....................................................................... 124.00
Expense, Conf. Board of Pensions .................................... 200.00
Prospective Balance ................................................................ 2,781.37
Total ...................................................................... \$30,146.32

## REPORT NUMBER 6

## REPORT OF THE BOARD OF EVANGELISM

From the beginning the Christian community has felt an irresistable compulsion to publish its message to all mankind, under the conviction that this message was not of the Church's own devising: the church was created by the living Word uttered through it. Created so, the Christian community has a divine commission to be only and purely the humble servant of the Word, declaring unto the ends of the earth and until the end of time the
good news concerning the kingdom of God.
Whereever the church is authentically Christian the conviction yet lives that its sole reason for existence is to preach the gospel of the kingdom of Christ. The commission is there heldto be still in force, the commission to "evangelize the world." But great are the difficulties in holding this conviction purely and firmly, and the difficulties mutiply daily. Each day sees the task grown more complex, and the dangers grow with the complexities. Our world semms more deeply and systematically immunized against the gospel than ever before.

Yet as Christians we cannot let go of the evangelical commission. As people of this time we cannot hope to face and to fulfill its demands unless we grasp anew that actuality upon which our Christian existence is established and which constitutes the inner life of the church.

We would face up to the demands of the evangelical commission. Therefore, ministering to our time, we must reflect in all seriousness upon the fundamentals of christian existence. And this reflection must occur in the workinng and praying world.

We offer the following reccommendations:

1. World-wide Methodism will observe Sunday, May 24 as Wesley Day. Let every Church of the West Texas Conference plan to share this observance. This day is also Ministry Sunday; and commeno-Aldersgate experience of John Wesley.
2. That small groups, for prayer study and witnessing be established in our churches as a means for greater evangelistic expression.
3. That the Conference Board of Evangelism cooperate with the Conference Board of Missions and other agencies in establishing new Congregations.
4. That the churches make greater use of Methodist evangelism materials such as the Upper-Room.
5. That workshops on Evangelism be held on the district and sub-district level.

## REPORT NUMBER 7

## REPORT OF THE WOMAN'S SOCIETY OF CHRISTIAN SERVICE

Bishop Clair, District Superintendents, Ministers and Laymen:

The women of the West Texas Conference Woman's Society of Christian Service and Wesleyan Service Guild extend sincere greetings and warm welcome. It is indeed a challenge and a priviledge to be chosen to share an account of our stewardship as we come to the close of the quadrennium. This report symbolizes the loyal cooperation of our conference officers, secretaries, District Presidents, District Superintendents, Ministers and members of the Conference Society andGuild. As we paused to look backward at our accomplishments, we recognize our many weaknesses and the challenge of this hour. Communication continues to be retarded in some areas, because of slow interpretation of technical terms, interrelationships and faliure to report. The age old problem of insufficient finances to cultivate our vast geographical boundaries continues to plague us also.

The 1960 General Conference chose the General Church theme of "Jesus Christ is Lord", with the Board of Missions adopting "Our Mission Today", as the qaudrennium emphasis. Hence the Woman's Societies and Wesleyan Service Guilds were challenged by the Board of Missions to wear a "big hat", of many features and feathers, promotion of the four emphases: The Faith That Compels Us, Factors That Confort Us, The Frontiers That Call Us, The Program That Unites us in Witness and Service. Adorned with the featehers of the emphases and the symbol of the cross, the Woman's Division added another feather to the "big hat", by chosing "The Word in our Midst", for the 1960-'61 theme. The inspirational theme reflected "The Word
of God" has been spoken, but the Word has to be hear. May we draw apart in our busy lives and hear. Then may we even as we plan and present these programs, be channels through whom God may speak to others. Maybe through you, and through othres inspired by you, He will speak to someone who will listen and who, hearing alsothe cries of a needy world, will answer, "Here am I, Lord; send me." "How we need workers at home and overseas to speak to people everywhere and to tell them that they are beloved children of God. Pray that th Word will be heard! Thus we were Conforted with dedicarting ourselves to fulfilling the task committed unto Methodist Women around the world to let the spirit of Christ radiate from our hearts as we are alerted to the many areas of darkness and need yet to be found in "Our Mission Today." "1960" yes, This is the year That Was," The Women's Society and Wesleyan Service Guild celebrated twenty years of united endeaver. Twnty yars of such phnomenal growth in the membership program and finance, that is coveted tthroughout Methodism. The Woman's Division added another feather to our "big hat" with the choice of the 1961-'62 Program theme. "The Household of God": This challenging theme admonished Methodist women thusly: "Now therefore ye are no more strangers and foreigners, but fellow citizens with the saints, and of the household of God; and are built upon the foundation of the apostles and prophets, Jesus Christ himself being the chief cornerstone; in whom all the building fitly framed together for an habitation of God through the Spirit. Ephesians 2:19-22.

Many Frontiers called us, as we cooperated with our total connectional Church program. We faced the realization that the church is confronted with its greatest challege in history. Methodist Women are being chosen to lead in many areas because we are responsible for the work of the Woman's Division through our organization of the Woman's Society of Christian Service and Wesleyan Service Guild on all levels. We recognize the fact that we must submit ourselves to a thorough understanding, interpretation, and execution of our Christian Witness. We must evaluate our program constantly as we are called upon to recognize where we came from and where we are going without hesitation as well as what we are now doing., Christian friends, it behooves all of us to take a long look at "ourselves", beginning with programs of "Spiritual rededication, education, social action, including all areas where the Methodist Church is at work at home and abroad. The day for complacency is over. "Our Mission Today" is to make Him known to all nations as we combat Secularism, Resurgence of non-christian Religions, Barriers of Race and Culture, Urbanization and Nationalism.

Methodist Women added another feather to the "Big Hat" in 1962-'63 with the progarm theme: "Called, Confronted, and Compelled." The exciting programs relate the quadrennial emphases of the Board of Missions. Factors That Confront Us (another feather for the big hat) reflect: Rapid Social Change, New Patterns of Family Life, Population Explosions, International Tensoins, changeing Trends of Missions. The very nature and validty of the Missionary enterprises of the Methodist Church reguires thinking. Our Christianity is challenged daily at home and abroad, as our faith is questioned. This is indeed an opportune time for us to evaluate our beliefs as well as our purpose, and look at ourselves objectivetly as well as our world today. Our Mission Today is to make our Witness relevant to the emerging needs of the world in which we live, as we share in God's Mission to His people.

Methodist Women are Called, Confronted, and Compelled to continue to project these major emphases as we promote the total program of the Methodist Church. Somenone has well said that the Woman-power of our great church is its lifeline. Within the structure of the Board of Missions, the Woman's Division of Christian Service promotes a challenging program around the world. Herein lies the most unique organization in the world, the Woman's Society of Christian Service and the Wesleyan Service Guild.

The last feather to add to our "big hat" the Progarm That Unites us in Whitness and Service, the last part of the quadrennial Emphases as well as a folow-up of the 1963 summer School theme "Called to Serve".

Service is our primary reason for being an organization. This is evident in our very name. Woman's Society of Christian Service and Weseyan Service Guild.

September 1964 will culminate twenty-five years of Methodist Women "Witnessing through Service", with historical records reflecting accomp-
lishments that are almost fantastic. Methodist Women have answered the challenging question "Where Shall We Witness?" as recorded in His Word, "You shall be My Witnesses in Jerusalem an in all Judea and Samaria, and to the end of the earth" (Acts 1:8 RSV). We shall begin our twenty-fifth anniversary celebrations. As we plan for this silver jubilee, let us be reminded of our rich heritage, as we proudly look at our accopmlishments, and plan for greater Witness Through Service in the future.

The Woman's Society of Christian Service and Wesleyan Service Guild is a great organization in size and in accomplishment; although size does not always mean greatness, bigness is imposing, greatness is enduring. May our bigness mean more chances to be great.

The map of the world shows us at work in thirty-two countries We have large investments in the physical realms of brick and mortar, but much greater investments in the people who move through the buildings. Our working force is not big enough but when we catch glimpses of our Missionaries and Deaconesses you know that their lives are multiplied. To paraphrase the late President Kennedy's famous statement "Ask not what the church can do for your, but what can I do for my church?" TheWoman's Society of Christian Service and Guild offers great opportunities to women of all ages for christian citizenship, internationel understanding, broadening of intellectual horizons, and a means of deepening our spiritual life. The Composite reports of the District presidents reflect increases in attendence at all meetings, pledges to Missions, Literature sales, and special askings.

Conference Highlights of significance for the Quadrennium are as follows: Pledge to Missions increased $\$ 500.00$. The sum of $\$ 350.00$ was awarded annually to five(5) girls who attend Huston-Tillotson College, a totl of $\$ 1400.00$ for this quadrennium. The sum of $\$ 954.00$ was given to Huston-Tillotson College for he purchase of chairs for the girl's dormitory. Approximately 70 Special Memberships awarded. Miss Dorothy Barnette, a Field Worker of the Woman's Division intinerated our Conference twice. Mrs. L. H. Fields, Jurisdiction President was our inspirational quest at an annual meeting.

Conference delegates were present at all Jurisdiction meeting, the Sixth Assembly, National Seminar, and all other meetings of the Woman's Division as well as the General Church. The Charter on Racial Policies was ratified at our 1963 Annual Meeting. The Conference School of Missions has been a stellar attraction to many women and youth, as well as fraternal delegates across the jurrisictional lines. The interracial faculty and conference Officers have shared in maintaining an accredited School of quality and high standards, as well as experiencing a grand fellowship.

The Reverands L. L. Haynes, Sr., J. H. Carruthers, Prenza Woods, Lavalle Lowe, John Preciphs served graciously as faculty members, with full cooperation from Rev. W. J. Washington, Executive Secretary. The Youth School is a unigue feature. Two of these youth have pledged themselves to "Full time Christian Service", one has obtained Local Preacher's license and serves his church as assistant to the pastor, although he is a Senior High School Student.

All Special Days have been observed including the 25th Anniversary on local and district levels. Official, participating membership in United Councils of church Women is notable. Literature sales increased, with our Conerence listed in the top six in sales for 1963, of Methodist Woman and World Outlook, in the special drive. 426 subscriptions to the Methodist Woman, 279 Combination, 26 World Outlook. $\$ 1,003.30$ total. Most of the Methodist Churches throughout the world are linked together in the World Methodist Council. The functions of this Council "Are fraternal and cooperative in nature, designed to draw the numerous branches of the Wesleyan Movement closer together in fellowship and devotion to their mutual heritage, and to promote among them evangelistic, educational, historical and other cooperative movements. The Council exercises no legislative power and exerts no control over any Methodist body. Thus we have a world wide Methodist fellowship although in many ways we are such a fragmented body. Wesley would be glad for any signs of increased understanding among his followers, for he heartily disliked anything that separated him from other Christians. He felt himself a brother to all true believers. "If you live and serve God, it is enough," he said; "I give you the right hand of fellowship. If we are to
become one in spirit with all Christians, then surely we should start in our own denomination.

As we approach the close of quadrennium 1960-64, we doff our "big hat" as we peek into a new quadrennium 1934-68. We don a small hat as the new theme is really a question mark, yet the 1964-65 Program theme "Summoned to a New Age" has been chosen by the Woman's Division. Newness and Change have become a part of our everyday lives. Drastic changes are taking place in church, in home and in society as a whole. A New Age is upon us. Christian women are summoned to take a creative part in the New Age; summoned to develop within themselves the spiritual resources for the living of these days; and summoned to evaluated their "Witness and Service" in these times.

Angela Morgan writes: To be alive in such an age! with every year a lightening page Turned in the world's great wonder-book Where on the learning nations look Where men speak strong for brotherhood For peace and universal good; when miracles are everywhere and every inch of common air Throbs a tremendous prophecy Of greater marvels yet to be Oh, Thrilling Age! When steel and stone and rail and rod Welcome the utterance of God A trump to shout his wonder through Proclaiming all that men can do. To be alive in such an age! To live in it! To give in it! Rise, soul, from thy despairing knees, What if thy lips have drunk the lees? The passion of a larger claim Will put thy puny grief to shame. Fling forth thy sorrow to the wind And link thy hope with human mankind; Breathe the world thought, do the world deed, Think highly of thy brother's need. Give thanks with all thy flaming heart, Crave but to have in it a part-Give thanks and clasp thy heritage-To be alive in such an age."

The Women's Division adopted January 18, 1964 "New Purpose for A New Age Approved by the 1964 General Conference. The new purpose of the Woman's Society of Christian Service unites the Society and Wesleyan Service Guild into one purpose.

The purpose of the Woman's Society of Christian Service and Wesleyan Service Guild shall be to help women grow in the knowledge and experience of God as revealed in Jesus Christ and to challenge them to respond to God's redemptive purpose in the world.

Toward realization of this purpose the Woman's Society and Guild shall provide opportunities and resources which will help women grow in understanding and spiritual power; increase their knowledge of needs in the world; and share in the witness, service, and outreach of the church. The Woman's Society and Guild shall enlist workers and secure funds for the fulfillment of their responsibility in the mission of the church at home and overseas.

Methodist Women of the West Texas Conference Central Jurisdiction view the 25th Anniversary. Goals and new purpose, the new program theme with mixed emotions and a feeling of deep concern as the following questions appear on the horizon: (1) How will we make the necessary adjustments required for an all inclusive church? (2) Are we aware of the structural changes that will ultimately affect the Woman's Society of Christian Service? (3) Have you heard that there will be no Secretaries of Youth, Children's and Student Work of the Woman's Society on any level after 1965? (4) Do you know that Eight Regional Schools of Mission in 1965 will replace Conference and Jurisdiction Schools? (5) Do you know that the West Texas Conference had been assigned to the Southwest Region School to be held in Denver, Colo. possibly? (6) Are we prepared to act intelligently after General Conference meets and acts and in the transition period thereafter? (7) Are we aware of the Spiritual as well as psychological preparation needed for this period of transition?

The Inez Elizabeth Ann Day Care Center, a continuing project of the Woman's Society of Christian Service and Guild located at Marlin is the only community serving that community for our children. The project need remodeling very badly. We have had suggested plans for a remodeling program for several years. Your help is greatly needed if these plans are to become a reality. Will you lend us guidance with your suggestions, contributions and prayers to bring to fruition a needed community service?

Our twenty four Annual Meeting held at St. Andrews, Ft. Worth, April 10, 11, and 12, 1964, culminated our quadrennial Emphases, The Program

Than Unites us in Witness and Service. Highlights include presentations by representatives of the Central and Southwest Conferences South Central Jurisdiction and United Church Women who shared in the National Seminar Report, Greetings, etc. Two dynamic messages by Miss Josephine Beckwith, Director, Bethlehem Center, Ft. Worth. The Prayer Breakfast and Service of Holy Communion conducted impressively by the host pastor, Rev. L. L. Haynes, ably assisted by the District Superintendent, Rev. T. M. Bruton, who delivered the Communion Meditation, setting the tone for the day, as he warmed our hearts with his glorious message of the hour. The sum of $\$ 42.07$ was given for the Alaska emergency, thus cooperating with the special appeal from Mrs. J. Fount Tillman, President of the Woman's Division.

Annual Reports from Officers, Secretaries and District Presidents, World Federation Luncheon, Recognition to our "Past Presidents" presented by Conference Historian, as she shared Historical Facts under each administration. Significant was the fact that all Past Presidents were present, Mrs. K. W. McMillan, Sr., 1940-48; Mrs. Wm. Ellison, Jr., 1948-52; Mrs. O. B. Coe, 1952-60. Two of our Scholarship Girls, Misses Clara Spencer and Joyce Rodgers brought inspirational messages on our Student's Witness directed by Dr. Carmen Lowry.

The following officers were elected for the 1964-68 Quadrennium: Mrs. I. C. McAlister, President; Mrs. R. B. Byrd, V. Pres.; Mrs. H. B. Thomas, Fecording Secretary; Mrs. Wm. Ellison, Jr., Treasurer; Secretaries: Children's Work, Mrs. V. M. Taylor, Christian Social Relations, Mrs. L. L. Haynes, Literature Pub. Mrs. Katheryne Stanley, Missionary Educ. and Service, Mrs. F'. M. Hudspeth; Missionary Personnel, Mrs. T. L. Bell; Promotion, Mrs. Henry Joshua; Spiritual Life, Miss M. B. Davis; Student Work, Mrs. B. H. Washington; Supply Work, Mrs. M. R. Lyons Bell; Wesleyan Service Guild, Mrs. E. M. Gilbert; Youth Work, Miss L. C. Dunlap; and Historian, Mrs. C. B. Morgan. A tour of Bethlehem Center and a Silver Tea with a gift of $\$ 25$ raised for the Center. The 25th Anniversary was launched with a unique and impressive presentation. The Woman's Society of Christian Service and Wesleyan Service Guild participated. The District Presidents aided in the culmination of the 25th Anniversary launching by joining in a contest to enable the conference to make its first increase in finances. The Districts reported as follows: Dallas, $\$ 150.00$; Austin-Victoria, $\$ 100.00$; San Antonio, $\$ 310.00$; Waco, $\$ 36.00$; and Western, $\$ 60.00$ offering $\$ 13.52$ total $\$ 669.52$. Mrs. F. M. Hudspeth, President, San Antonio District, was crowned 25th Anniversary Queen at the magnificent 25th Anniversary Banquet. The Central Jurisdiction Crises was ably presented by our Conference Chairman of Christian Social Concern.

Special recognition was given to our Deaconesses and Missionaries. Personal "Love Gift" were given to them. The Conference Wesleyan Service Guild honored Dr. Lowry with a $\$ 25$ Special Membership Pin. The Conference Woman's Society honored Miss Dora Smith, retiring Wesleyan Service Guild Secretary, with a $\$ 25$ pin. The Dallas District Woman's Society of Christian Service honored Rev. T. M. Bruton with a $\$ 25$ pin, and Mrs. Neva Bates, retiring treasurer, with a $\$ 100$ Honorary Membership pin. Many other "Love Gifts" were extended. Our meeting closed on a high note with a challenging message from the host pastor. Each District increased its pledge at the closing Pledge Service.

As we are summoned to duty with Methodist Women in a New Age, we "Go Forward" with this motto: "With steadfast heart and true Go Forward on our way: God give us strength to do the duties of each day, So daily may this thought our hearts with courage fill, I can because I ought, and, by God's help I will."

As we share in the launching of the 25 th Anniversary and implement the "Call" we are Confronted with the three major goals projected in the New Purpose,

1. Growth in understanding and spiritual power:
2. Increase in knowledge of needs in the world; and
3. Sharing through witness and service in the outreach of the church.

In deep humility we bow to this noble task as we are called to meet this greatest challenge of our times.

We appreciate the opportunity to share in these new opportunities of

Christian Witness Through Service. Hence, we join an endless line of splendor of Methodist Women who shared 25 glorious years, and we beg your prayers, and continued cooperation as we accept the challenging Summons to serve a New Age.

Humbly Submitted,<br>Mrs. I. C. McAlister, Conference President

West Texas Conference
Woman's Society of Christian Service
and Wesleyan Service Guild
1414 McKinley Avenue
Austin 2, Texas
ATTENTION: Mrs. W. M. Ellison, Conference Secretary-Treasurer
Dear Mrs. Ellison:

## Subject: Annual Audit

I have made an examination of the ledger, receipt books and the bank statements of West Texas Conference Woman's Society of Christian Service and Wesleyan Service Guild for the fiscal year beginning June 1, 1963 and ending May 31, 1964, and I submit my report which consists of the following: Bank Reconciliations (Exhibit A) Recapitulation of Receipts and Disbursements (Exhibit B) My Comments as follows:
RECEIPTS - The receipt book contained all monies remitted to the Secretary-Treasurer from the Districts, Individual Registration, Public and Special Offerings and etc. The monies were deposited in the American National Bank, at Austin, Texas, with the following exceptions:

1. Special Offering - Sixty-Five and $21 / 00$ Dollars ( $\$ 65.21$ ) which was donated in cash to the St. Ardrews Methodist Church, Ft. Worth, Texas.
2. Reimbursement of supplies paid to Mrs. Myrtle Ellison, SecretaryTreasurer.
3. For dining room help paid to Mrs. Nettie McDonald.

Receipt No. 770 in the amount of Six Hundred Sixty-Four and 54/100 Dollars ( $\$ 664.54$ ) (25th Anniversary) is a duplication of the total of Receipts Nos.756-765 inclusive. Receipt No. 768 in the amount of One Hundred Eighty and No/100 Dollars ( $\$ 180.00$ ) (Registration Annual Meeting) includes a duplication of Receipts Nos. 741-753 inclusive. The amount totaling to Twenty-Eight and No/100 Dollars (\$28.00). Receipt No. 693 is a duplication of Receipt No. 701 in the amount of Eighteen and 50/100 Dollars ( $\$ 18.50$ ) (School of Mission Registration). Duplications of this sort, in the hands of sticklers, can lead to discord and distrust, and should by all means be eliminated.

DISBURSEMENTS - All disbursements made from the account were in accord with the usual functions of the Wesleyan Service Guild. The disbursements were by documented checks, with the following exceptions:

1. Special Offering - Love Gift to the St. Andrews Methodist Church, Ft. Worth, Texas.
2. Check No. 1242 payable to Mrs. Myrtle Ellison in the amount of Eighty-Eight and 10/100 Dollars ( $\$ 88.10$ ) was cashed, and then marked void and stapled in the check book.
3. Check No. 1256 payable to Mrs. Nettie McDonald for the amount of Twenty and No/100 Dollars ( $\$ 20.00$ ) was also cashed, marked void and stapled in the check book.
4. One returned check in the amount of Twenty-Five and No/100 Dollars (\$25.00) issued by the Waco District Woman's Society of Christian Service.
Check No. 1169 to State Council of Methodist for One Hundred and No/100 Dollars ( $\$ 100.00$ ) dated January 2, 1962 was in the check book and marked not to be issued at the time of the audit last year. During this audit, this check appeared with a line drawn through the January date with the date July, 1963 written just above it. Even though the expenditure was a valid one, this check should have been replaced with a new one.

RECOMMENDATIONS - Again I strongly urge that a standard system
for remitting monies to the Secretary-Treasurer be incorporated
It seems that it is imperative that a workshop or an institution be conducted for the District Secretaries and Treasurers for the purpose of instructing them to classify and remit monies to avoid discrepancies in the accounting of monies and proper credit.

It appears that the duplication of receipts and differences in the written amounts and figures on many receipts - all come about during registration. This indicates too many unnecessary interruptions and confusion at the place of registration. Therefore, immediate steps should be taken to eliminate them.

Every disbursement from the organization should be made by check which will give certified proof. However, when the need for cash expenditures arise, it should be handled thusly: A check for the correct amount to be expended should be written, just as any other check, and endorsed by the person to whom the money is paid. Then the Treasurer will retain the check and give the person cash in the amount of the check. This is a valid check, and should be deposited in the bank just as any check you may receive from anyone else. This will not only make sure that all expenditures are by check, but will also make sure that all monies receipted are deposited to the bank.

Check stubs Nos. 1281, 1282, 1283, 1284 and 1285 were dated November 22, 1963. But the checks were dated December 3, 1963. Care should be given to avoid such discrepancies.

The report of the Secretary-Treasurer at the close of the 1962-63 year showed a balance carried forward of Five Hundred Thirty-One and 37/100 Dollars (\$531.37). But upon reconciling the account, the correct balance was found to be One Thousand One Hundred Forty and 40/100 Dollars ( $\$ 1,140.40$ ). The adjustment for Six Hundred Nine and 03/100 Dollars (\$609.03) is shown in the Secretary-Treasurer's 1963-64 report to equal the correct balance.

In conclusion, I wish to say that even though there are some minor discrepancies, the books showed no sign of fraud or mistrust. I commend you for this and for a big and important job well done. I also wish to express my appreciation to you for your splendid cooperation during this audit.

Sincerely yours,
Vink J. Fowler, Auditor
Exhibit "A"
Bank Reconciliałion for Fiscal Year Ending May 31, 1964
Bank Balance per Bank Statement May 31, 1964 .................. \$2,070.49
Deduct outstanding check:
No. 1348 - Woman's Division of Christian Service ........ 1,298.00
Adjusted Bank Balance May 31, 1964 ................................ 772.49
Book Balance per Book May 31, 1964 ..................................... \$ 797.49
Deduct returned check:
Waco District Woman's Society of Christian Service ............................................................... 25.00

Adjusted Book Balance May 31, 1964
\$ 772.49

## Exhibit "B" <br> Recapitulation of Receipts and Disbursements for period beginning June 1, 1963 and Ending May 31, 1964 <br> Receipts

Balance Brought Forward May 31, 1963 ............................................... \$ 1,140.40
District Remittance ..................................................................... \$7,755.88
Registration, School of Mission ........................................... 1,365.00
Registration, Annual Meeting .............................................. 180.00
Sale of Literature ................................................................. 264.31
Commission - Sale of Literature ..................................................... 26.43
Study Action ......................................................................... 45.51
Gratuity ..... 55.35
Ebony Project ..... 510.00
Sacrificial Offering ..... 42.18
Public Offering (25th Anniversary) ..... 13.44
Special Offering ..... 65.21
Tea Proceeds ..... 23.45
Sale of Corsages ..... 22.00
Total 1963-64 Receipts ..... 10,369.26
Total Available ..... \$11,509.66
Disbursements
Divisions ..... 4,424.36
Huston-Tillotson College ..... 1,364.00
Travel - Room and Board and Materials ..... 293.00
Marlin Project ..... 244.50
Honorarium ..... 150.00
Gratuity ..... 227.49
Literature Sales ..... 264.31
Auditors Report ..... 44.00
Programs ..... 23.80
Secretarial Service ..... 20.00
Alaska Disaster Fund (Jessie Lee Home) ..... 43.00
Bethlehem Center, Ft. Worth, Texas ..... 65.21
Telegrams ..... 10.33
State Council of Methodist Women ..... 100.00
Total 1963-64 Disbursements ..... 10,737.17
Balance carried forward May 31, 1964 ..... \$ 772.49
ByVink J. Fowler1614 Elmira RoadAustin, Texas

## REPORT NUMBER 8

## REPORT OF THE CONFERENCE MISSIONARY SECRETARY

During the latter part of the 1960-64 quadrennial period The Methodist Church engaged in a study adventure to re-thing the nature and validity of the missionary enterprise of The Methodist Church. Three major topics formed the springboard for intensive study, evaluation, and concern:

The Faith That Compels Us -
The Factors That Confront Us -
The Frontiers That Call Us -
The textbook for this study, Our Mission Today, by Tracey K. Jones, Jr., has had the highest sales record in the history of Methodist mission study books. The book has gone into its ninth printing, for a total of 230,000 copies. In addition, 49,000 copies of the Leader's Guides have been sold, and 40,000 copies of the reading book, The Bible and God's Mission, have been used. Some 12,000 filmstrips have been produced, and most of them sold. These statistics may have limited importance, but they do furnish some indication of the receptiveness of the Church to the study and the resources.

Dr. John R. Wilkins, director of the program, has stated-"At a deeper level, one of the encouraging signs out of the study has been the manifest uneasiness over the existing apathy in the Church, the tendency to conformity and the yearning for a positive Christian affirmation. It is my
judgement that the selection of the three basic areas of concern, "The Faith That Compels Ue, The Factors That Confront Us and The Frontiers That Call Us." all forged out of hard thinking, also had Divine guidance. The time was ripe, the Church was ready for this adventure. The grass-roots quality of study was significant. Perhaps the true evaluation of the results of the Our Mission Today study must wait for three to five years. However, even now we can be confident that this study has disturbed, stirred and stimulated hundreds of thousands of Methodist people to: evaluate contemporary society with deeper perception; humbly seek for a more hopeful and victorious faith, in response to the Divine Spirit, and courageously face our new responsibilities and frontiers in the mission of the Church."

In our own West Texas Conference we have engaged to a commendable extent in this study adventure. Presentations have been made at District meetings, and sveral of the local churches have conducted study courses. Our "Team" leader, Rev. Z. W. Holmes, Jr., is to be commended for both leadership and direction in this area.

At the time of the annual meeting The Board of Missions voted to reorganize its structure and presented the necessary legislation to the General Conference. There is to be just one Division administering overseas, and just one Division administering work at home. The Joint Section will become the Joint Commission. Information regarding what this means for Annual Conference cooperation, cooperative work on the District level, and how this will affect the W.S.C.S., Advance Specials, etc., will be passed on to the Pastors and Commission on Missions Chairmen as soon as it has been received in final form by the Conference Missionary Secretary

## World Missions

The missionary staff numbers 1,113 , an advance of 21 over the corresponding figure in 1962. There is a continuing call to secure missionary personnel. The complexity and difficulty of the missionary task is increasing each year. The finest men and women of our church are needed.

For the seventh consecutive year there was a modest increase in income to the Division through Advance, voluntary "over and above" giving. \$7,130,056 was received in this fashion, representing $57.2 \%$ of the total income of the Division.

Working in 46 countries, the Division of World Missions had a total income of $\$ 12,459,046$ - an increase of $2.4 \%$ over the previous year. It is pointed out that over half of this income came from Advance Specials and these gifts, to a large extent are designated for particular projects, programs, or missionaries. Complete support of World Service askings is sought since it undergirds the total program. Without World Service funds to get the missionaries to the fields they cannot be there to use the Advance gifts. One of the challenges is to stretch the World Service money and undesignated Advance Gifts to help supply the physical facilities needed by the missionaries to make a spiritual witness.

## National Missions

For the year 1962-63 the Department of Advance and Special Gifts reported an increase over the previous year - a total income of $\$ 1,591,669.46$. This gives an indication of a growing awareness among many of our Methodist pastors and people that there is a mission field on our own doorstep as crucial and as urgent as any mission field on the other side of the world. Work in Alaska, Hawaii, Puerto Rico, Oklahoma Indian Mission, Rio Grande Conference, and Central Jurisdictional Projects have been promoted and advanced through this fund. Last year $\$ 62,872.36$ was spent on projects in the Central Jurisdiction.

In the area of Church Extension the movement has been steadily forward. This is true of new Church development and in the providing of adequate Church homes. The 1960 General Conference called the Church to establish 400 new churches each year of the quadrennium following. New churches are now being established at an average yearly rate of 200 . In addition, 200 sites for new churches are purchased yearly.

In the Central Jurisdiction thirty-two donations totaling \$143,349.00 and 25 donations totaling $\$ 471,750.00$ have been made aiding 41 churches. Six of these were new congregations. The annual report of the Division of National Missions highlights two projects in our West Texas Conference Highland Hills Church, Dallas, and Morningside Church, Fort Worth. Both of
these churches are located on the Dallas District. A photo of Rev. Marshall E. Hodge, pastor of Morningside Church is also a part of the report. Director Dr. D. R. Fletcher, states that there is an increase in inter-jurisdictional cooperation but that we cannot overlook that the future of the Central Jurisdiction has caused a lag in some areas. "Members of other jurisdictions fail to cooperate for one or two reasons: (1) It will be a perpetuation of the Central Jurisdiction. (2) Others do not feel the time is ripe for admission of the Central Jurisdiction in their annual conferences. The best policy to adopt is to develop a church wherever an opportunity is offered and when the Central Jurisdiction is dissolved it will bring into the new union as many members as possible."

The District Superintendents have indicated in their composite report the extent of church building and expansion on the five Districts. We appreciate their leadership in this area and herewith express our gratitude.

We call upon Pastors and District Missionary Secretaries - their responsibility to keep our people alert and sensitive to missions and church extension is a never ending responsibility. Through our Conference Board of Missions, District Missionary Secretaries, W.S.C.S. promotions, Missionary institutes, District and Conference, and local church Missionary Institutes let us keep informed. Materials are available and well-prepared publications. We must make wide and effective use of these materials. Our missionary responsibility must not be forfeited, and we must expect, because of our work, something to happen in the Name of Jesus Christ as we depend on God.

We have a story to tell - lets tell it. We have a work to do - lets do it. We have a Kingdom to build - lets build it.

P. L. Woods,<br>Conference Missionary Secretary<br>The West Texas Conference<br>The Methodist Church

## REPORT NUMBER 9

## THE ANNUAL REPORT FROM THE BOARD OF MISSIONS OF THE WEST TEXAS ANNUAL CONFERENCE FOR THE YEAR JUNE 1, 1963 TO MAY 31, 1964

To the President of our Conference, Members of the Cabinet, Fellow Ministers, Lay Members and Friends:

As we take a look across the terbulence and tragedies, unrest and disturbance, strife and emotions around the world, I am sure we thank God for the privilege of meeting together again to review our work, our limited successes and our failures.

In our endeavor to make Jesus Christ Lord of our lives and his world, and in our serious moments we feel that we have failed God and disappointed his children. The walls of partition are crumbling so fast and our world is shrinking with each satellite that is launched, and each missile that is fired - that we cry out "Show Us Thy Way O Lord" and lead us in a plain path.

This restless age and the impact of shifting populations makes it necessary for us to take a new look at our total missionary task. Our rural and small hamlets are dying while our industrial and metropolitan areas are exploding. We need more churches in the new communities that are springing up over night, we need more funds available for property and the maintenance of preachers. The membership of our churches must feel a greater sense of responsibility for the ongoing of the kingdom.

During the past two or three years our neighboring jurisdiction has been designating money for the conference to help lift the salaries of ministers in our smaller churches. At this point, only the pastors on our regular maintenance list can benefit by these monies. I am of the opinion that there are other pastors whose salaries are sub-standard who are not on our list because the funds are not available, this needs to be considered in the distribution of the monies received from the other jurisdiction.

Yours in Christ,
J. H. Carruthers, Chairman

Board of Missions

Section No. I, represents the amounts paid for the Conference year beginning June 1, 1963 and ending May 31, 1964.

West Texas Conference - Austin-Victoria - 3351 Regular Program

## Amount



West Texas Conference - Dallas - 3352 Regular Program
Milford-Italy ................................................................... \$ 250.00
St. Rose-Grand Prairie ............................................................................................................. 250.00
Waxahachie ..........
400
Waxahachie .................................................................. $\frac{400.00}{\$ 900.00}$
West Texas Conference - San Antonio - 3353 Regular Program


West Texas Conference - Waco - 3355
Regular Program

Belton Parish ............................................................... \$ 400.00
Bowman-Longbranch ...................................................................................... 300
Calvert
300.00

Frosa-Moody-Gatesville ............................................................ 200.00
\$1,200.00

## West Texas Conference - Western - 3356 Regular Program



Section No. II, represents the grants approved for the West Texas Conference by Districts and charges beginning June 1, 1964 and ending May 31, 1965.

## West Texas Conference - Austin-Victoria - 3351

 Regular ProgramHold for Altair Ct. ...................................................... \$ 200.00
Hold for St. Peters ........................................................ 200.00
Hold for Schulenburg Parish ...................................... 200.00
Hold for Winchester Ct. ....................................................... 200.00
Hold for Yoakum-Shiner ................................................... 250.00
\$1,050.00

## West Texas Conference - Dallas - 3352 Regular Program

| Haven Chapel | \$ | 200.00300.00 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Dallas-St. James |  |  |
| Dallas-Trinity |  | 250.00 |
| Waxahachie-St. Andrews |  | 150.00 |
|  | \$ |  |

# West Texas Conference - San Antonio - 3353 Regular Program 

## Amount

$\qquad$
Beeville
\$ 300.00
Harlingen ........................................................................................................ 400.00
Harpers Chapel ............................................................. 200.00
\$ 900.00


West Texas Conference - Western - 3356
Regular Program

Brownwood .................................................................. \$ 725.00
Lampasas and Llano .................................................... 325.00
Abilene .......................................................................... 250.00
\$1,300.00
Section III, represents the report from the Church Extension Department:

Loan
St. Paul Church, Corpus Christi, Texas ................... \$25,000.00

REPORT NUMBER 10

## REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON RESOLUTIONS AND COURTESIES

Bishop Matthew W. Clair, Jr., Members of the Cabinet, and Members of the West Texas Annual Conference:

Your committee on resolutions and courtesies is priviledged to express sincere thanks and deep appreciation to the following personalities who helped to make the 90th Session of the West Texas Annual Conference OUTSTANDING in all of its endeavours:

To Bishop Matthew W. Clair, Jr. for the dignified manner in which he presided over the business of the conference; the fatherly, brotherly way in which he dealt with the problems which confronted the conference.

To Bishop William C. Martin, resident bishop of the Dallas - Fort Worth Area, for his kind expressions to the West Texas Conference, and the sincere interest that he has shown for the whole of Methodism

To Dr. Dennis R. Fletcher, Conference Speaker, for his messages of inspiration which gave spiritual motivation to the conference.

To Gammon Theological Seminary for sending the Reverend C. L. Henderson, Ad Interium Coordinator of Affairs, who addressed the Conference in regards to the work, and needs of the Seminary.

To Dr. James S. Thomas, Associate Director of the Board of Education, who was presented and addressed the conference.

To Dr. J. Otis Young, Associate Publisher of the Methodist Publishing House, who addressed the conference lifting up three points: "Honoring the Past"; "Serving the Present"; and "Preparing for the Future".

To Mr. Richard Mathis, who representing the Publishing House in Dallas, made it possible for members of the conference to purchase books and materials at the seat of the conference.

To the Rev. Albert F. Tucker, Executive Secretary of Texas Alcohol,

Narcotic Education, who addressed the conference and distributed literature.
To the Publishing House for Check sent to the Conference for the Pension Fund in the amount of $\$ 2,326.94$.

To the local church officers and members under the leadership of Dr. I. B. Loud for the entertainment provided for the comfort and enjoyment of the delegation.

To Dr. J. J. Seabrook, President of Huston-Tillotson College, Faculty, members of the student-body, and Dr. Nathaniel G. Williams and members of the Choir for their part on the program.

BE IT RESOLVED:
That the delegates to the 90th session of the West Texas Annual Conference give a rising vote of thanks to these for their contribution to the success of the sessions.

## BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED:

That a copy of this resolution be printed in the Journal of the West Texas Annual Conference.

Humbly Submitted:

J. B. Richardson, Chairman<br>Merrell T. Reed<br>Leo H. Haywood<br>Mrs. Cleo Booker<br>Frank Breedlove

REPORT NUMBER 11

## REPORT OF THE <br> BOARD OF SABBATH OBSERVANCE

Bishop Clair and Members of the West Texas Annual Conference:
It is 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 impaired.

Our greatest need is that a family altar be established in every methodist home, Bible reading and prayer goes with family devocation, and regular church attendance for al lof the family on the Sabbath day, with reverence to God for His goodness, in order to secure God's gifts for God's chosen people, it is the spiritual renewal of the individual that shall lead to the spiritual renewal of the family, and thence eventually to the church.

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, strift, 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 Commissions 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 conscientiously observed.

Humbly submitted,
George L. Johnson, Chairman
Z. E. King

Troy Williams
Mrs. T. L. Bell
Edwin Edmonds
Mrs. Arlene Tucker
Mrs. L. L. Stafford, Secretary

## APPROVED RESOLUTIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

## RESOLUTION NUMBER 1

## PLAN FOR THE MERGER OF THE LEXINGTON ANNUAL CONFERENCE WITH THE ANNUAL CONFERENCES OF THE NORTH CENTRAL JURISDICTION

WHEREAS, It is the avowed policy of The Methodist Church to effect ultimately the dissolution of the Central Jurisdiction as one step toward achieving a truly inclusive Methodist Church, and

WHEREAS, The Central and North Central Jurisdictional Conferences and their constituent Annual Conferences are committed to the elimination of all forms of racial segregation and discrimination in The Methodist Church, including elimination, within a framework of overall planning, of the racially segregated Central Jurisdiction itself,

BE IT RESOLVED, Therefore, That:

1. The Lexington Annual Conference, in accordance with Amendment IX of the Constitution of The Methodist Church, by the adoption of this plan votes to transfer from the Central Jurisdiction to the North Central Jurisdiction.
2. Each of the other Annual Conferences of the Central Jurisdiction, in accordance with Amendment IX of the Constitution of The Methodist Church, by the adoption of this Plan votes to approve the transfer of the Lexington Annual Conference from the Central Jurisdiction to the North Central Jurisdiction.
3. Each Annual Conference of the North Central Jurisdiction, in accordance with Amendment IX of the Constitution of The Methodist Church, by the adoption of this Plan votes to approve the transfer of the Lexington Annual Conference from the Central Jurisdiction to the North Central Jurisdiction.
4. Each Annual Conference of The North Central Jurisdiction, by the adoption of this Plan votes to accept into its membership, upon the effective date of the Plan, the following persons:
(a) All ministerial members of the Lexington Annual Conference who are then appointed to churches geographically located within its boundaries.
(b) All ministerial members of the Lexington Annual Conference under special appointment who then hold their quarterly Conference membership in a Local church geographically located within its boundaries.
(c) All retired ministerial members of the Lexington Annual Conference who then hold their Quarterly Conference membership in a local church geographically located within its boundaries.
All persons who shall become members of any Annual Conference of the North Central Jurisdiction under subparagraphs " A ", " B ", or " C " above shall have all the rights, privileges, and obligations of the other members of that Annual Conference.
5. The Jurisdictional Conference of the Central Jurisdiction, by the
adoption of this Plan determines the boundaries of the Lexington Annual Conference to include all churches of the Central Jurisdiction located in the States of Ohio, Indiana, Illinois, Michigan, Wisconsin, Minnesota, Iowa, North Dakota and South Dakota.
6. The Jurisdictional Conference of the North Central Jurisdiction, by the adoption of this Plan determines the boundaries of its Annual Conferences in such manner as to include each Local Church of the Lexington Annual Conference in the other Annual Conference of the North Central Jurisdiction in which that church is geographically located; thereafter, the Lexington Annual Conference shall no longer be continued as a separate entity of the North Central Jurisdiction.
7. The Jurisdictional Conference of the North Central Jurisdiction, by the adoption of this Plan requests the Council of Bishops to transfer to the North Central Jurisdiction for presidential and residential supervision the Bishop of the Central Jurisdiction assigned to the Lexington Annual Conference at the time of transfer. The Secretary of the Jurisdictional Conference shall immediately transmit the request to the Council of Bishops.
8. This Plan for the merger of the Lexington Annual Conference with the Annual Conferences of the North Central Jurisdiction shall become effective upon its adoption by the requisite votes of all the parties therto, to-wit:
(a) The Lexington Annual Conference.
(b) The other Annual Conferences of the Central Jurisdiction.
(c) The Annual Conferences of the North Central Jurisdiction.
(d) The Jurisdictional Conferences of the Central Jurisdiction.
(e) The Jurisdictional Conference of the North Central Jurisdiction.
9. The Secretary of Each Annual Conference shall certify immediately the vote on this Plan to the College of Bishops of its Jurisdiction in accordance with Amendment IX of the Constitution of The Methodist Church so that prompt tabulation of all votes and announcement of the required majorities may be made.

Record of Voting on Adoption of the Plan
By the West Texas Conference.
Vote taken on the 14th day of May, 1964.
Number Present and voting - 118.
Number voting "For" - 118.
Number voting "Against" - None.
Number "Abstaining" - None.

## RESOLUTION NUMBER 2

## PLAN FOR THE MERGER OF the west texas annual conference with ANNUAL CONFERENCES OF THE SOUTH CENTRAL JURISDICTION

WHEREAS it is the avowed policy of The Methodist Church to effect ultimately the dissolution of the Central Jurisdiction as one step toward achieving a truly inclusive Methodist Church, and

WHEREAS the Central Jurisdictional Conference and its constituent Annual Conferences are committed to the elimination of all forms of racial segregation and discrimination in The Methodist Church, including elimination (within a framework of overall planning) of the racially segregated Central Jurisdiction itself;

BE IT RESOLVED, therefore, as follows:

1. The West Texas Annual Conference, by the adoption of this Plan for the Merger of the West Texas Conference with Annual Conferences of the South Central Jurisdiction (hereafter called "the Plan"), and in accordance with Amendment IX of the Constitution of The Methodist Church, hereby votes to transfer from the Central Jurisdiction to the South Central Jurisdiction.
2. Each of the other Annual Conferences of the Central Jurisdiction
by the adoption of the Plan, and in accordance with Amendment IX of the Constitution of The Methodist Church shall be deemed to have approved the transfer of the West Texas Annual Conference from the Central Jurisdiction to the South Central Jurisdiction.
3. Each Annual Conference of the South Central Jurisdiction by the adoption of this Plan, and in accordance with Amendment IX of the Constitution of The Methodist Church shall be deemed to have approved the transfer of the West Texas Conference from the Central Jurisdiction to the South Central Jurisdiction.
4. Each Annual Conference of the South Central Jurisdiction, by the adoption of the Plan shall be deemed to have accepted into its membership, upon the effective date of the Plan, the following persons:
(a) All ministerial members (whether on trial or in full connection) of the West Texas Annual Conference who are then appointed to churches located geographically within its boundaries.
(b) All ministerial members of the West Texas Annual Conference (whether on trial or in full connection) under special appointment who then hold their quarterly conference membership in a local church located geographically within its boundaries.
(c) All retired ministerial members of the West Texas Annual Conference who hold their quarterly conference membership in a local church located geographically within its boundaries.
All persons who shall become members of any Annual Conference of the South Central Jurisdiction under subparagraphs "A", "B", or "C" above shall have all the rights (especially with respect to pensions and minimum salaries), privileges, and obligations of the other members of that Annual Conference.
5. The Annual Conferences of the South Central Jurisdiction, by the adoption of the Plan, shall be deemed to have agreed that opportunities for Lay participation in and enjoyment of the benefits of all their programs, activities, and institutions without regard to race or color.
6. The Central Jurisdictional Conference, by the adoption of the Plan, shall determine the boundaries of the West Texas Annual Conference in such manner that said Annual Conference shall be wholly within the South Central Jurisdiction.
7. The Jurisdictional Conference of the South Central Jurisdiction, by the adoption of the Plan, shall be deemed to have agreed to determine the boundaries of its Annual Conferences in such manner as to include each local church of the West Texas Annual Conference in the other Annual Conference of that Jurisdiction in which that local church is located geographically. Upon the effective date of the Plan, the West Texas Annual Conference shall be discontinued as a separate entity of the South Central Jurisdiction.

> 8. The Jurisdictional Conference of the South Central Jurisdiction, by the adoption of this Plan, shall be deemed to have requested the Council of Bishops to transfer to the South Central Jurisdiction for presidential and residential supervision the bishop of the Central Jurisdiction assigned to the West Texas Annual Conference at the time of transfer. The Secretary of the Jurisdictional Conference shall immediately transmit the request to the Council of Bishops.
9. The Plan shall become effective upon its adoption by the required votes of each of the parties thereto, to-wit:
(a) The West Texas Annual Conference.
(b) The other Annual Conferences of the Central Jurisdiction.
(c) The Annual Conferences of the South Central Jurisdiction.
(d) The Central Jurisdictional Conference.
(e) The Jurisdictional Conference of the South Central Jurisdiction.
10. The Secretary of each Annual Conference shall certify immediately the vote of the Plan to the College of Bishops of its Jurisdiction in accord-
ance with Amendment IX of the Constitution of The Methodist Church so that prompt tabulattion of all votes and announcement of the results theerof may be made.

## RECORD OF VOTING ON ADOPTION OF THE PLAN.

Vote taken on the 14th day of May, 1964.
Number Present and Voting - 116.
Number Voting "For" - 115.
Number Voting "Against" - 1 .
Number Abstaining - None.

## RECOMMENDATION NO. 1

## BOARD OF LAY ACTIVITIES

The Board of Lay Activities respectfully submits the following recommendations:

1. That the Annual Laymen's Banquet become a part of the Annual Conference Program.
2. That this Annual Conference endorse the "Laymen's Retreat" held annually at Huston-Tillotson College, and that attendance be vigorously promoted in each Charge.
3. That the following District Lay Leaders be approved for the 1964-1965 Conference Year:

Austin-Victoria District: Mr. O. H. Elliott
Dallas District: Mr. Elmer Porter San Antonio District: Mr. B. J. Brown
Waco District: Mr. Rayford Wilkins
Western District: Mr. George Crayton
The Board of Lay Activities
Odie E. Davis, Conference Lay Leader

## RECOMMENDATION NO. 2

## THE COMMITTEE ON CONFERENCE RELATIONS

The Committee on Conference Relations recommends that the action regarding the status of Elmo Tatum, taken by the 83rd session of The West Texas Conference May 8-12, 1957 in Fort Worth, Texas, and recorded in the Conference Journal of 1957, (page 25 under Question 23-b) be recinded.

Further, we recommend that Mr. Tatum's Orders be recognized, and that he be re-admitted as a Minister in full connection in the West Texas Conference.

T. R. Watkins, Chairman<br>A. D. Minor, Secretary

The Recommendation was adopted by unanimous vote of the Conference.

## VIII

## CONFERENCE HISTORY

The Methodist Episcopal Church was organized in annual Conference relations in New Orleans, La., December 25, 1865, by Bishop Edward 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, President.

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

This Conference to date has five districts, 103 Pastoral Appointments, and a school that is a credit to the denomination, viz., Huston-Tillotson College, located at Austin, Texas.

## ANNUAL CONFERENCE RULES

## 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.)

## 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




## WEST TEXAS CONFERENCE

## SESSIONS OF THE WEST TEXAS CONFERENCE




#  <br> WHO DIED DURING THE CONFERENCE YEAR 1963-1964 

## MINISTER

Wm. M. Ellison, Sr. N. W. Stephens

## MINISTER'S WIDOW

Mrs. J. W. Goode

It is not death to die-
To leave this weary road,
And, 'mid the brotherhood on high,
To be at home with God.

Jesus, thou Prince of life
Thy chosen cannot die!
Like thee, they conquor in the strife,
To reign with Thee on high.
-Abraham H. C. Malan

## IX

## OUR HONORED DEAD

## "THESE ALL DIED IN FAITH . .."




| NAME AND DATE OF DEATH | PLACE OF BURIA | Time Entered Ministry | Years in Ministry |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| J. C. Mayes, 1925 | Temple | 1900 | 25 |
| Albert Johnson, 1926 | Luling | 1920 | 7 |
| C. N. Strait, 1927 | Georgetown | 1893 | 30 |
| J. C. Eusan, Feb. 15, 1927 | San Antonio | 1898 | 30 |
| N. H. Townsend, Aug., 1928 | Yoakum | 1894 | 30 |
| H. H. Qualls, June 10, 1928 | Waco | 1897 | 31 |
| J. H. Swann, June 11, 1928 | Lytton Springs | 1899 | 35 |
| S. W. Harvey, Aug. 10, 1928 | Ennis | 1881 | 36 |
| J. W. Wright, 1929 | Mexia | 1902 | 16 |
| J. L. S. Edmonson, Oct. 13, 1929 | San Antonio | 1919 | 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 | Shiner | 1882 | 36 |
| William Reed, 1931 | Waco | 1884 | 35 |
| C. B. Melton, 1931 | Kerrville | 1899 | 28 |
| George Pleasant, 1931 | Austin | 1892 | 5 |
| J. W. Weakley, 1932 | Luling | 1891 | 41 |
| G. M. Moten, 1932 | Waco | 1928 | 4 |
| Clinton Schuler, 1932 | Luling | 1925 | 5 |
| S. E. Jones, 1933 | Cuero | 1899 | 30 |
| D. L. Mosby, 1933 | Columbus | 1924 | 9 |
| J. N. Napier, 1933 | San Antonio | 1889 | 43 |
| John Coe, 1933 | Marlin | 1911 | 18 |
| J. E. Brown, 1934 | Lampasas | 1909 | 25 |
| E. E. Cooper, 1934 | Oakland | 1877 | 12 |
| Enoch Cogswell, 1934 | Mart | 1875 | 20 |
| L. W. Roberts, 1935 | Milford | 1908 | 27 |
| J. W. Stone, Jr., June, 1935 | Hubbard City | 1915 | 19 |
| C. S. Williams, 1935 | Marshall | 1903 | 32 |
| J. W. Stone, Sr., 1937 | Lockhart | 1897 | 40 |
| C. H. Hamilton, 1937 | Mexia Ct. | 1916 | 21 |
| George Waters, 1937 | Yoakum | 1898 | 30 |
| James Coe, June 12, 1938 | Luling | 1911 | 5 |
| I. T. Sanford, July 13, 1938 | Waco | 1894 | 33 |
| H. A. Jones, Dec. 23, 1938 | Austin | 1904 | 34 |
| A. D. Jacques, January, 1939 | Pine Bluff, Ar | 1907 | 32 |
| L. L. Strait, January, 1939 | Gonzales | 1922 | 17 |
| A. M. Cuerington, Aug. 22, 1939 | Cameron | 1936 | 3 |
| G. M. Mallory, 1939 | Waco | 1910 | 22 |
| W. A. Robinson, 1940 (Prot. Meth.) | El Paso | 1882 | 30 |
| T. J. Jackson, (Prot. Meth.) 1940 | Dale | 1939 |  |
| S. S. Hudspeth, (Prot. Meth.) 1940 | Lockhart | 1939 |  |
| E. C. Henderson, 1941 | Schulenburg | 1905 | 16 |
| George Bailey, Prot. Meth., 1941 | San Marcos | 1939 | 21 |
| A. M. Mason, Sr., Aug. 30, 1941 | San Antonio | 1893 | 48 |
| J. W. Downs, Feb. 18, 1941 | Austin | 1919 | 20 |
| M. Fountain, 1942 | Waco | 1901 | 24 |
| S. D. Mosley, 1942 | San Antonio | 1912 | 26 |
| J. D. Mackey, 1942 | Luling | 1916 | 21 |
| J. T. Carper, 1942 | Houston | 1905 | 29 |
| L. H. Richardson, 1942 | San Antonio | 1894 | 37 |
| E. T. Allen, 1943 | Granbury | 1926 | 9 |
| J. G. Brown, 1943 | Waco | 1907 | 36 |
| C. E. Whitiker, March, 1943 | Austin | 1923 | 20 |
| M. L. Wyatt, 1943 | San Angelo | 1914 | 29 |
| B. F. Braden, Prot. Meth., 1940 | Lockhart | 1918 | 21 |
| M. W. Stephens, Oct. 20, 1943 | San Antonio | 1916 | 27 |
| J. B. Eggleston, Oct. 27, 1943 | Yoakum | 1919 | 24 |
| J. W. Warren, Nov. 23, 1943 | San Antonio | 1904 | 39 |
| D. F. Vance, Dec., 1943 | Austin | 1905 | 35 |
| B. J. Easter, May 4, 1944 | San Antonio | 1921 | 13 |
| N. J. Moore, Aug., 1944 | Winchester | 1900 | 44 |
| F. C. Callihan, Prot. Meth., 1945 | ... Not given | 1920 | 19 |
| T. S. Moore, 1945 | Marlin | 1892 | 31 |



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Highland Hills，E．E．Allen
Warren，S．G．
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The Methodist Church J. Garfield Owens, Dallas, Texas, Treasurer


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## Recapitulation Table No. 1 West Texas Conference, Central Jurisdiction, May 12-17, 1964


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Malta provided a base for both naval vessels and aircraft, which could strike at
and which took a heavy toll of Italian and German shipping. Both the $L$ Lffwaffe
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    Mr. Ira B. Loud offered a motion that district conferences be held in each district during the 1964-'65 conference year. Mr. John T. King segoned the motion. The conference adopted the motion.

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    18 San Marcos--Tilman, H. T. Franks
    19 Schulenburg Parish, S. D. Miller
    20 Sublime, C. Finley.
    21 Victoria: Webster, Zan Holmes, Sr

    11 Hallettsville-Breslau, S. G. Pharms
    
    

    AUSTIN-VICTORIA
    1 Altair Ct., H. T. Ashurst
    2 Austin. St. Peters. M. C. Stone
    3 Austin. Simpson, Wm. Ellison, Jr
    4 Austin: Wesley, P. L. Woods

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    18 Grand Prairie, A. N. Johnson
    

    12 Ferris-Lancaster, B. T. Adams
    13 Ft. Worth: Cogswell, C. W. Anderson
    14 Ft. Worth: Cowan, S. E. White
    15 Ft. Worth. Morning, Side, M. E. Hodge
    16 Ft. Worth: St. Andrews. L. L. Haynes
    17 Ft. Worth: Thompson, S. A. Keesee

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    18 San Antonio: St. Paul, J. H. Carruthers
    19 San Antonio: Sanford Chapel, Antone Dykes
    20 San Antonio: W. Laurel Hgts., M. Johnson
    ${ }_{22}$ Seguin: Harpers, L. H. Haywood

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    L. R. Proctor
    ,S. M. Cleaver
    G. Lavalle Lowe

    Waco: Mt. Zion, S. M. Cleaver
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