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**MINUTES
OF THE
EIGHTH ANNUAL SESSION
OF THE**

**Progressive National
Baptist Convention, Inc.**



held with the
BAPTIST CHURCHES
of
MIAMI, FLORIDA, and VICINITY

September 2-7, 1969

OFFICIAL MINUTES
of the
SEVENTH ANNUAL SESSION
of the
PROGRESSIVE NATIONAL BAPTIST CONVENTION, INC.
HELD WITH THE BAPTIST CHURCHES OF WASHINGTON, D. C.
AND VICINITY

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 4, 1968

8:30 A.M. — Three Seminars: The Minister's Devotional Life, Dr. R. T. Andrews, Indiana; Baptist and Ecumenicity, Dr. G. K. Offutt, Kentucky; Christian Ethics, Dr. T. Y. Rogers.

8:45 A.M. — Directed Worship — Rev. G. W. Dudley, North Carolina.

9:30 A.M. — The Convention was called to order by the president — Dr. Gardner C. Taylor. The president spoke of the genius of Negro Christians, and the seriousness of our times. The president deplored the frequent assassinations in our country and declared they forebode ill for the land short of radical changes. "Our nation is in trouble because for three hundred years it shielded hatred, protected and promoted it. The times are serious times but filled with opportunities."

Following these challenging remarks, the president led the convention in moments of silence in memory of the late Dr. M. L. King and others who of recent years were no longer with us.

The Recording Secretary was called upon to read the official program for the Seventh Annual Session. The same was adopted.

Officers of the Convention were presented by the president. The Rev. Robert Denny of the Baptist World Alliance was presented to the convention for remarks. He brought warm greetings on behalf of the Alliance and also spoke of the next meeting to be held in Japan in 1970.

Rev. Angus Hull, the Executive Secretary of the New York City Baptist Society of the American Baptist Convention, was presented for greetings. President Taylor announced to the convention that the Eastern Shore Baptist Association had joined the Progressive National Baptist Convention.

Dr. L. V. Booth, executive secretary of the convention, was called upon to make some observations. He spoke of the splendid way the people of Washington had provided for the convention. Then the secretary gave some information concerning registration, Kits, etc.

The president proceeded to the appointment of Committees: **Committee on Nominations** — Rev. William Anderson, Pennsylvania, Chairman; A. H. Clark, South Carolina; S. A. Owens, Tennessee; S. H. James, Texas; W. Earl Costner, Virginia; W. M. Hickerson, West Virginia; H. J. Hawkins, Alabama; O. B. Lowe, California; A. H. Clark, South Carolina; J. B. Williams, Washington; E. D. Phillips, Wisconsin; W. J. McPhee, Baltimore. **Program Committee** — Rev. Thomas Kilgore, California, Chairman; H. W. Creecy, Georgia; Earl Nance, Missouri; M. R. Silver, Maryland; Rafe Taylor, Massachusetts; J. F. Williams, Minnesota; O. L. Jones, Mississippi; Cornell Talley, Michigan; F. L. Elliott, Louisiana; H. P. Sharper, New Jersey; G. W. Dudley, North Carolina; M. A. Carter, Oklahoma; E. R. Williams, Illinois; S. S. Hodges, Ohio; L. V. Booth, Ohio.

11:10 A.M. — Welcome Program — Dr. R. L. Rollins of Washington, D. C., presided over the Welcome Program. Greetings were given by the following: Rev. R. R. Robinson, President of the Progressive Baptist Fellowship of Washington, D. C.; Rev. Chandler Stith, Executive Secretary of Washington, D. C., Baptist Convention; The Honorable Walter E. Washington, Mayor of Washington, D. C.; Rev. Everett A. Hemlett, President of the Board of Education of the District of Columbia. Dr. Earl Harrison read a statement of greeting from Honorable Aubrey E. Robinson, Judge of United States District Court for the District of Columbia. Following this statement, Dr. Harrison presented Dr. Charles L. Warren, Executive Director of the Council of Churches, National Capital Area for greeting. In addition to the above, Rev. W. H. Montgomery, National Vice-President of the Baptist Convention of Washington, D. C., and family brought words of Welcome.

Mrs. Juanita Augustus was presented to the convention by her pastor, Rev. H. N. Travis, to sing a solo. In rare and gifted fashion, Mrs. Augustus sang "How Great Thou Art."

Rev. H. D. Cockerham of Illinois made response to the Welcome Program on behalf of the convention.

President Taylor presented Dr. J. Nordinar — A World Citizen — to bring greetings on behalf of the World Fellowship of Baptists. Dr. Gordon Hancock was also presented for remarks.

The convention received a blessing in song as Mrs. Julian C. Winston sang "The Lord's Prayer."

The hour having arrived for the sermon, Dr. Taylor presented Dr. L. V. Booth, executive secretary of the Convention, to preach The Introductory Sermon. After the Convention sang "Must Jesus Bear This Cross Alone," Dr. Booth came forward for the sermon. Speaking on the theme "The Christ Who Draws Men," based on text found in St. John 12:32.

Dr. Booth delivered a powerful sermon for the edification of the brethren. The benediction was given by Rev. H. W. Watson.

WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON, SEPTEMBER 4, 1968

2:40 P.M. — Dr. E. R. Searcy, Vice President of the Convention, presided. The devotional period was opened with Rev. Raymond Dunn leading in singing "Lift Him Up." This selection was followed by a solo, "Just to Behold His Face," sung by Mrs. Doris Marbury.

The Rev. G. Washington of Washington, D. C., was presented to the convention for Directed Meditation. Rev. Washington selected as a text, Hebrews 13:8, "Jesus Christ the Same, Yesterday, and Today and Forever." After speaking on the confusion of our times, Rev. Washington urged that the changeless Christ was the answer for our times. Rev. Washington delivered a very helpful message. Mrs. Doris Marbury, upon request, sang "Precious Lord, Take My Hand."

Period for Reports. President of Ushers Convention was not present — a report given. Dr. R. A. Cromwell, executive secretary, foreign mission bureau, was presented for report (see Foreign Mission Report). This report was followed by a formal statement from Mr. Walter P. Harris, CPA (see statement).

At this point President Taylor received the gavel from Vice President Searcy and presided for the remainder of the afternoon session.

The report of Dr. Cromwell was approved unanimously. At this point Dr. Taylor presented Rev. D. J. Hayes, recipient of financial assistance from The Progressive National Baptist Convention, for remarks.

President Taylor appointed the committee on resolution. (See list of Committee)

Rev. P. J. Taylor was called upon to present the preacher of the hour. Rev. Taylor made the presentation in able fashion. Dr. W. A. Jones, of New York, selected for a text, St. John 21:25, "And there are also many other things which Jesus did, the which, if they should be written everyone, I suppose that even the World itself could not contain the books that should be written." Theme, "The Inexpressible Life." The convention can hardly forget this sermon. The sermon was followed with an offering. Benediction: Dr. Jones.

WEDNESDAY EVENING, SEPTEMBER 4, 1968

7:00 P.M. — Devotional Music.

7:45 P.M. — Dr. E. R. Searcy, First Vice President, officially opened the convention. Directed Meditation was led by Rev. R. H. Mitchell of South Carolina. Scripture selected, Jeremiah 32:17. Theme, "Nothing Too Hard For God." The message, a most effective one, was followed by a selection, "Just to Behold His Face," sung by Mrs. Doris Marbury.

President Taylor at this time presented the Florida Avenue Baptist Church Choir for musical selections. The Choir sang the following selections: "Glorious Is Thy Name, O Lord" and "Thanks Be To God."

Dr. T. R. Washington of Pennsylvania was asked to present the speaker for the Educational Sermon.

Dr. William Anderson of Pennsylvania. Text, John 6:68, 3:16; Joshua 24:15.

Subject, "The Relevancy of Christ in a Confused Age." The message was timely and challenging. The offering followed.

Benediction: Rev. William Anderson.

THURSDAY MORNING, SEPTEMBER 5, 1968

8:00 A.M. — Three Seminars (see Program).

9:00 A.M. — Directed Meditation.

Rev. A. Edward Banks of Alabama led the convention in a season of singing, after which Rev. Raymond R. Robinson of Washington, D. C., presented Rev. E. R. Foster of Washington, D. C., to deliver the Meditation Message. Rev. Foster stirred the convention as he led us in thinking on world conditions and Christ's Answer. Following the message, the convention sang "Lift Him Up."

9:30 A.M. — Dr. E. R. Searcy officially convened the session. Reports were received from the following regions: Southern Region, Dr. C. A. Cherry; Midwestern Region, Dr. H. B. Hicks; other Regions not present.

The president called for report from the moderators' council. Rev. F. L. Porter, after presenting fellow moderators, reported through the council secretary that the total receipts of the council as of that time were \$1,483.63. Dr. Taylor, having received the gavel, presented to the convention all the state presidents or their representatives.

Dr. Taylor called for report of special committee regarding convening convention and congress. Dr. Thomas Kilgore gave the report. (See report.) Rev. William J. Bishop moved that the report be received as information until such time as the congress makes its report. The motion was seconded and carried.

11:40 A.M. — Time having arrived for the sermon, Rev. J. S. Smith of Alabama was called upon to introduce the speaker. Following the introduction, Rev. J. M. Douglas led in singing "Take Your Burdens to the Lord and Leave Them There." Rev. D. R. Bell of Brewton, Ala., came forth for the sermon. Text selected, Matthew 28:19-20. Theme, "Teach Them." A great sermon was delivered. The sermon was followed with a spirited selection, "Holy Spirit," led by Prof. Davis. An offering of \$21.55 was received. The benediction was given by Dr. G. R. Washington of Pennsylvania.

THURSDAY AFTERNOON, SEPTEMBER 5, 1968

2:00 P.M. — Session called to order by the Executive Secretary, Rev. L. V. Booth. Music: Mr. Lee led the convention in singing "Pass Me Not O Gentle Saviour" and "What a Friend We Have in Jesus." Chaplain Stamp read the scripture, Mark 9:14-24, and offered prayer. Chaplain Stamp was then presented for directed meditation. The scripture reference above was the basis for the meditation. The selection, "I Want Jesus to Walk with Me," was sung. L. V. Booth, executive secretary, presented the following persons for remarks: Dr. and Mrs. Dean Goodman, of American Baptist Convention; Dr. Frank, World Relief; Rev. E. L. McCall, Southern Baptist Convention.

Dr. E. L. Harrison of Washington, D. C., presented the chaplains. The following were received by the convention: Rev. T. C. Spains, Rev. C. S. Stamps, Rev. Floyd E. Lacey, Rev. E. Norris.

Following remarks from the chaplains, Mrs. Martin Luther King, Jr., was escorted to the platform for remarks. In a quiet but moving fashion, Mrs. King warmed our hearts as she urged us forward in the work for which her husband, the late Dr. Martin Luther King, gave his life. The address was followed by the Civil Rights theme song, "We Shall Overcome."

Dr. Taylor called upon Dr. Booth to present to the convention the secretary's annual report. In the fashion of an effective worker, Dr. Booth presented a lucid and helpful report. (See Executive Secretary Report.) The report was adopted on motion by Rev. W. J. Bishop and seconded by Rev. J. S. Smith.

Greetings were given at this point by Dr. S. P. Gaskins of New York, representative of the American Bible Society. The report of the treasurer was presented by Dr. A. A. Banks of Detroit. The motion to adopt the report was carried on several unreadinesses. After much discussion, a motion offered by Rev. Shaeffer of New Jersey and seconded by Rev. Rafe Taylor of Con-

necticut obtained that the report of the treasurer be continued until our extended session, giving persons responsible for audit time to do the same. Motion carried.

Lorenzo Sheppard moved that the Board of Directors search for a person or persons to serve as full-time Executive Secretary of P. N. B. C. and that that person will be hired at our adjourned or extended session in Memphis, Tenn., in January 1969. The motion was seconded and passed.

The hour having arrived for the sermon, the convention was prepared for worship by singing "The Lord Will Make A Way Some How," led by Rev. J. M. Douglas. Rev. E. R. Williams read the scripture and presented the preacher for the hour. Rev. F. L. Porter, of Chicago, Ill., selected as a text I Peter 2:9. From this passage a great sermon was delivered. Rev. E. R. Williams gave the benediction.

THURSDAY EVENING, SEPTEMBER 5, 1968

7:00 P.M. — Directed Meditation — Rev. J. M. Burrell, Ohio. Rev. Burrell led the convention in singing "I Will Trust in the Lord." This selection was followed by prayer offered by Mr. Burrell. Scripture lesson, Heb. 13:1-9. Drawing on the inspiration of these verses, Rev. Burrell delivered a powerful message for meditation. The message was followed by singing, "In Times Like These," by Mrs. J. M. Burrell, wife of the meditation leader.

The report of the literature publication committee was called for. The same was presented by the Rev. Charles G. Adams of Massachusetts. The report was approved without a dissenting vote. At this point, the regular work of the convention was temporarily suspended for the purpose of taking convention pictures.

7:45 P.M. — Time having arrived for the annual message of the president, Dr. Searcy called upon Rev. R. W. Norsworthy of Tennessee to present the president. In a manner characteristic of Mr. Norsworthy's competence, and suitable to the stature of our esteemed president, Mr. Norsworthy fulfilled his assignment. By request of President Taylor, Dr. C. S. Stamps of New York sang two selections, "Sometimes I feel Like Flying away and Be at Rest" and "Just to Behold His Face."

Dr. Taylor came forth, and in a fashion distinctly his, captured and carried the convention to lofty peaks of thought and resolution. (See address.) The message was followed by two selections: "He'll Understand and Say Well Done," Rev. Criss; "Hallelujah," Grant Sisters.

An offering for the president was received.

• Benediction was given by Rev. Nabritt

FRIDAY MORNING, SEPTEMBER 6, 1968

8:00 A.M. — Morning Session — Three Seminars. (See Program.)

9:30 A.M. — Directed Meditation — Rev. C. S. Hamilton, Augusta, Ga. Hymn, "Jesus Keep Me Near Cross" Scripture, St. John 4:4. Theme, "An Uninspiring Journey." The message proved a blessing to all of us present. The message was followed by the searching selection, "Is Your all on the Altar."

9:30 A.M. — Home Mission Hour — Dr. C. S. Stamps, presiding. Dr. Stamps made some remarks concerning his dream of placing chaplains in hospitals to be available to the sick when needed. He spoke of the need for sufficient funds to underwrite the work. Following the remarks, Dr. Stamps presented his son, Chaplain C. S. Stamps, Jr., Captain U. S. Army Chaplaincy. Chaplain Stamps concluded his address with comment on the scripture, St. Mark 10:17-23. "The Question of Eternal Life." The message was indeed a very helpful one.

10:20 A.M. — The sermon was delivered by the Rev. J. A. Williams from Pennsylvania. Text, John 20:26. Theme, "The Inescapable Christ." The Holy Spirit had his way with the preacher and the people. The hymn, "Saviour More than Life to Me," was sung following the sermon. An offering was received. Remarks were received from the following: Brother James Sapp, Joint Committee of Cooperating; and Dr. B. E. Mays, President Emeritus of Morehouse College, Atlanta, Ga.

Committee Reports

Budget Committee, Vice Chairman W. W. Taylor, presented Rev. Johnson to read the report. By permission of the chair, Rev. Johnson gave the report of the Midwestern Region before proceeding to his assignment. Report was approved. Rev. Johnson then read the report from the budget committee. Rev. R. W. Norsworthy moved that the report be adopted and followed to the letter. Seconded by Dr. ?????? Hambert of Chicago. Discussion of substitute motion offered by Rev. Charles Adams of Massachusetts, that report be adopted with reasonable adjustments of items. The motion prevailed. The budget committee made some observations and recommendations regarding implementation of the budget. Same were approved. A motion directing that the budget committee consider black schools only in making allocations, was offered, but was superseded by the motion to defer this matter until our next business session. The convention next heard the report of the committee on time and place. The following places were recommended: Miami, Fla. — 1969; Kansas City, Mo. — 1970; Houston, Texas — 1971; Chicago, Ill. — 1972. Approved.

Rev. R. W. Norsworthy extended the invitation to the convention to meet in Tennessee. The invitation was accepted. The committee on nominations presented its report. The same was adopted with slight alterations. (See roster.) Convention recessed.

FRIDAY AFTERNOON, SEPTEMBER 6, 1968

4:30 P.M. — Devotional Services — "What a Friend We Have In Jesus" was sung in opening the afternoon session, with Dr. Taylor presiding. After some brief remarks, President Taylor announced that Rev. Charles Adams would present the speaker following the singing of "Amazing Grace." After the selection, Rev. Adams presented Dr. Gordon B. Hancock who spoke warmly and instructive to the convention. His message was followed by a spirited selection led by Rev. Harold Carter of Maryland, "Saved, Saved, Saved." Dr. C. Talley of Michigan came forward to present the preacher of the hour, Dr. H. H. Coleman of Detroit. Selecting as a text, Daniel 3:17-18, and theme, "Faith to Face Dangers," Dr. Coleman lived up to his reputation as a preacher for preachers. After singing "I Will Trust in the Lord," Dr. Talley gave the benediction.

FRIDAY EVENING, SEPTEMBER 6, 1968

Directed Meditation — Rev. D. R. Royal, Greenville, Miss. Reports: Resolution (see Report) adopted. Dr. J. E. Cheek was presented to the convention for remarks. Musical selection — St. Paul Baptist Church of Washington, D. C.

The president read a telegram to the convention from Vice President B. H. Humphrey. Dr. G. C. Taylor, retiring president of the convention, conducted the installation of the new officers of the convention, with Rev. H. J. Trapp of Pennsylvania offering the prayer. Dr. Taylor, after giving words of guidance to new officers, presented the gavel to Dr. E. R. Searcy, the new president. After some timely remarks, Dr. Searcy called upon Dr. Kilgore of California to read recommended slate for Board of Directors. After the reading, Dr. Kilgore moved that the recommendations be adopted. The motion was seconded and arrested on unreadiness. A substitute motion prevailed; viz., that each state be requested to send to the president a representative for the board. Motion prevailed. An offering was received at this time for benefit of SCLC. Gifts were also received for the Martin Luther King Memorial Fund. Chairman of the latter is the Rev. G. W. Criss.

9:30 P.M. — Remarks by President-elect Searcy.

Rev. Searcy presented Rev. B. W. Smith of Ohio to introduce the speaker for the occasion, Dr. Ralph D. Abernathy. Dr. Abernathy, basing his message on the life of Joseph, inspired the hearts of the messengers of the convention as he spoke.

Rev. Otis Moss of Ohio led in singing "Ain't Going to Let Nobody Turn Me Round." Rev. Harold Carter of Maryland led the convention in singing "We're Going Through."

Offerings for the evening were announced as follows: SCLC, \$435.10; MLKM Fund \$2,963.00.

Remarks by the president-elect.

Benediction — Dr. L. A. Lambert, Chicago, Ill.

SATURDAY MORNING, SEPTEMBER 7, 1968

Devotional period led by the Rev. L. H. Mills of Washington, D. C. Hymn "Amazing Grace," was sung followed by prayer. Rev. Eugene Tremble brought a brief message on the "Diversities of Gifts in Comprehending the Bible."

9:40 P.M. — The presiding officer, Dr. Searcy, at this point announced a meeting to be held in Atlanta on December 4 and 5, 1968.

9:56 P.M. — Dr. B. W. Robertson of Virginia was presented to deliver the memorial sermon. He selected as a text, Job 14:10. "But Man Dieth and Wasteth Away; Yea, Man Giveth Up the Ghost, and Where is He?" Dr. Robertson dealt with life's great questions and hope. All were helped by the message.

An offering of \$25.00 was received. Announcements were given concerning Foreign Mission Rally. A resolution prevailed permitting Women's Auxiliary of the convention to pay their legitimate expenses through its office for this time. The Executive Board of the Congress of Christian Education presented recommendations to the convention. Same were referred to Mid-Winter Meeting.

The convention hymn was sung.

Benediction was given by Dr. B. W. Robertson.

SATURDAY AFTERNOON, SEPTEMBER 7, 1968

2:15 P.M. — After a brief prayer, Dr. Searcy expressed thanks to the board for its confidence in him and urged their attendance on the Atlanta meeting in December. The report of the Budget Committee was read by the secretary. Same was approved. (Received \$25.00 Hill-First Baptist Church, Athens, Ga.)

Request for payment of expenses of the M. L. King Memorial Committee was presented. Same granted. Resolution prevailed approving of the paying of the expense item presented by president of the laymen's organization.

Meeting adjourned.

SATURDAY EVENING, SEPTEMBER 7, 1968

7:40 P.M. — Dr. E. L. Harrison, presiding. Devotional period constituted the following: Hymn, "What a Friend We Have in Jesus." After prayer the convention sang "Blessed Assurance." Rev. Charles Booth, Assistant Minister of the New Shiloh Baptist Church of Baltimore, Md., introduced the preacher for the evening, Rev. Harold Carter. Selecting as text, John 20:31, theme, "The Character of Christ," Rev. Carter led us fruitfully into the experience of worship. An offering of \$56.45 was received. Rev. Turner gave the prayer of thanks for the offering.

Moments for meditation were held as the invitation to Christian Discipleship was extended.

Remarks.

Benediction by Dr. Carter.

SUNDAY MORNING, SEPTEMBER 8, 1968

11:00 A.M. — Convention Worship Service held with the Metropolitan Baptist Church, Dr. E. C. Smith, pastor.

The worship service proved one of great experience, under the guidance of pastor Smith. The retiring president, Dr. Gardner Taylor, delivered the sermon. The Convention was deeply touched by the message.

The service was closed with offering, announcements and benediction.

SUNDAY EVENING, SEPTEMBER 8, 1968

4:00 P.M. — Foreign Mission Rally obtained. Following a beautiful Mission parade, a warm and helpful worship service was held. Dr. S. S. Hodges of Ohio preached the sermon. Dr. Hodges emphasized the high cost of not converting men to Christ. He urged upon his hearers to go forth with enthusiasm to do what Christ has given as our major responsibility — Missions. It was a great sermon.

The appeal for Missions was made by Dr. H. J. Trapp of Pennsylvania. A liberal offering was received.

Remarks, announcements and then the benediction.

THE OFFICIAL PROGRAM of the EIGHTH ANNUAL SESSION PROGRESSIVE NATIONAL BAPTIST CONVENTION, INC.



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DR. E. L. HARRISON, First Vice President DR. R. L. PATTERSON, Secretary

DR. LOUIS B. JOHNSON,
Second Vice Presidents

DR. L. V. BOOTH,
Executive Secretary

THEME: "CHURCH RENEWAL IN A REVOLUTIONARY AGE" — Isa. 52:1; Eph. 5:14

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Weekday Sessions will be held:

PARENT BODY
Barcelona Hotel
Oceanfront - 43rd to 44th Sts.

WOMEN'S AUXILIARY
Dilido Hotel
Oceanfront at Lincoln Road

A PRAYER FELLOWSHIP HYMN

By L. Venebael Booth

Sung at the first Annual Session, Philadelphia, Pa.
1962

Dedicated to
The Progressive National Baptist Convention

To be sung to the tune:
"God of Grace and God of Glory"

by Harry E. Fosdick

We have come from o'er the nation
Seeking Fellowship and Peace,
We are truly God's creation —
And our love shall e'er increase,
We shall stand firm and united —
As we spread from shore to shore,
As we spread from shore to shore.

We believe God's Holy Spirit
Brought us safely o'er the way,
Thru our God we shall inherit —
Grace and glory day by day,
Gracious God our Holy Father —
Lead us safely, gently on,
Lead us safely, gently on.

Grant us grace amid oppression
When the foe assails our way
Save us from unwise aggression —
May our footsteps never stray,
Make us holy with Thy Spirit —
As we walk this pilgrim's way,
As we walk this pilgrim's way.

Help us yield our great Convention
To Thy Holy Spirit's power,
May no wicked intervention —
Mar the beauty of this hour,
Holy Spirit lead and guide us —
In the path of peace and love,
In the path of peace and love.

PROGRAM

CONVENTION THEME:
"CHURCH RENEWAL IN A REVOLUTIONARY AGE"

SONG LEADERS

Rev. A. E. Banks
Mt. Pleasant, Alabama
Cornelius V. Ford
First Baptist Church (Piney Wood)
Fort Lauderdale, Florida

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 2, 1969

11:00 A.M. - 4:00 P.M.EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 2, 1969

Miami Beach Convention Hall
8:00 P.M.

PRE-CONVENTION MUSICAL

WEDNESDAY MORNING, SEPTEMBER 3, 1969

8:45 INSPIRATIONAL SINGING

9:00 MORNING WORSHIP SERVICE

Dr. W. G. McPhee, Nassau, Bahamas, W. I.

9:30 CALL TO ORDER OF THE EIGHTH ANNUAL SESSION OF THE PROGRESSIVE NATIONAL BAPTIST CONVENTION, INC.

President E. R. Searcy

9:45 CONVENTION BUSINESS

Reading and Adoption of Program
Registration and Enrollment
Appointment of Committees

11:00 INTRODUCTORY SERMON

Rev. Raymond R. Robinson, Washington, D. C.
Alternate: Rev. C. W. Green, Washington, D. C.
Offering — Announcements — Benediction

WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON, SEPTEMBER 3, 1969

1:45 INSPIRATIONAL SINGING

2:00 AFTERNOON WORSHIP SERVICE

Rev. W. L. Rankins, Monroe, La.

2:30 WELCOME PROGRAM

Host Pastor — Dr. Edward T. Graham, Presiding
RESPONSE

Dr. Gardner C. Taylor, Brooklyn, N. Y.

3:30 FOREIGN MISSION BOARD PRESENTATION

Dr. R. A. Cromwell, Executive Secretary,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Offering for Foreign Missions

4:30 SERMON

Dr. J. C. Sams, President,
National Baptist Convention of America
Offering — Announcements — Benediction

5:30 ALL-CONVENTION DINNER

Honoring Founders and Pioneers, and
the retiring Executive Secretary, Dr. L. V. Booth

SPEAKER

Dr. Benjamin E. Mays, President Emeritus,
Morehouse College, Atlanta, Ga.
Coronation Room — Barcelona Hotel

WEDNESDAY EVENING, SEPTEMBER 3, 1969**Theological Evening**

- 7:30 INSPIRATIONAL SINGING
7:45 EVENING WORSHIP SERVICE
Dr. John F. Williams, St. Paul, Minn.
8:00 SYMPOSIUM
"Seminarians Speak on the Church in a Revolutionary Age"
Ronald W. English, Atlanta, Ga.
Marvin R. King, Atlanta, Ga.
David Morris, Los Angeles, Cal.
SPECIAL MUSIC
The Chancel Choir of Mt. Zion Baptist Church,
Miami, Fla.
8:45 THEOLOGICAL ADDRESS
"The Responsibility of the Black Church for a
Theology of Relevance"
Dr. Evans Crawford, Dean of the Chapel,
Howard University, Washington, D. C.
Offering — Announcements — Benediction
TODAY'S BIBLE READINGS
Acts 2:1-13
COORDINATORS OF THE DAY
Rev. Cornell E. Tally
Rev. H. D. Cockerham

THURSDAY MORNING, SEPTEMBER 4, 1969

- 8:45 INSPIRATIONAL SINGING
9:00 MORNING WORSHIP SERVICE
Rev. E. R. Williams, Chicago, Ill.
9:15 PRESENTATIONS
"The Role and Purpose of District Associations, State
Conventions, and Regional Conventions in the Pro-
gressive National Baptist Convention"
District Associations:
Rev. J. H. Nichols, Brooklyn, N. Y.
State Conventions:
Rev. R. H. Milner, Atlanta, Ga.
Regional Conventions:
Rev. H. B. Hicks, Sr., Columbus, Ohio
10:00 "Our Responsibility With Other Religious Bodies"
Dr. A. A. Banks, Detroit, Mich.
10:20 CONVENTION BUSINESS
11:30 SERMON
Rev. S. H. James, San Antonio, Texas
Alternate: Rev. A. A. Womack, Cleveland, Ohio
Offering — Announcements — Benediction

THURSDAY AFTERNOON, SEPTEMBER 4, 1969

Combined Session with the Women's Auxiliary
Miami Beach Convention Hall

- 1:45 AFTERNOON WORSHIP SERVICE
Rev. A. R. Lasley, Hopkinsville, Ky.
2:00 WOMEN'S AUXILIARY PRESENTATION
3:00 THE AMERICAN BIBLE SOCIETY
Dr. Roy L. Madsen, President
3:45 REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE SECRETARY
Dr. L. V. Booth, Cincinnati, Ohio
4:00 REPORT OF THE TREASURER
Dr. A. A. Banks, Detroit, Mich.
4:15 PRESENTATION — THE HOME MISSION BOARD
Dr. C. S. Stamps, New York, N. Y.
Offering — Announcements — Benediction
THURSDAY EVENING, SEPTEMBER 4, 1969

President's Evening

Miami Beach Convention Hall

- 7:30 INSPIRATIONAL SINGING
7:45 EVENING WORSHIP SERVICE
Rev. O. Kelly Lawson, Lumberton, N. C.
8:00 FRATERNAL GREETINGS
8:15 SPECIAL MUSIC
1. "Progressive Youth Sing"
Mrs. Merdean Fielding, Director
2. Choir No. 2 and The Senior Choir
Mt. Zion Second Baptist Church
Atlanta, Ga.
8:45 PRESIDENT'S ANNUAL ADDRESS
Dr. E. R. Searcy, Atlanta, Ga.
TODAY'S BIBLE READINGS
Acts 10:9-16
COORDINATORS OF THE DAY
Rev. H. W. Creecy, Sr.
Rev. George W. Dudley

FRIDAY MORNING, SEPTEMBER 5, 1969

- 8:45 INSPIRATIONAL SINGING
9:00 MORNING WORSHIP SERVICE
Rev. H. H. Watts, New York, N. Y.
9:30 PRESENTATION
The Publishing Board
Rev. C. G. Adams, Detroit, Mich.
10:00 RECOGNITION OF MESSENGERS BY STATES
11:30 SERMON
Rev. Solomon Wilson, St. Louis, Mo.
Alternate: Rev. E. B. Phillips, Milwaukee, Wis.
Offering — Announcements — Benediction

FRIDAY AFTERNOON, SEPTEMBER 5, 1969

- 1:45 INSPIRATIONAL SINGING
2:00 AFTERNOON WORSHIP SERVICE
Rev. Eugene Burley, Brooklyn, N. Y.

2:15 WORKSHOP

"The Black Crusade and the Christian Church"

KEYNOTE ADDRESS

Rev. Charles W. Butler, Detroit, Mich.

GROUP DISCUSSIONS

(Meeting Rooms to be announced)

WORKSHOP I

"The Black Crusade Speaks to White Denominational Structures"

Leader: Rev. Atha J. Baugh, Valley Forge, Pa.

Resource Person: Rev. N. H. Smith, Jr.,
Birmingham, Ala.

WORKSHOP II

"The Black Crusade and Control of the Black Community"

Leader: Rev. Amos Johnson, Camden, N. J.

Resource Person: Rev. Otis Moss, Jr., Cincinnati, Ohio

WORKSHOP III

"The Local Church and the Black Crusade"

Leader: Rev. C. T. Vivian, Chicago, Ill.

Resource Person: Rev. T. Y. Rogers, Atlanta, Ga.

WORKSHOP IV

"The Black Crusade and New Styles of Politics"

Leader: Rev. Wyatt Tee Walker, New York, N. Y.

WORKSHOP V

"The Black Crusade and American Poverty"

Leader: Rev. Perry A. Smith III, North Brentwood, Md.

WORKSHOP VI

"The Black Crusade and Economic Development"

Leader: Rev. Gus Roman, Philadelphia, Pa.

Resource Person: Rev. Charles S. Houston,
Tuckahoe, N. Y.

FRIDAY EVENING, SEPTEMBER 5, 1969

Martin Luther King, Jr., Memorial Night

7:30 INSPIRATIONAL SINGING

7:45 EVENING WORSHIP SERVICE

Rev. Nathaniel J. Brockman, Greenville, S. C.

8:00 MEMORIAL FUND DRIVE

Rev. G. W. Criss, The Bronx, N. Y., Director

8:20 SYMPOSIUM ON EDUCATION

"The Responsibility of the Progressive National Baptist Convention to Baptist-Related Colleges"

Dr. M. K. Curry, Jr., President,
Bishop College, Dallas, Texas

Dr. O. R. Reuben, President,
Morris College, Sumter, S. C.

Dr. Charles E. Boddie, President,
American Baptist Theological Seminary,
Nashville, Tenn.

Dr. Benjamin Payton, President,
Benedict College, Columbia, S. C.

Dr. Samuel W. Williams, Chairman,
Department of Philosophy and Religion,
Morehouse College, Atlanta, Ga.

8:30 CIVIL RIGHTS ADDRESS

Dr. Ralph David Abernathy, President,
SCLC, Atlanta, Ga.

Offering — Announcements — Benediction

TODAY'S BIBLE READINGS

Romans Chapter 12

COORDINATORS OF THE DAY

Rev. E. R. Williams

Rev. M. A. Curry

SATURDAY MORNING, SEPTEMBER 6, 1969

8:45 INSPIRATIONAL SINGING

9:00 MORNING WORSHIP SERVICE

Rev. Joseph J. Dale, Metuchen, N. J.

9:15 CONVENTION BUSINESS

Committee Reports

11:00 INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS

11:15 MEMORIAL SERMON

Dr. W. A. J. Bishop, Detroit, Mich.

Alternate: Rev. J. H. Pierce, San Francisco, Cal

Announcements — Benediction

SATURDAY AFTERNOON, SEPTEMBER 6, 1969

Sight-seeing for Messengers and Visitors

2:00 EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING

SATURDAY EVENING, SEPTEMBER 6, 1969

7:00 ALL-CONVENTION SINGSPIRATION

A Variety of Musical Talent

TODAY'S BIBLE READINGS

Galatians 5:1-15

COORDINATORS OF THE DAY

Rev. S. S. Hodges

Rev. Earl Nance

SUNDAY MORNING, SEPTEMBER 7, 1969

11:00 CONVENTION WORSHIP SERVICE

SERMON

Rev. E. R. Searcy, Atlanta, Ga.

Offering — Announcements — Benediction

SUNDAY AFTERNOON, SEPTEMBER 7, 1969

Mt. Zion Baptist Church

301 N. W. 9th Street

Miami, Florida

4:00 FOREIGN MISSION RALLY

SERMON

Rev. E. J. Richardson, Camden, N. J.

Alternate: Rev. J. J. Alexander, Hickory, N. C.

OFFICIAL MINUTES
of the
EIGHTH ANNUAL SESSION
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PROGRESSIVE NATIONAL BAPTIST CONVENTION
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WEDNESDAY MORNING — SEPTEMBER 3, 1969

A period of inspirational singing was led by Reverend C. V. Ford of Ft. Lauderdale, Florida.

Dr. Thomas Kilgore of California made remarks regarding the Convention's plans for the Annual Session and called upon Reverends A. E. Bank and C. V. Ford to continue the period of inspirational singing.

The Convention was lifted in inspiration by the singing of a choir from Bahamas. Among this group was one Mr. Gladstone Adderly, who sang several selection among which was "The Lord's Prayer." At 9:30 a.m. the Convention was called to order by Dr. E. R. Searcy, President of the Convention.

Dr. W. G. McPhee, Nassau, Bahamas, W. I., was presented for the morning worship. After leading in the singing of the hymn, "I'm Going Through," Dr. McPhee delivered a masterful sermon in keeping with the general theme. Basing his sermon on the passage of scripture found in The Acts of the Apostles, Chapter 1, "Ye Shall Receive Power After that the Holy Ghost is Come Upon You," the minister permitted himself to be used of the Lord, and he preached the sermon.

After remarks of appreciation for the message, President Searcy proceeded to the business of the Convention. The program for the Annual Session was read and adopted. The Committee on Finance was appointed. The President called upon the Secretary to read a message to the Convention from the President of the United States. The same was read and warmly received by the Convention.

President Searcy called upon Dr. L. V. Booth for any instruction regarding delegate registration. Dr. Booth took the occasion to inform the Convention of the death of Dr. E. W. Perry of Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, and solicited on behalf of his family and Church the prayers of all present.

Dr. Noiseworthy suggested the appointment of a committee to wire our condolences to the family. Drs. E. C. Smith, R. W. Noiseworthy, and R. T. Andrews were appointed to this Committee.

President Searcy then turned the meeting over into the hands of Vice President E. L. Harrison. The congregation was then led in the singing of "Down At The Cross." The Rev. Mr. Raymond R. Robinson was then presented to the Convention by Dr. Harrison. Following the reading of the Scripture by alternate Charles W. Green, as found in Rev. 3:1-6, and prayer the congregation was then led in the singing of "Amazing Grace." Rev. Robinson then came forward to bring the Introductory Sermon. His subject was "Essentials of the Christian Church Amid Social Change" and text was found in Rev. 3:12. Change, said he, was inevitable, but we must be aware of throwing out the baby with the water. To do what must be done by our Church, we need to have a program of renewal. In this spirit, we need to wake up, rise up, and remember what we have received. This way, said he, leads to the essentials of revelation, restoration and regeneration amid all social changes. Rev. L. A. McComb of Washington then brought prayer in the uplifted atmosphere following the inspired message brought to the Convention by Rev. Robinson. The congregation then sang, "At The Cross."

Dr. Harrison then called for the lifting of the offering which being done totaled \$157.67.

Following the announcement of miscellaneous information, President Searcy called for the lifting of a special offering for Convention brethren who had suffered misfortunes in their Churches. These were Rev. Goolsby and Rev. J. F. Suggs. This was done and the brethren responded with \$75.32. The Benediction was given at 12:30 by Rev. H. D. Cockraham.

WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON — 2:00 P.M.

Incidental singing was led by Rev. A. E. Banks of Alabama and C. E. Mosher of New York, with Rev. Ford of Florida at the piano.

The afternoon services were begun with the programmed period of song. Rev. W. E. Young of Jacksonville, Florida, then came forward for the devotional exercises in the absence of Rev. W. L. Rankins of Monroe, Louisiana. He spoke on the word "Little." Following his well-received message the congregation was led in the singing of "Have Thine Own Way."

President Searcy then came forth and thanked the devotional leaders for their contributions. Calling for Dr. E. T. Graham of Florida, the president then turned the meeting over to the welcoming committee under the direction of Dr. Graham, the host pastor.

Rev. R. G. Adderly then offered the invocation. Mr. G. Adderly, son to Rev. R. G. Adderly then sang "The Holy City." Mayor Jay Dermer of Miami Beach then came forward, and after remarks, made presentations on behalf of the city to Drs. G. Taylor, Booth, Banks, Patterson, Johnson, Harrison, and President Searcy. U. S. Senator Harry C. Gaines then brought remarks. He was followed by Rev. B. T. Johnson of the Metropolitan Fellowship of Churches. Mr. J. E. Pogue, as representative of the Mayor of Dade County, then made a presentation to President Searcy. Mr. Ben Huff at this point then bowed the convention with a solo entitled, "I Asked The Lord." Mrs. Viola Sikes, representing the Miami Hotels brought greetings, and was followed by the first black representative in the State Legislature since Reconstruction, Representative J. Lang Kershaw. Mr. Alexander Brooks of the financial community then brought remarks, followed by the president of the Florida Memorial College, Mr. Royal Puryear. Mr. Warren Erickson, of the Miami Convention Bureau was then presented, and his remarks were followed by a solo selection by Mrs. Lily Doles.

Dr. Gardner C. Taylor then came before the body to respond to our hosts for our convention, and with accustomed eloquence made known our thanks for their courtesies, labors, and remarks, and accepted on our behalf their gracious welcome.

Dr. Cromwell, the Executive Secretary of the Foreign Mission Bureau, then came forward to make certain introductions to the convention. He then introduced for remarks Mr. Walter Fahnbulle of Liberia, Mr. Joseph Okei of Nigeria, and Mr. Michael Onnochin of Nigeria. Mrs. Ester Smith of Georgia and Mrs. Margaret Smith of Chicago were also presented. Dr. G. C. Taylor was then called upon to make the appeal for the offering for the Foreign Mission Bureau. This he did and the offering totaled \$1,346.00.

Rev. Beatty made a motion that the presentation of the Foreign Mission Bureau should be adopted. Motion carried. After the singing of "Am I A Soldier of the Cross," Dr. Trapp then came forward to present Dr. Robert Wilson of Texas to bring the afternoon message. His texts were found in Mt. 14, 12, 14; John 1:14; Heb. 13:8. The point of his message was that in our crisis, eternally's Christ has a word. In his delivery he proved this point beyond any question. On a mountain top we sang "Amazing Grace."

President Searcy then called for the lifting of the offering, which totaled \$10.41.

WEDNESDAY EVENING — 8:30 P.M.

Following the song services, President Searcy called for Rev. John F. Williams of Minnesota to give the devotional meditation. Dr. Williams came forward and stated that because of the lateness of the hour and in order to expedite time he would forego speaking on this occasion. President Searcy then read the names of members of the nominating committee. They were as follows: F. H. Chambers, California, as Chairman; P. J. Taylor, Missouri; H. C. Cherry, Mississippi; John Nichols, N. Y.; J. H. Gattin, Michigan; W. J. Hodge, Kentucky; C. H. Hampton, Illinois; R. L. Rollins, Washington, D. C.; J. D. Provo, Oklahoma; George Dudley, North Carolina; W. E. Young, Florida.

A symposium was held with the subject: "Seminarists Speak on the Church in a Revolutionary Age." The first speaker was Ronald W. English of Atlanta, Georgia, who said direction of the black movement revolutionizing the world began with black preachers and they would continue to give it any meaningful direction. This change was God's will, and the black prophet-priest

must remind the world of this. Dr. Marvin R. King of Atlanta, Georgia, then came forward. He said the Negro church must decide whether it is live or "on tape," up-to-date, or from a past generation. If it is live then it will be serving church, and not amongst the lords of the land. Mr. David Morris of Los Angeles, California, affirmed that the Church must become revolutionary if it is to survive, and will become revolutionary if it follows Jesus and the disciples whom he called. The Symposium was well received.

Dr. Gardner Taylor was then called to introduce Dr. Henry Miller, the Martin Luther King professor of Colgate Rochester Theological Seminary. Dr. Miller, newly appointed to his task, brought greetings to the body.

The offering was then called for by President Searcy. Forty-four dollars and seventy-seven cents was raised.

Dr. Thomas Kilgore was then called to introduce Dr. Evans Crawford, Dean of the Chapel, Howard University. Dr. Crawford stated that in an age of renewal, the Negro must renew his mind, as did Moses when he sought to make religion relevant to his people. Moses reflected and then went on to free his people. Not only the mind, but Moses clarified his Mission. When he got this straight then he got his mood right. And so must we. We can't preach in the imperative mood. We must bring in the indicative mood, that says "I am," as in our young people saying "I am black." When this is discovered kingdoms are in trouble. We must capture the everlasting God who is with his struggling children wherever they are. Get the mind straight, this is black studies. Get the mission straight. Get the mood right. This combination will produce theological relevance, Dr. Crawford said. His message was well received.

Mr. Ronald English of Georgia was then called upon by President Searcy to give the benediction.

THURSDAY MORNING — SEPTEMBER 4, 1969

Inspirational singing by Revs. A. E. Banks, C. E. Hatcher, and C. V. Ford. Worship service was led by Rev. E. R. Williams of Illinois. Scripture Lesson Psalms 95:1-11. Basing his message on the passage cited above, Rev. Williams warned our hearts with the message. The worship was closed with singing of "Close To Thee," led by Mr. Hatcher.

Presentations: "The Role and Purpose of District Associations, State Conventions, and Regional Conventions in the Progressive National Convention"

1. State Conventions, Rev. R. H. Milner of Georgia. (See report.)
2. District Associations, Rev. J. H. Nichols. (See report.)
3. Regional Conventions, Rev. H. B. Hicks. (See report.)
4. Our Responsibility with other Religious Bodies, Rev. A. A. Banks of Detroit. (See report.)

Business Period: Reports from the Regional Convention — Mid-Western Region reporting. Report of Convention Historian — Rev. M. I. Jefferson. (See report.) On motion by Rev. Green and seconded by Rev. William Bishop, the historian's report was adopted with the understanding that it be put in booklet form for distribution.

The report of the Southern Region No. 1 was then given by Dr. Cherry. (See report.)

Dr. Talbert of Tennessee was then called upon to give the report of the Department of Evangelism. This he did. The report was received, and the recommendations referred to the Executive Board.

Dr. Edwards then came forth to give the report of the Department of Christian Education. Following this report, it was moved by Dr. Sitten, and seconded by Dr. Bishop that this report be adopted. The motion carried.

The committee on the nomination of Haynsworth to the Supreme Court was called for. They requested that they be permitted to report during the Friday session. Permission was granted.

Father Neal Secora, of the Episcopal Diocese of New York, brought greetings to the body and was warmly received.

The congregation then sang "What a Fellowship" as we prepared to receive the morning message of Dr. S. H. James of San Antonio, Texas. His text was found in Hebrews, and he used as his subject: "What Must We Believe Con-

cerning Faith?" We are faced, said he, with a variety of faiths. We must believe that life responds to confidence. This is what the Roman Centurian believed, as did the woman with a flow of blood. They made the adventure of faith, and their belief was accompanied by conviction. God grant, he said, that it shall be so with us all. With our minds stirred and hearts warmed, the congregation sang "I Will Trust In The Lord."

Dr. White of Kansas City, Missouri, then brought forth a report on the status of preparations for our session in Kansas City in 1970. This he did, assuring the convention that preparations were going apace. Dr. Norsworthy then made a motion, seconded by Rev. J. J. Smith, that a committee be appointed to check with the local host committees in regards to their preparations. Motion carried.

The offering was called for, and the audience responded with \$94.79.

A brief memorial service was then conducted by Dr. C. V. Johnson to mourn the loss of our dear departed friend Dr. Perry of Oklahoma City, Oklahoma.

The benediction was then given.

THURSDAY AFTERNOON SESSION

President Johnson called for Dr. A. R. Lasley to conduct the afternoon sessionals. In his absence the Rev. J. J. Smith of Kentucky came forward as his replacement. We sang "Leaning on the Everlasting Arms." With his text found in Psalms 46, and speaking from the subject "The River and the City," Rev. Smith proceeded to lift the hearts of the entire congregation.

Mrs. Rose Brent then called for all officers of the Women's Auxiliary to come to the platform. As they did so a solo, "If I Can Help Somebody," was rendered. This marked the beginning of Women's Auxiliary presentation.

Miss Peggy Garnett of Cincinnati, Ohio, then came forward to introduce President M. L. Bruce. A solo was sung by Mrs. Anglo of Detroit.

Mrs. Bruce then came forward to address the convention. She began her message with a salute to Mrs. Arbouin. Mrs. Bruce's message was suspended while a motion was made by Miss Violet Ankrum and seconded that Mrs. Arbouin shall become President Emeritus of the Women's Auxiliary. Motion carried. Returning to her message, President Bruce expressed her appreciation to all who had worked with her. To the Home and Foreign Missions endeavors over \$2,000 had been contributed. A pause was then permitted as the names of deceased members were called. She then spoke from the convention theme "Church Renewal in a Revolutionary Age." With dignity and fire she lifted the status of all present. She then bade responsibilities farewell, urged support for the incoming president, and said she would continue to await a returning servant. Mrs. Norma Lambert then came forward to sing "I'd Rather Have Jesus," and inspired all present.

A motion was then made that the message of President Bruce should be received and become the property of the convention. This motion was carried. This concluded this portion of the program.

Presiding Officer Louis Johnson then resumed charge of the service. He informed the convention that Dr. Gardner Taylor would assume charge of the financial drive for \$50,000 to restart the Liberian work of the convention.

Dr. L. V. Booth was then called to give the report of the Executive Secretary. He expressed thanks for being able to serve the convention for six years as its Executive Secretary. Rom. 1:10 and 11 was the foundation of his report. He was leaving the office and not the convention. Sharing with us his reflections, he said: 1) We must not be echoes of an unfortunate past; 2) we must assume our responsibilities if we would be great as a convention. He called for support of the incoming Executive Secretary, and stated that if we will support him as he carries out the work of our convention under the guidance of our officers and directors, new heights will be reached. While visiting Australia, he said, he decided to tell the truth as he saw it, and commended to us all the God of all truth. He recommended that we serve as a motive force for all Baptists and urged working with the American Baptists to urge support of the new building being built in Washington at the Nannie H. H. School, and that we wholeheartedly support the incoming Executive Secretary.

A motion was made by Dr. L. Rawls, seconded by Bishop, that these

recommendations would be deeply considered and presented to the body at the proper time. Motion carried.

The report of the Treasurer, Dr. A. A. Banks, was then made. A motion was then made by Dr. C. V. Johnson, and seconded by Dr. Bishop, for adoption and referral of all recommendations to a special committee. Motion carried.

Dr. C. S. Stamps of the Home Mission Board was then presented for the report of the Home Missions Board. He reminded the convention of the recommendations he had made in the previous year regarding the placing of Chaplains in hospitals. He stated that an effort in that direction had been made, and that one Chaplain had been placed in a hospital in New York. It was introduced to the body, and following his remarks, an offering for missions was lifted.

The meeting adjourned

THURSDAY EVENING SESSION

Following a spirit-filled song session, Rev. O'Kelly Lawson of Lumberton, North Carolina, was presented to bring the evening devotional services. He spoke from passages found in Jeremiah and Matt. 3:2. The message given to God's Church was "to repent." This word is God's, and when we obey it we will be renewed. Following this fine message, the congregation sang, "My Hope Is Built On Nothing Less."

Fraternal greetings were then brought from the Southern Baptist Convention through Rev. Harper Shannon of Dothan, Alabama. Rev. Walter Long of the American Baptist Home Mission Society's "Community Witness Program," then brought greetings from that body.

A telegram was then read from the President of the United States, Richard M. Nixon, to our President, Dr. Searcy.

Special music was then presented by the Young People of the Progressive Baptist Convention, under the direction of Mr. Joseph Smith of Chicago, Illinois, and Mrs. Merdean Fielding of St. Louis, Missouri. Mrs. Mattie Cross of Chicago, Illinois, the Youth Director, was asked to stand and receive the thanks of our gathering.

Dr. Charles Adams of the Publications Committee of our convention was then called to give that committee's report. He stated that we have 33 black Baptists writing for our publications—essays and expositions. They couple revelation with scholarship and worship. Of churches that use our literature there are 330. Into our treasuries there has gone \$23,250. This year we will realize an increase. This could be increased to over \$50,000 a year were we to support as we ought our convention in this area. He recommended 1) that all our churches should support our publishing endeavors; and 2) that the Publishing Board procure an on-the-grounds editor that is black. Such a man, he said, is needed to protect our interests and concerns.

A motion to adopt this report was made by Dr. Adams, and seconded. Motion carried.

The choir members of the Senior Choir of the Mt. Zion Second Baptist Church of Atlanta, Georgia, were asked to stand.

Dr. Thomas Kilgore, the President of the American Baptist Convention, then brought greetings to our body.

Dr. Taylor of Missouri then came forward to lift a love offering for our President, Dr. Searcy.

Special music was then provided by Mrs. Cole and her daughter, both of whom were from Detroit, Michigan.

Dr. T. M. Chambers of California, our former president, was then presented to bring greetings and be joyfully received.

Dr. Gardner Taylor was then presented to introduce our President, Dr. Searcy, the speaker of the evening. Amidst a jubilant reception Dr. Searcy then came forward. He introduced his wife, daughter and the members of his church from Atlanta, Georgia.

Dr. Searcy reviewed the early days of his ministry and the difficulties encountered along the way. He turned then to the history of our convention and mentioned areas wherein we need strengthening. We can talk, he said,

our deeds must also characterize our convention. He quickly observed that the present body is the head of all departments of the convention. He then expounded the purposes behind the dividing of the Southern Regional Convention into two branches along geographical lines. He commended the Women's Auxiliary, the Sunday School Congress and all the auxiliaries of our convention.

Dr. Searcy then went on to say that the new Negro of our present day will fight. Racism and injustice are not equipped with unlimited resources and in matters that relate to these things, all people deserve to be heard. Conservatism, he said, is not a god. It is rather a philosophy of mistaken people. There is a moral law that must be faced by all philosophies. And all people must get their house in order. We must get ready for another convention—an eternal convention, and the convention's heart aglow he said his seat with a word of thanks to God for us all.

Rev. Kyles of Memphis, Tennessee, then led the convention in a spirited and spiritual solo.

A motion was made, and seconded that the president's message should be adopted. This motion was unanimously carried.

A motion that our convention would pray for and remember the victims of the Mississippi and Virginia hurricanes

The benediction was then given.

FRIDAY MORNING—SEPTEMBER 5, 1969

Inspirational singing led by Rev. A. E. Banks, with Rev. C. V. Ford at the piano. Worship: Dr. Thomas Kilgore introduced the worship leader, Rev. H. H. Tate of New York. Scripture Lesson comprised of the 24th Psalm. Prayer was offered by Rev. E. B. Phillips of Wisconsin. The convention sang the hymn, "I Need Thee Every Hour." Rev. Watts, expanding on the theme, lifted the convention with great and searching truths. He spoke of the paradox of this age. He said that the black church gives more money for black education than any other black organization in our land.

Following the sermon the convention sang "There Is A Fountain."

Business Period: The report of the Education Committee was given by Dr. Charles Adams. Following this report, the convention recognized the presence of all messengers by States. Mrs. Nampeo McKenny of the Bureau of U. S. Census was presented for remarks. She urged participation and assistance of the clergy, and others in the coming census. On motion by Rev. William Lambert, the convention voted endorsement of the project presented by Mrs. McKenny.

Reports continued: Laymen's Report, approved and referred to budget committee.

At this point the Nominating Committee presented its report. The motion to adopt the report was held on unreadiness. Discussion ensued. After many unsuccessful efforts the committee's report was adopted with the exception of the offices which were contested or questioned. As the convention proceeded to resolve the problem of contested positions, the presiding officer—Dr. G. C. Taylor, appointed tellers. The Revs. F. L. Porter, D. N. Conner, and W. A. Jones served as tellers.

The resolution of the problem of treasurer was as follows: The names of Rev. C. V. Johnson of Illinois, and L. J. Alford of Florida were placed in nomination. The nomination of C. V. Johnson was sustained by a vote of 144 and 119 for L. J. Alford.

N. H. Brookman of South Carolina was elected as assistant secretary. The question of president of Southern Region No. 2 was discussed. Two names were placed in nomination for president of Southern Region No. 2: O. L. Jones and H. J. Franklin. By vote of the convention H. J. Franklin was elected to the said position.

The convention turned next to a discussion of the salary of the executive secretary and his secretary. The convention concluded that the salary of the executive secretary would be \$10,000. Rev. Rawls moved that the secretary's salary would be \$6,000. (See report.)

In dealing with the nominating committee's report, there was much dis-

cussion on the section dealing with the Baptist Foreign Mission Bureau Board or Directors. The matter of re-electing to the board, persons whose term of office was expiring with the current session of the convention. Twelve members to be elected by the convention were elected. At the point of the report of the bureau's recommendations, objections were raised of electing to the board members whose terms of office were currently expiring. Dr. G. C. Taylor suggested that the report be accepted with the understanding that President Searcy would be requested to convene a meeting and deal with this and other problems of the bureau.

The next item of business was the report of the Budget Committee (see report). The report was adopted as a partial report. The committee on the President's nomination of C. G. Haynesworth as Judge of the Supreme Court made its report. (See report.) The report was adopted. A motion prevailed to the effect that a committee be appointed to go to City Hall of the site of the convention and lodge complaint of discrimination observed in the host city.

The convention considered the question of establishing the office of the executive secretary. It was voted that this matter be placed in the hands of the executive board of the convention.

FRIDAY AFTERNOON SESSION

The keynote address was delivered by Dr. Charles Butler. Rev. Butler, in very apt fashion inspired the convention with his message. This message signaled the opening of a workshop experience for the convention.

Leaders for the group discussions were as follows:

- Workshop No. 1 — Rev. Atha J. Baugh of Valley Forge, Pennsylvania
- Workshop No. 2 — Rev. Amos Johnson, Camden, New Jersey
- Workshop No. 4 — Walter Long
- Workshop No. 6 — Sam Moncur

This period was closed with a brief opportunity for questions. On motion offered by Rev. William Bishop, the convention gave a vote of thanks to the workshop participants and also to the program committee for providing such experience.

FRIDAY EVENING SESSION

(Martin Luther King Memorial Night)

Inspirational singing by Rev. C. V. Ford at the piano. Workshop period. Rev. Nathaniel J. Brockman was worship leader. The convention received a blessing through the message delivered by Rev. Brockman as he spoke on the theme "The Response of an Expectant Church."

President Searcy called upon Rev. C. S. Hampton to present a guest to the convention. Mr. Kenneth Piper, vice president of Motorola T.V. Company was presented for remarks. In addition to speaking in the interest of his company, he emphasized a larger interest in mankind.

The Memorial Fund Drive was directed by Rev. G. W. Criss of New York.

A Symposium on Education was conducted. The participants were as follows:

1. Dr. M. K. Curry, Jr., President of Bishop College, Dallas, Texas
2. Dr. O. R. Reubin, President of Morris College, Sumpter, South Carolina
3. Dr. Charles E. Boddie, President of American Baptist Theological Seminary, Nashville, Tennessee

The above participants spoke on the theme: "The responsibility of the Progressive National Baptist Convention to Baptist Related Colleges." (Addresses are a part of the record.)

A special offering was received for the S.C.L.C. A selection, "God Never Fails," was sung. President Searcy presented the speaker, Dr. Ralph David Abernathy, president of the S.C.L.C. Dr. Abernathy, in splendid fashion, challenged the convention to become prophets of protest and beacon lights of hope. (See speech.)

The benediction was then given.

SATURDAY MORNING — SEPTEMBER 6, 1969

Following a song service conducted by Rev. Banks, the worship services were conducted by Rev. Joseph J. Dale of Metuchen, N. J. Rev. Dale took as the text of his message Esther 4:13. He spoke from the subject "Coming into A Kingdom." His message was inspirational, and made the plea that our conventional churches put their trust in the "Lord God of Israel." He then led the congregation in a moving rendition of "Be Sure Your Anchor Holds."

On the arrival of Dr. Searcy, under the presiding of Dr. Kilgore, Rev. John Williams was called for to give the financial report. He reported that up until this point \$22,260 had been received. He said \$1,263.14 had been turned in on the Martin Luther King Memorial Night service, \$418.84 for the memorial drive, and \$854.50 for S.C.L.C.

Rev. A. K. Smith came forward to report for a special committee on the absence of blacks in higher echelon jobs in the Miami Beach area. Their recommendation that our convention do what it could to alter this unfortunate situation was heard. A motion was made and seconded to adopt the recommendation of this committee. Motion carried.

A resolution was called for from the board of directors regarding denominational cooperation. The resolution presented by the board was that our convention work with and cooperate with the American Baptist Convention and the American Baptist Convention with us, in order that there might be a more productive unity between the two bodies, by means of which we can enjoy and receive all benefits mutually deriving therefrom. A motion was made by Rev. J. J. Smith, and seconded, that the resolution would be accepted. The motion was carried.

The president, Dr. Searcy, urged that we do not desire to cooperate only with the American Baptists, but with the Southern Baptists also.

Dr. Kilgore expressed his thanks to all that participated on the program, and to President Searcy for his support of the innovative changes that had been introduced. He then turned the meeting over to Dr. Searcy.

Dr. Searcy then presented Dr. W. J. Bishop, of Detroit, to bring the Memorial Sermon. After singing "I'm Going to Treat Everybody Right," Dr. Bishop came forward and took as his text Rom. 1:15, and spoke from the subject "Are You Ready?" With inspiration he treated his theme and lifted the hearts of his listeners. The convention then sang "He Will Understand And Say Well Done." A list of the deceased was then called, including Revs. A. D. King, C. L. Arbouin, T. E. Brown, and sister Mitchell E. Trimble, Virgil Tucker, and others, and the Memorial Service was concluded.

Dr. Kilgore then called for the Presidents Committee to read a telegram for approval. The same was done by motion.

The officers were then fittingly installed by Dr. K. L. Brazil, of Ohio. The meeting closed with prayer and the benediction by Dr. Milner, of Georgia.

SATURDAY EVENING SESSION

An all-convention singspiration was held that truly inspired all the listeners that were present.

SUNDAY MORNING — SEPTEMBER 7, 1969

The convention worship service was held with the Mt. Zion Baptist Church, in Miami, Fla., with Dr. Edward T. Graham, the host pastor. Prayer was offered by Dr. E. L. Harrison. Following the reading of a resolution by the convention secretary, K. L. Moore, expressing appreciation to Pastor Graham, his church and the pastors and churches of the community, a motion by Dr. Brent of New Jersey, seconded by Mrs. Bruce, was offered to accept the resolution. The motion was carried.

Preceded by the able choir of Mt. Zion and a solo from Mrs. Coles of Detroit, and Mrs. Forston, of Miami Beach, President Searcy then came forward taking his text from Acts. His subject was "The Venture of Peace."

Dr. Searcy observed that the world in which we live is a world torn by disunion. For its solution it will not be enough to look to the World Councils, or the sanctuaries of the mighty. Warfare has failed, intrigue has proved fruitless and if we do not seek peace on high we shall not find it. Peace will be won when we keep faith with God and our blessings in this troubled land will come only from God, in whom is all peace. He lifted the hearts of his

assembled congregation, and his message was followed by young Miss Cole of Detroit, who sang "I Must Tell Jesus." Following a farewell from Dr. Graham, the services were concluded.

AFTERNOON SERVICES — FOREIGN MISSION BOARD PROGRAM

The service began with scripture lesson by Rev. P. W. Williams and prayer by Rev. W. M. Davis. Musical selections were rendered by the Mt. Zion Baptist Church and the missionary choirs of the St. Matthew Baptist Church of Miami, Fla. Dr. Trapp, the presiding officer, then called for Dr. Cromwell who in turn introduced Dr. C. C. Adams, of Philadelphia, along with other dignitaries.

Dr. Kirkland, of Philadelphia, was then called for to make the missionary appeal.

Following the singing of "Throw Out The Lifeline," Dr. Brent, of New Jersey, introduced Dr. E. J. Richardson, of Camden, N. J., to bring the afternoon message. His text was found in Acts 1:8. His subject was "Power." He preached like Paul of old. Chairman Trapp then expressed the board's appreciation to Dr. Graham and his congregation.

Following introductions, the board's treasurer, E. T. Lewis, announced \$5,907.29 raised in the rally. The service then closed on an elevated note and the benediction was given.

REPORT OF NOMINATING COMMITTEE

The Nominating Committee recommends the following as of the Progressive National Baptist Convention for year 1968-70:

President	Dr. E. R. Searcy, Sr. (Georgia)
First Vice President	Dr. E. L. Harrison (Washington, D. C.)
Second Vice President	Dr. Louis Johnson (Michigan)
Recording Secretary	Dr. K. L. Moore (Kentucky)
Assistant Recording Secretary	Dr. N. Brookman (South Carolina)
Assistant Recording Secretary	Dr. M. A. Curry (Oklahoma)
Treasurer	Dr. George W. Dudley (North Carolina)
Auditor	Dr. C. V. Johnson (Illinois)
Historian	Dr. T. Robert Washington (Pennsylvania)
Statistician	Dr. M. Ivory Jefferson (Virginia)
Editor, Baptist Progress	Dr. J. B. Williams (Washington)
Director of Publicity	Dr. D. E. King (Illinois)
Assistant Director of Publicity	Dr. Wyatt T. Walker (New York)
Regional Presidents:	Dr. Harold Carter (Maryland)
Southern Region #1	Dr. J. J. Johnson (North Carolina)
Southern Region #2	Dr. H. J. Franklin (Kentucky)
Midwestern Region	Dr. H. B. Hicks (Ohio)
Eastern Region	Dr. W. A. Jones (New York)
Southwestern Region and Western Region	Dr. H. W. Watson (California)

Respectfully submitted,
NOMINATING COMMITTEE.

Dr. T. M. Chambers, Chairman (California)
Dr. George W. Dudley, Secretary (North Carolina)
Dr. H. C. Cherry (Mississippi)
Dr. J. H. Nichols (New York)
Dr. J. H. Gatlin (Michigan)
Dr. W. J. Hodge (Kentucky)
Dr. C. B. Hampton (Illinois)
Dr. Robert L. Rollins (Washington, D. C.)
Dr. J. D. Provo (Oklahoma)
Dr. W. E. Young (Florida)
Dr. M. A. Curry (Oklahoma)
Dr. P. J. Taylor (Missouri)

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Assistant Financial Secretary	Mrs. Elaine Flannagan
Corresponding Secretary	Mrs. Doris Perkins
Assistant Corresponding Secretary	Mrs. Helen Golden
Treasurer	Joseph Sims
Chaplain	Clarence Mitchell
Instructor	Mrs. Thelma Johnson
District Worker	Mrs. Eleanor Milbry
Field Worker	Mrs. Helen Barbara
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Chairman of Missions	Mrs. Janie Mitchell

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Assistant Corresponding Secretary	Rev. W. C. Huffman
Treasurer	Rev. F. L. Porter, Jr.
Chaplain	Rev. W. J. Witherspoon

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LAYMAN OF THE PROGRESSIVE NATIONAL BAPTIST CONVENTION	
President	John D. Hunter
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M. M. Simmons (West)	

September 6, 1969

The Hon. Jay Derner

Mayer
Miami Beach, Fla.

Our commitment to equal justice and human dignity for the millions of black citizens of America is deep-rooted.

We are keen observers of racial injustice in this country.

We have enjoyed our visit to Miami Beach, and while we know there have been some strides toward racial equality in Miami Beach, we also observe and protest the lack of dignified employment for black citizens in the places of business in Miami Beach.

This convention calls on you to employ every measure of sincerity and ability to help correct this gross injustice.

This convention will urge Dr. Ralph Abernathy and the forces of Southern Christian Leadership Conference to further evaluate for us the measure of

genuine efforts in this matter by your office and other responsible leaders of Miami Beach

PROGRESSIVE NATIONAL BAPTIST CONVENTION

Dr. Emory Searcy, President
Rev. S. S. Hodges, Executive Secretary
Rev. K. L. Moore, Secretary
Rev. Perry Smith, Committee Chairman
Rev. A. Kendall Smith, Committee Secretary
Rev. E. L. Sifton
Rev. R. L. Mitchell

RESOLUTION ON LOCAL RACIAL INJUSTICES

Because our commitment to equal justice and human dignity for the millions of black citizens of America is deep-rooted;

Because P.N.B.C. will never forget and will always cherish the supreme sacrifice made by our noble late member Martin Luther King, Jr.;

Because we are keen observers of injustice, and

Because Jesus Christ was "committed to setting the captive free";

BE IT RESOLVED that P.N.B.C. takes note of the obvious lack of dignified employment for black citizens in the places of business in Miami Beach.

BE IT RESOLVED that P.N.B.C. rejects the attempts of local political leaders to deceive this body regarding progress in the area of race relations;

BE IT RESOLVED that P.N.B.C. will formally communicate our sentiments to the Mayor of Miami Beach;

BE IT RESOLVED that P.N.B.C. will communicate with The Rev. Edw. Graham to discuss this issue as it affects black citizens of Miami and Miami Beach, Fla.;

BE IT RESOLVED that it be incumbent upon all future selection and arrangement committees of P.N.B.C. to evaluate the area of human rights as it affects local black citizens in employment, housing and political opportunity

DR. E. R. SEARCY, President
REV. K. L. MOORE, Secretary
REV. PERRY SMITH, Chairman
REV. A. KENDALL SMITH, Secretary
REV. E. L. SITTON
REV. R. L. MITCHELL

WESTERN UNION September 2, 1969 TELEGRAM
DR. EMORY R. SEARCY, PRESIDENT
PROGRESSIVE NATIONAL BAPTIST CONVENTION
BARCELONA HOTEL, MIAMI BEACH, FLA.
FOLLOWING TELEGRAM RELAYED TO THE WHITE HOUSE FROM SAN CLEMENTE, CALIF

AS THE MEMBERS OF THE PROGRESSIVE NATIONAL BAPTIST CONVENTION MEET TO DISCUSS THE AGENDA OF ANOTHER PRODUCTIVE YEAR, I WISH YOU MOST FRUITFUL AND ENJOYABLE SESSION. YOUR ORGANIZATION UPHOLDS THE HIGHEST TRADITIONS OF OUR HERITAGE AND OF THE AMERICAN WAY OF LIFE. YOUR SOCIAL CONSCIOUSNESS AND CIVIC AWARENESS ARE VITAL QUALITIES AT A TIME THAT CALLS UPON ALL HONEST MEN TO LOOK WITHIN THEIR OWN HEARTS AND LIVES AND TO SEEK TO UPLIFT THE LIVES OF OTHERS.

YOU HAVE PROVED WHAT CAN BE ACCOMPLISHED IF THERE IS THE WILL TO DO SO. AS INDIVIDUALS AND AS MEMBERS OF A FINE AMERICAN INSTITUTION, YOU HAVE SOUGHT TO BRING NEW HOPE TO THOSE WHO HAVE BEEN DENIED THE FULL OPPORTUNITY THEY DESERVE. YOU HAVE MADE YOUR RELIGION A PART OF DAILY LIVING, AND HAVE HEEDED THE IMPORTANCE OF BOTH THE WORD AND WORK OF HUMAN CHARITY AND JUSTICE.

IN THE YEARS AHEAD, I SHALL WELCOME YOUR ASSISTANCE AND ADVICE AS TOGETHER WE SEEK THE FULFILLMENT OF THE DREAMS AND HOPES WE SHARE.

RICHARD NIXON

SIXTH ANNUAL REPORT

OF

THE EXECUTIVE SECRETARY

OF

THE PROGRESSIVE NATIONAL BAPTIST CONVENTION

Incorporated

July 1968 / June 1969

EIGHTH ANNUAL SESSION

THE BARCELONA HOTEL

MIAMI, BEACH, FLORIDA

SOME REFLECTIONS AND COMMENTS ABOUT OUR PROGRESSIVE NATIONAL BAPTIST CONVENTION

L. Venchael Booth, Executive Secretary

"Be kindly affectioned one to another with brotherly love; in honor preferring one another; not slothful in business; fervent in spirit; serving the Lord."

Ro. 12:10, 11.

In the closing hours of my tenure as your first Executive Secretary, I have chosen to address myself to you informally. It is with great humility that I say thank you for the opportunity to serve. You have been patient and understanding with all my virtues and weaknesses. You have often praised me when you might have censured me. Words cannot express my sincere thanks to you for having enjoyed such a rare privilege. My thanks include those times when you had to take another course from me but which inspired and moved me. It also includes those areas in which you had to correct me or deter me. All that transpired was good for my development and growth. Please be assured that I emerge from all the experiences whether favorable or unfavorable a more mature person and I trust a better Christian. As I leave this

office, I do not leave the Convention. In fact I stand ready to answer whatever the Convention might see fit to give. If it is within my province to serve, I will truly serve.

Having offered my word of thanks, let me turn to my reflections and comments. Firstly, let me call to your attention the fact that this Convention is built upon a Spiritual Foundation. Many think that our real basis is TENURE. This is at best a surface appraisal of our purpose. Far deeper than tenure is our desire to enjoy Fellowship, Progress and Peace. It is believed, therefore, if we can free men from love for "office" we can achieve our high goal of Fellowship, Progress and Peace. This will of necessity take time and, perhaps, many in this generation will fall asleep before recognizing our true spiritual foundation. It is possible that many will not even read our suggested scripture and will not learn to sing our Convention Fellowship Hymn. This will not take away from the great inspiration that developed these lofty ideals.

Our Convention is destined to become a truly great convention. With Christ as our leader the way leads to greatness. To attain this, it will be necessary to re-examine our origin and re-define our goals. This Convention is the result of many single and collective efforts to reform and revitalize a people with a great spiritual heritage. The struggle went on for many a decade before the time was ripe for action. Some have remarked that anybody could have organized or sounded the call in 1961 when we began. This could well be true, but God knew whom He wanted to echo the high call. The call was sounded in Heaven, and was merely echoed in Cincinnati. It called for a mind and spirit that was ready to risk all to please God. Our first President and the other two who have followed him were men of special calling and circumstance. Few men of stature were ready for such an audacious venture. It took time and deliberation for many to come through, and some waited for this echo to die. There are thousands still waiting to come. They are seeking for a sign that this Convention is truly in the will of God. Far too much of our program and action are replicas of an unfortunate past. Our department often looks the same. Our debates are just as heated, our conduct of business is just as unrealistic and unimaginative. Our stewardship is just as poor. Our faith often appears just as small. What is the difference? Our spiritual foundation is different. This Convention has a scriptural basis. I call it to your attention now. The crux of our origin is in the two verses of my text. We have not emphasized our three goals though they are printed on every badge. We have not bothered to learn our Convention Fellowship Hymn though it is printed in every program.

MANY SEEK BENEFITS WITHOUT SACRIFICE

Many have found refuge in this Convention, but have done little to advance it. Some have reluctantly adopted it because it could serve a good purpose in advancing their own cause. In these few short years we have had a picnic in trying to use this Convention for ordinary purposes. Despite all this—our spiritual heritage grows greater with the passing of the years. This Convention will survive all the evils that may be heaped upon it.

THE SPIRITUAL HOME OF GREAT BAPTISTS

The youngest Negro to ever receive the Nobel Peace Prize belonged to this Convention. Other leaders of great renown, experience and character either belonged or still belong to this Convention. Some of our preachers represent the greatest talent this nation has produced. One of our former presidents is internationally renowned as a preacher. A former college president, noted columnist, lecturer and preacher, belongs to our Convention. Our family includes some of the most dedicated leaders the world has ever known. They walk side by side with the humblest of which a convention can boast. We have some who are so spiritually mellow that you feel the presence of God when they come near. Others are so without spiritual understanding that they resent their brothers who have received stature and acclaim. We are all here and we comprise a great fellowship. God is making use of even those who would use us to their own advantage. In the end His holy purpose will be achieved and we must all bow before Him.

OURS IS A HIGH CALL TO GREATNESS

Ours is a high call to greatness. We need to learn to be kind. We need to exercise warmth in our affections. We need to find joy in honoring one another. We need to desire others in high places in preference to ourselves. We must become

serious about shouldering responsibility. We need a deepening of the spirit. We need to truly serve the Lord. The high call to greatness challenges the best that is within us. It bids us meet together in a spirit of humility and love. It bids us to think soberly, serve humbly and speak wisely. In our great Convention there should be no clamoring for attention, no playing to the gallery, no intemperance in speech or conduct. We are called to act as free and responsible Christians. Ours is a high calling responded to by holy men of God.

WE ARE ALL BROTHERS HERE

There are no Fathers in this Convention . . . we are all brothers. This Convention has no place for dictators or slave drivers. If we attempt it on the Homefront, let us not bring it to the National front. We must not feel that our representation gives us the right to harass and insult others who have also represented. Somewhere along the line we must learn that though we are members of the same body, we do not all have the same gifts. One's representation does not qualify him to hold an office which his gift does not qualify him to hold. Though we practice what we are still obligated to choose the best leadership available in our Convention.

THE CALL IS ONWARD AND UPWARD

My tenure as Executive Secretary has been an eventful one. It has been my privilege to lead this Convention into both national and international arenas. It has chilled my heart to try to represent you. I have discovered that with a little more effort, we could be outstanding on every front. We need to meet our obligations and advance from the National Council of Churches to the World Council. We must not only represent and attend, we must make a contribution in thought and action.

It was my pleasure to help nominate the first black president of the Baptist World Alliance, Dr. William R. Tulbert, Vice-President of the Republic of Liberia. A few days ago in Vienna, I threw our support behind Dr. Robert S. Denny as Executive Secretary of the Baptist World Alliance. He was elected. We have already begun to gather support for Dr. Gardner C. Taylor to become one of the Vice-Presidents of the Alliance when it meets in Tokyo. I shall be most grateful if you will allow me to continue to serve with him on the Executive Committee for another term.

MY NEW POST WITH THE AMERICAN BIBLE SOCIETY

You are responsible for my having been selected to serve the American Bible Society. It was while representing you that I was tapped for this post. It is indeed a great honor second only to my call to the ministry. It is an extension of the pastorate. Instead of one merely pastoring laymen, he becomes a pastor to denominational leaders. I serve under Mr. Roy I. Madsen who addressed us earlier. It is through his generosity and understanding that I'm now permitted to work part-time and remain in Cincinnati where I have labored for the past 17 years. It is definite though that I must relinquish my post as your part-time Executive Secretary. Eventually I must decide to give full time to the Bible Society. Let me request to pledge my full assistance to the new full time Executive Secretary.

LET'S SUPPORT THE NEW SECRETARY

The election and installation of an Executive Secretary to serve full time is the end of progress that Progressives should make. Nothing could possibly help to move our integrity and intent more than this development. Now the office of the President can become the high spiritual office that it is intended to be. There is a challenge in the post as a spiritual pacesetter for the denomination, for any one of us who might aspire. One can hardly be a full time pastor and a full time denominational worker as well.

We must learn that a convention cannot succeed, or long endure when it begins a new program every two years. We must overcome temptation and the weakness to be always beginning anew. We need to overcome the feeling that every new President must offer some new program to be a success.

We must face the difficult task of letting the new Executive Secretary truly function as one. Our Progressive Convention has the real possibility to become the Convention of the future. A real dedicated Secretary administering the program under the Board of Directors can lead us to distinguish ourselves

in Home and Foreign Missions. We can make improvement in the areas of publication and Christian Education.

We now have the great opportunity to ally ourselves closely with both Southern and American Baptist Conventions. Doors of cooperation are being opened as never before. We must not become "strange nor estranged Baptists." One day all Baptist Conventions will merge and work together. When that day comes we must be in the vanguard of the movement toward unity. We rejoice over the fact that one of our fine Progressive pastors now serves as the first black president of the American Baptist Convention. Your humble servant serves as Vice Chairman of the North American Baptist Fellowship. A new day is dawning for all who will seek to live with all men as brothers.

As I close these pages of "Reflections and Comments," I wish to submit the following recommendations:

1. Let us strive to serve as a unifying force for all Baptists.
2. Let us take the initiative and apply to become an associate body with the American Baptist Convention thus opening the door for a brighter future for youth and age.
3. Let us support the "President's Invitational Tour" to Tokyo, Japan, thus making it possible for our president and his wife to receive a free trip.
4. Let us increase our support to the American Bible Society beginning with its Five Year Africa Advance and going forward.

EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING

Saturday Afternoon—2:30 p.m.

September 6, 1969

The meeting was called to order by President Searcy. Prayer was offered by Dr. R. A. Cromwell.

President Searcy then asked for a financial statement from our Treasurer, Dr. A. A. Banks. Dr. Banks then gave a temporary statement of the following receipts:

Wednesday	\$17,022.94
Thursday (from Dr. Kilgore)	2,970.00
Friday	4,702.00

M.E.K. Memorial	\$24,700.23
S.U.C.C.	418.55
	859.82

Money on hand as of this reporting time	\$26,073.50
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A discussion then followed this report in regards to an additional publicity expense of \$26,200. It was explained that this item had been received too late to be included in the discussion of expenses with the Budget Committee. Dr. L. V. Booth then moved that the sum would be paid, and guidelines be set up as to policy for the future. The motion was seconded. The motion was then carried.

The matter of a proposed \$5,000 for the expenses of the Publicity Department was then entered into. Following a discussion, a motion was made that the Director of Publicity should, in conjunction with the Executive Board, draw up a list, which he would enumerate what the expenses would be that should total \$5,000, and that between the Director of Publicity and the Executive Board an agreement should be reached. The motion was seconded. The motion carried.

Dr. Banks, the Treasurer, then raised a matter that had to do with the payment of money, by the Convention Treasurer, to the Foreign Mission Board. He felt that the designated sums to be given the Foreign Mission Board had been paid out of the General Fund. He asked for a ruling from the President and asked for direction. Dr. Searcy then called for Dr. R. A. Cromwell to give his views. Dr. Cromwell stated that, first of all, he wanted the Progressive Convention to know that as long as he was associated with the Foreign Mission Bureau, the Bureau is subservient to the Convention and knows it. In the second place, while in Liberia he had made a financial commitment of \$10,000 for the Bureau, and the discussion before the house had to do with \$7,000 promised the Foreign Mission Bureau by the Convention.

Dr. Booth then made a motion that Treasurer Banks check his records, that the Executive Secretary of the Foreign Mission Bureau, Dr. Cromwell, check his, and if money had not been paid, it will be paid. Motion seconded. Motion carried.

Dr. Searcy then called for the report of the Women's Auxiliary. Mrs. Mary Smith of Chicago, then came forward to give this report. She stated that the Women's Auxiliary had raised \$8,067.68. Mrs. Minnie Bruce, the President of the Women's Auxiliary, then came forward to speak regarding the matter of the Auxiliary's expenses. Her question had to do with the approval of the budget they had submitted. A motion was made that the Women's Auxiliary be paid all actual and fixed monies, and that any remaining monies should be prorated to the remaining objectives on a percentage-wise basis. Before the motion was placed before the house, the President appointed a committee to see what exactly the amount of these expenses were. The members of the committee were President Bruce, Mrs. B. P. Brent, Mrs. Mary Smith, Dr. R. A. Cromwell, and Dr. T. R. Washington. The committee was excused from the meeting to examine these expenses.

Dr. Johnson, of North Carolina, then made a motion that the \$859.82 raised on the Martin Luther King night for the Southern Christian Leadership Conference be increased to a round figure of \$1,000. Motion seconded. Motion carried.

Dr. Searcy then asked information as to what monies we had in the savings fund. Dr. Booth replied that there was approximately \$6,000 in savings. There was another fund with something in excess of \$13,000.

Called upon for a report, should he desire to give one, Dr. Booth stated that he did not desire to report at this time.

Dr. Washington then made a motion, in regards to monies raised at the Booth Memorial, that when all bills shall have been paid, any money left over should be given to Dr. Booth. The motion was seconded. The motion carried.

President Searcy at this time called Dr. Stamps of the Home Mission Board to give his report. Dr. Stamps stated that in two years time he had never received a list of the members of his Board, and asked if there were such a list available? He said that from September of 1968 to the time of the 1969 Convention a total of \$370.00 had been raised in public offerings. No monies had been sent from any churches. His report followed:

Monies raised and disbursed by the Home Missions Board, September 15, 1968, August 31, 1969:

Raised September, 1968	\$ 320.00
Raised September, 1969	50.00
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Total	\$ 370.00

Expenses September, 1968 - September, 1969	
Printing, Stationery, etc.	\$ 160.00
Mailing	40.00
Typing Expense	320.00
Badges	12.00
Chaplain's Expenses (\$30 per week for 30 weeks)	900.00
Chairman's Office Expenses	80.00
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	\$1,212.00
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Less Monies Raised	370.00
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Balance	\$ 842.00

Dr. Stamps requested that this deficit be paid. He said that monies received at the 1969 session had not been included in his report.

Dr. Booth raised a question as to whether or not these of the Home Mission Board were Budget Expense items, and why our mission work was confined only to New York. Dr. Stamps replied that the work in New York was only a beginning. He said also that the Chaplain expenses derived from a salary of \$25.00 a week plus a work for expenses. Several suggestions were then offered from the floor as to how the board's work could be improved. Dr. Bishop, of Detroit, stated that he would be glad to volunteer his services to the Board. Dr. C. V. Johnson then suggested that the board ought to go beyond chaplaincy work and enter evangelism. Dr. Kilgore then moved that the Treasurer and the Executive Secretary get together.

see what was owed, and any bills due be paid that were submitted. Motion seconded. Motion carried.

In response to a question of responsibility from Dr. Stamps, Dr. E. L. Harrison replied that the Home Mission Board is subject to the Executive Board, and the Executive Board is subject to the Convention. Dr. Kilgore then suggested that a plan of operation should be submitted by the Home Mission Board at the earliest opportunity, no later than the mid-winter session. Dr. Booth urged that any such plan should include work with other denominational bodies. Dr. Louis Rawls, of Illinois, stated that any expenses, not to exceed \$30.00 a week, would be assured and underwritten by his congregation.

An offering was then lifted for Reverend Shelby of Chicago, who had taken sick on Convention grounds and was now in a Florida hospital. Sixty-seven dollars was raised in this offering, and turned over to Reverend Hampton, of Illinois, who would see that it was given to the sister of Reverend Shelby, a Mrs. Emma Boyd, of Chicago, after check should be written by the Treasurer.

Dr. E. L. Harrison then made a motion that the corresponding secretary of the Foreign Mission Bureau be authorized to investigate the church situation in Hawaii and report back to the Executive Board. Motion seconded. Motion carried.

The joint committee of women from the auxiliary and the board then returned to give their report. It was as follows:

Monies received	\$8,067.68
Actual and real expenses	2,692.17
Donations for objectives	2,310.00
Total expenses	\$5,002.17
Balance	\$3,065.51

Motion to adopt this report was made by Secretary Booth. Motion seconded. Motion carried.

Dr. A. A. Banks observed that the budget information had been cloudy and this cloudiness was due to circumstances, and not bad intentions.

A discussion then ensued regarding a suggested expense gift of \$1,000 to Mrs. E. M. Arhoun. Dr. E. L. Harrison then observed that this amount was a compensation later taken out by the brethren. He then made a motion (substitute) that Mrs. Arhoun be given \$750 with apologies. Motion seconded. Motion carried.

Dr. Milnar then moved that Mrs. Minnie Bruce should be given \$1,000. Motion seconded by Dr. Offutt. Motion carried.

President Searcy then asked the desires of the Board regarding when the newly elected Executive Secretary should begin his services. Dr. Booth suggested that Dr. Hodges should work part time for six months, with part time salary, in the amount of that now received by the retiring secretary. Dr. Booth, Dr. Louis Rawls made this a motion. Motion seconded. Motion carried.

Dr. Booth stated that all communications should continue to be sent to his offices in Cincinnati, to prevent any conflict. He also requested a specific date for the part time termination. This, said he, was an arrangement for convenience and would be discontinued at the earliest mutually agreed upon date.

It was moved that a full-page ad be taken out for the testimonial for Dr. Booth in his home church. This would cost \$40. Motion seconded. Motion carried.

The Treasurer told the body that he and the newly-elected Treasurer, Dr. C. V. Johnson, would work out an agreeable and acceptable procedure for transfer of the treasury matters. He stated that with the one account that is for savings, that it be permitted to be kept in Detroit until the savings interest should be earned. Dr. Johnson suggested that this was acceptable to him.

Dr. Booth suggested that periodically the President should be informed regarding amounts on hand. Also, the new Executive Secretary be supplied with names, addresses, etc. of all elected officers.

Regarding the Foreign Mission Board matter of \$7,000, Dr. Banks stated that between a two year period (67-68 and 68-69), a level had been achieved.

Mrs. Breit, the new President of the Women's Auxiliary, asked that guidelines

be given them in order that misunderstanding be minimized. She also asked if they were to operate by budget in getting office supplies, etc. Response was made that operational expenses are included in the Budget by Dr. Booth.

Motion to adjourn by Dr. Stamps.

THE DEPARTMENT OF EVANGELISM

Mr. President, Officers, and members of the Progressive National Baptist Convention assembled here in Miami Beach, Florida, GREETINGS.

We are brought face to face to give an account of the activities relating to the work of "evangelism" through the services of the Director. It has been only a short time since this responsibility was thrust upon me, and I have made use of this period attempting to study to find what is best for our Progressive National Baptist Convention on all levels. Our message to you at this time is following the trend of evangelistic function through all channels in all denominations of today. Jesus Christ and the gospel we proclaim. He is also Himself, the evangelist. He is the Apostle of the world sent to the world to redeem it. As the Father sent Him, he also sends us. He calls, and we must obey. He sends, and we must go.

EVANGELISM is the heart of the church. If it is sound, all that is the body of Christ is abtosh with vital power. If it is strong, every concern and activity which belongs to the body of Christ is carried forward with competence. We believe that the church has come to an hour of supreme opportunity. This is true in terms of unprecedented population growth. Present trends indicate that there will be a new increase of more than sixty-three million people in this country in the next twenty years. This of itself calls for an intensive and extensive program in Evangelism which will result in the establishment of thousands of new churches, the recruiting and training of thousands of new ministers, and the reaching of millions of unchurched persons for Christ and His church.

The church's opportunity rises even more urgently from the total world situation from issues of far greater importance than population explosion. In this respect when has Jesus Christ stood more tall against the skyline of past events and future need? When have men been more willing to give Him a hearing? When has the world been more in need of Him? Where is the salvation to compare with new men and the new world which can be born through Him? Devotees of economic and political secularism in our time, whether of the right or left, would correct evil and create justice by external law and coercion. Indeed, they ignore or deny the existence of God who can do this. So even the good they would do is destroyed in the end by the evil which abides unconquered in their hearts. Salvation gained through Christ begins within. Christianity conquers evil and creates good—first, in the heart and mind. Then, through men whose hearts God has cleansed, whose thoughts God directs, and whose deeds God empowers—it links men with love, power, and wisdom in God. Only Christlike people working under the empowerment and direction of a Christlike God can create and sustain a world which can long exist in this Space Age.

Let us be well aware of the fact that events of these turbulent times will not pass patiently for our convenience. The world is in forge of great travail. It is now upon the anvil, flaming hot. It is soft and malleable, almost anything can be made of it. From paradise beyond our greatest dreams to hell more hideous than our worst fears. For a few fleeting years we are the man at the anvil. Soon the metal will harden and what we have made, we have made. While strategy for wise and coordinated endeavor in the local church, a denomination, and throughout Christendom must be a constant concern, the major responsibility for meeting this evangelistic challenge rests upon the personal response of each Christian in his opportunity to be a witness for Christ. People ask what is the answer to the menace of modern communism, the decay of secularism, the threat of American jingoism? What is the way to sanity and hope? What can remedy the sickness now threatening civilization with death? For those who know Jesus Christ there is a sane and conquering answer. Let them be not fearful withdrawal behind shrill denunciations of communism, nor cautious protest against American materialism. It is a bold and practical action which operates at the grass roots, which overcomes weeds by planting something better. It is the unending, ever increasing, irresistible impact of every Christian doing what he can where he is—a witness in life and word for Jesus Christ. Without a witness which is lacking in power, vigor, and strength. It has neither feet nor voice. It may

be buried under ignorance, shunned through indifference, forgotten in science, lost in superstition, betrayed by rumor. It has no vital life, no way to reach and rule the minds of men. It is helpless, captive. It is the witness that sets truth free, gives it legs to stride the globe, a voice to recruit obedience. The witness liberates truth; it lets it become the incandescent light of wisdom, the tool of science, a dynamic force for morality, a fountain for faith even the hand of God. Thus the last request to our Lord of His friends was—"Be my witness." Even before they were first called Christians, they had another name, "witnesses." The New Testament, the church, indeed all Christian history from that day to this is the evidence of Christians at work as witnesses.

So the Christian Church was born in a dying world among doomed men. During centuries when the best harvest of all that mankind had achieved in millennia past sickness and perished, there emerged in Providence of God a new and mighty mother for a new and nobler culture. These first friends of our Lord, in obedience to His request, brought new life to doomed men. By their witnessing a new humanity was born, a new world established. So the saving truth revealed by Jesus Christ has lived and grown through the centuries. Empires have risen and fallen, but that truth has lived on. It has traversed the centuries and spanned the continents because always there were hearts whose lips gave it voice. My witness it came to us. By witness it lives and moves among us in redeeming power today. As our Lord trusted His first friends, so He trusts us. Upon us rests even a greater debt of honor. As their witness was needed by doomed men in a dying world, no less is ours. As obedience to their responsibility lifted their little lives into significance far beyond their imagining, so may we be lifted. We who wish to be known as the friends of Jesus Christ have our choice now. The church has arrived at the hour of unsurpassed opportunity. If we believe in Him and will serve Him, the time is now. Behold now is the accepted time—now is the day of salvation.

May I say that the Progressive National Baptist Convention has its greatest opportunity to move into its proper perspective. Soul saving is the main mission of the church, and Evangelism is the channel through which people are brought to God and His church. It is my prayer to God that we think seriously of the matter of Evangelism and make special plans to begin anew in this field. I pledge you my all for this work in His name.

The following are recommendations:

- I. Establish a Special Committee, Commission, or Board to make a study of a total, overall Program of Evangelism for the Progressive National Baptist Convention on all levels.
- II. That a complete organizational structure from the local church level to the National Convention level be established.
- III. That there be established Training Institutes for Ministers and Training Institutes for Laymen.
- IV. That a Committee or Board of Evangelism be established in every local church in the Progressive National Convention.
- V. That a budget be worked out for the operation of this work.

THE SOUTHERN REGIONAL MEETING REPORT

The Southern Regional Meeting convened with the Wilson Calvary Baptist Church, Anderson, S. C. Reverend C. R. Lewis, Pastor, February 25-27, 1969.

We feel this was the greatest annual session of the Southern Region. The Host Pastor and the Local Committee assembled standing room only audiences for both evening sessions of the convention. We are deeply indebted to the Local Committee for a Pre-convention Program which would have been a good preface for an annual session of the Progressive National Baptist Convention.

The theme for the Southern Regional Convention was based on Hebrews 13:8—"The Relevancy of Christ in a Confused Age." The joint Devotional Services were conducted by the Spiritual Life Unit of the Women's Auxiliary of the Southern Regional Convention under the administration of the past President of the Women's

Auxiliary, Mrs. M. B. Heard of Anderson, South Carolina. The Inspirational Address by Reverend L. J. Alford, Pastor of the Roanoke Baptist Church, West Palm Beach, Florida. Introductory Sermon by Reverend E. T. Brown, Pastor of the Mt. Vernon Baptist Church, Durham, North Carolina, the Panel Discussion on the theme by Dr. Preston Pendergrass, Belmont, North Carolina, Dr. H. E. Harden, Dean of Academic Studies, Morris College, Sumter, North Carolina all dealt in a very profound and inspirational manner with the theme "The Relevancy of Christ in a Confused Age."

We were exceptionally proud and happy to have present with us throughout the session, our leading national officers, who addressed the Assembly and gave us guidance at intervals where it was necessary in our deliberations. Dr. and Mrs. F. R. Searcy, Mrs. Minnie L. Bruce, President of the National Progressive Women's Auxiliary to the Progressive National Baptist Convention, Dr. L. V. Booth, Executive Secretary of the Progressive National Baptist Convention; the presence of these national dignitaries of our convention impressed the Local Baptist constituency to the extent that I have been informed that additional churches from this region will join us at our next session.

We had many guest Ministers who held national positions in other conventions present with us which indicated the growing interest in our convention. Dr. H. W. D. Stewart, advisor to the late Dr. Petteway, Dr. D. C. Francis, Historian of the Baptist State Education and Missionary Convention of South Carolina, Dr. W. L. Hobson, President of the State Baptist Educational and Missionary Convention of South Carolina, Dr. C. M. Johnson, President of the Baptist State Cooperative Convention of South Carolina. These brethren made cordial statements and expressed their appreciation for the Regional holding its session in our state.

It has been recommended and there are in many states of the Southern Region, and will be in all states of the Southern Region if a recommendation which I shall state to you from the Southern Region passes, representatives whose duties are to report before their states, where we do not have State Conventions, the objective of the Progressive National Baptist Convention and urge the support of these objectives throughout the year. The representatives who reported were as follows: Dr. O. H. Johnson, the New Era Baptist Convention of Georgia. For Alabama Reverend J. M. McComie, the Progressive Baptist Mission and Education Convention of Alabama. For South Carolina, Rev. J. C. Williams, who is now a Chaplain in the Army. Reverend J. L. Alford for Florida. North Carolina, Reverend J. J. Johnson, Past President of the Southern Region. The Youth Hour for the session was conducted by Mrs. Flora Smith and Mrs. A. McGrift. This was an inspirational hour, stimulated by the voices and activities of youth in the hands of competent youth workers.

The final message by the past President, C. A. Cherry, was delivered on Wednesday evening instead of Thursday noon as programmed, by the recommendation of the National President, Dr. F. R. Searcy.

The nominating committee, Dr. A. H. Stinson, Chairman, nominated the following officers to give leadership to the Southern Regional Convention beginning with the annual session 1970:

Dr. J. J. Johnson, North Carolina	President
Rev. H. J. Hawkins, Alabama	Vice President
Rev. V. A. Edwards, Alabama	Secretary
Rev. C. R. Lewis, South Carolina	Assistant Secretary

This report was approved by the Southern Region.

The following recommendation by the national body that the Southern Region be divided into two or more bodies was implemented and is recommended to this assembly by the constituency of the Southern Region as follows:

1. That the Southern Region as now structured be divided into two regions composed of Virginia, North Carolina, South Carolina, Georgia, Alabama, and Florida.

2. Kentucky, Tennessee, Mississippi and Louisiana. Rev. H. J. Franklin of Paducah, Kentucky was named acting President by the National President Dr. F. R. Searcy, who gave Rev. Franklin authority to call an organizational meeting for the

purpose of electing officers and planning for the annual session.

The past President recommends for the convenience of the present and future presidents of the Southern Region, that a permanent policy be structured for making available to the president's office adequate financial resources for promoting the program of the Southern Region without the President having to personally finance the promotion of the program, and a discussion ensue later as to whether or not his money will be refunded.

FINANCIAL REPORT

Public Collections	\$214.68
Registration of Individuals	77.00
Churches	611.00
Total	\$902.68

The next annual session of the Southern Regional Meeting of the Progressive National Baptist Convention will be held at Griffin, Georgia. Dr. O. H. Stinson, host pastor, Tuesday after the third Sunday in February, 1970.

Submitted by Past President,
C. A. Cherry

SUMMARY REPORT OF ALL CONTRIBUTIONS RECEIVED THROUGH THE OFFICE OF EXECUTIVE SECRETARY BOOTH FROM JULY 1, 1968 THROUGH JUNE 30, 1969

CHURCH-ADDRESS	AMOUNT
ALABAMA	
Booth, Dr. V. A.—Tuskegee Institute—P. O. Box 58, Tuskegee	140.33
Voluntary Monthly Support Plan	10.00
Southern Regional Convention	150.33
Smith, Rev. N. H.—New Pilgrim—903 6th Ave. S. Birmingham	40.00
Voluntary Monthly Support Plan	
BANAMAS	
Booth, Dr. G. W.—Mt. Calvary—Blue Mill Rd. & Laird St.	25.00
Pre-registration	
CALIFORNIA	
Booth, Rev. A. J.—First Baptist—1008 45th St. N. E.	250.00
Voluntary Monthly Support Plan	
Booth, Dr. T.—Second Baptist—2412 Griffith Ave.	300.00
Voluntary Monthly Support Plan	
Henderson, Dr. J. R.—Second Baptist—4323 Olympiad Dr.	20.00
Pre-registration	
Werner, Dr. H. W.—Bethany—5400 Adeline St.	25.00
Pre-registration	
COLORADO	
William, Rev. M. C.—New Hope—922 E. 23rd Avenue	10.00
Registration	
DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA	
Booth, Rev. A. J.—First Baptist of Deanwood—1008 45th St. N. E.	500.00
Voluntary Monthly Support Plan	
Booth, Rev. J. L.—Mt. Calvary—801 N. Carolina Ave. S. E.	50.00
Voluntary Monthly Support Plan	
Booth, Rev. C. W.—Pilgrim—700 "Eye" St. N. E.	200.00
Voluntary Monthly Support Plan	100.00
Foreign Mission Bureau	300.00
Booth, Dr. E. L.—Shiloh—500 9th St. N. W.	200.00
Pre-registration	
Koger, Rev. J. J.—New Bethany—1300 10th St. N. W.	300.00
Voluntary Monthly Support Plan	
Booth, Rev. I. C.—Morning Star—831 "T" St. N. W.	40.00
Voluntary Monthly Support Plan	
Smith, Dr. E. C.—Metropolitan—1225 "R" St. N. W.	250.00
Voluntary Monthly Support Plan	
Smith, Rev. P. F.—Gethesemane—4th & Hamilton St. N. W.	20.00
Voluntary Monthly Support Plan	
Taney, Rev. S. T.—Mt. Pleasant—215 R. I. Ave. N.	40.00
Voluntary Monthly Support Plan	
Taney, Rev. G. R.—Gethesemane—4th & Hamilton St. N. W.	100.00
Voluntary Monthly Support Plan	20.00
Pre-registration	120.00
FLORIDA	
Booth, Rev. C. S.—Roanoke Baptist—1412 Douglas Ave.	40.00
Voluntary Monthly Support Plan	
Booth, Rev. D.—Second Baptist—16th & 3rd Ave.	30.00
Voluntary Monthly Support Plan	
Booth, Rev. W.—Mt. Calvary—Riviera Beach	10.00
Voluntary Monthly Support Plan	

MINISTER—CHURCH—ADDRESS

GEORGIA

Abernathy, Rev. B. D.—West Hunter St. 775 Hunter St. N. W.
Voluntary Monthly Support Plan
Hamilton, Rev. C. S.—Tabernacle—1224 Gwinett St.
Voluntary Monthly Support Plan
Lockett, Rev. J. H.—Friendship—1179 Welch St. S. W.
Voluntary Monthly Support Plan
Mass, Rev. H. M. Sr.—Shiloh—1700 Thomas St.
Pre-registration
Searcy, Dr. E. R.—Mt. Zion Second—137 Blvd. N. E.
Voluntary Monthly Support Plan
Southern Christian Leadership Conference

Smith, Rev. J. C.—Center Hill—575 Grant St.
Voluntary Monthly Support Plan
Stinson, Rev. D. H.—Mt. Zion—4th & Taylor St.
Southern Regional Conference
Watson, Dr. M.—Liberty—395 Chamblain St. S. E.
Voluntary Monthly Support Plan

ILLINOIS

Austin, Rev. J. C.—Pilgrim—3301 S. Indiana Ave.
Voluntary Monthly Support Plan
Brooks, Rev. F. O.—Greater New Mt. Zion—1435 E. 63rd Ave.
Voluntary Monthly Support Plan
Freeman, Rev. S.—New Friendship—844 W. 71st
Voluntary Monthly Support Plan
Fontenot, Rev. A. E.—Friendship—3411 W. Douglas Blvd.
Voluntary Monthly Support Plan
Hallis, Rev. J. W.—Beulah Community—3608 Ellis Ave.
Voluntary Monthly Support Plan
McIntyre, Rev. L. A.—McFarland—521 E. Mulberry St.
Voluntary Monthly Support Plan
Rawls, Rev. L.—Tabernacle—4130 S. Indiana Ave.
Voluntary Monthly Support Plan
Robinson, Rev. M. O.—Progressive Baptist—3616 S. Wentworth
Pre-registration
Turner, Rev. A. L.—Greater New Mt. Zion—711 E. 43rd St.
Voluntary Monthly Support Plan
Smith, Rev. J. E.—Personal—150 S. Campbell St.
Registration
Vivian, Rev. C. T.—8623 S. Avalon
Voluntary Monthly Support Plan

KENTUCKY

Franklin, Rev. H. J.—Washington St.—721 Washington St.
Voluntary Monthly Support Plan
Foreign Mission Bureau

Offutt, Dr. G. K.—West Chestnut St. 1725 W. Chestnut St.
Voluntary Monthly Support Plan
Robinson, Rev. S. T.—Guiding Star—2724 Walnut St.
Pre-registration

LOUISIANA

Gumms, Rev. E. G.—First New Testament—1517 Madison St.
Voluntary Monthly Support Plan

MARYLAND

Carter, Rev. H. A.—New Shiloh—821 W. Lanvale St.
Voluntary Monthly Support Plan
McKieney, Rev. T. S.—First Baptist—3901 Windom Rd.
Voluntary Monthly Support Plan
Smith, Rev. P. A.—First Baptist—4009 Wallace Rd. N. Brentwood
Voluntary Monthly Support Plan

MINISTER—CHURCH—ADDRESS

MINNESOTA

Wilson, Rev. J. F.—Shiloh—860 Hague Ave., St. Paul
Voluntary Monthly Support Plan

MICHIGAN

Clark, Dr. A. A.—Second Baptist—441 Monroe Ave.
Foreign Mission Bureau
American Bible Society

McL. Rev. L. J.—Calvary—1330 Jos. Campau, Detroit
Registration

McL. Rev. J. H.—Mt. Calvary—7203 Harper Ave.
Voluntary Monthly Support Plan

McL. Rev. J. F.—Personal—786 Tennessee, Detroit
Voluntary Monthly Support Plan

McL. Rev. E. L.—Greater New Mt. Moriah—586 Owens St.
Pre-registration

McL. Rev. J. H.—Greater Middle—21304 Woodside Ave.
Voluntary Monthly Support Plan

McL. Rev. L.—Friendship—3900 Beaubien, Detroit
Voluntary Monthly Support Plan

Pre-registration

McL. Rev. B. P.—New Cosmopolitan—17131 St. Aubin
Voluntary Monthly Support Plan

MISSOURI

Capella, Dr. E. E.—Second Baptist—3620 E. 39th St.
Voluntary Monthly Support Plan

Ward, Rev. J. L.—Northern Baptist—5478 Maple Ave.
Voluntary Monthly Support Plan

NEW JERSEY

McL. Rev. J. J.—New Hope—398 Main St.
Voluntary Monthly Support Plan

McL. Rev. V. P.—Second Baptist—124 Atkins Ave.
Voluntary Monthly Support Plan

Dr. Martin Luther King Memorial Fund

McL. Rev. M. E.—Union Baptist—339 N. Carolina
Pre-registration

McL. Rev. J. M.—Personal—P. O. Box 742
Pre-registration

NEW MEXICO

McL. Rev. Wm. F.—Morning Star—1517 Mulberry Ave.
Pre-registration

NEVADA

McL. Rev. A. J., 1305 N. E. St.
Voluntary Monthly Support Plan

NEW YORK

McL. Rev. A. C. I.—Antioch Baptist—33-17-102nd St.
Voluntary Monthly Support Plan

McL. Rev. A. P.—Antioch Baptist—26-23-95th St.
Voluntary Monthly Support Plan

McL. Rev. J.—Shiloh—173-70-106th Ave., Jamaica
One Great Sunday of Sharing

McL. Rev. L.—Zion Temple—103-32 Van Wyck Exp.
Pre-registration

McL. Rev. G.—Sharon Baptist—827 Forest Ave.
Voluntary Monthly Support Plan

MINISTER—CHURCH—ADDRESS

Dunn, Rev. R. J.—St. John—11207 N. Y. Blvd., Jamaica
 Dr. Martin Luther King Memorial
 Gay, Rev. J. E.—Greater Mt. Pleasant—887 St. Marks Ave.
 Voluntary Monthly Support Plan
 Pre-registration
 Dr. Martin Luther King Memorial

Houston, Rev. C. E.—Shiloh—15 Marbledale Rd.
 Voluntary Monthly Support Plan
 Pre-registration

Pinn, Rev. W.—Calvary—161-10 Jamaica Ave.
 Pre-registration
 Sharper, Rev. H. P.—Abyssinian—224 W. Kinney St.
 Voluntary Monthly Support Plan
 Taylor, Dr. G. C.—Concord—833 Marcy Ave.
 Voluntary Monthly Support Plan
 Foreign Mission Bureau

Thomas, Rev. G. W.—Brown Memorial—484 Washington Ave.
 Voluntary Monthly Support Plan
 Turner, Rev. V. S.—Mt. Carmel—712-14 Quincey St.
 Voluntary Monthly Support Plan
 Southern Christian Leadership Conference

NORTH CAROLINA

Brown, Rev. E. T.—Mt. Vernon—1000 S. Roxboro St.
 Voluntary Monthly Support Plan
 Davis, Rev. G. D.—Union Baptist—904 N. Roxboro St.
 Pre-registration
 Davis, Rev. W. M.—Mt. Vernon—Durham, N. C.
 Southern Regional
 Dudley, Rev. G. W.—Mt. Zion First—320 W. Thomas St.
 Pre-registration
 Harris, Rev. H., Jr.—Personal—Apt. #6, Veterans Dr.
 Voluntary Monthly Support Plan

OHIO

Booth, Dr. L. V.—Zion—630 Glenwood Ave.
 Voluntary Monthly Support Plan
 American Bible Society
 Foreign Mission Bureau
 One Great Sunday of Sharing

Cotton, Rev. Wm. H.—People's—1300 Market Ave.
 One Great Sunday of Sharing
 Foreign Mission Bureau

Hicks, Rev. H. B.—Mt. Olivet—428 E. Main St., Columbus
 Voluntary Monthly Support Plan
 Pre-registration

Hill, Rev. J. M.—People's—328 Eckenbrecher
 Voluntary Monthly Support Plan
 Hodges, Rev. S. S.—Sardis—7115 Cedar Ave.
 Voluntary Monthly Support Plan

AMOUNT

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MINISTER—CHURCH—ADDRESS

Foreign Mission Bureau

Jackson, Rev. C.—Second—1517 S. 2nd St.

Voluntary Monthly Support Plan

Kiddie, Rev. H. D.—New Temple—1504 Ruth Ave.

Voluntary Monthly Support Plan

Marquette College

McCall, Rev. R. L.—Truth Missionary—2843 Woodburn Ave.

Voluntary Monthly Support Plan

440, Rev. Olin, Jr.—Mt. Zion—325 N. Wayne Ave.

Voluntary Monthly Support Plan

Shelton, Rev. F. L.—Greater New Light—710 N. Crescent

Voluntary Monthly Support Plan

Smith, Rev. B. W.—Lincoln Heights—1102 Byrd St.

Voluntary Monthly Support Plan

Steele, Rev. M. L., Sr.—Mt. Zion—Locust and Pleasant St.

Pre-registration

Thompson, Rev. E. O.—Inspirational—2529 Essex Pl.

Voluntary Monthly Support Plan

Turner, Rev. Pilgrim—337 Chestnut St.

Voluntary Monthly Support Plan

Upshaw, Rev. Wm. C.—Antioch—670 Weaver Ave.

Voluntary Monthly Support Plan

Foreign Mission Bureau

Wagner, Rev. E.—First Baptist—6201 Red Bank Rd.

Pre-registration

OKLAHOMA

Curry, Rev. M. A.—Faith Memorial—3000 N. E. 23rd St.

Voluntary Monthly Support Plan

Foreign Mission Bureau

American Bible Society

Haley, Rev. E. E.—Mt. Carmel—1951 N. Lansing

Voluntary Monthly Support Plan

Irwin, Rev. J. D.—New Hope—1232 E. 7th St.

Voluntary Monthly Support Plan

Southern Regional Convention

Dr. Martin Luther King Memorial

PENNSYLVANIA

Burk, Rev. G. L.—Redman Street—6111 Rodman St.

Voluntary Monthly Support Plan

One Great Sunday of Sharing

Car, Rev. W. R.—First Resurrection—382 Lancaster Ave.

Voluntary Monthly Support Plan

Conwell, Rev. R. A.—Childs Memorial—953 N. 10th St.

Voluntary Monthly Support Plan

Dr. Martin Luther King Memorial

Leigoe, Rev. I. B.—First Baptist—1120 Carr Ave.

Voluntary Monthly Support Plan

Levell, Dr. W. H. R.—Shiloh—2040 Christian St.

Voluntary Monthly Support Plan

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MINISTER—CHURCH—ADDRESS

Shepard, Rev. M. L., Sr.—Mt. Olive—42nd and Wallace St.	
Voluntary Monthly Support Plan	150.00
Trapp, Rev. H. J.—Thankful—1608 W. Allegheny Ave.	
Voluntary Monthly Support Plan	200.00
Williams, Rev. J. A.—Baptist Temple—Pittsburgh	
Voluntary Monthly Support Plan	200.00
Johnson, Rev. A. L.—St. Paul's—10th and Wallace St.	
Pre-registration	60.00

SOUTH CAROLINA

Brockman, Rev. N. J.—Mt. Pleasant—Palzer	
Southern Regional Convention	25.00
Cherry, Rev. C. A.—Liberty Hill—Benedict College	
Southern Regional Convention	25.00
Clark, Rev. S. H.—Memorial—153 Alexander St.	
Voluntary Monthly Support Plan	60.00
Daniel, Rev. C. M.—Long Branch—P. O. Box #32	
Southern Regional Convention	25.00
Lewis, Rev. C. R.—Wilson Calvary—227 Lee St.	
Voluntary Monthly Support Plan	25.00
Pearson, Rev. N.—Bethel Hall—Rte. 1	
Voluntary Monthly Support Plan	40.00
Randolph, Rev. W. S.—First Baptist—223 S. Washington St.	
Voluntary Monthly Support Plan	30.00
Southern Regional Convention	25.00

\$ 55.00

Thomas, Rev. J. T.—Salem—211 Line St.	
Voluntary Monthly Support Plan	90.00
Southern Regional Convention	25.00

\$ 115.00

Tolbert, Rev. J. R.—Mt. Pleasant—2436 Lorenz Rd., Greenville	
Foreign Mission Bureau	50.00
Williams, Rev. J. C.—Royal Baptist—604 E. Hampton	
Southern Regional Convention	30.00

TENNESSEE

Owens, Rev. S. A.—Metropolitan—787 Walker Ave.	
Voluntary Monthly Support Plan	100.00
Pre-registration	100.00

\$ 200.00

Dinkins, Rev. C. L.—First Baptist—682 S. Lauderdale	
Voluntary Monthly Support Plan	25.00

TEXAS

Weaver, Rev. S. M.—Providence—2102 Blodgett Houston	
Voluntary Monthly Support Plan	20.00

VIRGINIA

Castner, Rev. W. E.—Second Baptist—6626 Castner Dr.	
Voluntary Monthly Support Plan	25.00
Summers, Rev. J. E.—First Baptist—Rte. #1, Box 414	
Voluntary Monthly Support Plan	3.00
Foreign Mission Bureau	10.00
Baptist World Alliance	2.00

\$ 20.00

Jefferson, Rev. M. L.—Sixth Mt. Zion—643—24th St.	
Pre-registration	50.00
Kelly, Rev. J. C.—Fifth Street—Howie and Cary St.	
Pre-registration	100.00
McCreary, Rev. E. D.—Personal—422—9th St., N. W.	
Pre-registration	50.00

MINISTER—CHURCH—ADDRESS

Millip, Rev. E. B.—Greater Galilee—2432 N. Teutonia St.	
Voluntary Monthly Support Plan	15.00

WISCONSIN

GRAND TOTAL \$14,879.42

CHURCHES REPRESENTED BY STATES

Alabama	2	New Jersey	5
Arkansas	1	Nevada	1
California	4	New Mexico	1
Florida	1	New York	13
District of Columbia	10	North Carolina	4
Florida	3	Ohio	17
Georgia	9	Oklahoma	3
Idaho	11	Pennsylvania	9
Illinois	3	South Carolina	11
Indiana	1	Tennessee	2
Iowa	3	Texas	1
Kansas	1	Virginia	5
Michigan	8	Wisconsin	1
Missouri	2		

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 630 GLENWOOD AVENUE CINCINNATI, OHIO 45229
 DR. L. VENCHAE BOOTH, Executive Secretary
OFFICE EXPENSES FOR THE YEAR JULY 1968 to JUNE 1969

JULY 1968		
3 — 850 Letters	\$ 8.50	
Postage	51.00	
9 — 850 Letters	8.50	
Postage	51.00	
		\$119.00
AUGUST 1968		
2 — 850 Letters and Forms	\$17.00	
Postage	51.00	
1000 Registration Forms	10.00	
		78.00
SEPTEMBER 1968		
15 — 300 (17) page Directories		
28 lb. paper		
11 reams @ \$3.00 ea	\$33.00	
34 Stencils	12.00	
		45.00
OCTOBER 1968		
850 Letters	\$ 8.50	
Postage	51.00	
		59.50
NOVEMBER 1968		
850 (2) page Letters	\$17.00	
Postage	51.00	
		68.00
DECEMBER 1968		
75 News Releases	\$.75	
Postage	4.50	
20 — 850 Christmas Letters	8.50	
Postage	51.00	
		64.75
JANUARY 1969		
850 Letters	\$ 8.50	
Postage	51.00	
15 — 600 Programs for January Session	6.00	
100 Forms Mimeographed (2 pages)	2.00	
		67.50
6 — 850 Letters	\$ 8.50	
Postage	51.00	
		59.50
MARCH 1969		
870 (2) page Letters	\$17.40	
Postage	52.20	
		69.60
JUNE 1969		
3 — 875 Letters	\$ 8.75	
Postage	52.50	
10 — 300 Summary Reports		
10 pages, 28 lb paper	18.00	
10 Stencils	4.00	
		75.25
TOTAL FOR SUPPLIES AND POSTAGE		\$714.30

TELEPHONE CALLS — JULY 1968 to MAY 1969

City Called	Number	Amount	
Grand Rapids	Tel.	\$1.43	
St. Louis, Mo.	FO 1-8300	.90	
St. Louis, Mo.	FO 7-4100	.60	
			\$ 2.93
Washington, D. C.	LU 4-4073	\$1.05	
Brooklyn, N. Y.	PR 4-9326	1.65	
Atlanta, Ga.	349-2987	1.90	
New York (col.)	563-1000	.85	
New York (col.)	777-3987	1.85	
Washington, D. C. (col.)	265-5160	2.65	
			8.75
Brooklyn, N. Y.	Tel.	\$2.07	
Detroit, Mich.	Tel.	1.71	
Atlanta, Ga.	Tel.	1.88	
St. Louis, Mo.	Tel.	1.88	
			7.54
Brooklyn, N. Y.	PR 4-9326	\$1.05	
Granville, Ohio	582-6551	.35	
Boston, Mass.		1.90	
			3.30
New York (col.)	247-4700	\$1.45	
Washington, D. C.	RA 3-5163	1.45	
Washington, D. C.	RA 3-5182	.65	
Columbia, S. C.	754-3044	2.65	
			6.20
Brooklyn, N. Y.	622-1819		1.20
Philadelphia, Pa.	563-3000	\$1.05	
Anderson, S. C.	228-2108	.60	
Anderson, S. C. (col.)	228-2276	.60	
Louisville, Ky.	778-9785	1.00	
Anderson, S. C. (col.)	228-2108	1.20	
Atlanta, Ga.	794-2529	1.45	
Queens, N. Y.	651-2999	3.60	
E. Elmhurst, N. Y.		6.85	
			16.35
Granville, Ohio	582-9158	\$.65	
Atlanta, Ga.	799-5207	1.05	
Miami	532-2541	1.35	
Louisville, Ky.	778-9785	.70	
Chicago, Ill.	Tel.	3.10	
Miami (col.)	538-0811	1.40	
			8.25
Chicago, Ill. (col.)	999-1505	\$.60	
Philadelphia (col.)	563-0387	1.85	
Philadelphia (col.)	922-8600	1.45	
			3.90
TOTAL FOR TELEPHONE CALLS		\$87.17	
Tax 10%		6.71	
			\$73.88

OFFICE EXPENSE FOR THE PNBC — JULY 1968 to JUNE 1969
 Office Help — Mrs. Lucia B. Keys

July-September — 26 Days @ \$11.00 per day	\$286.00
October-December — 25 Days @ \$11.00 per day	275.00
January 1969	
Days @ \$11.00 per day	22.00
TOTAL	\$583.00

Supplies and Postage	\$ 714.10
Telephone Calls	73.88
Office Help	563.00
TOTAL EXPENSE	\$1,370.98

**ANNUAL REPORT TO THE
BAPTIST FOREIGN MISSION BUREAU
PROGRESSIVE BAPTIST NATIONAL CONVENTION, U. S. A., INC.
For the Fiscal Year June 1, 1968, to May 31, 1969**

PILGRIM BAPTIST STATION — ISSELE-UKU, NIGERIA

Number of: Teachers and Workers	308
Students	12,100
Graduates	1,200
Churches 6 plus 35	Preaching Stations
Conversions	1,000
Baptisms	380
Buildings Started	8
Buildings Completed	5

CASH RECEIPTS	
From: America	\$ 24,000.00
Tuition, Gifts and Sales	101,800.00
TOTAL RECEIPTS	\$125,800.00
Total Expenditures	133,800.00
Balance on Hand	\$ 8,000.00 (DEBIT)

HOSPITAL

Number of Workers in Hospital	19
Number of Outpatients treated from June 1968 to May 1969	7,808
Number of Inpatients treated from June 1968 to May 1969	1,009
Amounts Received	\$39,083.00
Amount Expended	39,037.00
Balance on Hand	\$ 26.00

*Medical Supplies Sent From Foreign Mission Bureau \$30,000.00

REMARKS: Despite the crisis in the country, our work continues to progress. We are therefore grateful to God, Dr. Cromwell and the Foreign Mission Bureau for the achievements we have made thus far.
D. N. NWADIEI, Principal

**MINUTES OF
THE LAYMEN'S MOVEMENT
PROGRESSIVE NATIONAL BAPTIST CONVENTION, INC.
in Session at
BARCELONA HOTEL — MIAMI BEACH, FLORIDA**

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 3, 1969

Wednesday, September 3, 1969
The first session of the Laymen's Movement, Auxiliary of the Progressive National Baptist Convention, Inc., convened at 9:00 A.M., Wednesday, September 3, 1969, in the Comedy Box Room of the Barcelona Hotel. The theme of the Convention was "Church Renewal in a Revolutionary Age."

The meeting was opened with a brief period of devotion led by Bro Alexander Brooks of Mt. Zion Baptist Church, Miami, Florida:

Hymn	"I Need Thee Every Hour"
Scripture	A. A. Horton, Mt. Zion Baptist Church, Miami, Florida; 14th Chapter of St. John
Prayer	Robert Nelson, Deacon, Mt. Zion Baptist Church, Miami, Florida
Message	Rev. Perry Brown, Pastor, Fellowship Baptist Church, Miami, Florida. He spoke briefly from the 8th Psalm: "What is man, that thou art mindful of him? and the son of man, that thou visitest him?" He challenged us to help God to create conditions in which new things will happen; help God to build a better society. The Laymen, he said, are crowned with glory and honor.
Hymn	"Must Jesus Bear The Cross Alone?"
Response	Nehemiah Taylor responded to the generous words of welcome given to us by Bro. Brooks from Miami.

President Riser was presented to the Convention at this time. He brought greetings and indicated very strongly that he wanted to increase the status of the Laymen in this Convention.

A motion was made by Brother R. Horton and seconded by Brother Clyde Pelzer that all regional directors, presidents and secretaries present an itemized list of their expenditures to this body for consideration for payment. After considerable discussion, Brother Horton withdrew this motion, since it was realized that a recommendation covering this same subject would be included in the recommendations coming from the Board of Directors.

It was motioned by Brother Taylor and seconded by Brother Pelzer that we proceed with the agenda as outlined in the program handed to us. The motion was passed.

The minutes of the previous meeting were called for, read and adopted with one correction. Mr. Pelzer advised that \$150.00 should be deducted from the balance shown in the financial statement of the minutes.

The financial secretary reported that so far forty-five brothers had registered and paid a sum of \$275.00.

There being no further business, the morning session was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,
John D. Hunter
Recording Secretary

WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON, SEPTEMBER 3, 1969

The afternoon session was opened with a brief period of devotion led by Brother Robert Horton of Detroit:

Hymn "Leaning on Jesus"—led by Deacon Foster
 Scripture 1st Psalm—read by Brother Robert Horton
 Prayer Deacon Jackson, Friendship Baptist Church
 Detroit, Michigan
 Hymn "Yield Not to Temptation"—led by Deacon Foster

A Guide for the Layman
 at Work Brother Robert Horton discussed "A Guide for the Layman at Work." He covered the following items: Evangelism, missionary outreach, Christian Teaching, Stewardship, Personal Living, Duties of a Deacon, etc.

The President appointed the following persons to serve on the Nominating Committee to bring in a slate of officers to serve for the next year:

Robert Horton Chairman
 Elvis Lewis
 Willie Turrell
 Geo. Wisener
 Benny L. Jackson
 M. M. Simmons
 Robert J. Nelson

Rev. Patterson of the Mt. Carmel Baptist Church, Washington, D. C. happened to be sitting in our meeting for a brief period. He brought us greetings and a brief message. The President asked Rev. Patterson if he would conduct our election of officers. Rev. Patterson agreed.

The President recommended that we take an offering for two brothers who had had serious illnesses during the past year—Ossie Tucker and Wade Bowman. A total of \$51.00 was raised and distributed as follows:—Brother Ossie Tucker \$17.00; Brother Wade Bowman \$17.00; and since Brother Riser has had a serious illness also he was given \$17.00.

There being no further business to come before us, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,
 John D. Hunter
 Recording Secretary

THURSDAY MORNING, SEPTEMBER 4, 1969

The morning session of the Laymen's meeting was called to order at 8:00 A.M. in the Comedy Box Room of the Barcelona Hotel. The meeting was opened with a brief period of devotion led by Brother Harold Jefferson of Philadelphia:

Hymn "We Are Marching"
 Prayer Brother Clyde C. Pelzer, Philadelphia, Pa.
 Hymn "Come, Ye That Love The Lord"
 Scripture Brother Harold O. Jefferson,
 Philadelphia, Pennsylvania
 Hymn "Come, Ye That Love The Lord"

At the conclusion of the period of devotion, the meeting was turned over to the president, Brother Roy Riser, who in turn presented Dr. E. R. Searcy, President of the Parent Body. Dr. Searcy assured us that the Parent Body is thinking of us. He assured us that we have not been cast down here and forgotten. The work of the Laymen is no small job. For every job that is a heavy job and carries great responsibility we get a layman. Laymen and deacons should move through the congregation and welcome the people of the congregation. We should not be concerned by the small number of representatives present, but just keep on pushing. At the close of Dr. Searcy's remarks, the delegates gave him a rising vote of thanks for taking time out from his very busy schedule to come and be with us.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and adopted with the necessary corrections.

The minutes of the Board of Directors were read and adopted. One of the recommendations included in the Board of Directors' report was that all outstanding bills be presented for payment. The president asked each person with bills to present them to the body for consideration for payment.

The treasurer gave a preliminary partial report showing receipts of one thousand, one hundred eighty-two dollars and two cents (\$1,182.02) and expenditures of two hundred twenty-four dollars and eighty-two cents (\$224.82)—leaving a balance of nine hundred fifty-seven dollars and twenty cents (\$957.20). It was moved by Brother Cary Howard and seconded by Brother Robert Horton that the partial report of the treasurer be adopted. The motion was carried.

Mr. Chester Dixon, Chairman of the Board of Directors, led in the discussion of "Layman at Work."

The financial secretary reported that we had sixty-five (65) representatives present, who paid four hundred fifty-five dollars (\$455.00) in representation fees.

It was motioned by Brother James L. Thompson that this preliminary report of the financial secretary be received and adopted. The motion was seconded by Brother Nehemiah Taylor. The motion was carried.

There being no further business to come before us, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,
 John D. Hunter
 Recording Secretary

THURSDAY AFTERNOON, SEPTEMBER 4, 1969

The meeting was opened with a brief period of devotion led by Brother Cary Howard of Atlanta, Georgia:

Hymn "Near the Cross"
 Prayer
 Hymn "Lift Him Up"
 Scripture (omitted)
 Message Brother Harold O. Jefferson discussed:
 "The Layman at Work"

The president called for a report of the Nominating Committee. The Committee submitted the following report:

Recommended slate of officers for 1969-1970

Robert Horton	President
Darnel Milbry	1st Vice President
Ernest B. Ross	2nd Vice President
Nehemiah Taylor	Recording Secretary
M. M. Simmons	Asst. Secretary
Wade Bowman	Corresponding Secretary
Clyde Pelzer	Asst. Corresponding Secretary
Cary Howard	Financial Secretary
Ossie Tucker	Asst. Financial Secretary
Joe White	Treasurer

Respectfully submitted,
 B. L. Jackson, Secretary
 Nominating Committee
 Willie Horton, Chairman
 Elvis Lewis
 M. M. Simmons
 William Terrell
 George A. Wisener
 Bennie L. Jackson

It was moved by Brother James L. Thompson and seconded by Brother Cary Howard that we accept the report for action. The motion was carried. The president opened the meeting for nominations from the floor. The name of Brother John D. Hunter was placed in nomination for the office of president. The name of Brother Cyprian Belle was placed in nomination for the

office of corresponding secretary. The name of Brother James L. Thompson was placed in nomination for the office of assistant corresponding secretary. There being no further nominations from the floor, the body decided to accept the recommendations of the nominating committee for those offices for which no nominations were received from the floor.

The body was then called upon to choose between Brother Hunter and Brother Horton for President. The vote was 18 in favor of Brother Horton and 27 in favor of Brother Hunter. Brother Hunter was declared the elected President. The body elected Brother Cyprian Belle as Corresponding Secretary, and Brother James L. Thompson as Assistant Corresponding Secretary. The complete slate of officers for 1969-1970 is as follows:

President	John D. Hunter	BOARD OF DIRECTORS:
1st Vice President	Darnel Milbry	(1) Robert Horton
2nd Vice President	Ernest B. Ross	(2) Alexander Brooks
Recording Secretary	Nehemiah Taylor	(3) Chester Dixon
Asst. Recording Secretary	M. M. Simmons	(4) Samuel Mitchell
Corresponding Secretary	Cyprian Belle	(5) W. Howard Jones
Asst. Corresponding Sec'y	James L. Thompson	(6) Ernest S. Gibson
Financial Secretary	Cary Howard	(7) Robert Wilson
Asst. Financial Secretary	Ossie Tucker	
Treasurer	Joe White	

REGIONAL OFFICERS:

EASTERN—

Harold O. Jefferson, Pres.—Philadelphia, Pennsylvania
Richard Minott, Brooklyn, New York
C. G. Smith, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania
Edward Bradic, Washington, D. C.

MIDWESTERN—

James L. Thompson, President—Columbus, Ohio
Robert Horton, Detroit, Michigan
J. L. Guesl, Memphis, Tennessee
Chester Dixon, Chicago, Illinois

SOUTHERN—

Cary Howard, President—Atlanta, Georgia
Julius Mathis, Atlanta, Georgia

WESTERN—

M. M. Simmons, President—Los Angeles, California

After the election was completed, the new officers were installed and charged by Rev. R. L. Patterson of Washington, D. C. After the installation the President, Brother Roy Riser, asked that we give a love offering to Rev. Patterson. A total of \$31.00 was lifted and turned over to Rev. Patterson along with our thanks for conducting the elections.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,
John D. Hunter

FRIDAY MORNING, SEPTEMBER 5, 1969

The session was called to order at 9:30 A. M. The devotions were conducted by the delegates from New York, with Brother Cyprian Belle leading. After the reading of the Scripture—St. Luke 19:1-9, a short message was brought to us by Brother Richard Minott and Brother Matthews.

The President turned the meeting over to the 1st Vice President. After a short time the President returned and appointed the Regional Presidents. Two changes were made. Brother Chester Dixon of the Midwestern Region and Brother Nehemiah Taylor of the Eastern Region were replaced.

The report of the Financial Secretary was as follows:

RECEIPTS AND EXPENSES FOR YEAR ENDING 9/7/69

Receipts—	
Balance brought forward	\$ 537.20
Enrollment	455.00
Banquet	1,740.00
Total Receipts	\$2,732.20
Expenses—	
Banquet	\$1,248.00
Roy Riser	408.75
M. M. Simmons	71.75
Cary Howard	145.14
Chester Dixon	200.00
Harold Jefferson	168.50
Ernest B. Ross	120.80
John D. Hunter	97.00
Total Expenses	\$2,459.94

SUMMARY:

Total Receipts	\$2,732.20
Total Expenses	2,459.94
Balance	\$ 272.26

Submitted by:

Ossie Tucker, Financial Secretary

Brother Brooks refused his expense money and was given a vote of thanks for a job well done. It was motioned by Brother Matthews and seconded by Brother Parker that the report be received, adopted, and placed on file. The motion was carried.

Brother Cary Howard observed that the correct way to keep records is to keep them in a book so that they can be filed and passed from the outgoing to the incoming officers.

Brothers Terrell, Tucker and Minott spoke on good organization.

The session was recessed until 2:00 P. M.

Respectfully submitted,
Nehemiah Taylor
Recording Secretary

FRIDAY AFTERNOON, SEPTEMBER 5, 1969

President Hunter called the afternoon session to order. A brief period of devotion was held, during which time prayer was offered by Brother Milbry.

After the devotions Dr. Taylor and Rev. Sharpe came in to receive the budget report and to pay debts. They allowed money on hand to be paid out and received the balance of \$272.26. A check for this amount was written by the treasurer to the Parent Body Budget Committee and given to Dr. Taylor. It was motioned by Brother Brown and seconded by Brother Parker that the report from the Budget Committee, given by Dr. Taylor and Rev. Sharpe, be adopted. The motion was carried.

The 1970 Session will convene in Kansas City, Missouri—Dr. W. H. White, Host Minister.

It was suggested that a proposed budget be made and sent to Dr. W. W. Taylor, Shiloh Baptist Church, 1537 W. Hastings Street, Chicago, Illinois. It was also suggested that the program for 1970 be formulated and mailed to the Executive Secretary, Dr. S. S. Hodges, before the mid winter session. President Hunter stated that he would do this. A unified program was adopted by the Parent Body for the 1970 Session.

The president appointed the following men to serve on the following committees:

Budget Committee: Brothers Joe White, Cary Howard, Robert Horton, Ernest Gibson and Ernest Ross;

Program Committee: Brothers Nehemiah Taylor, Samuel Mitchell and J. Williams;

Banquet Committee: Brother Chappel and local men of Kansas City, Missouri;
 Finance Committee: Brothers Matthews and Smith;
 Committee on Constitution and By-laws: Brothers Richard Minott and the men of New York, assisted by Brother Chester Dixon;
 Publicity Committee: Brothers Harold Jefferson, Ernest Ross, Robert Horton, Alexander Brooks and E. Smith;
 Education Committee: Brother Clyde C. Pelzer.
 After a check of the financial report, the treasury was transferred in order. Brother Harold Jefferson donated to the treasury the sum of \$65.00 from his expense account. The money was received and a vote of thanks was given to him.

We sang: "Blest Be the Tie That Binds" and were dismissed by Brother Milbry.

The 1969 Session was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,
 Nehemiah Taylor
 Recording Secretary

BOILING POTS In Times Like These

(Based on Jeremiah 1:1-19)

An Address to the Eighth Annual Session of
 THE PROGRESSIVE NATIONAL BAPTIST CONVENTION, U. S. A., INC.

by
 EMORY R. SEARCY, SR., Th. M., D. D.
 President

Miami Beach, Florida — September 2-7, 1969

Vice President Harrison, Vice President Johnson, President Bruce of the Women's Auxiliary to the Progressive National Baptist Convention, President Anderson of our Congress of Christian Education, President of the Laymen Convention, Officers, and Messengers of the Progressive National Baptist Convention, U. S. A., Inc., assembled in our Eighth Annual Session here in Miami Beach, Florida land of Sunshine September 2-7, 1969, greetings in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ.

I am delighted to bring to you my First Annual Message as president of this august body, this congregation if I would attempt to preach, this audience if I attempted to expiate. I would not have you bluffed brethren, this is not an easy task especially when you are truly concerned about the destiny of this organization.

Again, I am delighted to come to Florida for this is my adopted State. I studied at Florida A. & M. University at Tallahassee, and pastored at Tabernacle Baptist Church, West Palm Beach, one of the largest churches on the East Coast of this State. Moreover, I am glad to come at Edward T. Graham's invitation. We worked together in the General State Convention, and East Coast Baptist Association, perhaps the largest association in the state. We were solidly behind Florida Memorial College Saint Augustine, now located in this city largely under the leadership of Ed. Graham, who now serves as chairman of the Board of Trustees. This Institution was born out of necessity, the answer to the cries of mothers and fathers of Negro youth in this State back in the days when education in any form was scarce for Negro youth in this State. Prayer, hard work, dedication, nickels and dimes, and a few dollars brought it to its feet, and for many years it produced the best professionally trained teachers for public education in the State, Florida A. & M. University, U. S. O. State tax-supported Colleges notwithstanding. By all means tour the campus while you are here in the city.

Our session in this city causes us to recapitulate, to recall, to re-examine the record of Negro Baptists on National scales. It was in this State Jacksonville that I first saw L. K. Williams. I was a youngster at that time when the National Baptist Convention convened in that city. I wanted to shake his hand like other people were doing, but I never thought I would ever get that opportunity. It so happened on the same day he delivered his address at the close of the session, I was standing at a tent post, when Dr. Williams and others came by on their way out, he stopped to shake my hand. I was delighted and deeply impressed by a great Baptist leader. However, I never thought for one moment I would ever serve in the capacity of a National Baptist Convention Presidency. But here I am by the grace of God serving in that capacity. Distance wise, about 800 miles roughly from Berrien County where a mule named Rock and I had our experience of working together. He was a slow piker but his slowness gave me time to think a little about life and what I wanted to do with it. I said a little prayer and it went like this: "Lord I want an education. If you open the way for me to get any, I will serve you, my race, and my country. Amen." The Almighty God smiled on me in this humble request.

Years later, found me in this State serving as Pastor of Tabernacle Baptist Church, West Palm Beach, one of the largest in the State. Tab., as I call her ever short, as such a fine Congregation and meant a great deal to me in my early ministry until I want her and Pastor Neal to join us here in this Session and help us build a fresh, progressive, and aggressive National Baptist Convention in these United States.

It was in this City (1963) that many of us if not most of us worked all

night long to get Dr. Jackson of Chicago elected President of the National Baptist Convention. I, along with Dr. L. A. Pinkston, and others worked hard to carry our State (Georgia) to his column. He was elected. The rest is history.

I thank God and you brethren and sisters for the privilege to serve these twelve months. I have had the goodwill of the brethren and sisters, and discerned deep concern in them for constructive work and continued growth in this Convention.

THE FIRST OFFICIAL BOARD DIRECTORS MEETING

The first session of the Board of Directors of the Convention convened in Atlanta, Georgia at the Mount Zion Second Baptist Church December 4-5, 1968. On the basis of our Constitution, the Board is composed of the general officers of the Parent body, the officers of the Auxiliaries of the Convention, and Presidents of State Conventions and fellowships. According to this definition, our Board Session was well composed and attended.

We faced up to several important matters at this meeting. Among them adopting a Capital Fund Drive to financially undergird our objectives. At the President's recommendation a figure of \$1,500,000.00 was approved for the next five years. Funds raised from all sources of the Convention will count on this figure. The Budget Committee was instructed to devise plans whereby we may reach these goals.

Our Executive Secretary revealed his plans to resign his office and take on work with the American Bible Society. A committee was appointed headed by Dr. Taylor, to select his successor.

There are several points in our organizational structure that need strengthening in order that our Convention might function more smoothly and effectively. A Committee on restructuring was appointed to tackle this task. For our Convention must not only be an organization, it must be a "doing" organization. Doing something for Theological Education, Home Missions, Foreign Missions, Social Services, Youth Work, Women Work, Retirement, Property for our National Headquarters. Full time Executive Secretary, and operational purposes. This is what the Capital Fund Drive is all about.

This organization must not only be a good organization, but it must be an organization going about in the United States and the World, "doing good." We get our cue from Jesus. He was not only a good man, but "He went about doing good." Peter, in a sermon preached to Cornelius (Acts 10:38) said among other things:

"How God anointed Jesus
of Nazareth with the Holy
Ghost and with power who
went about doing good, and
healing all that were oppressed
of devil, for God was with him."

Here it is seen that there was a definite dialectic between Jesus' being and His doing. The existential element in His life's career had definite purpose that calls for both "being and doing."

In the very teeth of the Boiling pots of opposition, Jesus went about doing good for people. This is really what this Convention was organized for or else how can we justify our organization?

OUR ADJOURNED SESSION

Our 1968 Adjourned Session (January 21-23, 1969) was held at the Greater Whitestone Baptist Church, Memphis, Tennessee. Dr. A. R. Williams, Host Pastor. Greater Whitestone is one of Memphis' Progressive Churches led on by one of Memphis' most able pastors, Dr. Williams. This was a record breaking session. We were blessed by addition of 15 churches and one State Convention. The theme of our President's Message was: "Toward Restructuring Our Foundation for Times Like These."

In the light of this thesis, and pursuant to our commitment at the time of our election, we went to work for restructuring our organization in order that it might function with clarity, and efficiency, determination, progressively and aggressively, we made certain proposals to that effect. The Body adopted them enthusiastically. Committees were appointed and approved to make serious

study of these matters and report to you in this session. The matter of reporting the funds of the Auxiliaries to the Parent body was discussed and further clarified. In the light of the rules already established, the President issued a ruling that all Auxiliaries comply with the terms of the rule. This was enthusiastically approved. President Bruce turned over more than \$1,000.00, the largest amount that body has turned over since its organization. Dr. Upshaw and the Congress complied in Detroit in their 1969 session. The Regional Conventions complied, and henceforth, all other auxiliaries will comply at this session.

We know this matter had been a boiling pot together with the question of how would voluntary monthly givers be handled at our Annual Session along with those who bring up their reports once a year, when both appear before our Registration Committee for badges and appropriate credentials. We agreed that with the Executive Secretary who keeps a record of all funds sent up monthly, working in close proximity with our Registration Committee, this need not be any further hitch. Whatever verification the committee needed, it would be available on the spot.

We agreed also that regardless to what we send up during the year and bring up as an annual report or representation, we ought to enroll personally with a certain amount at all our annual sessions. We asked for \$3.00 at Memphis and we responded. The Executive Board voted in our Detroit Session to ask for \$3.00 per messenger in this session. We are responding to this request. A direct personal registration carries with it a certain dignity for a messenger that nothing else does. Then the income from this source is needed to meet the rising cost of operation at these annual sessions. I am confident that every messenger at this session will comply.

The National Council of Churches was holding a session in Memphis at the time of our session. We joined them in a special service at the Lorraine Hotel, commemorating the death of our stalwart leader Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., who was a member of our Convention. Your President with Dr. Kyles and others joined in placing an appropriate wreath on the spot where he fell mortally wounded.

The brethren and sisters in Memphis gave us a warm and spirit filled reception. Dr. Williams has said we may hold our 1970 adjourned session at Whitestone again. We accepted the invitation with gladness, and 1970 adjourned session will be held there.

THE REORGANIZATION THE SOUTHERN REGION

The President recommended the reorganization of the Southern Region in order that it might live up to its potential as an effective functioning unit in our Convention. Georgia, Alabama, North Carolina, South Carolina, and Florida had been active in the work since its organization under O. H. Stinson, its first president, followed by C. A. Cherry who carried it on to higher heights. The 1969 Session held in Anderson, S. C. broke all previous records. At the Memphis Session, the Convention approved the President's recommendation to reorganize it (11 States) so that all the States will become active. Tennessee, Kentucky, Mississippi, and Louisiana had not been active because of the tremendous odds in expense and travel to meet the session. At reorganization time in Anderson, we created two divisions of the Region with Alabama, Georgia, Florida, South Carolina, and North Carolina constituting division number one and Tennessee, Kentucky, Mississippi, and Louisiana as Division number two. We made Rev. Mr. Johnson of Fairmont, N. C., President of division number one and Rev. Mr. H. J. Franklin of Paducah, Ky., President of division number two. Rev. Mr. Franklin recognizes the tremendous task that is before him and we recognize it too, but he accepted it with a smile and went out to get started. Several of the key men in these States were present in Memphis when we discussed the matter, and expressed willingness to cooperate in making the New division outstanding. Rev. Franklin will report progress at this Session.

There is no doubt about it, the regional sessions are vitally important to our growth and development. As often as we come together in meaningful sessions we do show forth wisdom and determination, and open the gate for new pastors and churches to come into our fellowship. State Fellowships are of vital importance to the prosecution of our State work where a regular Convention is not presently possible.

OUR CONGRESS OF CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

Our Congress met in Detroit, Michigan June 18-22, 1960, at New Grace Baptist Church, Rev. Dr. McClung Host Pastor. The Host Pastor and the Progressive Baptist pastors and friends made it good for us. It was the largest attendance in history. President Uphaw and Dean James, stirred the Congress with timely addresses. Our faculty is composed of the most able men and women in the country. When G. K. Offutt, and William Uphaw, W. H. Anderson and Charles Green and others came out of a room in Union Baptist Church, Philadelphia 1961, all they had was an idea. But that idea was undergirded with faith, courage, and determination to give Negro Baptists in this country a break from stagnation and petty politics to which we had been subjected fifty years. But look what an idea has grown to be in a short while!

Ideas are the vehicles that change the world. A steam boat was first an idea in the mind of Robert Fulton. Critics called his first try "Fulton's Folly." But that idea grew into a mighty battle ship.

An airplane was first an idea in the minds of the Wright brothers. But that idea grew into a jet liner that cuts through the air at the rate of 600 miles per hour. The Progressive National Baptist Convention was once an idea born in the minds of L. V. Booth, T. M. Chambers and others. But that idea has grown from an acorn to a respectable young oak in the big forest of Missionary Baptists in this country. The Women Auxiliary Convention at the Detroit Session (1962) was zero. Sisters Arbouin, Bruce, Brent, Lambert, and others had only an idea of a fresh fellowship of Baptist sisters working together on National scales. It really took courage, fortitude, and determination to take it from there and bring it to this point. They had it and here we stand not ashamed before God and the world. Our Congress of Christian Education has grown from an idea to a throbbing, thriving and thrusting organization. It is in for new leadership with a new President W. H. Anderson, Pennsylvania and W. J. Hodge of Kentucky, new Dean.

MISSIONS AND EDUCATION

To serve the present age, these two areas must be emphasized more than ever before. The whole earth is burdened down with modern Babel tongues with hardly any area of human life in America or anywhere else untouched. Communicating the Gospel amid an age of Babel tongues in times like these is perhaps the greatest challenge before us since the days of Martin Luther, Zwingli, Hubmaier, and John Calvin. This age now like that age then (16th Century) needs the gospel of Jesus Christ preached unto it, and men must be saved from moral and spiritual darkness through the Gospel if they be saved at all.

The Old tower of Babel back in the Genesis story reached proudly into the air. It could be seen for miles on the plains of Mesopotamia. It was admired, criticized, praised and ridiculed by thousands as they stood at the foot of it and gazed at the top. What a mighty structure this is. It could easily have qualified as one of the seven wonders of post diluvian age. But there is weakness and a wickedness in every human construct, system, or structure man ever attempted to build under the sun. The weakness and the wickedness of this Enterprise was, there was no God in the plans of the architects. As a matter of fact, it was laid out and constructed intentionally in the defiance of the Almighty. The judgment of God upon those atheistic rebels was confusion of tongues at the foundation of the structure. Communication broke down before the structure was completed, and the whole enterprise came to a grinding halt. They started to build, but didn't finish. When men cannot communicate, suspicion, misunderstanding, doubt, cynicism, and disregard for character and integrity in each other step in. This spells trouble, and trouble spells defeat. Wherever and whenever any human enterprise starts out on a mission whether it be education, missions as such, trade, commerce, government, politics, economics, or any other thing and leave God out of the plans, it will ultimately fail because God is against it! There is bound to be confusion of tongues in any human enterprise where God is dishonored! The Christian teacher and preacher in this age of confusion of tongues must deal with the problem of communication — getting the message of Christ's redeeming grace through to men clearly and unmistakably. This is our job in times like these. Christian Missions both home and foreign must be together at that point. There must not be any doubt and misunderstanding between the class room and the missionary when they move out to the masses with the view of saving this generation from sin. Most

no mistake, both the professor and the student can go right down to hell from the class room if they leave God out of the learning process!

Communication has created a new world, a new possibility of public opinion, and a new source of information, yet there is a deep mark of obscurity that still hovers over our heads. Listening to the world Babel of tongues, we are tempted to think that the most powerful ruler in the world is Humpty Dumpty in Alice's Wonderland, who said in a regal manner, "a word means what I want it to mean." By Academic rules, Russia is ruled by Humpty Dumpty, a mightier monarch than Ivan the terrible. The words "peace" and "democracy" means what the Kremlin wants it to mean, from day to day.

We send out the voice of America, but it does not come through to the minds of the people of Asia. Very little of the reports and news by radio and television got through to the eyes and minds of the people of the Soviet Union of that dramatic journey to the moon by our Astronauts. The word, Communicate, means to the Soviets what they want it to mean. Good news and glad tidings means what the Communist World wants them to mean. They can easily and often do turn these words in Babel tongues—Confusion. Already they have by their ideas, subtle and snakish doctrine of persistency and underhand maneuvering elbowed their way into the political thought-pattern of the nations of the earth and thereby got the whole world rocking with confusion tonight!

This is the way the Bolsheviks in the nineteens and Mussolini and the Fascists, Hitler and the Nazis in the 1930s came to power—Babel tongues—confusion. The Architect of this inimical force is laughing now at the confusion on our school campuses. 2,400 Colleges and Universities with 7,000,000 students in the United States are rocking with dissension, rebellion, disorder, and disrespect for life property or personal freedom. It has been calculated that less than ten percent of the students (overall) on these campuses are reading in this trouble. It is a Humpty Dumpty philosophy that constitutes the guidelines for the handful of students who create this kind of ruckus on a college campus. They want the word college to mean what they want it to mean. They want the word president of a college to mean what they want it to mean. Yes, and they want the word church to mean what they want it to mean. They want the word gospel to mean what they want it to mean. There are 200 colleges tonight going around begging for presidents. Anybody here wants one? There are 200 openings and the list is growing, with confusion in our homes, in our schools, in our government, in our streets, and in our churches, the enemies of this country are grinning to their delight because they know in the course of time this state of affairs will sap the strength from this country and the fall of the nation is inevitable.

The home, the school, and the church were once dedicated partners in the business of molding character, teaching and preaching. Their chief aim was to develop christian citizens. But education as it is now promulgated is at the crossroads. Schools, Colleges, and Universities must either decide now where to they go from here. Academy is in trouble today. There is now a breakdown between the home, the school and the church and even the state. There exist a definite disruption of the whole system and the tie which once bound them together.

Some of the most prestigious institutions in our country including Harvard, Columbia, Cornell, California, Stanford, Swarthmore, and Indiana have been hit hard by the insurgents. Among our Negro Institutions are Morehouse, Howard, Lane, Atlanta University, and others. There have been sit-ins, sit-downs, mill-ins, and take overs. The students have carried guns in gangster-fashion, wielded meat cleavers, and resorted to mob rule to get their way. Presidents, Deans and Administrative Officers have been incarcerated in their offices and many instances not even allowed the ordinary use of the toilet, bombs exploded, buildings burned, and class room teachers have had bananas shoved down their throats to prevent them from continuing their lectures.

In confronting these schools, the dissidents have singled out some genuine problems on which to focus their complaints. They point out invidious racism in American Society and the schools have supported and even taught these things one way or the other and adopted them as a philosophy of education (especially white colleges). Literature concerning black people have been ignored, military recruiting programs eliminated, and reforms in international structures granting students a greater voice in government, selecting

courses of study and organizing the curriculum, the method of grading students, classroom performance, selecting faculty members and how the teaching program ought to go. Now, it would be plain stupidity to say that none of these grievances are justified. Many of them are justified. A College is composed of people. It is a Community of Citizens. The Citizens do have a right to be heard in all matters that concern them. Therefore, the Administrators of affairs must give due notice to their rights. But on the other hand, it would be silly to say that the radical left is composed of cool-headed, God-honoring, love inspired reasonable people. They are not! Some of them are out to disrupt and tear down for the sake of disrupting and tearing down.

The response of administrator and faculties to the student outbreaks have been generally disappointing. Where they have been confronted with the radical left, they melted down as easy as a cone of ice cream in ninety degree weather. Some of them capitulated without any kind of fight. Either they were guilty as charged, or they did not have the guts to stand up and fight. And in that case, they should be chased out of that school. No college is a place for soft-back-sissy-type leadership in times like these. An institution under that type of leadership inevitably becomes a **boiling pot of irresponsibility!** And if this is the kind of philosophy that is being weaved in the warp and woof of our Centers of learning then where shall we stand in a virile world where he-man stuff is demanded, and character, integrity, and moral courage must be the hall-mark in a topsy turvy world? There is not but one answer. Education is at the crossroads without a sense of direction. Students are justified in challenging that sort of leadership because they are being misled rather than constructively led!

There is a statement on the Bulletin Board at the University of California which reads: "Education is too important to be left to the faculty. Join us in planning what students can do to change education at Berkeley."

This is not a statement setting on top of the ground so to speak. It goes down deep in the soils of the learning process. Don't just glance at this thesis. Look at it long enough to see it, read it, and apply a balanced evaluation to it. You might then agree that this is the voice of democracy in education. It grows out of the surging forces of people all over the world—*Salus Voci populi Lex est terrae*—"Let the voice of the people be the law of the land." This is democracy!

But chaos, destruction of property, disrespect for the rights and dignity of other people and plain disorder are not democracy any where whether it be on a college campus or anywhere else in the country! Any group of Negroes that burned down a \$200,000.00 science building on a Negro College Campus (Lane), a building that college had never had before is a group of stark naked fools or any kind of a fool you want to call them. How hard it is for Negro private colleges to get buildings of any kind now days.

But Hugh Gloster, President of Morehouse exercised more he-manhood than any of the Presidents in these big major colleges in the nation. About 40 students and a few dissident teachers too had him and the trustee Board shut up like a bird in a cage. They made their demands in the most humiliating manner. The Board became frightened. President Gloster stood and announced to all of them that he would not engage in any discussion of this sort under duress (which amounted to an act of kidnapping under the law of Georgia—Code sections (2-1601—26-1065). He further stated to the Board: "If you vote these demands, I will resign. I refuse to work under such circumstances." The Board voted approval but soon as they were out they took it back and rescinded their action. He fought back. His position in the matter took the arrogant wind out of their sail. The student body did not even know anything about the deal of the dissidents. When they found it out, they rose up as one. The dissidents became scared and released the president and the trustees. The Atlanta Alumni Chapter rose up as one with solid support to the president. Those teachers and students who participated in that rebellion are still running for cover. This is not peculiar to America. It is sweeping the world. There are date-lines at Paris, Berlin, London, Brussels, Rome (The Pope's town), Madrid, Tokyo, and Rio. The pot is boiling on these campuses. This situation raises certain basic questions: What is our life-and-world-view in these times? What should be the quality of our value-system in these times? On what foundation does our value-system rest and what principles should support it?

These questions really boil down to one question, a spiritual question. And because it is a spiritual question, it cannot be answered by science or answered by unaided human reason. This spiritual crisis that lies at the center of campus **boiling pots** has to do with the loss of authority, a fixed point where men get their bearings. The Campus is a moral center where this problem cannot be ignored or dodged. The struggle never ends, where the battle is either won or lost. Education does involve a search for truth and the development of guiding principles. The Pot of dissent is boiling and old shaky walls are crumbling.

The showdown is here. So-called church colleges have got to decide to either be truly christian schools geared to the principles of life taught by Jesus Christ or get out of the business of claiming to be. If educators do not sense that the Almighty God and His Revelation must be brought into the educational processes and all learning finds its integration and unity within theistic focus, then the disease that has overtaken education will not be cured.

Progressive Baptists must take a balanced view of this situation and seek a solution in God-centered preaching, and teaching! Our view must be a world-view and our program of missions must be geared to this task. We must seek to increase the influence of the Christ Spirit on these troubled campuses and in every situation where the souls of men are involved. We must be convinced beyond a shadow of a doubt that man is not self sufficient, that he is a dependent creature and that at every point he leaves his creator out of his plans to build, he is bound to fail, for:

"Except the Lord builds the house,
they labour in vain that build it,
except the Lord keep the city,
the watchman waketh but in vain."

Psa 127:1

A Swing Toward Conservatism

The last National Election in our country indicated a significant slow down if not a halt to the liberal thinking and legislative action where minority groups in this country are concerned and a swing toward a conservative approach to any further concern for these groups. With between 30 and 40 million votes for candidate Richard Nixon and nearly 10 million votes for candidate George Wallace constitutes an unmistakable rebuke to the National Administration then in power. Destructive violence in our cities and great Metropolitan Centers from Los Angeles to Detroit, the rise of rebellion in our high and low educational centers formed the basis for this trend and controlled the thinking of the nation in this direction.

But there was more civil rights legislation written into law under the leadership of Lyndon Baines Johnson from Texas than any other president since the days of Lincoln. This is the same man that voted thirteen times against the Dyer's Anti-lynch bill every time it came before the U. S. Congress. When he was catapulted into the White House by a strange twist of circumstances, he was suddenly converted in heart and mind as to his role in history in times like these.

There were more gains in Negro rights during the Johnson's period in the White House than any other period in American History since the days of Lincoln. The history of the new-gains movement covers a period of about 15 years, but the most dramatic and nation-wide part of it came in the Johnson's Administration. Beginning in (1964) when the United States Supreme Court outlawed segregation in public education, holding that it is unconstitutional. The Southern States dragged their feet on this decision until the (1964) Civil Rights Act forbidding Federal Aid to segregated schools based on race. As a result of this law, here is a sharp speed up in the integration movement. It has moved from zero to 20% of Negro children in the South—or 518,000 out of a total of 2,552,000—now attending integrated schools. This number will rise higher. But the itching, scratching and hurting part about the whole matter is that the white people in the South and North believe in the doctrine of the separation of the races, Negroes as a whole don't believe in it or don't care more, do not want to obey this law. (2) They are no longer permitted to spend federal money as they see fit. When they had their way, they spent \$9.00 on each white child per capita and \$4.00 per capita on the Negro child. When this behavior pattern was cut off the Governors, Mayors and Educators began crying out "too much federal control!" They have been Jim-Crowding

and Crowing-Jim for a hundred years where the Negro is concerned until it is heart rending to Crow justice and equality for his fellow Black American

Both the Southern and Northern States are struggling with the demands of (HEW) Health, Education and Welfare to comply with the law due largely to the geographical situation of Black and White residents in great metropolitan centers in the United States. Where a Black child lives and where a White child lives determines very largely how efficiently the task of integration of schools can be done without working undue harm and inconvenience to either child. The usual pattern is, the Negro lives across the railroad and Whites live up town and across town. The only way to create an integration pattern is to either Bus the Negro child across town to the white schools or Bus the white child across town and across the railroad to the Negro school. You can count on the former to be done first. This adds to what is called "de-facto segregation" or "can't-help-it-segregation." Some big cities have attempted to overcome this problem and failed. Experience so far has shown wherever dangerous risks and inconvenience in bussing students from one neighborhood to another, the Black child suffers most.

The preponderance of Blacks in big city schools is increasing steadily as Whites continue to move to suburbs or further across town, and Blacks continue to flow into the Center of the cities. The idea of stretching the school district to include the suburban Whites is a boiling pot of controversy and is meeting stern opposition.

There is a strong block of Negroes who say by ways and action to the Whites if you don't want us, we don't want you. We have some racial pride too. These have introduced a new idea—**decentralization**. They demand that the school system be decentralized so as to provide Black control over Black schools with Black teachers, principals, and officers, and study courses designed especially for Negroes. This is a **boiling pot**! It looks like seceding from the union of Public Education in the United States. It looks like talking integration out of one side of the mouth and segregation out of the other side. Negroes have awakened to stark naked fact that integration can have and often does have its advantages and its disadvantages.

To meet this problem head on the local, state, and Federal Governments must sooner or later face up to the task of building good schools anywhere and everywhere a school is needed. They will be forced in due course to rethink their philosophy of approach to this demanding problem. They eventually will be forced to dropping the ideas of integration and segregation and centering their total effort on good schools—good schools in terms of top trained faculties, adequate buildings, adequate equipment, adequate supervision and counselling service, so that whatever school a White child or a Black child can walk into, it is assured of quality education. Where a child lives it will have access to a good school geared to quality education.

Education cannot stand much political pot boiling and controversy and still be of quality level. Schools of learning must be schools of learning and not political entities. They must be schools and not political footballs kicked about by ambitious politicians while our children become victims of an inferior education in the midst of a highly industrialized and technical nation. This is plain fiddling while Rome burns! Schools have become centers of dispute all across the nation.

Clearly after 35 years, the (1954) decision of the U. S. Supreme Court has fallen short of solving the race problem in Public Education. From the growth of fighting, and the battle in law on almost every school campus in the nation from the elementary schools to the university. One more thing is clear, all the court decisions and congressional acts have fallen short of solving the race problem in any other field. Yet my race looking back can view the knock down of the lily-white voting rule (in the 1840s stage by primus King of Columbus, Georgia) and the U. S. Supreme Court decision (1954) as the start of a New Era of great gains in America. And I don't know if another country it could have happened in like it happened in America!

But America is a racist State and her racist case requires more than legislative acts of congress, state laws, and city ordinances to eradicate it. Racial prejudice and racial bigotry are spiritual and requires an Act of the Holy Spirit to eradicate it. This means the Gospel of Jesus Christ, the grace

of God and a New Creature experience. It is going to take new creatures in Christ to make a New America!

Law And Order

This is a season of City elections throughout the country. The hue and cry in the campaigns is **Law And Order**. This is the top plank in the platform of the candidates now campaigning and has been those who have already concluded their campaigns. Riots, fire and brimstone in the streets of the big cities and the troubles on our college campuses, the liberal decisions of the U. S. Supreme Court, and the soft approach of the local courts and law enforcement Authorities have forced the whole country to take a serious look at the state of affairs in every community in the nation. Beginning with Los Angeles the trend in the great Metropolitan centers is now toward a tougher approach to the question of Law and Order in the Community. Milwaukee followed Los Angeles, and now Atlanta is also in the vanguard of this trend. It appears up to now that he who runs with a hard time on what is called trouble makers will get the best notice in the populace.

"The Warren Court" changed the whole nation and shook the world. Now it is giving way to a Nixon Court Chief Justice Warren Burger will bring a new judicial philosophy to the Bench. One question is how far can Supreme Court Justices go in changing things back to their original legal status and still be legally and constitutionally sound. Mr. Burger will bring to the Court a different judicial philosophy from that of Earl Warren.

The Burger philosophy as expressed in court opinions and public addresses is one of judicial restraint, rather than one of judicial activism. Earl Warren was known to be a judicial activist. While the Chief Justice of the court cannot give the court orders as to what it should do, his position on the court can to a large extent set the judicial tone of the Bench.

The New Chief Justice said in an address:

"That courts encounter some problem for which they can supply no solution is not invariably an occasion for regret or concern; this is an essential limitation in a system of divided powers." This means that we cannot look to the Supreme Court for any more sensational and nation shaking decisions.

There might even be a review and a slant of interpretation laid on some of those decisions already handed down. The Supreme Court, their world set the tone for all the lower courts from the U.S. Court of Appeals down to the county justice of the peace. Remember that it is a Nixon and Burger's Court, and that Mr. Nixon came to power on the swing of the Conservative forces and that the Negro help the force will increase. Therefore, I doubt that without much Negro help they expect any more sensational decisions from the court, nor any more sensational legislation from the Congress in the area of civil rights, nor many if any, by administrative decrees. Under these circumstances, Negroes will be compelled to revamp their political philosophy so that no candidate of National, State, and local stature will be elected to public office without at least substantial help from Black citizens.

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While the Mayors, Governors and Presidents in the North and 300s when Negroes were lynched, burned, their wives and daughters raped by white bullies all over the Southland? They never said a word and never did a thing about law and order then. Why cry so loud now?

Turkey, Institute has the record of the lynchings on the books! This is the chief fear of that drove Negroes to the great Northern big city centers for relief from terror. The Northern politicians connived in the Southern politicians do nothing about it in Congress. They gave into Southern filibuster.

and did absolutely nothing for the protection of Black citizens in this country! That is why that anti-lynch Bill could never get through congress. The Southern politicians spent their time in doing nothing but watching, peeping, and smelling around for any little bit of Congressional legislation that might have meant a little more freedom and protection for the Negro, to filibuster it out of Congress. The Congressmen from my State (Georgia) have spent their time doing nothing but opposing every piece of legislation that might help the Negro. President Johnson, (Texas) voted against the anti-lynch bill 13 times when he was in Congress.

But when demonstrations, riots, fire and brimstone broke out in Watts, Birmingham, Chicago, New York, Detroit, Atlanta and other cities—The Mayors, Governors, Congressmen and the President are now crying law and order. The Nation is reaping what it sowed!

America has yet to learn that there is moral order in the Universe and every Nation, race, and tribe under the Sun is subject to it. This includes the United States. This is the higher moral order established by a wise, loving, and all powerful God who is the judge of all the earth and will do justly.

This moral order works against all evil doers whether they be Kingdoms, thrones, Empires, races, nations or individuals. Riots, rebellions on our college campuses, demonstrations, destruction of property, racial tension, troubled homes and troubled schools, troubled cities and towns are God's judgment on our evil system of injustice and inequality in this country that has existed for nearly 400 years.

The cry of the proletarians has been ignored until the boiling pot of suffering built up pressure strong enough to blow off the lid. Poor Whites are no better off under such a system than Blacks. A capitalistic society is hard on both! God is against all evil systems that gets rich and powerful at the expense of the freedom and well being of its less fortunate fellowman! America has got to be born again before she can really enter into the Kingdom of law order!

The Rising Tide Of Crime

There is a rising tide in the wave of crime in this country all over from the hamlet to the big city. Added to this misery is a rising tide of rebellion against law and constituted authority. Nobody now wants to be punished for a crime he commits against his fellowman. The laxity of the courts and the community is the cause of it. When men get in their minds that they can rob, burglarize, and kill, and get away with it, it makes every community in this country an unsafe place to live. When our law enforcement crew gets little backing from the courts and the courts get little or no moral backing from the community, law and order start crumbling at that point.

Every decent and respectable citizen Black and White wants to feel and know that he can move and have his being in his community safe and free! When the Community is not safe for all citizens it is not safe for any citizen! Look at burglaries in the so-called exclusive sections of our towns and big cities! Look at the murders in the better class-sections of our towns and big cities!

Loose talk by top officials in state, local, and national government about obeying the decisions of the U. S. Supreme Court has led to a disrespect for any other law of the community. The criminal element in this country believes if the highest court in the land can be disrespected, the lowest court can be too.

In the North, Gangsters kill their fellowman and are never brought to justice. In the South it is the Mob, the Lynchers that kill a Negro and nobody is ever brought to justice for it. This is a black sin and it plays into the hands of the criminal element of this country. It is sowing to the wind, and now we are reaping a whirlwind!

The big White man sat back taking it easy. Crime belongs to the little White man. It doesn't concern him. He is safe from all of that. On the big plantations he took the attitude—kill a mule, buy another one. Kill a Negro, hire another one. He didn't care. If a Negro killed another Negro it was usually nothing. The courts might give him twelve months or a hundred dollars. At any rate, he would buy him out of jail and put him to work on his plantation for three years to pay back a hundred dollars. This practice was

not only morally wrong but it was criminally wrong! The big Negro took the same attitude toward this situation. Crime belongs to the little Negro in the slums and ghettos not in the elite Negro Community. He didn't care either. Nobody cared for the little man. Powers that be cared nothing for his home, his children, and nothing for his security. Laxity pervades the community!

As a result, crime is coming up from the slums and ghettos to Boulevard to speak, coming up from the shacks to the mansions in the exclusive sections of town with switch blades and 385 breaking in, crawling in, mugging, burglarizing, robbing and killing the big Negro and the big White man!

"Woe to them that are at ease in Zion and trust in the Mountains of Samaria—ye that put far away the evil day and cause the seat of violence to come near."

Amos
6:1-3

This means judgment upon those who trust in their system of complacency and have an egotistic attitude toward their fellowman. Judgment upon those who trust in their mountains of racial bigotry and economic and political hegemony. This attitude is calculated to bring the evil day to your own door when you thought it would abide at the door of the little man. Behold, violence now has come to the mansions of the Big and The Mighty! Nobody is safe in a complacent Zion! America has sown the seed of complacency, ease, and laxity at the point of law and order, and more particularly at the point of moral and spiritual power. Now she is reaping a crop of disorder, rebellion, and violence!

To show how high it can reach look at it striking down the thirty-fifth President of the U. S. A. J. F. Kennedy (1963), his brother Robert Kennedy, U. S. Senator from New York (1968), and Martin Luther King, Jr. (1968). King died trying to get big America to pay some attention to little America, neglected little America!

Martin Luther King, Jr. died standing up for down-trodden America; Black America which has done so much, for her liberty and advancement! The man who killed him is still alive. By some legal technicality he is still alive. This lives up to the philosophy in the South that no White man shall suffer capital punishment for the death of a civil rights worker. But turn the thing around and put King in Earl Ray's place, and let him shoot from ambush and kill a White preacher in cold blood. What would be King's status today? Could King have done that and still be alive? Out of all the killings of civil rights workers in this country by White enemies, no White man killer has yet suffered capital punishment. Look at Medgar Evers, the four Sunday School Children at 16th Street Baptist Church in Birmingham, the three civil rights workers put to death and buried in Mississippi by white killers! In some cases the powers that be just can't catch the killers, they say, and those they do catch some how they can't get them to the electric chair.

But there is a moral law at work in the universe and that law is at work in this state and all the other 49. That law is now bringing communities and governments to judgment for their sins of commission and omission.

Heaven has decreed:

"Be not deceived God is not mocked, whatsoever a man soweth that shall he also reap. For he that soweth to the flesh shall of the flesh reap corruption, but he that soweth to the Spirit shall of the Spirit reap life everlasting!"

This doctrine is applicable to every individual, city, state, and nation under the sun!

America's Needs

One of the great needs of America is unity. There exists now a serious trend of disunity in this country. America is divided over race, war, public education, economic and political philosophy on the home front. The gap is widening at the juncture of our form of democracy and international power politics. The enemies of America expect her to eventually fall apart as a result of these issues. The challenging of the United States draft laws, the stern opposition to U. S. Recruiting Activities on our College Campuses, the multi-varied ideologies that are rising from radical, conservative, and liberal camps against the United States role in Southeast Asia, Europe, and the far east give them hope that they will be the winners at the conference table in Paris and in the war zones in South Vietnam. They believe that if they cannot win a military victory in South Vietnam. They can win a diplomatic victory in Paris. They believe public sentiment and internal strife, and division in the United States will bring her to her knees both on the battle field and at the Peace Conference if they can wait around long enough. This can happen!

The Communist forces have worked out a master plan and a world strategy. On the basis of my research (10 years) I believe Southeast Asia is the pivotal point. With the near-East (Egypt, Jordan, Syria, Israel, etc.) boiling, and the far-East, (China, Pakistan, India, Japan, etc.) rising up; with South America falling to the strategy (note Rockefeller's travels) and Southeast Asia burning with both, military fire and communist zeal, the western democracies are in trouble tonight.

The Soviet Russia sits at the head of the strategy-thrust. The whole situation adds up to the point that he who conquers now in Southeast Asia (Korea, Indonesia, Thailand, Nationalist China, North Vietnam, South Vietnam, etc.) can conquer the world. For if they conquer Southeast Asia, they would only need to turn back on Europe and clean out the democracies there, then they would be free to turn on the United States with all they got—men, submarines, air power, and nuclear bombs. The truth of the matter is if the war ended tomorrow the United States and the other Western democracies—Britain, France, Canada, Germany, etc., would be compelled to go on backing up free Asia with money, materials, and military forces for an indefinite number of years to come. Under these circumstances, Southeast Asia, is the United States first line of defense. She is out there not so much because she wants to be, but because she must be! Yes, the President is pulling out some soldiers out of South Vietnam, but he will never be able to pull all of them out. For when you deal with Oriental Peoples, you are dealing with the most unpredictable elements in the human family. Jeremiah said: "The heart is deceitful above all things, and desperately wicked, who can know it?" Jeremiah was an oriental.

Communist China alone with 800 million people and an expansionist outlook constitutes a potent threat to its neighbors on 13,500 miles of borderlines. She and Russia alone could hurl 300 million soldiers against us in a major showdown. How could we stand before a host like that? This can happen! If God Almighty would not be for us who would be in a time like that?

This is why President Nixon is flying from Capitol to capital and from nation to nation! That is why he sent Governor Rockefeller to South America! The President sees three major boiling pots—Southeast Asia, South America, and the near East! He knows the destiny of the United States is tied up with these boiling pots! He knows the peace of the world is tied up with these boiling pots! Either cool down the pots and have peace or let them boil over and die and scald! This can happen!

With these things in view, what time has America got to be divided? If the enemy wins, we will have no country to defend and we will have no freedom to defend! America needs Unity! America needs to get together herself for her own good and security in a world like this!

In a United America, there can be neither a White America nor a Black America. There must be only America! There can be Neither a White Nation, nor a Black Nation!

There must be one Nation Under God, Indivisible, with Liberty and Justice to All!

THE REPORT OF THE HISTORIAN

OF THE PROGRESSIVE NATIONAL BAPTIST CONVENTION, INC.
HELD WITH THE BAPTIST CHURCHES OF MIAMI, FLORIDA

SEPTEMBER 2-7, 1969

Brother President:

Your Historian begs leave to submit a progress report on the History of our great convention.

It is said that history is an account of what has happened in the life of a people or organization. It is also that branch of knowledge that deals with the coordination and analysis of past events. If this is true, then a report should start at the beginning.

Our great convention grew out of the need for a convention that was dedicated to democratic principles and Christian objectives. A great majority of God's Ambassadors had grown weary and tired of legal skullduggery and public homicide. When the Kansas City side-show was over in 1961, God dispatched an angel to the Queen City of Cincinnati with specific instructions to lead a people out of Egypt.

THE DAWN OF A NEW CONVENTION-CONCEPT FOR BLACK BAPTISTS

On September 11, 1961, a shot was fired that was heard around the Christian World. A volunteer committee for the formation of a New National Baptist Convention announces through its Chairman, Dr. L. V. Booth, Pastor of Zion Baptist Church, Cincinnati, Ohio, that a meeting will be held on November 14 and 15, 1961. It is said that this announcement rocked the Baptist World.

On September 22, 1961, the following CALL LETTER was forwarded to Brethren of good-will:

"Dear Brother Pastor:

Our National Baptist Convention has reached an all-time low in fellowship, peace and Christian dignity. We have completely lost our freedom to worship, participate and grow in the Kingdom work as it is expressed in the convention. We can not any longer trust the integrity of its leadership.

The time has come for freedom-loving, independent and peace-loving Christians to unite in a fellowship that they can trust. Why are we so afraid of building a new convention? We act as though it is a terrible sin. Organizations exist to unite persons of similar interest in multiplied strength. There is nothing on earth to keep us from working toward worthy objectives and lofty goals.

It is to this sacred call that you are invited to attend a special meeting for the formation of a new convention on November 14-15, 1961 at Zion Baptist Church, 630 Glenwood Avenue, Cincinnati, Ohio. Kindly respond quickly if possible. Signed: L. V. Booth."

As a result of this communication, thirty-three delegates from fourteen states assembled in the Queen City of Cincinnati.

The temporary officers elected at this organizational meeting were as follows: Dr. L. V. Booth, Temporary Chairman, Dr. Andrew J. Hargrett, Temporary Secretary-Treasurer.

The delegates, by motion of Dr. J. Raymond Henderson, resolved itself into a committee on procedure and retired to the business of organization.

The first permanent officers of this Convention were as follows:

Dr. T. M. Chambers, President
Dr. L. V. Booth, First Vice President
Dr. J. Carl Mitchell, Recording Secretary
Dr. Louis Rawls, Treasurer
Mr. William T. Parker, Attorney

The Historic Two-day Session closed after counting the sum of \$721.28 as its total receipts.

President Chambers sent out a call for a special Board meeting to be held at the Tabernacle Baptist Church where the Rev. Louis Rawls is pastor.

It was at this Board meeting that the committee on Time and Place recommended that the first Regional Meeting be held in Richmond, Virginia on

May 9 and 10, 1962, and the First Annual Session be held in the City of Brotherly Love on September 4-9, 1962. The recommendation was adopted.

The committee on Permanent Organization made the following supplementary report:

Rev. O. H. Stinson, V. P. — Region #1, Georgia
Rev. B. W. Robertson, V. P. — Region #2, Virginia
Rev. C. V. Johnson, V. P. — Region #3, Illinois

Region #4 was to be appointed.

Rev. S. S. Hodges, Ohio, Assistant Secretary
Rev. J. F. Williams, Virginia, Assistant Secretary
Rev. L. A. Burrus, New York, Chairman, Home Mission Board
Rev. S. M. Weaver, Texas, Corresponding Secretary, Home Mission Board
Mrs. Uvee Mmodana-Arbouin, New York, Chairman, Women's Committee

Upon the adoption of this report, the Dawn of a New Convention-Concept for Black Baptists emerged. The trumpet of Assembly had sounded. God's Ambassadors were preparing to March out of the Egypt of despair, into a land of Democratic integrity and true Christian awareness. Brethren, we are on our way. As evidence of this great March, listen to the then called: "Declaration of the Organization, Principles and Aims of the PNBC, Inc. (This same document today would be called the manifesto of Progressive Baptists).

DEDICATION

In thus committing ourselves to the establishment of the Progressive Baptist Convention of America, Incorporated, the promoters thereof do ordain and hereby declare it to be our purpose to dedicate ourselves to the proposition:

1. That it is our sincere aim to create and operate a convention whose sole purpose shall be the exaltation of Christ by acting in His will, walking in His Spirit, seeking His glory, and by the maintenance of a reverent respect for His people.

2. That there is not now, nor shall there ever be any intentional bitterness, hostility, or deliberate antagonism on our part, towards any other existing fellowship, its auxiliaries, agents, or its membership; that were it not mandatory that our actions and motives be clearly defined and recorded, there would not be even now one reference at all to the unfortunate incidents by which we have been moved to take this step; and that notice is hereby served that, guided by the Holy Spirit, henceforward our emphasis shall be upon our work as we seek with all our God-given grace and might to spread the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ.

3. That we intend to maintain reverence for law, order and decency; for Baptist principles and procedure; for honor and justice; for becoming Christian conduct and for a sense of enlightened responsibility.

4. That our convention shall be built around a constitution and by-laws painstakingly drawn, broad in coverage, detailed in content, fair in provision, steadfast in application, progressive in spirit, relevant in principle, and consistent in operation with contemporary church programs and present-day needs.

5. That the officers of our convention shall be elected by a majority vote; shall be subject to a term of office, shall not be eligible to succeed themselves; and shall serve their office in the sense and spirit of an "executive" and not a "dictator."

6. That our convention shall have a business administration of such character and thought, as will secure proper accounting and audit from all boards, auxiliaries, and committees receiving funds in the name and on behalf of the convention; and that all monies received by the convention shall be applied, without deviation, to the particular cause for which it was received.

7. That our convention shall create and maintain all such boards, departments and machinery as shall be necessary to proper function of the convention in its program of foreign and home missions, religious education, ministerial education, evangelism, social welfare, publication, and the general welfare of Baptist interests.

8. That all property purchased within the framework of our convention shall be and remain forever within the jurisdiction of the Progressive Con-

vention of America, Incorporated, to own, to enjoy, to order, and to dispose of at will.

9. And that no right, authority, or privilege belonging either to the convention or its members shall ever be delegated to, or lodged within any committee or board with discretionary authority, or dictatorial oversight; and that the proceedings, labor and decisions, of all committees and boards shall be subject to the review and final disposition of the convention itself.

COMMENDATION

And now, therefore, with the foregoing reasons and purposes for our actions clearly set forth; with a free and satisfied conscience that our motives are legitimate and Christian; with a belief that every courtesy and opportunity has been given to the end that there might be a fair and impartial adjustment of their grievances; with malice toward none and goodwill toward all; with a becoming appreciation for the long and continuous struggle incident to the course we have chosen; with a conscious expectation that our modest and limited beginning will issue one day in magnificent achievement; and with every confidence that a kind Providence will over-rule all to His glory, the organizers and promoters of the Progressive Baptist Convention of America, Incorporated, hereby commend themselves and their cause to a just and merciful God and to an understanding public.

And with this commendation, the brotherhood of the new convention assembled in its second regional session at Richmond, Virginia, hereby extend a hearty and glad invitation to every Pastor, Church, State, Sunday School, B.T.U. District Convention, and Association; Minister's Conference, Missionary Board and Circle within the jurisdiction of our great nation who believe in righteousness, peace, Christian culture and a fair opportunity for all and sundry Baptists, to meet them in Philadelphia at the Union and Shiloh Baptist Churches, September 4-9, 1962 in the First Annual Session of the Convention, to share its proceedings, enlarge its program, elect its officers, shape its constitution, and formulate its future policies.

T. M. Chambers, President

L. V. Booth, Vice-President

J. Carl Mitchell, Secretary

COMPILATION BY: W. H. R. Powell, Minister
Shiloh Baptist Church
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

Brother President, the record shows that 277 churches representing 25 states, assembled at the Union and Shiloh Baptist Churches in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, to open the First Annual Session of the Progressive National Convention.

It is fitting to repeat the first words of our first President: "Brethren, we have returned to Philadelphia after a black eye and we have come with healing balm. We are here on business for the King."

OTHER FIRSTS

It is to be noted that the First Introductory Sermon was delivered by Dr. Louis Rawls, Pastor of the Tabernacle Baptist Church, Chicago, Illinois. Rawls used as a theme: "THE NEED FOR PROPHETIC PREACHING WE CLOSE THE TWENTIETH CENTURY." He used the text outline in Jeremiah 1-15.

The first public offering lifted in our convention amounted to the sum of \$115.

The first college president to speak to the convention was Dr. Benjamin Mays, President of Morehouse College. He challenged the convention from the subject: "THE NEW LOOK IN CHRISTIAN EDUCATION." In his ringing challenge, Dr. Mays declared, "During his twenty-two years at Morehouse College, the college had received a total sum of \$2,000.00 from the National Baptist Convention." The record shows that in the second year of our existence, we contributed the sum of \$1,000.00 from this convention. In the third year of our existence, we contributed the sum of \$4,057.96 to the field of education. Since our inception, this convention has contributed more than \$6,000.00 to the field of education.

The first Annual Address received by this convention was delivered by Dr. T. M. Chambers. Dr. Chambers used as his theme: "THE NEW LOOK

THROUGH BIBLICAL BINOCULARS. This was a masterful and far reaching address. The words of President Chambers are still audible. Listen: "Some modern educators are doing the twist in education. They twist the meaning of the supreme court's decision on integration in public schools." Sounds like he was talking to the present Nixon administration.

This First Historic Annual Session closed with a concerted and collective feeling that something unique in Baptist Unity had occurred. Surely, we had left the flesh pots in Egypt, and on our way to a new joy and a new convention-concept for Progressive Baptists.

Before the curtains fell on the First Annual Session, the Prophets of Doom were heard across the nation. Statements such as: "Let them alone, they will be back next year," or "Don't worry about them, they are just a few small fellows in a corner making a lot of noise to be heard."

SECOND ANNUAL SESSION

In spite of the Prophets of Doom, the Second Annual Session of this great convention was called to order by President Chambers in the great King Solomon Baptist Church, Detroit, Michigan. Dr. T. S. Boone, Pastor.

This session was highlighted by three important aspects:

First, we were challenged by the Second Annual Session Address of our illustrious president. His theme: "POLITICS VERSUS RELIGION IN THE FIELD OF HUMAN RELATIONS." Those of us who heard this message know that the president was at his best.

Secondly, L. V. Booth was elected to the office of executive secretary. In order to fathom the real significance of the matter, you must know that Dr. Booth previously held the office of vice president. But because he loved the work, he gave up certain prominence and relegated himself to a thankless field of hard labor. It was in this position that he toiled in the heat of the day and in the darkness of the night. Few men have given so much and received so little. The then newly elected vice president at-large, Dr. Gardner C. Taylor, was heard to comment in open convention at a later date: "Brethren, take a good look. You are seeing the first real executive secretary of a Black Baptist convention."

Thirdly, Dr. Martin Luther King, Sr., father of our fallen leader, delivered the Centennial Emancipation Address. Dr. King, Jr., was slated for this task, but could not make it because of pressing problems of humanity. Dr. King, Sr., addressed the convention from the theme: "IF ANYBODY SHOULD ASK YOU WHAT THE NEGRO WANTS, YOU TELL THEM THAT WE WANT FREEDOM NOW."

This session closed with three hundred and fifty-two churches represented from twenty-eight states and the District of Columbia. The Prophets of Doom were still having a field day.

THIRD ANNUAL SESSION

The Third Annual Session was convened with the Baptist Churches of Atlanta, Georgia. Dr. William H. Borders, Pastor of the Wheat Street Baptist Church was host. Three hundred and ninety churches from twenty-nine states and the District of Columbia came to witness this historic occasion.

The president again challenged the convention with his annual address. The subject used by Dr. Chambers was: "THE CHALLENGE OF A CHANCE." Those of us who were there heard him elucidate upon "The Challenge of the Convention," "The Challenge of the Christian Church," "The Challenge of Civil Rights," "Liberalism versus State Rightism," "Distributive Justice and Retributive Justice." This message was climaxed with the Negro's plea for America. You ought to read it in the Third Annual Session Minutes.

FOURTH ANNUAL SESSION

For the Fourth Annual Session of this convention, we dared to travel west. This session was held with the Baptist Churches of Los Angeles, California.

When the convention voted to go to Los Angeles, logic came to the fore. Logic counseled that no infant convention could survive a march across country. Logic counseled that if the prophets were wrong heretofore, they were dead right now. But thanks to God, logic did not prevail. When they abounded, grace more abounded.

It was at this session that the convention structure envisioned by the founders came into full fruition. While the Prophets of Doom were proph-

ing, O. H. Stinson in the Southern Region was praying for guidance. While the Prophets of Doom were hicking their chops, C. V. Johnson was building the Midwestern Region. While the Prophets of Doom were preparing for a great celebration, T. R. Washington was performing a yeoman's task in the Eastern Region. While the Prophets of Doom were waiting for the final count, S. H. James was gaining strength in the Southwestern Region. This left only the struggling Western Region. But God sent I. W. Wilson who kept believing that God will make a way somehow. It is needless to say that grace brought us out.

FIFTH ANNUAL SESSION

The Fifth Annual Session of our Convention was held with the Baptist Churches of Memphis, Tennessee. It was at this session that this convention elected as its president one of the greatest preachers of our times. I refer to none other than Dr. Gardner C. Taylor. His ability, his stature, his intelligence and his pulpit decorum are unequalled in the annals of modern theology. He stood then and indeed yet stands as one of the tallest oaks of our time.

It is to be noted that President Taylor delivered his first annual address at this session. President Chambers advised the convention that he was happy to yield the gavel to the man who had served so faithfully during his illness. It is to be further noted that for the first time in National Baptist history, the President's Address was available to all free of charge.

Perhaps the highlight of the session was Friday Evening, September 9, 1966. This occasion was officially designated as "CIVIL RIGHTS NIGHT."

The renowned Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., Nobel Peace Prize Winner, the foremost exponent of the philosophy of non-violence and the twentieth-century Moses, addressed the convention. The main floor of the sanctuary, the balcony and all other available spaces were filled with messengers and the general public awaiting the man of the hour.

Dr. King spoke from the theme: "THE GREATEST DILEMMA FACING AMERICA TODAY." In his own profound way, Dr. King reminded the convention that "We have guided missiles and misguided men." "Racial injustice is still the black man's shame." He reminded us that "There is nothing wrong with the Negro family that a little more in the pockets of the Negro male can't cure." This session closed with a ten thousand dollar increase in total receipts.

SIXTH ANNUAL SESSION

The Sixth Annual Session of this great convention was held with the Baptist Churches of Cincinnati, Ohio. We returned to the birth-place of the New Convention-Concept for Black Baptists.

Here for the first time in our brief history, we were too large to utilize the facilities of a local church. We were truly on our way. Dr. John F. Williams reported that a record number of 716 churches had registered for this session. The treasurer, Dr. W. H. R. Powell reported that his office had handled \$62,280.69 in disbursements and \$48,685.61 in capital investments.

However, another great moment in history was witnessed at this session. The auditorium was filled to capacity as Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., enjoyed his finest hour.

I am sure that I need not remind this convention that this was to be the last time that this modern Moses was to address a Convention of National Baptists. For as he stood on the balcony of a Memphis, Tennessee, motel, he was felled by an assassin's bullet. The heart of humanity came to a complete stop. It appeared that the forces of evil had finally triumphed.

But hear this, the forces of good regrouped and armed themselves with the omnipotent power of God and began to cry out in the name of love. "But let judgement run down as waters and righteousness as a mighty stream."

God had already prepared men of stature who were ready and able to pick up the pieces of a broken nation and move it to ultimate peace. The forces of evil could not know that there were an Abernathy, a Taylor and a Searcy, poised in the wings, just waiting for the command from God.

This session closed the convention voting to hold its Seventh Annual Session in Washington, D. C., the Nation's Capital.

Progressive Baptists from across the length and breadth of this nation

gathered in the Nation's Capital to witness one of the greatest sessions ever held by the Baptist denominations anywhere.

At last, we saw the great democratic principles guarded with vigor. At last, we saw Christian integrity rise up and defy the Prophets of Doom. At last, we saw tenure become a reality. At last, we saw the world's greatest preacher-leader bow to the mandate of a cherished constitutional principle and uttered the words of the greatest Baptist of them all: "I must decrease, but he must increase." With that echo from the prophetic past, the reigns of this great convention were transferred to another man among men. I refer to our illustrious President, Dr. E. R. Searcy.

Brethren, there is no doubt in my mind, we are on our way. The enemy is yet pursuing, but we are on our way. The Prophets of Doom are prophesying on every hand, but we are on our way.

We are on our way because we are obedient to the word of our Lord of Lords and King of Kings. We are on our way because we are persuaded that neither death nor life, nor angels nor principalities, nor power, nor things present, nor things to come, nor height, nor depth, nor any other creature, shall be able to separate us from the love of God.

We are on our way because God is no shorter than his promise. "Go ye therefore and teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost; Teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I command you; And, lo I am with you always, even unto the end of the world."

We are on our way because we're leaning on the everlasting arms. "What a fellowship, what a joy divine, leaning on the everlasting arms. What a blessedness, what a peace is mine, just leaning on the everlasting arms."

Oh, how sweet to walk in this pilgrim way, just leaning on the everlasting arms. Oh, how bright the path glows from day to day, just leaning on the everlasting arms.

What have I to dread, what have I to fear, leaning on the everlasting arms I have peace complete with my Lord so near, just leaning on the everlasting arms."

Brethren, we are on our way.

Respectfully submitted,
M. IVORY JEFFERSON
Historian, Progressive National
Baptist Convention

MINUTES OF THE MID-WINTER BOARD MEETING

of the
Progressive National Baptist Convention, Inc.
JANUARY 20-22, 1970

JANUARY 20 — 4:00 P.M.

The meeting was prefaced by the conducting of devotionals by Rev. R. E. Burley, of New York, and Rev. M. I. Jefferson, of Newport News, Va.

President Searcy then gave words of welcome to the brethren assembled. He solicited for this session the assistance of all who were present, and stated that though we were not working by a formal agenda he hoped we would be led by the spirit and by our needs as of the moment.

Dr. R. T. Andrews, the Chairman of the Committee on Land Purchase for the Convention Headquarters, came forward, after being called by the President, to make the report for his Committee. He stated that he thought no more sites ought to be investigated, and then called for the secretary of the Committee, Dr. Bishop of Detroit, to come forward to give the Committee's report:

PROGRESSIVE NATIONAL BAPTIST CONVENTION

Dr. E. R. Searcy, President

To the President, Executive Officers, and members of the Progressive National Baptist Convention, Inc., now assembled in the extended session in Memphis, Tenn.,
Greetings:

We your Committee on Land Purchase, and Permanent Office for the Executive Secretary, beg leave to submit the following report: The Committee met _____ in Cincinnati, Ohio, to receive and transfer all records of the Progressive National Baptist Convention to the newly-elected Executive Secretary, Rev. S. S. Hodges of Cleveland, Ohio.

Dr. L. V. Booth, the outgoing Executive Secretary, turned over all records to the Committee in perfect order. The Committee then gave the said records to Dr. S. S. Hodges.

Your Committee,

Rev. W. C. Upshaw, Akron, Ohio
Rev. L. V. Booth, Cincinnati, Ohio
Rev. S. S. Hodges, Cleveland, Ohio
Rev. R. T. Andrews, Indianapolis, Ind. (Chmn.)
Rev. W. J. Bishop, Detroit, Mich. (Secy.)

Report continued:

The Committee met at ABC Headquarters in Valley Forge, Pa., at which time the Executive Secretary of the American Baptist Convention met with us and offered office space at their headquarters for our Executive Secretary, Rev. Hodges, and his secretary, for one year gratis, with all equipment being furnished.

On the same day the Committee met at the Progressive National Baptist Convention Foreign Mission Bureau, the Rev. R. A. Cromwell, the Bureau's Executive Secretary, offered office space without charge.

We also have a communication from the Rev. Louis Rawls, of Chicago, Ill., concerning the location in Memphis, Tenn., which we feel will be an ideal place that will accommodate all the meetings of the Convention at the same time.

We therefore request and urge that the Convention will decide where the location will be and the amount of money that we are willing to pay. We can then cease to pay unnecessary funds travelling all over the country for meetings.

We are also requesting that the Convention will refund

the expenses of the following persons who attended the Committee meetings: Rev. R. T. Andrews, Rev. William J. Bishop, Rev. L. V. Booth, Rev. S. S. Hodges, Rev. W. C. Upshaw.

Rev. R. T. Andrews, Chmn.
Rev. William J. Bishop, Secy.
Rev. L. V. Booth
Rev. S. S. Hodges
Rev. W. C. Upshaw

Following the reading of this report Dr. Bishop moved that the report be adopted and approved. Motion seconded by Dr. Brent, of New Jersey. The motion was carried. The Committee was then reappointed by President Searcy to continue its function as regards the purchasing of a Headquarters, there being no objection. There was none, and the Committee was reappointed.

The President then called for the reports of any other committees. There were none. He then called to introduce the President of the Southern Region #2, Rev. Franklin, who then reported for his region. Dr. C. V. Johnson then raised the question as to why Arkansas had been omitted from Region #2. President Searcy responded that this omission could be remedied without difficulty. President Brent, of the Women's Auxiliary, having been present at the Southern Region #2, was called upon to make remarks regarding the work being done by the women of this Region. She stated that she had high hopes for the Region.

Dr. S. S. Hodges was then presented and received a round of applause. The program of the Convention was national in scope, he said. He felt like Abraham, going out he knew not where, but with this Convention as his employer, he was willing to go. Wherever, or whenever as with Abraham of old, he was determined that an altar would be built.

Dr. G. K. Offutt, Chairman of the Publishing Board, then spoke about the relation of our churches to our Publishing Board, and urged that any past due accounts with the Board should be settled.

Dr. C. A. Cherry of South Carolina then spoke about the Centennial of Benedict College in Columbia, S. C., urging the participation of all our churches. Dr. J. E. Kirkland of Philadelphia spoke of the good work of the Regional Conventions, and challenged the need of having our Mid-Winter session.

Following the announcement of the passing of Dr. H. H. Coleman of Detroit, and the illness of a layman attending our session, prayer was offered. The Benediction was then given.

WEDNESDAY MORNING, JANUARY 21, 1970

The Devotional exercises, capably conducted by Rev. V. Simpson Turner, of New York, assisted by Rev. John Williams, of Minnesota, began the Wednesday session of our meeting.

Dr. E. L. Harrison then officially called the house to order. The Convention officers were introduced. Secretary K. L. Moore was then called to read the minutes of the Miami Session. The minutes were then read, but interrupted and ended with the observation by Dr. Harrison, that as the minutes had been read in Miami we could dispense with any further reading at this time. It was so done.

The proposed program was then presented. A motion was made to adopt this program. The motion was seconded. Motion carried. The reading of the treasurer's report was then moved to the Thursday session by common consent.

The registration of delegates was then called for, with Dr. Harrison reminding the delegates that the brethren had been asked to enroll with \$5.00. Following the enrollment of the Mid-Winter delegates, Rev. Banks led the congregation in the singing of "What A Fellowship."

The Rev. W. C. Holmes, Chairman of the Local Committee, was then presented to preside over the Welcome Program. He bid us welcome and stated that our welcome had started on the preceding night with our Pre-Convention musical. Mrs. Helen Barber then spoke eloquently on behalf of the Host Church and its Pastor. Mr. Harold J. Whalum then brought greetings on behalf of the community. Mrs. Dora Walmsley then sang "Blessed Assurance." Following this selection, Councilman Fred L. Davis then brought greetings on behalf of the city. He was followed then by Rev. S. B. Kyles who

spoke on behalf of the Progressive Baptist Council. Mrs. Johnny Ray Bunton then sang "I Trust In God." This concluded the sincere welcome program.

Dr. R. L. Patterson, of Washington, D. C., was then called upon by Dr. E. L. Harrison to give a response on behalf of our Convention. This he eloquently did, with particular appreciation to Rev. Holmes and all the assisting hosts for their welcome and hospitality.

President Searcy then expressed his hope that the delegates would supplement the offering for the two members whose churches had burned. The president then named the Program Committee for the 1970 Kansas session. It was as follows:

Richard Randall (Michigan), Chairman
M. L. Shepherd, Jr. (Pennsylvania)
C. L. Dinkins (Tennessee)
J. O. Rich (South Carolina)
S. H. James (Texas)
M. Ivory Jefferson (Virginia)
J. B. Williams (Washington)
H. L. Robinson (West Virginia)
Nelson H. Smith (Alabama)
W. G. McPhee (Bahamas)
Alan Kerry Lowe (Bermuda)
Samuel L. White (Connecticut)
R. L. Rollins (District of Columbia)
S. S. Hodges, Executive Secretary
D. D. Clay (Illinois)
C. E. Thomas (New Jersey)
Wyatt T. Walker, Public Relations Director

Mrs. Henderson, of Georgia, then came forward to speak of the tour being sponsored by President Searcy to the World Baptist Alliance. Following a description of it, she expressed hope that as many as could would join the tour.

Rev. Hamilton of Georgia then was called by President Searcy to speak of the interest of I.T.C. at Atlanta, Ga. Following his remarks, that urged support of the Morehouse School of Religion, we were informed that Rev. Hamilton had been elected to the City Council of Augusta, Ga., and the best wishes of our Convention were expressed by President Searcy. We were then informed that E. C. Smith had been elected a Councilman in Ohio.

Dr. Nichols, the President of the New York State Convention, was then introduced to the body by Dr. Searcy. He then asked each of the delegates present to contribute \$1.00 for our two fellow laborers whose churches had burned, and the brethren responded with \$51.50. The Rev. N. J. Brockman, of South Carolina, then was called for the Benediction.

WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON, JANUARY 21, 1970

The afternoon session of the Progressive National Baptist Convention Mid-Winter session opened with devotions being conducted by Rev. A. A. Wamack. His devotional thoughts were taken from Joshua and Malachi 3. Following an inspired message the congregation sang "Glory to His Name" to the accompaniment of Mrs. G. L. Bowich of Pennsylvania.

President L. Johnson then called for a report from Dr. Hodges in regard to cooperation with the American Baptist Convention. Prior to his giving this report, Dr. Johnson called for Dr. E. H. Tuller, the General Secretary of the American Baptist Convention. Dr. Tuller then brought greetings from the President of their Convention, Dr. Thomas Kilgore, who, he informed us, had been hospitalized but also, fortunately, released. Dr. Tuller informed us that he had come to our meeting to see our response to their desires that our two conventions, the Progressive and the American, should find some areas in which we might beneficially work together. Dr. Hodges then assumed the floor and following remarks read the following:

"A RESOLUTION

"A Resolution from the Progressive Baptist Convention Committee with the American Baptist Convention Committee for developing areas of closer cooperative programs between the Progressive and American Baptist Conventions offers the following resolution:

"Be it resolved that:

"The Progressive National Baptist Convention in Session in Miami Beach, Fla., September 2-7, 1969, go on record as requesting the General Council of the American Baptist Convention to mutually work out with the P.N.B.C. an associate affiliation with the American Baptist Convention. Such an affiliation would make it possible for closer programmatic effort and closer Christian fellowship. It would also make it possible for P.N.B.C. pastors to qualify for retirement benefits under the American Baptist plan. It would further make possible a more creative exchange of P.N.B.C. assets and emphasis with A.B.C. assets and emphasis. At this period in history it is felt that a closer affiliation of these two great Christian bodies will be mutually helpful to both Conventions."

It was moved by Rev. Houston of New York that this report would be received for consideration. Seconded by Rev. Greene of Michigan. Motion carried. Dr. Teller then stated that our discussion was not final but was intended as a means by which we would see what could be done together as we seek to work together. We would begin discussions in the areas outlined and see where we would come out. President Searcy, following a brief discussion, ruled by common consent that we would pursue our discussion with the American Baptists and see what would be brought forth.

Dr. Searcy then made known our need for a Committee on Civil Rights. He named the following Committee members:

R. L. Mitchell, Chairman
S. B. Kyles
J. J. Johnson
L. W. White
R. E. Birley
B. J. Taylor
J. E. Adkins

Dr. D. E. King then came forward to report on the Baptist Progress. He spoke (1) of the problem of getting our materials to the Editor's desk before the deadline. He wanted all material for the May issue in by March 1. Also (2) the addresses of newly enrolled churches were not always available, but where known would be sent copies of the Progress. Also if there were any churches that desired 25 or more copies, a donation for the extra copies would be appreciated.

The President then called for Rev. D. D. Clay to report for the Transportation Commission. Rev. Clay stated that he had met a year previously with the Inter-Church Transportation Commission and had discussed with them a Hotel-Motel Directory. Two hundred copies of these had been distributed to our members. During this current year the Directory had been dropped because 28 of the participating denominations had not responded sufficiently. He stated that the work of the Commission was of value, and any further participation would cost us something. Work was going on to effect a 50% decrease in air transportation. His report concluded, President Searcy inquired as to what these costs might be. Rev. Clay stated that our costs would involve personnel and a possible pooling of \$2,000 in regards to a Hotel-Motel Directory. Dr. Upshaw then moved, and it was seconded, that all of our state Transportation Chairmen would work with our National Chairman. The motion was carried.

Dr. Searcy then called for the report of the Budget Committee. The Chairman, W. W. Taylor, introduced the Committee and then called for the Committee Secretary, Rev. Dudley of North Carolina. The report was then read by the Secretary of the Committee. Following the reading, questions of information were then entertained before the putting of the motion. A motion was then made by Rev. K. L. Moore of Kentucky that report of the Budget Committee would be mimeographed and the discussion on it be continued until the following day's morning session. This motion was seconded by Rev. Hicks of Ohio. The motion was carried.

The President then presented the President of the Women's Convention while she was enroute to the platform, the Rev. Witherspoon of Kansas City, Mo., was appointed to the Budget Committee from the Moderator's Forum. Rev. White, the Host Pastor for our September Session, was then presented

to give us information regarding our visit to the Kansas City, Mo., session in September.

President Brent of the Women's Auxiliary then came before the body to make remarks. She reviewed the founding and history of the Women's Auxiliary, as well as its frustrations. She talked of gaps—assumption gaps, credibility gaps—that had existed, and she said the women were present in this session to be properly instructed as to what was expected of them. The women are ready she said, when the parent body makes clearly known to them where they want the women to go. She stated that thirty-three women had come to this Mid-Winter session at their own expense, and that 168 Missionary Societies had registered and were ready to move when we gave them instructions.

Dr. J. Carl Mitchell then came forward to bring the body greetings.

President Searcy then presented Rev. P. J. Taylor from Kansas City, Mo., who led the devotionals. The congregation sang "Down At The Cross." Rev. Taylor then presented Rev. J. S. Smith, of Alabama, who brought the sermon. His text was found in Acts 17:6. The message he brought was soul-stirring and lifted the hearts of all who were present. The congregation then sang "O How I Love Jesus."

President Searcy then asked Rev. J. J. Johnson of North Carolina, and the President of the Southern Region to preside over the evening session, and Dr. Nichols was asked to preside over the Thursday morning session.

The Benediction was given by Dr. J. Carl Mitchell.

WEDNESDAY EVENING, JANUARY 21, 1970

The evening services began with the conducting of devotions by Dr. T. H. Washington, of Pennsylvania. His presentation was inspiring and uplifting.

President Searcy then called for a report from the leader of Southern Region #1, Rev. J. J. Johnson. At his completion, the president of Southern Region #2, Rev. Franklin of Paducah, Ky., was then called upon to report on his region. Both reports were well received.

Dr. Trapp, of the Foreign Mission Bureau, then came forward to report for the Bureau. He informed the assembly of the regretted retirement of Dr. Cromwell, and the election of Dr. Beatty to the Executive Secretaryship of the Board. He presented Rev. Creal, of Hawaii, to bring remarks, which he did. The achievements of his church, working under difficult circumstances, gladdened the hearts of his listeners. Dr. Trapp then returned to his report and told us of the Bureau's work, and of his visit to Nigeria and Haiti and solicited the help of all our members who were present in the mission work of our Convention. He then presented Dr. Beatty who brought remarks and solicited our prayers.

President Searcy then called for Dr. L. V. Booth to make an appeal for more participation in the V.M.S.P. He stated that the P.N.B.C. has the potentiality for becoming the one black convention excelling in Christian Stewardship. If we will make and keep our pledges, our people will do the same. They learn, he said, by our example. He challenged the Convention in a persuasive manner to support the V.M.S.P. consistently.

The President then called forth Rev. Wordlaw and Rev. Clay, delegates from Illinois. The congregation sang "Is Your All on the Altar." Dr. Hampton then read from Job 38. Following this reading, he introduced Rev. Wordlaw to bring the evening message. Dr. Wordlaw took his text from Job and 1 Cor. 9:15-17. His subject was "A Circumscribed Life." Quietly, calmly, sincerely he led us to high places. The congregation then sang "Where He Leads Me."

The evening's offering was taken, and \$42.40 was received. The passing of brothers John Francis, E. R. Williams, H. H. Coleman of Detroit, and H. H. Simmons of St. Louis was regrettably announced, and following a parting hymn, Dr. Hampton of Illinois gave the Benediction.

THURSDAY MORNING, JANUARY 22, 1970

The morning services began with the singing of the hymn, "Blessed Assurance." Following the reading of the Scripture as found in Mark II, and prayer by Rev. Green of Michigan, the devotional message was brought us by Rev. Franklin of Paducah, Ky. His inspirational message was followed by a hymn.

Dr. Brent then requested remarks from Dr. Varnado of Memphis, Tenn. The minutes of the Board meeting were then read. Subject to correction of the minutes as regards the headquarters location in Washington, D. C., the minutes were received and adopted, following a motion made by Dr. D. E. King, and its second.

Dr. Norsworthy then had questions and comments in regard to our responsibilities to our newly elected Executive Secretary, Dr. Hodges. After some discussion on this subject, the question was deferred.

The President then called for the Treasurer's Report. Dr. A. A. Banks then came forth, and circulated mimeographed copies of his report. After listing certain corrections, that had to do with delayed checks, he proceeded to read the report (which see). Following this report, a motion was made to receive and adopt the report. The motion was seconded. The motion was carried.

Dr. Stamps then came forward to make certain observations which were well received.

Officer Nichols of New York then called for the report of Executive Secretary Hodges. Dr. Hodges stated that the transfer of office had taken place on October 10, 1969. He accounted for his conduct of the office since that time, and stated that he was now ready to do full-time work if this were the desire of the Convention. A motion was made by Rev. Obie Lowe of California to receive and adopt the report, and that we would comply with the specific request of the Executive Secretary. Dr. D. E. King made an amendment to the motion that the Executive Secretary's salary would be paid from January 1, 1970. Seconded by W. A. Jones of New York. Motion carried. Action on the previous question was called for. A substitute motion by W. W. Taylor was made that an executive committee of the Executive Board should meet with the Executive Secretary and a contract be drawn up on a temporary basis to last until we meet in Kansas City, Mo. A substitute motion for the whole that a committee be appointed in this session to meet with Dr. Hodges to work out any needed details. Both substitutes were withdrawn. A substitute motion for the whole, made by Norsworthy of Tennessee, was made that a contract be drawn up, stipulating all that is needed, by our attorney and an executive committee with the Executive Committee. This is to be authorized by the Convention. Motion seconded. Before being put, a substitute for the whole was made by Dr. D. E. King that a special committee be appointed to meet with the Executive Secretary and report back in the afternoon session to the Convention. The motion was seconded. Motion carried. President Searcy then appointed to this special committee D. E. King, Chairman; Upshaw of Ohio, S. S. Hodges, W. A. Jones of New York, C. J. Jackson and Clarence Williams of Brooklyn, N. Y.

President Searcy then called for Rev. Randall to make a temporary report as to the progress of the Program Committee. On the progress a motion to receive and adopt, with the deletion in the program of a question period, or a change from a sermon to a Doctrinal Hour, was made. Motion seconded. Motion carried.

An announcement was then made of the passing of Rev. E. R. Williams of St. Louis, our Mid-Winter host for a number of years. Our sorrow was made known.

The Rev. Obie Lowe came forward to report for the Southwest Region. The Region reported \$110.00 to the Convention. His informal report was approved. Continuing his report, Rev. Lowe reported \$50.00 from the Constitutional Convention. Rev. Lowe was elected President of the Southwest Region and the vote was carried by voice vote.

President Brent of the Women's Convention was then presented and sought to clear up any misunderstandings that existed.

The President of the Eastern Region, Rev. W. A. Jones, was then presented to give a report of his region.

Dr. Edwards, secretary of the Southern Region, then requested that all auxiliary bodies be represented at the regional meetings.

Dr. G. K. Offutt was then presented to give a report for the Publishing Board. He requested that the Convention give authorization to his Board to

cooperate with other denominations (notably the Methodists) in producing a book on the role of the Church in Black America. Also, he said, over \$4,000 was owed the Convention by our churches for literature and urged that payment be made.

Dr. J. Carl Mitchell, the first Recording Secretary of the Convention, was then presented for remarks.

Dr. Charles E. Houston was then re-appointed to serve on the Committee on Christian Education from the P.N.B.C. to the National Council of Churches.

Dr. Edwards was then called upon to make the report for the Department of Christian Education. He told of eleven institutes being held, numerous certificates awarded, and of the work progressing. Moved by Shepard of Pennsylvania to adopt, seconded and motion carried.

The Rev. Curtis Jackson then came forward to present the report of the Fringe Benefits Issue Committee in regard to the Executive Secretary. The report was as follows:

January 22, 1970

"Mr. President and Brethren:

"This is the report of the Special Committee meeting with the Executive Secretary on the matter of Fringe Benefits that are to be provided for the Executive Secretary. Therefore, Mr. President and Brethren, this Committee is pleased to recommend the following:

"No. 1 — Housing allowance inclusive — \$3,000.00 annually.

"No. 2 — Hospitalization and Retirement — \$2,000.00 annually.

"No. 3 — Moving expenses — to be paid to the lowest bidder of three reputable companies.

"Mr. President, officers, and members of the Convention, in accordance with the directions of this body, your committee on Fringe Benefits for the office of Executive Secretary met with S. S. Hodges, and is pleased to submit the above recommendations.

Your Committee,
Dr. D. E. King, Chairman
Curtis Jackson, Secretary
W. A. Jones, Jr.
Clarence Williams
Dr. W. C. Upshaw"

A motion was made by Shepard, of Pennsylvania, to adopt. Seconded by W. A. Jones. The motion was carried.

The Budget Committee then came forward to bring its report. Dr. Gardner Taylor stated, as they came, that he had a check for \$1,000.00 for the work in Nigeria, and solicited in this work the help of the brethren.

Dr. W. W. Taylor came forward, and suggested that our consideration of the Budget be by item, and requested that any really questionable items be deleted and later considered. Reverend Dudley, of North Carolina, the Committee secretary then came forward to read the report. Following the reading, questions were called for. Dr. Gardner Taylor noted that the Executive Secretary's salary was not to be included in the percentage allocation item (No. 6 under new proposals). President Searcy requested the elimination of item No. 5 under New Proposals. He also requested the elimination of item No. 6 under new proposals. Dr. D. E. King suggested the term "sanctifying churches by the word 'classes.'" D. E. King suggested the term "pledge" to replace "class," which would then read Pledge A, Pledge B, etc. President Searcy, following a question from the floor suggested deletion of the following:

Under #3—Home Missions—the item designated NAAPC (because of its smallness).

Under #5—The cooperative Christianity item.

Dr. E. L. Harrison then requested that the Chaplaincy item become \$500. Dr. D. E. King moved the adoption of the presented budget, with readjustments made on the above stated suggestions. Motion seconded. An amendment was made by Dr. Harrison, of D. C., that the #4 item shall read \$150,000, including the ingatherings of the Bureau's yearly campaign. The amendment

was carried. Following a call for the previous question, the motion was put and the motion passed.

President Searcy then added the name of Reverend Charles Dinkins to the Committee on Restructuring.

Reverend W. W. Taylor moved that implementation of this budget would receive top priority by the Executive Secretary. Motion seconded. Motion carried.

A motion was made extending our thanks to the host church and their committee for their fine hospitality by Shepard of Pennsylvania. Motion seconded. Motion carried.

Secretary Hodges gave the following financial report:

Total monies received	\$5,784.25
Women's Auxiliary	596.04

\$6,380.29

Reverend Rich, of South Carolina, then came forward to give the parting prayer, and the mid-winter meeting was concluded.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON LITERATURE

JANUARY 22, 1969

MEMPHIS, TENNESSEE

The Committee on Literature met Wednesday, January 22, Memphis, Tennessee. The composition of the Committee:

G. K. Offut, Chairman, Ky.
Charles Adams, Secretary, Mass.
Rose Butler Browne, N. C.
E. E. Holley, Okla.
Obia D. Lowe, Calif.
R. Robinson, D. C.
H. W. Creevy, Atlanta
W. W. Taylor, Ill.
Harold Carter, Md.
J. T. Reeder, N. Y.
B. W. Smith, Ohio
T. R. Washington, Penn.
C. S. Sanders, S. C.
S. B. Kyles, Tenn.
E. B. Phillips, Wisc.
Members Ex-officio
D. E. King
Wm. C. Upshaw
Minnie L. Bruce
James Thompson

The meeting was called to order by the chairman, who immediately acknowledged the presence of our esteemed President, Dr. E. R. Searcy. Seeking authoritative guidance from the President regarding our function and authority, the chairman posed the following question to the President: "Are we a publishing board?" The President answered, "Yes, that is your function." With this clarification the chairman proceeded with the agenda. The reading of the minutes was suspended. Mr. John English, representing our printer, made two recommendations on procedure:

1. That the Publishing House be authorized to forward directly to the National Treasurer: (a) Convention monies received from the sale of literature, (b) Quarterly statements of monies owed the Publishing House for services rendered.

2. That the National Treasurer be authorized to open a separate bank account for Progressive Literature monies. (These recommendations are more fully stated and explained in enclosure.) After further explanation and discussion, a motion to accept these recommendations for the consideration of the convention was carried without dissent.

Mr. English then explained certain changes in the order blank, etc.: Because the printer prints and distributes 4,000 sets of lesson review sheets quarterly, this item will now be included on the order blank. Also all accounts will now be processed on an I.B.M. computer. Each church will be given an identification number and must specify to the Publishing House exactly who is authorized to order materials in the name of the church.

The President then called for a study of delinquent accounts. More than \$2,500 is now owing the convention from delinquent accounts. Bear in mind that this is Progressive National Baptist Convention money and we are responsible for its collection. A motion was carried to refer all delinquent accounts to the committee on Literature for collection.

Mr. English announced that all present users have been listed by states and that the appropriate lists will be made available to the committee members respectively.

Dr. W. W. Taylor eloquently suggested that we make an investigation of the member churches not yet ordering Progressive National Baptist Literature.

Dr. Howard Goddard made an appeal for a more active program of promotion:

258 Churches ordered literature for the January quarter
648 churches registered at Washington D. C. (1968)

1,000 churches and more are registered with the Convention \$17,500 is the estimated profit to convention from sale of literature during 1968.

We are achieving $\frac{1}{3}$ of our present potential. There are four types of churches all of which represent the growth potential of untapped resources (1) Users who use Progressive publications partially in certain departments (2) Users who order David C. Cook literature but have not yet transferred their orders to the Progressive National Baptist Convention order blanks. Even though they are Progressives, their orders bring no profit to the Convention. (3) $\frac{2}{3}$ Progressive Churches are not using our literature at all (4) Potential users of other denominational affiliations.

Dr. Goddard stated what the printer was able and willing to do to help us increase our market of sales:

- (1) Supply all the order blanks we need.
- (2) Supply all the sample request cards.
- (3) Make available out-dated literature for distribution at State Conventions
- (4) Make available portable display exhibits for large deliberative bodies.
- (5) Do whatever requested whenever and wherever possible: hold workshops, consultations, etc.

The chairman called for a budgetary recommendation regarding "Baptist Progress":

Cost of printing	\$2,800
Editor's office Expenses	1,800
	\$4,600 Total

A motion was carried to request this amount from the Budget committee for the operating expenses of our official Convention quarterly.

The chairman then advised that the work of the committee on literature is too weighty to be executed effectively by a bulky, undifferentiated, and inactive committee. He advised the election of an Executive Committee to meet quarterly and to hold its first meeting in Chicago to examine the plan and all operations involved in the production of our literature. A motion prevailed to establish an Executive Committee and the following persons were elected thereto: G. K. Offut, C. G. Adams, D. E. King, H. W. Creedy, W. W. Taylor.

It was further moved and carried that the Budget Committee be requested \$1,000 for the functioning of the Executive Committee. The motion prevailed without dissent. The Chairman suggested that two sub-committees be named: (1) a committee on upgrading and expanding the literature. (2) A committee on promotion and circulation.

An appropriate motion was carried to the effect that such committees be created. The following persons were elected to serve on the committees:

I Committee on Upgrading and Expanding:

- W. C. Upshaw, Chairman
- Harold Carter
- J. T. Reeder
- B. W. Smith
- Rose Butler Brown

II Committee on Promotion

- E. B. Phillips, Chairman
- S. B. Kyles
- Obia Lowe
- C. S. Sanders
- T. R. Washington
- E. E. Holley

The meeting was adjourned.

Charles G. Adams, Secretary

COMMITTEE ON RETIREMENT

REVEREND C. J. JACKSON—Ohio
REVEREND D. N. CONNERS—Florida
REVEREND CURTIS KYLES—Washington, D. C.

FINANCE COMMITTEE

L. G. ALFORD—Chairman
D. L. MOTLEY
JOHN F. WILLIAMS
S. S. HODGES
C. A. CHERRY
DELORES NEHEMIAH

The following Committee on the Supreme Court was then appointed by Moderator Searcy:

1. E. L. SITTON—New York, Chairman
2. KENDEL SMITH—New York
3. J. O. RICH—South Carolina
4. DAVID CARTER
5. M. J. JEFFERSON—Virginia
6. GEORGE DUDLEY—North Carolina
7. W. C. SMITH
8. L. W. WHITE—Washington, D. C.
9. DR. UPshaw—Ohio
10. RICHARD RANDELL

DEPARTMENT OF CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

S. D. EDWARDS, Secretary

ANNUAL REPORT OF OUR CHRISTIAN LEADERSHIP EDUCATIONAL WORK

SEPTEMBER 16, 1968 through AUGUST 31, 1969

Number of Deans Certified during this period	41
Number of Deans previously Certified as Divisional Deans	67
Total number of Certified Deans at present	108
Number of Schools and Institutes Certified	41
Number of Instructors Certified during our Convention Year	127
Number of Previously Certified Instructors whose Certification was still accredited throughout our Conventional Year	143
Total Number of Certified Instructors to date	270
Number of State Directors Certified	11

CREDITS ISSUED DURING OUR CONVENTION YEAR ENDING AUGUST 31, 1969

Basic Courses known as "A" Courses	180
"B" Credit Cards issued	1811
	1891

During our Convention Year Ending August 31, 1969, there were 1891 Credit Cards issued.

There were 780 Credit, that is, "B" Credits issued in Our National Congress of Christian Education in Highland Park, Michigan in June, 1969, and 61 Certificates of Progress. The Certificates issued included: 21 First, 18 Second, 12 Third and 8 Advance.

Throughout our Constituency, we issued 53 other Certificates which included: 26 First, 16 Second, 8 Third and Three Advance. The State of Mississippi led all states in Certified work in our Convention. There were 13 Certified Schools during our Convention year with 643 credits issued. There were 24 Certificates of Progress issued in the state of Mississippi. The Rev. C. A. Cade, the new State Director for Mississippi, is doing an excellent job as state Director. Dr. D. D. Clay, of Chicago, state Director for the state of Illinois, is being awarded the 1968-69 "Marshall A. Talley Award as the most outstanding state Director for our Convention year. Mr. Leo Tinson, of Los Angeles, Calif., is being awarded the 1968-69 "Marshall A. Talley" Award as the most outstanding Dean of our Convention Year. The State of Mississippi is awarded the 1968-69 "Marshall A. Talley" Award as the most outstanding state in Leadership Education during our Convention Year. The Metropolitan Baptist Church of Los Angeles, Calif., is being awarded the 1968-69 "Marshall A. Talley" Award as the most outstanding Church in the awarding of accredited cards and certificates during our Convention Year.

The Division of Christian Education of the National Council of Churches is looking to our office for the creation of the courses which we need for our constituency since it no longer serves in the field of crediting new courses. Our office has created over 23 new accredited courses within the last few years.

PROPOSED RESOLUTION ON HAYNESWORTH'S APPOINTMENT TO SUPREME COURT BY PRESIDENT NIXON

The Progressive National Baptist Convention Documents its opposition to the nomination of Mr. Justice C. F. Haynesworth of South Carolina to the Supreme Court of the United States.

This Convention was organized because we believed in the dignity of man and his right to Justice under the law.

We have watched with interest the progress of Human Rights over the past decades. We have seen the Rights of the Blackman elevated from the pig-pens of despair to the heights of Human understanding. This progress was made largely through the efforts of those who utilized the courts to secure due process of Law. It was in this branch of government that Human dignity emerged, and came to the forefront.

It is for this reason that this Convention is vitally concerned with the nomination of Mr. Haynesworth to the Highest Court of our Land.

At this time we express our uncompromising opposition to this appointment. It is our considered opinion that this nomination by the present administration is a political pay-off to the Southern Power Structure and therefore represents a political "Kick-in-the-teeth" to Black Americans. It is our further opinion and position that the Haynesworth nomination is the product of an organized conservative conspiracy to defeat and hold back Black progress from the Bench of the Supreme Court for many years to come.

We submit therefore that the Judicial reputation and background of Mr. Haynesworth is of such that it does not lend itself to the dispensing of Justice without regard to race, creed or natural origin.

We therefore urge that fair-minded and righteous thinking Americans over the length and breadth of this country rise up En Masse to oppose this political extortion.

The following recommendations are herewith submitted:

1. That this Convention send delegations to Washington, D. C., to oppose nomination of Mr. Haynesworth.
2. That we request an opportunity to be heard before the Judiciary Committee to make known our opposition to the nomination.
3. That this Convention urge SCLC, the NAACP, the Urban League, and other Civil Rights Organizations to organize programs of direct action in the District of Columbia in opposition to said nomination during the hearing of the Judiciary Committee, and the Senate.

Respectfully Submitted,

Dr. E. L. Sifton (New York), Chairman
Dr. J. O. Rich (South Carolina)
Dr. George Dudley (North Carolina)
Dr. L. W. White (South Carolina)
Dr. M. I. Jefferson (Virginia), Secretary
Dr. A. Kendal Smith (New York)
Dr. David Carter
Dr. W. C. Smith (Georgia)
Dr. Upshaw

SPEECH BY DR. RALPH DAVID ABERNATH
President of the Southern Christian Leadership Conference
TO THE PROGRESSIVE BAPTIST CONVENTION

MIAMI, FLORIDA — SEPTEMBER 5, 1969

To the President of this great Convention, the Rev. Dr. Searcy, and to all the Officers of the Progressive Baptist Convention, to my fellow brethren and pastors in the high Christian calling of the Baptist ministry, and to all the delegates, visitors and friends, and especially so many of you such as the Rev. Dr. Wyatt Walker, the Rev. Dr. Thomas Kilgore, and so many of you whom I have known as comrades and co-workers in the Civil Rights Movement with Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., and myself, to all of you, I state that it is a great source of personal pleasure for me to be here with you and to be welcomed in this august assembly.

This year's Progressive Baptist Convention has before it a great and challenging theme. That theme is: Church Renewal in a Revolutionary Age. That theme is very related to my subject this evening which is:

A CHALLENGE TO BLACK CHRISTIANS

Today we live in a state of revolutionary and acute black consciousness. Our ears are constantly bombarded by the cries for black power and separation from whiteness. Even if we do not agree with such sentiments, we must find them understandable. This is so, if we look at such sentiments from the perspective of history.

Black people in America for too long have been a powerless and a separated people. As a people without power — we have been subjected to every type of brutality, including enslavement, lynching, segregation, ghettoization, that the white man felt big enough and wicked enough to inflict upon us.

Such powerlessness started in the beginning, way back in 1619, when the first of some fifty million blacks were left upon these shores, snatched against their wills from their native Africa, and brought here shackled in chains, to be slaves for life. The transplanted and powerless Africans found themselves robbed of their language, stripped of their culture and bought and sold like cattle up and down the river.

Little substantial change in the plight or the power situation of the black man came with 1863 with the Emancipation Proclamation; or in 1865 with the victory of the North over the South in the Civil War. This was so, because the slaves had been set free with no wherewithal, no political or economic power; without the promised 40 acres and a mule; without jobs or property; without political recourse or legal redress to protect themselves, and so the newly freed black man was subject to be blown every "whichaway" by every wind, by every storm which arose.

Thus, it was not long before a state of semi-slavery and a reign of white supremacy and racist terror prevailed across the Southland. Northern white indifference and callous concern for industrial profits coupled with Southern white cruelty exhibited by such groups as the Ku Klux Klan and the Knights of the White Camellia made the lynch rope and hanging tree the "de facto" law of the day. The way of segregation (which in reality was nothing but white supremacy) became officially the law of the land when the United States Supreme Court rendered the *Plessy versus Ferguson* decision in 1896 which said in effect white folks could separate themselves from black folks in everything as long as they kept things equal. Well, we all know that for the next 60 years the white power forces practiced plenty of the separate while we still "ain't" seen any of the equal yet. And because we had no black power we had to come through a long night of history in which all the forces of white power in the society joined together to make it so that, "if you were white you were alright — if you were brown, you could stick around — but if you were black, you had to stay back" . . . or get kicked down . . . or get hung . . . or get shot in the back.

Lacking power we soon came to lack pride in ourselves, in being black. Today, the young black people, our sons and daughters, all over America are rebelling against our historic powerlessness, our historic lack of pride. Their dress styles, their Afro hair styles are saying clearly in accents, I agree

that black is beautiful and it is so beautiful to be black. I agree with them wholeheartedly when they chorus out loud — "I am black and I am proud."

I cannot buy the theory of black separatism because my eyes and your eyes and our forefathers' eyes and lives saw the inherent evil of too much racial separatism which led to nothing but white supremacy and racial inequality. But I do believe in black power. Black power for too long has been misinterpreted. Black power in its proper interpretation has to do with gaining and maintaining political and economic power for black people just like other people enjoy, such as Jewish people, Italian people, Irish people, the white, Anglo-Saxon Protestant, etc. What I am calling for is a just distribution of power in America so that black people too will be able to sit down at the banquet table of opportunity and prosperity and get their fair share of the American pie.

When I speak of black power I have in mind the just distribution of the political and economic resources of the city, the county, the state, the nation. We are just now beginning to see a new day for black power expressed politically in such places as Gary, Ind.; Cleveland, Ohio; Flint and Highland Park, Mich., where there are black mayors; and in Green County, Ala., where with the strong support of the Southern Christian Leadership Conference, the black people who constitute a majority in Green County were able to elect across the board a whole slate of county officers. That's my kind of black power and there in Green County the county bosses are truly black and beautiful.

I am also an advocate of economic black power. I believe in the kind of black power that will bring green dollars and cents into the black community. It's a power we are going to have to fight for. Because nobody — and especially the white man who has made money his idol god — is going to give up economic power without a struggle. But we can win, if we fight hard and fair, and fight nonviolently. Charleston, S. C., proves that. That is where SCLC and the local people working together won the right of union recognition for hospital workers and the right for better wages, decent hours and working conditions.

In fact, in the Southern Christian Leadership Conference, we have an entire department, Operation Breadbasket, our strong economic arm, which works to bring dollars into the black community by gaining more and better jobs for black people and by developing the economic institutions in the community which are owned and operated by black people.

Such power in the black community, such wholesome, dynamic black power will put the black man at long last into the mainstream of American life. Such black power will let a man stand on his own two feet. Such black power will allow a man to support his family. Such black power will enable us to support and develop the institutions of our own community such as the church and the school and our businesses. Such black power will help us take our rightful place in the sun and stand up like the children of God that we are.

God sent me here tonight as a black prophet, and I am black and proud to be black . . . and I am a prophet. I stand as a prophet called by God and given a vision of the future and a testimony about how to get to the Promised Land. And with your permission I would like to take a few more minutes and prophesy much like the rugged prophets of old.

I do not come as some smooth-skinned, smooth-talking, but forked-tongued Jacob, but rather I come like some rugged, bare-footed Amos come to set the record straight, come to take the measure of things, come to set down a plumb line for justice. Or I come like a weeping Jeremiah who stood and looked at the battered and broken walls of his beloved Jerusalem and wept at the plight of the city and the nation.

In fact I stand tonight like an Isaiah, peering through the cloudy vistas of time and eternity, seeing a brighter day ahead, seeing the powerful Uzriahs and Caesars and Pharaohs of this world laid low, and when the Kingdoms of this world have become the Kingdoms of our Lord and of His Christ and he shall reign forever and ever, amen.

I stand tonight like Ezekiel of ancient times who looked and saw a wheel turning in the middle of a wheel. And tonight I see the little wheels of

repression and oppression and the little wheel of injustice going 'round and 'round, but I know that there is a bigger wheel and that is the wheel and will of God. And I know that the big wheel controls the little wheel. I know that everything that moves in the universe must flow to the will of God. And because I am on the Lord's side and because He is on my side, I'm going to stay within the purpose and center of God's will.

I believe that brother Jim Foreman was acting in the center of God's will a few Sundays ago when he walked into New York City's magnificent Riverside Church and symbolically told the white American churches that they had been tried in the balance and found wanting. I know that many of us as black Baptists disagreed with his tactics because we have always viewed the church and the Sunday service as immune from disruption and the place where the clergyman reigns almost supreme. But no matter what you think of his tactics, one must admire his philosophy if you have moral concern. Jim Foreman's ultimate concern—his philosophy at bottom—just as it was when we marched together in Albany, Birmingham, Selma, in the Mississippi Delta, had to do with justice, had to do with redistribution, with reconciling black and white, with reparations for the wounded, with setting the record straight.

For there can be little doubt that the white American churches have failed in their calling. So often they have given the green light to the social evils of our society such as slavery and segregation. So often by their silence they have allowed the right to suffer wrong, and the truth to be on the scaffold while wrong was on the throne. While poverty and hunger and need and disease stalked the world, the white churches of America closed their doors, pulled blindfolds down over their eyes, and lifted up sterile hymns in the tabernacles while they piled up mountains of wealth and gold which rose to kiss the sky.

As I pointed out in Christian Century magazine not long ago, much of the wealth of the white church has come from investments in stocks and bonds, some of it in South African investments, draining away the livelihood and the lifeblood of our black brothers; also in Latin American investments where U. S. companies are raping the land of much of its wealth while millions of Latin American children have no access to schools or medical facilities; and in investments in such companies as Dow Chemical, Litton Industries or Lockheed whose products create a living hell for the poor, yellow, peace-seeking people of Vietnam.

Yes, when the church has started to serve Mammon rather than God, then it is time for Jesus or His disciples to go into the temple and chase the money changers out. And if the prophets won't speak up, then, the Bible tells us, then the very rocks must cry out. I must admit that brother Foreman was in the will of God whether you view him as in the prophetic vein or as a rock that had to cry out.

I come here tonight bringing a message to the black Christian church, even as brother Foreman brought his to the white Christians. I don't come to condemn you, however; I come to commend you on one hand and challenge you on the other.

First of all I want to commend the black Christian church generally and the black Baptist church specifically for many of the things you have done. When the going was rough, when the light was dim, you stood as a lighthouse. When trouble was in the way and the sun was going down, you reminded us that though weeping may endure for a night that joy cometh in the morning. In the darkest hours of the Civil Rights Movement, when 'way down in Mississippi and Alabama, nearly everybody, black and white, feared our coming, the church opened up her doors and offered us their buildings as our meeting houses. As a result, many a house of God was blown to bits by bombs planted by deranged, sick-minded racists.

Then, when our elders grew old and feeble and barely able to stand anymore, it was the church which gave us the inspiring word that there was a land where we will never grow old. But over and above the vision of heavenly glory, the preaching vision of the church's ministers gave us as a race to know that there was a promised land ahead, right on this earth, if we would just stick together, and keep on pushing, and stay in the blessed will of God.

Furthermore, I want to single out the black Baptist church, and give it its flowers right now while all of you can smell them. The black Baptist church has gone beyond the call of duty in providing our race with civic leadership as well as religious leadership in the dark and difficult days gone by. If you just look at the record, if you call the roll, you'll find out that Booker T. Washington was a Baptist, George Washington Carver was Baptist, Mordecai Johnson and Howard Thurman were Baptists. Dr. Benjamin Mays, C. K. Steele, Fred Shuttlesworth, Gardner Taylor, Wyatt Tee Walker, Walter Fauntroy, Thomas Kilgore, and those great martyrs to our holy cause, Medgar Evers and Martin Luther King, Jr., were all Baptists.

Then, on the feminine side of things, so much of our race progress must be attributed to the sterling roles of black Baptist women such as Mahalia Jackson, Nannie Helen Burroughs, Henrietta Gibbs, Mrs. Minnie Bruce, U. M. Arbouin, Beulah Brent, and Coretta Scott King, right on down to the young generation and the likes of Aretha Franklin singing out about "freedom" and "respect" and herself Baptist bred and born, and the daughter of one of our finest gospel preachers, the Rev. C. L. Franklin of Detroit's own New Bethel Baptist Church.

Yes, the black Baptist church has been in the front line, doing battle for the Lord over the years. But the fight goes on—O Christian soldiers. And the challenge still comes ringing down from the portals of glory for us to keep on fighting the good fight, to keep on keeping the faith, to finish the course. My dearest friend and leader, Martin Luther King, Jr., told us just before he finished the course, and laid down his cross for a crown, that there would be some difficult days ahead, but he went on to say too—that from where he stood on that mountaintop he could behold the Promised Land just before us and that we as a people would surely get there.

And so I come to challenge you this evening to continue to do battle for justice. I want to make three brief points in closing. The first is to challenge you to become **prophets of protest**. Secondly, I challenge you to become beacon lights of hope, bearers of the cross, and captains on the battlefield. Finally, I call upon you to be skillful navigators of the Old Ship of Zion which we must sail on to reach the promised land of freedom.

First, you must become prophets of protest. You must speak out against evil wherever it may rear its ugly head. This means, for example, when you see people starving while others are being paid not to farm or to kill hogs, you have to **protest against such evil**. Pharaoh Eastland, for example, is paid 16,000 dollars a month not to farm while little black children in Mississippi are going hungry and suffering from malnutrition. Prophets of protest must rise and stand against this. The gross national product in America approaches a trillion dollars (that is one thousand billion which makes a trillion), while this country acts like it can't find a way to get more than 75 cents a day for food per person into the hands of a welfare family. Prophets of protest must rise and stand against this.

The United States just paid the cost of the most expensive round trip ticket in history, 24 billion dollars, 12 billion per ride, just to get two boxes of rocks and to allow a man to step down on the moon, yet seemingly we can't put a poor man on his feet on earth or get a prospective breadwinner across town from the ghetto to a factory or a decent job in the construction trades. In this country more than 79 per cent of the federal budget goes to defense and for killing in a Godless and senseless war in Vietnam, while anti-poverty, education and medical care programs go begging here at home. Prophets of protest must rise and stand against such.

Ring down through the ages comes the cry of the risen Jesus saying to Peter who had denied him . . . Peter, do you love Me? . . . If you love Me, feed My sheep. When Peter accepted that cross, then, he had the faith against which the gates of hell could not prevail. When Peter accepted that cross, then he was changed from a character of **sinking sand** to one of **solid rock**. When Peter accepted the challenge to become a prophet of protest and feed the Lord's sheep, then he found he had the keys to the kingdom in his hand.

Yes, I'm calling upon you, black churchmen and women, to feed the Lord's sheep. I'm calling upon you to become agitators for justice, to protest evil wherever it is found. Even if it means going on down to the courts of

Pharaoh, Richard Milhous Nixon, in the White House; even if it means confronting the murderous generals at the Pentagon; even if it means holding up a moon shot down at Cape Kennedy or striding into the Governor's Mansion or down to City Hall to point a finger at Pharaoh, then, prophets of protest you got to get up and go.

You have got to be able to point the finger at Pharaoh like Moses of old; like Nathan of old when he pointed his finger at David who had sinned; like Elijah of old who pointed his finger at Ahab and said to the King, "Thou art the one who troubleth Israel." O . . . prophets of protest you got to be able to tell the rulers to feed the sheep, to let my people go.

Secondly, you have got to be beacon lights of hope, bearers of the cross and captains on the battlefield. In other words you have got to be more than just a preacher. You have got to be a leader and an activist as well. For Jesus has well said, "Be not hearers of the Word only, but be ye doers." That is why the poet has written, I would rather see a sermon than to hear one every day.

In these times of repression, in these times of tribulation, the people need a hope, the people need a light, and God needs a messenger and warrior on the battlefield. I know that the road is rocky, but you have got to say, like Isaiah, "Here am I, Lord, send me. I'll go."

Sometimes, you may not be able to see a way out but you have to say, "Here am I, Lord, send me." It was like that for me 'way back in Montgomery in '55 when Martin Luther King, Jr., needed a brother and companion. I didn't know what the end was going to be, but I found the inner strength to say, "Here am I, Lord, send me." It was like that for me that awful evening on a balcony in Memphis as I watched the precious blood of life gushing from Martin Luther King, Jr.'s wound. I knew that nobody would ever be able to replace him; I knew that the movement faced difficult days ahead, but, then, I lifted up my eyes to the hills from whence cometh my help; I looked up to God and said, "Here am I, Lord, send me." So I challenge you, today, to take up the cross, Progressive Baptists. I know it's an old rugged cross, but you have got to bear it, if you want to exchange it some day for a crown as Jesus did, as Medgar Evers did, as Martin Luther King, Jr., did.

In my conclusion, He's calling you, Christian soldiers, to be skillful navigators of the Old Ship of Zion as we sail across the chilly Jordan streams bound for the Promised Land. It means that you will have to deal with the stormy winds and the dashing waves, but you have got to sail on anyhow. Sail on until every mother's child is fed. Sail on 'til every daddy's child has shoes on his feet. Sail on until finally men will beat the swords into plowshares and study war no more.

How, then, can you become skillful navigators? Let me give you some specifics — you can support and join the Southern Christian Leadership Conference. You can initiate projects in your local church. For example, you could set up an annual Martin Luther King Sunday in your church and raise an offering and send it to us in Atlanta to help us fight in the nonviolent, creative way for which Dr. King died. We don't need monuments of brick and steel for Martin's memory; rather, we need to do what Dr. King would have us do, such as feed the hungry, clothe the naked, take care of the orphan, set the captive free.

I challenge you not only to put SCLC in your church budget, but in the budget of this Convention, of your State Conventions and your District Associations. Then, too, each church should set up a Social Action Committee to fight for justice in your own community, and help us push for such things on the national level as the establishing of Martin Luther King's birthday as a national holiday.

I'm challenging you, finally, not for your money . . . I know that we don't have much of that. But I'm challenging you to develop soul power. All of us can have soul power.

Soul power is something that nobody can take away from you — not Pharaoh Nixon, not Governor Wallace, not Mayor Daley, not the policeman with his pistol and tear gas, not James Earl Ray lurking in the bushes at the bottom of the mountain.

I saw soul power in action one day in Birmingham and found out that Bull Connor's water hoses couldn't put out its fire. I saw soul power in action one day in Selma on the Edmund Pettis Bridge and found out that the Jim Clarks and the night sticks couldn't hold it back.

But I had heard about soul power a long time before that. My Mama told me that soul power went with three boys into the fiery furnace . . . three boys whose names were Shadrach, Meshach and Abednego.

I am glad to be with you on this mountaintop here tonight. It's good being at the convention and it is intoxicating enjoying your fellowship and beholding the beautiful scenery and waters of Miami and Miami Beach. But the Lord is calling me and you back down into the valley. For the valley is where the people are. The valley is where the problems are. The valley is where the Pharaohs and dangers wait . . . but still I am going back to the valley. One thing I know is, that if He leads me, I'll go anywhere . . .

To the uttermost parts of the earth . . .
Through the valley of the shadow of death . . .
Through the very pits of hell . . .
This one thing I know . . .
It may be dark or fair . . .
But if Jesus goes with me . . .
I'll go anywhere . . .

RELATIONSHIP of STATE CONVENTIONS to NATIONAL CONVENTION

REV. R. H. MILNER

Everybody knows that a convention is not a person. A convention is an assembly, periodically, of members (who are persons) of a group. We readily see that without people there cannot be a convention. People make a convention!

State conventions come periodically together to form the National Convention. Now because everybody lives in one of the (50) states of our Union, it is assumed that every Baptist who holds membership in a church automatically belongs to a State Convention. The job then of the President of every State Convention is to see to it that a good program of information is established and worked in his state so that every member may become aware of what his convention is all about. THERE IS A GREAT CHALLENGE TO EVERY STATE PRESIDENT TODAY! The word is going around that the churches are losing ground. This could very well be true. Whenever nothing is said from one year to the next about what a group is doing, ground will be lost. So many of our leaders do not buy a postage stamp until a few days before the State Convention. Then the letters begin to roll and leaders become offended when there is no response. WHY CAN'T A JOB OF PUBLIC INFORMATION BE DONE EVERY MONTH? There are services which every State Convention could render, but when a man's mind is small and his perspective is short nothing can be done.

EVERY STATE PRESIDENT SHOULD HAVE A DIRECTORY of his members. HE SHOULD KNOW WHEN and WHERE EVERY ASSOCIATION is meeting. HE SHOULD KNOW SOMETHING ABOUT THE PROGRAM of EVERY PASTOR IN HIS CONVENTION. It would not cost much money to do this small job. It is then the obligation of every pastor to keep his State President informed. State Presidents are not mind readers. Some of us have to come to a National Convention to find out who is dead in our own state.

There are many benefits to be derived from members of state conventions keeping alive within their boundaries. If state conventions would stay intact and in touch, travel expense to and fro to national conventions could be cut. The State President could speak to the air lines and say that we have such and such a number of messengers going here or there and we want a reduced rate. Travel could then be more pleasant and less expensive.

The next benefit of well organized working conventions is that we could save much time in the meeting of the National body. Every State President could have his advance enrollment and submit to the Credentials Committee the proper information concerning his messengers, have his State Secretary pick up the badges and the whole long drawn-out business of enrollment would be cut half-in-two.

Another advantage of well organized working conventions is that every State would have its State Banner placed in any position in the General Assembly approved by the Local Entertainment Committee. As members enter the General Assembly, they could easily see where their fellow-state messengers were and go and sit with them. WHEN THE TIME COMES FOR ROLL-CALL of STATES, no one would have to run outside to find anybody. Everybody would already be together. WE LOSE TOO MUCH TIME!

I SUBMIT THE FOLLOWING SUGGESTIONS

- 1 That this Convention elect or appoint a **DIRECTOR of STATE PRESIDENTS.**

This man's job would be to keep in touch regularly with every State President, securing from him all information necessary—changes in addresses, changes in associations and changes in churches. The information could be kept up-to-date and no one would have to call all over the country to find out somebody's address.

- 2 Leading up to National Convention time, this man could have in his hands all information which the National Convention would need. WE NEED SUCH A MAN in this convention.

I wish that this proposal could take root here and now while we are in Miami

and about November the man elected could send out his questionnaires asking for the information needed. BETTER STILL. If we could get this proposal accepted now, we could leave here having given the man elected the necessary information and all that he would need to do is keep in touch with us to keep his list up-to-date.

WE NOW HAVE A HEADQUARTERS for PROGRESSIVE NATIONAL BAPTIST CONVENTION. Information could be sent directly to the headquarters for parcelling out to the man elected as DIRECTOR of STATE PRESIDENTS.

EVERY STATE CONVENTION SHOULD HAVE A CONVENTION SECRETARY!

I refer to a NATIONAL SECRETARY WHILE THE NATIONAL CONVENTION IS IN SESSION. There is so much running around at our conventions that just about half of us go back home and do not know what happened until we get the papers. If each State would appoint a man or woman to be responsible for attending every session and recording what is happening that is pertinent to state conventions, this would greatly facilitate time lost when we return home. The person appointed for this job must not be a socialite who has to keep "fellowship" engagements. It should be a person who has the time and who is willing to sit still and listen and write.

WE NEED A BETTER DIRECTORY OF ALL MEMBERS OF THIS CONVENTION. I have already said that people make up conventions and if we could get a first-class directory of all of the members of our convention we would not have to worry about finance, the finance would take care of itself, because when we keep in touch with our members and let them know what we are doing, they will automatically see that their support is needed.

Minutes of
YOUTH DEPARTMENT

SEPTEMBER 3-6, 1969 — MIAMI BEACH, FLORIDA

The Young Peoples' Department of the Women's Auxiliary Progressive National Baptist Convention, Inc. held their 5th Annual Session in the Venetian Room of the DiLido Hotel, Miami Beach, Florida, September 3-6, 1969.

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 3

Rev. David Johnson, Presiding. Official opening of the meeting with prayer by Mrs. Flora Smith and Greetings from our National Director, Mrs. Mattie Cross. Theme: "THE ROLE OF CHRISTIAN YOUTH IN A REVOLUTIONARY AGE." Scriptures: Matthew 5:13-16; Eccles. 5:1. Theme Songs: "Stand Up For Jesus," "I Gave My Life For Thee." Spiritual Life Moments were conducted by Mrs. Sarah Robinson and others at each session. Seating of delegates by Mrs. Martha Nichols of New York. Words of Welcome from Miss Barbara Wooden of Miami, Florida. Response by Miss Jo Ann Kirk of Oklahoma.

Forty-minutes were devoted to Departmental Workshops each day. We had special greetings from the President of the PNBC, Rev. E. R. Searcy.

The Introductory Sermon was delivered by Rev. Louis Johnson, Pastor of the Friendship Baptist Church, Detroit, Michigan.

WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON

Miss Seneca Britton, President of Red Circle Presided. Singspiration conducted by Patricia Green and Mrs. Gladys Parker. Special feature, "Sharing of Ideas" Buzz Session led by Mrs. Francine Hurst of Illinois.

Missionary Emphasis—Mrs. Margaret Smith presented three African Students who gave remarks on Missions. We were favored with an instrumental selection, "Just As I Am" by Denise Monson.

The following UNITS gave reports: Clerical, Mrs. Mary Lewis Foreign Mission, Miss Cozetta Cooper, Home Mission—Mrs. Elise Williams.

WEDNESDAY EVENING

Emphasis on Evangelism, Miss Mattie Woodley Presiding. Spiritual Life conducted by Valerie Walker and Mr. Julius L. Moore. Rev. Thomas Spann and Mrs. Rowena White conducted the Testimonial Period. Greetings were given by our Regional and State Directors. Special Reading: "MY LAST LETTER TO MARTIN," by Miss Vickie Miles of Oklahoma City.

THURSDAY MORNING

Mrs. Mary Ella Lewis, President of Matrons Presided. Singspiration by Miss Jean Warren and Mr. Clinton Thurman. We received greetings from the President of the Women's Auxiliary, Mrs. Minnie L. Bruce.

UNITS in action: Education—Mrs. Ghita Williams and Mrs. Juanita Clemons, Courtesy—Mrs. Willie Gentry and Mrs. Ernestine Britt. Social—Miss Vivian Turner and Mrs. Mable Black, Music—Mrs. Merdean Fielding and Mr. Joseph Smith, Literature—Mrs. Hattie Battist and Mrs. Sammie Claiborne, Rev. Melvin Banks of Scripture Press talked about Books of Interest to Young People.

Recognition of all June Graduates by Mrs. Luella Dunn.

Exploration of the Theme: "THE ROLE OF CHRISTIAN YOUTH IN A REVOLUTIONARY AGE"—Rev. David Johnson, Moderator. Speakers:

1. Miss Cathaline Gray, Illinois—Future Outlook-Vocations
2. Miss Pauline Mosely, New York—Spiritual Values
3. Mr. Michel Foster, Michigan—Authority-As I See It
4. Miss Mattie Woodley, Michigan—Afro-American Culture
5. Miss Angela Monson, Oklahoma—Vietnam War

Summary by the Moderator.

Duel by Yvette and Yvonne Clay, Chicago, Illinois

THURSDAY AFTERNOON

The Young People met with the Parent Body to hear President Minnie L. Bruce's farewell message. Following her message we participated in the Social Hour. The Young People Highlighted the Social Hour by "Honoring" President Bruce with 51 Red Roses representing the 50 states and the District of Columbia.

THURSDAY EVENING

This also was a joint meeting with the Parent Body. The Progressive Youth Choir, Mrs. Merdean Fielding, Director, rendered three selections before President Searcy gave his annual address.

FRIDAY MORNING

Mr. Dwight Lowe, Presided. After the Singspiration and devotion we listened to the reports from the Departmental Workshops.

Sunshine Band	Mrs. Norma Lewis, Counselor
Red Circle	Mrs. Doretha Hudson, Counselor
Young People	Mrs. Jacqueline Washington, Counselor

Matrons	Mrs. Ella Watkins, Counselor
Directors' Seminar	Mrs. Cornelia Clay, Counselor

Mrs. Hazel Baskerville Nelson delivered an inspiring and challenging Educational Address. Following were reports from our Regional Counselors Southern—Mrs. Elise William; Midwestern—Mrs. Sallie Labon; Eastern—Mrs. Martha Nichols; Western—Mrs. Luella Dunn.

FRIDAY AFTERNOON

Mrs. Annette Bradford, Presiding—Session held with the Women. Our Junior Presidents gave their Annual Addresses; Namely: Miss Seneca Britton, Rev. David Johnson and Mrs. Mary Ella Lewis. Special Public Offering for the Youth LaVada Lee and Samuel Boone.

Recess We went on a Sightseeing Tour of Beautiful Miami

FRIDAY NIGHT

Mrs. Dora Brown, Vice President of Matrons Presided.

The Young People had a "Sing Out" and a Glorious Testimonial Service. The Matrons presented a "Drama," "A PORTRAIT OF A WOMAN."

Mrs. Mary Ella Lewis, and Mrs. Watkins Coordinators, Mrs. Ollie Woodall played the role of the Woman and many other Matrons participated in the drama.

Finance and Enrollment Committee gave their report from Wednesday, Sept. 3 through Friday, Sept. 5, 1969: Churches and Auxiliary enrolled 78, Districts 4, Regions 4, State Conventions 7. Total amount of finance received—\$1,514.55. Matrons \$150.00 towards Nurses' salary. The session closed with encouraging remarks from our Director, Mrs. Cross, with everyone reading the closing thought, "LET YOUR LIGHT SO SHINE BEFORE MEN, THAT THEY MAY SEE YOUR GOOD WORKS, AND GLORIFY YOUR FATHER WHICH IS IN HEAVEN." Matt. 5:16.

Chain of Youth—Picture of a square frame by joining hands as Rev. Thomas Spann offered a prayer of rededication and consecration; Thus ended the fifth annual session of the Youth Department with all singing "AMEN, AMEN." ! ! ! ! !

Mrs. Mattie Cross, National Youth Director
Miss LaVada Lee, Recording Secretary
Mrs. Minnie L. Bruce, President Women's Auxiliary
Rev. E. R. Searcy, President Progressive National Baptist Convention, Inc.

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Key to Symbols:

§ Churches who did not register at the 1969 Miami Convention
† Churches who registered at the 1969 Miami Convention
* New Churches registered at the 1969 Miami Convention

Minister	Church	Address	City
ALABAMA			
§ Bell, Rev. D. R.	Second Mt. Triumph	Rte. 5, Box 330	Everett
§ Bell, Rev. D. R.	St. John	Rte. 5, Box 330	Everett
§ Bell, Rev. D. R.	First St. Silas	Rte. 5, Box 330	Everett
§ Chapman, Rev. T. C.	St. Peter	230 Lake St.	Fort
§ Cobb, Rev. G.	First Baptist	160 — 1st St.	Hirmingham
§ Glover, Rev. W. V.	New Virgin	814 Clay St.	Montgomery
§ Harney, Rev. B. J.	Greenwood	Box 1111	Tuskegee
§ Hawkins, Rev. H. J.	Martinez	Rte. 6, Box 45	Evergreen
§ Hawkins, Rev. H. J.	First Baptist	Rte. 6, Box 45	Evergreen
§ Hayes, Rev. E. A.	First Baptist	219 — 11 Court, W	Birmingham
§ Hobbs, Rev. M. L.	Union	207 S. Frazier Ave.	Andalus
§ Hobbs, Rev. M. L.	Second Martine	302 S. Frazier Ave.	Andalus
§ Hobbs, Rev. M. L.	Greater Pine Grove	302 S. Frazier Ave.	Andalus
§ Jones, Rev. E. Q.	Adams Street	1237 E. Adams St.	Bethel
§ Joseph, Rev. R. H.	First Baptist	180 — 9th St., W.	Birmingham
§ Lewis, Rev. W. L.	Mt. Carmel	Apt. 11, Bullwood Rd.	Enterprise
§ Marshall, Rev. L. F.	Bethlehem	Rte. 2	Abbeville
§ Mullins, Rev. R. C.	Greater Springfield	Rte. 3, Box 172	Enterprise
§ Myers, Rev. L. R.	Jerusalem	1441 Bankhead Hwy.	Birmingham
§ Mitchell, Rev. G. W.	Rising Star	511 — 25th St.	Calhoun
§ Pugh, Rev. G. W.	Nora	P. O. Box 231	Huntsville
§ Patten, Rev. W. M.	St. James	P. O. Box 82	Greenville
§ Robinson, Rev. M. L.	Mt. Gilford	Rte. 2, Box 214	Monte
§ Robinson, Rev. M. L.	Friendship	18 Morris St.	Monte
§ Rogers, Rev. T. Y.	First African	2521 Ninth St.	Tuskegee
§ Shappard, Rev. C. J.	Jerusalem No. 1	ca. F. Box 74	Evergreen
§ Simon, Rev. John I.	Forty-sixth Street	1532 (Alpha St., N.	Birmingham
§ Smith, Rev. I. S.	St. Peter	#2 Bankhead Hwy.	Birmingham
§ Smith, Rev. I. S.	New Pilgrim	903 — 6th St., S.	Birmingham
§ Small, Rev. I. R.	Bethlehem	504 Rail Road Ave.	Hamlet
§ Small, Rev. I. R.	St. Louis	441 Edison Dr.	Hamlet
§ Tapp, Rev. C. C., Jr.	Mt. Sinai	Rte. 2, Box 80	Enterprise
§ Thomas, Rev. G. C.	Bethlehem	P. O. Box 125	Enterprise
§ Williams, Rev. E. C.	Mt. Olive No. 1	P. O. Box 131	Enterprise
§ Williams, Rev. E. C.	Bethel	P. O. Box 131	Enterprise

PERSONAL

§ Allard, Rev. Roy A.	704 N. Tenth St.	Flores
§ Edwards, Rev. V. A.	P. O. Box 58	Tuskegee
§ Simon, Rev. I. H.	1532 Calhoun	Birmingham
§ New Weston	Rte. C, Box 93	Evergreen

CONVENTION

§ Hawkins, Rev. H. J.	The Progressive Baptist	Rte. E, Box 45	Evergreen
	Mission & Education Cntr.		
	TOTAL NUMBER OF CHURCHES — 41		

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BAHAMAS			
§ Allen, Dr. W. O.	Calvary Progressive Baptist Assn.	P. O. Box 2706	Nassau
§ Allen, Dr. W. O.	Mt. Calvary	P. O. Box 2706	Nassau
BERMUDA			
§ Hay, Rev. Alan	Emmanuel	P. O. Box 670	Hamilton
	TOTAL NUMBER OF CHURCHES — 2		
CALIFORNIA			
§ Angley, Rev. A. R.	Mt. Herman	2380 W. 132nd St.	Los Angeles
§ Allen, Rev. E. L.	St. James	1745 W. Vernon Ave.	Los Angeles
§ Anderson, Rev. T. M., Jr.	Daguer Williams Trus. Cntr.	1340 W. Adams Blvd.	Los Angeles
§ Anderson, Rev. T. M., Jr.	Ever Faithful	5326 S. Central Ave.	Los Angeles
§ Charles, Rev. H. B.	Mt. Sinai	3781 Highland Dr.	Los Angeles
§ Ford, Rev. James E.	Metropolitan	4200 Hooper Ave.	Los Angeles
§ Hayes, Rev. E. Q.	Greater Bethany	1145 W. 55th St.	Los Angeles
§ Hayes, Rev. J. J.	Second Baptist	2412 Griffith Ave.	Los Angeles
§ Hay, Rev. D. E.	St. James	1745 W. Vernon Ave.	Los Angeles
§ Hay, Rev. D. E.	Mt. Pleasant (Hill)	6204 S. Avalon Blvd.	Los Angeles
§ Hay, Rev. A.	Mt. Olive	9401 Laramie Ave.	Los Angeles
§ Hayes, Rev. J. H.	Emmanuel	275 Divisadero St.	San Francisco
§ Williams, Rev. J. C.	Bethany	2613 Old Oak Rd.	Sonoma
§ Haynes, Rev. M. W.	Bethany	5400 Addison St.	Los Angeles

PERSONAL

§ Haynes, Rev. D.	1228 W. 35th St.	Los Angeles
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ASSOCIATION

§ Harris, Rev. L. J.	Christian Fellowship Assn.	275 Divisadero St.	San Francisco
§ Hay, Rev. J. C.	Metropolitan Bst. Assn.	4200 Hooper Ave.	Los Angeles

CONVENTION

§ Charles, Dr. H. B.	Constitutional State Baptist Conv.	3718 Highland Dr.	Los Angeles
	of California & Nevada		
	TOTAL NUMBER OF CHURCHES — 14		

COLORADO

§ Wilson, Rev. M. C.	Head Hope	920 E. 23rd Ave.	Denver
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PERSONAL

§ Wilson, Rev. M. C.	Head Hope	920 E. 23rd Ave.	Denver
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TOTAL NUMBER OF CHURCHES — 1

CONNECTICUT

§ Carter, Rev. W. L.	Greater Faith Tabernacle	87 Orchard St.	Stamford
§ King, Rev. E. H.	First Baptist	80 Mansfield St.	Hartford
§ McNeill, Rev. Wm.	First Baptist	18 Northfield St.	Greenwich
§ White, Rev. S. L.	Faith Tabernacle	39 Green St.	Stamford
§ Wilson, Rev. A. R.	Union	1915 Main St.	Stamford
	TOTAL NUMBER OF CHURCHES — 5		

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

§ Adams, Rev. W. D.	First Baptist	1217 Princeton St., N. W.	Washington
§ Allen, Rev. A. L.	First Baptist of Georgetown	1000 — 9th St., N. E.	Washington
§ Allen, Rev. W. B.	Spur Road	2714 Minnesota Ave., N. W.	Washington
§ Bennett, Rev. J. L.	Mt. Calvary	301 N. Carolina Ave., S. E.	Washington
§ Bennett, Rev. J. L.	Mt. Zion	1610 New Hampshire Ave., N. W.	Washington
§ Carter, Rev. J. E.	Bethlehem	2458 Nichols Ave., S. E.	Washington
§ Collins, Rev. A. L.	Abraham	4504 Gault Pl., N. E.	Washington
§ Collins, Rev. David	Mt. Zion	1547 "B" St., S. E.	Washington
§ Conway, Rev. W. E.	First Baptist	313 "J" St., N. W.	Washington
§ Conway, Rev. W. E.	First Baptist	2540 "I" St., N. E.	Washington
§ Franklin, Rev. J. A.	Second Baptist	2817 E. Capitol St., N. E.	Washington
§ Haynes, Rev. E. D.	Bethlehem	29 S. Lincoln St., N. W.	Washington
§ Kelly, Rev. C. M.	Reedy	1422 "S" St., N. W.	Washington
§ Kelly, Rev. C. M.	Rock Creek	4381 — 8th St., N. W.	Washington
§ Moore, Rev. C. W.	Pilgrim	916 S. Rhode Island Ave., N. W.	Washington
§ Moore, Rev. C. W.	Walker	2030 — 13th St., N. E.	Washington
§ Morrison, Rev. E. L.	Shiloh	1508 — 9th St., N. W.	Washington
§ Nichols, Rev. W. G.	Purity	1225 Maryland Ave., N. E.	Washington
§ Nichols, Rev. W. G.	Southern Friendship	2519 Central Ave., N. E.	Washington

Minister	Church	Address	City
Brown, Rev. John	Grace and Joy	6333 Wabash St.	Chicago
Brown, Rev. John	Providence	3458 Wabash St.	Chicago
Brown, Rev. R. L.	Pleasant Hill	4526 S. Greenwood	Chicago
Brown, Rev. C. B.	St. of Grace	1245 S. Paulist St.	Chicago
*Butler, Rev. Geo.	First Standard	511 E. 37th St.	Chicago
*Cherry, Rev. W. C.	St. Eagle	4551 S. St. Lawrence Ave.	Chicago
(Clay, Rev. D. C.)	Old Ship of Zion	4727 29 S. Wabash	Chicago
(Clay, Rev. D. B.)	Maryland Avenue	7430 S. Maryland Ave.	Chicago
(Cochran, Rev. H.)	Calvary	265 E. 16th St.	Chicago
*Columan, Rev. P. L.	Big Elm	4501 S. Paulist	Chicago
(Conley, Rev. W. M.)	Southwestern	8640 S. Michigan Ave.	Chicago
(Davis, Rev. Loom)	Douglas Park	1830 S. Kadlin Ave.	Chicago
(Dumont, Rev. J.)	Progressive Evening Church	3354 S. Howard	Chicago
(English, Mr. J. W.)		David C. Cook Publishing Co.	Chicago
*Evans, Rev. C.	Greater Pleasant Valley	2017 W. Woodhams	Chicago
*Fenton, Rev. A. E.	Booth	3408 S. Ellis Ave.	Chicago
*Frazier, Rev. J. L.	New Exodus	1570 E. 75th St.	Chicago
Ferguson, Rev. H. F.	Holy City	1615 W. 13th St.	Chicago
Ferguson, Rev. Henry	New Friendship	8101 S. Michigan Ave.	Chicago
Fisher, Rev. Charles	Jerusalem	4310 S. Westworth	Chicago
*Hampson, Rev. C. S.	Leander's Interceded	1727 Independence Blvd.	Chicago
Hart, Rev. James	Concord	4319-21 S. Kimbark	Chicago
Hart, Rev. L. H.	Free Will	4249 W. Cornish	Chicago
Hartman, Rev. A. P.	Liberty	4716 & Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.	Chicago
Hartman, Rev. J. H.	Live Stone	3101 S. Millard Ave.	Chicago
Hartman, Rev. H. R.	St. Pauline	614 Blackstone Ave.	Chicago
*Johnson, Rev. E. T.	Bethesda	7940 Paulist	Chicago
Hudson, Rev. C. V.	St. Pauline	5417 S. Lafayette Ave.	Chicago
Hudson, Rev. J.	Living Hope	750 E. 100th St.	Chicago
Hing, Rev. Emmanuel	St. Paul	325 W. 100th St.	Chicago
Hing, Rev. D. E.	Monumental	729 Oakwood Blvd.	Chicago
Humbert, Rev. Wm. L.	Greater Mt. Hope	4034-48 Princeton Ave.	Chicago
Humbert, Rev. W.	Hopeful	5347 S. Michigan Ave.	Chicago
Hunter, Rev. G. L.	Pleasant Ridge	2201 W. Adams St.	Chicago
*Hunt, Rev. James A.	Bacon Light	8003 S. Harvard Ave.	Chicago
Huntley, Rev. J.	House of Sharon	3025 S. State St.	Chicago
Hunter, Rev. M.	Greater Hope	5842 S. Shields Ave.	Chicago
*Huxley, Rev. August	Union Hill	4724 W. 13th St.	Chicago
Huxley, Rev. John	Grace Eden	321 E. 67th St.	Chicago
Huxley, Rev. A. W.	Second Baptist	403 E. Elm St.	Chicago
Huxley, Rev. F. L.	St. Stephen	652 E. 92nd St.	Chicago
Huxley, Rev. W. C.	St. John	2011 S. 10th St.	Chicago
Huxley, Rev. Louis	Tabernacle	4130 S. Indiana	Chicago
*Huxley, Rev. L.	Greater Revelation	1513 S. Kenneth Ave.	Chicago
Huxley, Rev. S. J.	Immanuel	229 W. 75th St.	Chicago
Huxley, Rev. H. G.	Progressive	3650 S. Westworth Ave.	Chicago
(Living Associate Pastor)			
Huxley, Rev. C. I.	St. John	4559 St. Lawrence Ave.	Chicago
Huxley, Rev. M. E.	Germania Star	3539 W. 15th St.	Chicago
Hunt, Rev. J. E.	New Silverland	150 S. Campbell Apt. B2E	Chicago
*Hunt, Rev. James	Greater Canon	4239 S. Paulist Ave.	Chicago
Huntley, Rev. C. A.	Holy New Monastery	1519-21 S. Harmon	Chicago
Huntley, Rev. John	Christum	7144-48 S. Halsted	Chicago
Huntley, Rev. W. W.	St. John	1531-33 W. Hastings	Chicago
Huntley, Rev. M.	Pilgrim Post	2901-5 W. Washington Blvd.	Chicago
Huntley, Rev. R.	Good Hope	5115 S. Addison	Chicago
Huntley, Rev. C. C.	St. Pauline	2614 Emerson St.	Chicago
Huntley, Rev. E.	St. Pauline	1531 S. Drake Ave.	Chicago
Huntley, Rev. A. L.	Greater New Mt. Zion	1435 E. 42nd St.	Chicago
Huntley, Rev. C.	First Timothy	786 E. 87th Pl.	Chicago
Huntley, Rev. E. W.	St. John	415 E. 75th St.	Chicago
Huntley, Rev. M.	Greater Mt. Zion	7032 S. Westworth Ave.	Chicago
Huntley, Rev. Adolph	Greater New Hope	705 N. Rockton Ave.	Chicago
Huntley, Rev. G. W.	Ward Chapel	7111 S. Halsted St.	Chicago
Huntley, Rev. C.	New Rising Sun	3901 W. 16th St.	Chicago

Minister	Church	Address	City
Huntley, Rev. H. A.	Grace Zion	3741 Ogden Ave.	Chicago
Huntley, Rev. E. C.	Friendship	4340 Michigan Ave.	Chicago
Huntley, Rev. E. R.	South Park	3723 S. Parkway	Chicago
Huntley, Rev. L. P.	Black Water	4542 S. Paulist	Chicago
Huntley, Rev. Murphy	Calvary	265 E. 16th St.	Chicago
Huntley, Rev. P. M.	St. Helena	3453 W. Douglas	Chicago

PERSONAL

Huntley, Rev. C. W.	Emmanuel		Chicago
Huntley, Dr. E. T.	Original Providence	Box 5023	Chicago
Huntley, Rev. C. S.		1493 S. Austin	Chicago

ASSOCIATION

Huntley, Rev. James	Progressive Baptist Assn.		Chicago
Huntley, Rev. J.	Antioch Baptist Assn.	7701 S. Ridgeland	Chicago
Huntley, Rev. J. B.	Union Bk. Baptist Assn.	4474 S. Ashland Ave.	Chicago
Huntley, Rev. L. C.	Greater New Fellowship Assn.	1202 Oakley Ave.	E. Chicago
Huntley, Rev. E. M.	Bethlehem Baptist Dist. Assn.	518 Arkansas St.	E. St. Louis
		3734 S. Parkway	Chicago

CONVENTION

Huntley, Rev. D. D.	The Baptist State Conv.		Chicago
Huntley, Dr. D. E.	Progressive Baptist State Conv. of Illinois	8001 S. Harper St.	Chicago
		735 Oakwood Blvd.	Chicago

TOTAL NUMBER OF CHURCHES - 73

INDIANA

Huntley, Rev. C. I.	St. Zion	3500 Cleveland Ave.	Indianapolis
Huntley, Rev. A. J.	St. John	1781 Maryland Ave.	Indianapolis
Huntley, Rev. J. H.	Community	2615 Edmund	Indianapolis
Huntley, Rev. V. W.	New Revelation	5140 W. 21st Ave.	Gary
Huntley, Rev. J. H.	Tabernacle	3630 Fern St.	E. Chicago
Huntley, Rev. L. H.	St. Paul	1300-43 Court St.	Gary
Huntley, Rev. E. L.	20th Century	700 W. 11th St.	Gary
Huntley, Rev. H. L.	Baptist	3023-46 Alexander	E. Chicago
Huntley, Rev. A. C.	First Baptist	4248 Mahalia Ave.	E. Chicago

PERSONAL

Huntley, Rev. H. A.	St. Pauline	3014 W. 16th Ave.	Gary
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TOTAL NUMBER OF CHURCHES - 9

KENTUCKY

Huntley, Rev. Arthur	St. Pauline	937 Washington St.	Henderson
Huntley, Rev. J. C.	St. Paul	P. O. Box 316	Lexington
Huntley, Rev. Lincoln	West End	3220 W. Jefferson	Lexington
Huntley, Rev. J. V.	Queen Street	519 E. Gray St.	Lexington
Huntley, Rev. Ben	St. Paul	P. O. Box 3	Paris
Huntley, Rev. W. H.	Fourth Street	817 W. 4th St.	Owensboro
Huntley, Rev. G. H.	St. John	122 Chestnut St.	Lexington
Huntley, Rev. H. B.	St. Paul	2200 W. Walnut St.	Lexington
Huntley, Rev. E.	First Baptist	642 Lincoln Ave.	Lexington
Huntley, Rev. H. I.	Washington Street	721 Washington St.	Lexington
Huntley, Rev. J. C.	St. Paul	901 E. 1st St.	Naperville
Huntley, Rev. J. B.	Partridge	3222 Belmont St.	Lexington
Huntley, Rev. W. J.	Fifth Street	1901 W. Jefferson Ave.	Lexington
Huntley, Rev. E. M.	St. Pauline	188 West 8th St.	Paris
Huntley, Rev. H. W.	St. Paul	100 West 8th St.	Hopkinsville
Huntley, Rev. A. R.	Virginia Street	209 S. Virginia	Lexington
Huntley, Rev. C. B.	Emmanuel	3015 W. Broadway	Frankfort
Huntley, Rev. E. L.	First Baptist	104 Clinton St.	Lexington
Huntley, Rev. H. E.	First Baptist	266 E. 2nd St.	Lexington
Huntley, Rev. G. H.	West Chestnut Street	1725-27 W. Chestnut	Lexington
Huntley, Rev. S. I.	Balding Star	3724 Walnut St.	Hopkinsville
Huntley, Rev. C. E.	Marquise Church	7014 Maple Street	Hopkinsville
Huntley, Rev. J. I.	First Baptist	801 W. Broadway St.	Lexington
Huntley, Rev. J. I.	St. Pauline	801 S. Market St.	Lexington
Huntley, Rev. C. W.	First Baptist	100 S. Market St.	Lexington

PERSONAL

Huntley, Rev. C. W.	St. Pauline	St. Pauline	Lexington
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Minister	Church	Address	City
Childs, Rev. P. H.	State Delegation of Kentucky	101 Chestnut St.	Cincinnati
TOTAL NUMBER OF CHURCHES — 35			

LOUISIANA

1 Bonbr, Rev. J. W.	Morning Star	P. O. Box 291	Hodge
1 Bonbr, Rev. J. W.	Oak Ridge	P. O. Box 291	Hodge
1 Edkins, Rev. T. T.	Bellvue	Drawer E	Hodge
1 Hallins, Rev. E. E.	Greater Magnolia	401 Clark St.	Hodge
1 Patterson, Rev. A.	Pilgrim Way	Rte. 3, Box 56	Calder
1 Rankins, Rev. W. L.	Peter Church	Rte. 3, Box 56	Calder
1 Rankins, Rev. W. L.	Grange Hill	101 S. 20th St.	Moore
		P. O. Box 967	Moore

PERSONAL

Jackman, Mr. Christ			Hodge
TOTAL NUMBER OF CHURCHES — 8			

MARYLAND

1 Corley, Rev. M. A.	New Shield	Freeman Ave. & Lumbard St.	Baltimore
1 Harris, Rev. R. M.	First Baptist		Baltimore
1 Keen, Rev. J. W.	Park Heights	4301 Liberty Heights Ave.	Baltimore
1 Leach, Rev. W. M.	Oak Grove	8303 Craig St.	Baltimore
1 Revely, Rev. W. M.	Nelson	114 Hammond St.	Seal Point
1 Ross, Rev. J. D.	Parker	118 Ritchie Ave.	Crown
1 Smith, Rev. P. A. III	First Baptist	4004 Wallace Rd.	Silver Spring
1 Turner, Rev. S. C.	All Peoples	1070 Fagles Grove	N. Brentwood
1 Turner, Rev. S. C.	Charity	2732 Beryl Ave.	Baltimore
1 William, Rev. H. S.	St. Paul	4107 — 47th St.	Baltimore
1 Wyatt, Rev. J. C.	First Baptist	7409 Sherill Rd.	Hampden
1 Young, Rev. R. L.	Mr. Hope	Imperial P. O.	Chesler County

PERSONAL

1 Corley, Rev. M. A.	New Shield	3501 Sequoia Ave.	Baltimore
1 Dixon, Rev. P. D.		Mo. 7 Carroll Ave.	Baltimore
1 Kitchin, Mr. Willie		221 N. Fremont	Baltimore
1 Payne, Rev. A. J.	Hope	5941 Old Frederick Rd.	Baltimore
1 Smith, Rev. P. III	First Baptist	7836 Courtview Dr.	Groom Bld
TOTAL NUMBER OF CHURCHES — 12			

MASSACHUSETTS

1 Campbell, Rev. J. M.	Metropolitan	777 Shawmut Ave.	Boston
1 Adams, Rev. C. G.	Concord	190 Warren Ave.	Boston
1 McCall, Rev. John W.	Metropolitan	1337 Rex Rd.	Boston
1 Taylor, Rev. P. M.	Epworth	1 Arcadia St.	Boston
TOTAL NUMBER OF CHURCHES — 4			

MICHIGAN

1 Adams, Rev. C. G.	Hartford Avenue	8200 Hartford Ave.	Detroit
1 Bonbr, Rev. A. A. Jr.	Second Baptist	461 Monroe Ave.	Detroit
1 Bishop, Dr. W. J.	Central	3550 Buchanan	Detroit
1 Boone, Dr. T. J.	King Solomon	4125 Fourteenth St.	Detroit
1 Burr, Rev. L. Jean	Calvary	1530 Joseph Campus	Detroit
1 Hunter, Rev. C. W.	New Calvary	3973 Canfield St.	Detroit
1 Coleman, Rev. H. H.	Greater Macedonia	8900 Mack Ave.	Detroit
1 Crockett, Rev. H.	Goodwill	1450 E. Ferry St.	Detroit
1 Evans, Rev. C. L.	Hopewell	3911 Randall	Detroit
1 Edwards, Dr. J. D.	Mr. Zion	3109 Dixiel St.	Flint
1 Gastin, Rev. J. H.	Mr. Calvary	7263 Harper Ave.	Detroit
1 Hill, Rev. C. A.	Hartford	4350 Hartford Ave.	Detroit
1 Hooks, Rev. B. L.	Greater New Mt. Moriah	888 Owen St.	Detroit
1 Johnson, Rev. J. H.	Greater Middle	21304 Hamlin Ave.	Detroit
1 Johnson, Rev. L.	Friendship	7900 Hamlin Ave.	Detroit
1 King, Rev. J. E.	General Temple	331 E. Bathurst	Detroit
1 Moore, Rev. R. P.	New Community	17131 St. Aubin St.	Detroit
1 Oglesby, Rev. J. C.	Greater Christ	3844 Truitt Ave.	Detroit
1 Paris, Rev. J. L.	Shiloh	2037 — 27th St.	Port Hope
1 Patterson, Rev. W.	True Light	900 Thomas St., S. E.	Grand Rapids
1 Randall, Dr. D. M.	Mr. Bethel	20054 Cherrydown	Detroit

Minister	Church	Address	City
1 Anderson, Rev. T.	Western Southern	1303 — 14th at Ferry Park	Detroit
1 Baker, Rev. C. E.	New Light	1700 W. Chicago Blvd.	Detroit
1 Brown, Dr. A. F.	Greater Centennial	12127 Gower Ave.	Detroit

PERSONAL

1 Hays, Rev. J. F.		785 Townsend St.	Detroit
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CONVENTION

1 Hays, Rev. J. F.	Progressive Baptist State Conv.	6906 Burns Ave.	Detroit
1 Hays, Rev. J. F.	at Michigan	25 Ford Ave.	Detroit
TOTAL NUMBER OF CHURCHES — 24			

MINNESOTA

1 Hays, Dr. J. F.	Shiloh	806 Hagan Ave.	St. Paul
TOTAL NUMBER OF CHURCHES — 1			

MISSISSIPPI

1 Chazy, Rev. H. C.	Macedonia	Box 123	Bonnet
1 Chazy, Rev. H. C.	Strangers Home	Box 123	Bonnet
1 Johnson, Rev. J. L.	Pinecrest Spring	Turkey, Box 278	Lawson
1 Jones, Rev. Q. L.	Springfield	403 Rutland St.	Lawson
1 Jones, Rev. Q. L.	South Liberty	1431 Brimley Dr.	Lawson
1 Jones, Rev. A. L.	Pineville Grove	544 S. Farish	Lawson
1 Jones, Rev. B. T.	Friendship	801 Millar Lane	Lawson
1 Knight, Rev. T.	Brown Hill	2013 Union Street	Lawson
1 Knight, Rev. T.	St. Mark	111 Allen St.	Lawson
1 Knight, Rev. T.	Friendship	322 North St.	Lawson
1 Knight, Rev. T.	St. Olive	P. O. Box 344	Lawson
1 Knight, Rev. T.	St. Peter	414 N. Myron St.	Lawson
1 Knight, Rev. T.	New Morning Star	723 Trotter Post Rd.	Lawson
1 Knight, Rev. T.	Brading Ave.	474 Macedonia St.	Lawson
1 Knight, Rev. T.	Calvary	474 Macedonia St.	Lawson
1 Knight, Rev. T.	Seam Star	543 Oak Lane	Lawson
1 Knight, Rev. T.	New Zion	418 N. Colorado	Lawson

ASSOCIATION

1 Chazy, Rev. H. C.	Salinger County Baptist Assn.	Box 123	Bonnet
1 Chazy, Rev. H. C.	Callora County Baptist Assn.		Grosville
1 Chazy, Rev. H. C.	Washington County		Grosville
1 Chazy, Rev. H. C.	Progressive Assn.	474 Macedonia St.	Grosville

CONVENTION

1 Chazy, Rev. H. C.	Progressive Baptist State Conv.	Box 123	Bonnet
TOTAL NUMBER OF CHURCHES — 17			

MISSOURI

1 Hays, Rev. J. F.	Pelee	7344 Cleveland Ave.	Kansas City
1 Hays, Rev. J. F.	New Progressive	2729 Howard Ave.	St. Louis
1 Hays, Rev. J. F.	Faith Chapel	2744 Washington Blvd.	St. Louis
1 Hays, Rev. J. F.	Northern	5179 Maple Ave.	St. Louis
1 Hays, Rev. J. F.	New Jerusalem	1408 N. Euclid St.	St. Louis
1 Hays, Rev. J. F.	Paradise	5813 E. 11th St.	St. Louis
1 Hays, Rev. J. F.	Mr. Pleasant	3124 Olive	Kansas City
1 Hays, Rev. J. F.	St. Mark	1617 N. Euclid	St. Louis
1 Hays, Rev. J. F.	St. Peter	1104 N. Spring	St. Louis
1 Hays, Rev. J. F.	St. Paul	4153 N. Howard Ave.	St. Louis
1 Hays, Rev. J. F.	St. John	1430-A N. 10th St.	St. Louis
1 Hays, Rev. J. F.	St. Mary	3009 Janelle Rd.	St. Louis
1 Hays, Rev. J. F.	St. Luke	5326 N. Howard Ave.	St. Louis
1 Hays, Rev. J. F.	St. Michael	1000 N. Howard Ave.	St. Louis
1 Hays, Rev. J. F.	St. Peter	1405 S. Union Blvd.	St. Louis
1 Hays, Rev. J. F.	St. Paul	1117 College Ave.	Kansas City
1 Hays, Rev. J. F.	St. Mary	5557 Baltimore Ave.	Kansas City
1 Hays, Rev. J. F.	St. John	978 Olive St.	Kansas City
1 Hays, Rev. J. F.	St. Peter	8301 Irving Ave.	Kansas City

PERSONAL

1 Hays, Rev. J. F.		1621 Bond Ave.	St. Louis
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Childs, Rev. P. H.	State Delegation of Kentucky	101 Chestnut St.	Cincinnati
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LOUISIANA

1 Bonbr, Rev. J. W.	Morning Star	P. O. Box 291	Hodge
1 Bonbr, Rev. J. W.	Oak Ridge	P. O. Box 291	Hodge
1 Edkins, Rev. T. T.	Bellvue	Drawer E	Hodge
1 Hallins, Rev. E. E.	Greater Magnolia	401 Clark St.	Hodge
1 Patterson, Rev. A.	Bethlehem	Rte. 3, Box 56	Calder
1 Patterson, Rev. A.	Pilgrim Way	Rte. 3, Box 56	Calder
1 Rankins, Rev. W. L.	Peter Church	101 S. 20th St.	Moore
1 Rankins, Rev. W. L.	Grange Hill	P. O. Box 967	Moore

PERSONAL

Jackman, Mr. Christ			Hodge
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MARYLAND

1 Corley, Rev. M. A.	New Shield	Freeman Ave. & Lumbard St.	Baltimore
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1 Leach, Rev. W. M.	Oak Grove	8303 Craig St.	Baltimore
1 Revely, Rev. W. M.	Nelson	114 Hammond St.	Seal Point
1 Ross, Rev. J. D.	Parker	118 Ritchie Ave.	Crown
1 Smith, Rev. P. A. III	First Baptist	4004 Wallace Rd.	Silver Spring
1 Turner, Rev. S. C.	All Peoples	1070 Fogles Grove	N. Brentwood
1 Turner, Rev. S. C.	Charity	2732 Beryl Ave.	Baltimore
1 William, Rev. H. S.	St. Paul	4107 — 47th St.	Baltimore
1 Wyatt, Rev. J. C.	First Baptist	7409 Sherill Rd.	Hampden
1 Young, Rev. R. L.	Mr. Hope	Imperial P. O.	Charles County

PERSONAL

1 Corley, Rev. M. A.	New Shield	1501 Sagolia Ave.	Baltimore
1 Diano, Rev. P. D.	St. Paul	1070 Fogles Grove	Baltimore
1 Kitchin, Mr. Willie	St. Paul	1070 Fogles Grove	Baltimore
1 Payne, Rev. A. J.	St. Paul	1070 Fogles Grove	Baltimore
1 Smith, Rev. P. A. III	First Baptist	7409 Sherill Rd.	Baltimore
TOTAL NUMBER OF CHURCHES — 12			

MASSACHUSETTS

1 Campbell, Rev. J. M.	Metropolitan	777 Shawmut Ave.	Boston
1 Adams, Rev. C. G.	Concord	190 Warren Ave.	Boston
1 McCall, Rev. John W.	Metropolitan	1337 Oak Rd.	Boston
1 Taylor, Rev. P. M.	Epworth	1 Arcadia St.	Boston
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MICHIGAN

1 Adams, Rev. C. G.	Hartford Avenue	8200 Hartford Ave.	Detroit
1 Bonbr, Rev. A. A. Jr.	Second Baptist	461 Monroe Ave.	Detroit
1 Bishop, Dr. W. J.	Central	3550 Buchanan	Detroit
1 Boone, Dr. T. J.	King Solomon	4125 Fourteenth St.	Detroit
1 Burr, Rev. L. Jean	Calvary	1530 Joseph Campus	Detroit
1 Hunter, Rev. C. W.	New Calvary	3973 Canfield St.	Detroit
1 Coleman, Rev. H. H.	Greater Macedonia	8900 Mack Ave.	Detroit
1 Crockett, Rev. H.	Goodwill	1450 E. Ferry St.	Detroit
1 Evans, Rev. C. L.	Hopewell	3911 Kendall	Detroit
1 Edwards, Dr. J. D.	St. Zion	3109 Dixie St.	Detroit
1 Gastin, Rev. J. H.	St. Calvary	7263 Harper Ave.	Detroit
1 Hill, Rev. C. A.	Hartford	4350 Hartford Ave.	Detroit
1 Hooks, Rev. B. L.	Greater New Mt. Moriah	888 Owen St.	Detroit
1 Johnson, Rev. J. H.	Greater Middle	21304 Hamline Ave.	Detroit
1 Johnson, Rev. L.	Friendship	7900 Hamline Ave.	Detroit
1 King, Rev. J. E.	Good Temple	331 E. Bathurst	Detroit
1 Moore, Rev. R. P.	New Community	17131 St. Aubin St.	Detroit
1 Oglesby, Rev. J. C.	Greater Christ	3844 Truitt Ave.	Detroit
1 Paris, Rev. J. L.	Shiloh	2037 — 27th St.	Port Hope
1 Patterson, Rev. W.	True Light	900 Thomas St., S. E.	Grand Rapids
1 Randall, Dr. D. M.	St. Paul	20054 Cherrydown	Detroit

Minister	Church	Address	City
1 Bonbr, Rev. J. W.	Greater Southern	1303 — 14th at Ferry Park	Detroit
1 Bonbr, Rev. J. W.	New Light	1700 W. Chicago Blvd.	Detroit
1 Bonbr, Rev. J. W.	Greater Centennial	12127 Grosse Ave.	Detroit

PERSONAL

1 Bonbr, Rev. J. W.		12127 Grosse Ave.	Detroit
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CONVENTION

1 Bonbr, Rev. J. W.	Progressive Baptist State Conv.	6900 Burns Ave.	Detroit
1 Bonbr, Rev. J. W.	at Michigan	25 Ford Ave.	Detroit
TOTAL NUMBER OF CHURCHES — 24			

MINNESOTA

1 Bonbr, Rev. J. W.	Shiloh	806 Hagan Ave.	St. Paul
TOTAL NUMBER OF CHURCHES — 1			

MISSISSIPPI

1 Bonbr, Rev. J. W.	Macedonia	Box 123	Detroit
1 Bonbr, Rev. J. W.	Strangers Home	Box 123	Detroit
1 Bonbr, Rev. J. W.	Pinecrest Spring	Turkey, Box 278	Detroit
1 Bonbr, Rev. J. W.	Springfield	401 Redford St.	Detroit
1 Bonbr, Rev. J. W.	South Liberty	1431 Bimbley Dr.	Detroit
1 Bonbr, Rev. J. W.	Pinecrest	544 S. Farish	Detroit
1 Bonbr, Rev. J. W.	Friendship	801 Miller Lane	Detroit
1 Bonbr, Rev. J. W.	Brown Hill	2010 Brown Lane	Detroit
1 Bonbr, Rev. J. W.	St. Mark	111 Allen St.	Detroit
1 Bonbr, Rev. J. W.	Friendship	322 North St.	Detroit
1 Bonbr, Rev. J. W.	St. Olive	P. O. Box 344	Detroit
1 Bonbr, Rev. J. W.	St. Paul	414 N. Myron St.	Detroit
1 Bonbr, Rev. J. W.	New Morning Star	723 Treadwell Rd.	Detroit
1 Bonbr, Rev. J. W.	Brading Ave.	474 Macedonia St.	Detroit
1 Bonbr, Rev. J. W.	Calvary	474 Macedonia St.	Detroit
1 Bonbr, Rev. J. W.	Seam Star	543 Oak Lane	Detroit
1 Bonbr, Rev. J. W.	New Zion	418 N. Columbia	Detroit

ASSOCIATION

1 Bonbr, Rev. J. W.	Salinger County Baptist Assn.	Box 123	Detroit
1 Bonbr, Rev. J. W.	Callahan County Baptist Assn.		Detroit
1 Bonbr, Rev. J. W.	Washington County		Detroit
1 Bonbr, Rev. J. W.	Progressive Assn.	474 Macedonia St.	Detroit

CONVENTION

1 Bonbr, Rev. J. W.	Progressive Baptist State Conv.	Box 123	Detroit
TOTAL NUMBER OF CHURCHES — 17			

MISSOURI

1 Bonbr, Rev. J. W.	Peoples	7344 Cleveland Ave.	Kansas City
1 Bonbr, Rev. J. W.	New Progressive	2729 Howard Ave.	St. Louis
1 Bonbr, Rev. J. W.	Faith Chapel	2744 Washington Blvd.	St. Louis
1 Bonbr, Rev. J. W.	Northern	5179 Maple Ave.	St. Louis
1 Bonbr, Rev. J. W.	New Jerusalem	1408 N. Euclid St.	St. Louis
1 Bonbr, Rev. J. W.	Paradise	5813 E. 11th St.	St. Louis
1 Bonbr, Rev. J. W.	St. Placerville	3124 Olive	Kansas City
1 Bonbr, Rev. J. W.	St. Paul	1617 N. Euclid	St. Louis
1 Bonbr, Rev. J. W.	St. Paul	1104 N. Spring	St. Louis
1 Bonbr, Rev. J. W.	St. Paul	4153 N. Howard Ave.	St. Louis
1 Bonbr, Rev. J. W.	St. Paul	1430-A N. 10th St.	St. Louis
1 Bonbr, Rev. J. W.	St. Paul	3009 Janelle Rd.	St. Louis
1 Bonbr, Rev. J. W.	St. Paul	5326 N. Howard Ave.	St. Louis
1 Bonbr, Rev. J. W.	St. Paul	1000 N. Howard Ave.	St. Louis
1 Bonbr, Rev. J. W.	St. Paul	1465 S. Union Blvd.	St. Louis
1 Bonbr, Rev. J. W.	St. Paul	1117 College Ave.	Kansas City
1 Bonbr, Rev. J. W.	St. Paul	5557 Baltimore Ave.	Kansas City
1 Bonbr, Rev. J. W.	St. Paul	978 Olive St.	Kansas City
1 Bonbr, Rev. J. W.	St. Paul	8301 Irving Ave.	Kansas City

PERSONAL

1 Bonbr, Rev. J. W.		1621 Bond Ave.	St. Louis
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ASSOCIATION			
(Holloman, Rev. D. R.)	St. Louis Progressive Dist. Assn.	1895 N. Euclid	St. Louis
(Wisherspan, Rev. W. E.)	Fellowship Dist. Assn.	3234 E. 84th St.	Kansas City

CONVENTION			
(White, Rev. W. G.)	Missouri State Conv.	3823 East St.	Kansas City
TOTAL NUMBER OF CHURCHES — 20			

NEVADA			
(Wilson, Rev. L. M.)	Bethel	400 Adams	Las Vegas
(Thompson, Rev. A. J.)	Victory	409 Alexander Ave.	Las Vegas

ASSOCIATION			
(Hagman, Rev. F. H.)	Pleasant Valley	1304 Wyatt Ave.	Las Vegas
(Wilson, Rev. L. M.)	Pleasant Valley Dist. Assn.	512 Sarano Ave.	Las Vegas
TOTAL NUMBER OF CHURCHES — 2			

NEW JERSEY			
(Austin, Rev. H. L.)	St. John's	Oregon Ave. & Somerset	Trenton
(Brown, Rev. A. H.)	Shiloh	14 Hatherwood	Plainfield
(Kinch, Rev. L. L.)	New St. Matthew	305 Daiton St.	Newark
(Dula, Rev. J. J.)	New Hope	248 Main St.	Atlantic
(Gray, Rev. Wm. H.)	Union	34 Hawthorne Pl.	Montclair
(Kings, Rev. W. L.)	Shiloh	3041 Michle St.	Camden
(La Grada, Rev. Fred)	Continuity	255 — 17th Ave.	Patterson
(Lyon, Rev. A. D.)	First Presbyterian	504 S. 13th St.	Newark
(Marty, Rev. C.)	Union	Spring & Water Sts.	Morrisburg
(Matthews, Rev. V. H.)	Second Baptist	158 Fisher Ave.	Hopewell
(Merriman, Rev. J. E.)	Endowment	83 Farley Ave.	Newark
(Murray, Rev. C. M.)	Bethel	254 Bergen St.	Newark
(Simms, Rev. J. A.)	Tenth Street	1543 Willwood Ave.	Camden
(Richardson, Rev. E.)	Rapier Temple	1543 Concord Ave.	Camden
(Shaper, Rev. H. P.)	Abolitionist	224 Kinney St.	Newark
(Smith, Rev. Edward)	First Baptist	P. O. Box 216	Princeton
(Thomas, Rev. C. E.)	New Hope	47 Girard Pl.	Newark
(Wicks, Rev. F. C.)	White Rock	47 Willoughby St.	Newark
(Williams, Rev. E. L.)	First Baptist	1 Hilton Ave.	Yonkers
(Walt, Rev. M. E.)	Union	535 Pennsylvania	Atlantic City

PERSONAL			
(Glagery, Rev. Perry)		185 N. First St.	Newark
(Houghton, Rev. J. H.)		1105 Chestnut St.	Camden
(Harris, Mr. Jessie, Jr.)		87 S. 10th St.	Newark
(Hayes, Mr. Sam J.)		100 Lyndwood Dr.	Princeton
(Potterman, Rev. E. H.)		P. O. Box 243	New Brunswick

TOTAL NUMBER OF CHURCHES — 25			
NEW MEXICO			
(Woganes, Rev. W. F.)	Morning Star	1517 S. Mulberry St.	Alamogordo
TOTAL NUMBER OF CHURCHES — 1			

NEW YORK			
(Bailey, Rev. D. B.)	First Zion	1331 Briston St.	New York
(Bramington, Rev. J.)	Shiloh	175-70 — 106th Ave.	Brooklyn
(Eriksen, Rev. A. P.)	Antioch	26-25 — 95th St.	Brooklyn
(Harris, Rev. L. A.)	Zion Temple	105-32 Van Wyck Exp.	Brooklyn
(Bullock, Rev. R. L.)	Mt. Zion	130 W. 120th St.	Brooklyn
(Clark, Rev. E. G.)	Second Friendship	215 W. 123rd St.	Brooklyn
(Earmey, Rev. R. E.)	Mt. Calvary	201 Quincey St.	Brooklyn
(Lemon, Rev. Clayton)	New Community	2125 — 8th Ave.	Brooklyn
(Scripps, Rev. G. W.)	Sharon	723 Concordia Village	Brooklyn
(Cross, Rev. J. E.)	New Bethany	209 Rochester Ave.	Brooklyn
(Cunningham, Rev. L.)	Calvary	507 N. Albany St.	Brooklyn
(Daniels, Rev. Levey)	White Rock	318 Parkham St.	Brooklyn
(Davis, Rev. Ellison)	Christ	80 E. 116th St.	Brooklyn
(Downen, Rev. S. M.)	Isabella	187 W. 21st St.	Brooklyn
(Dunn, Rev. D. I.)	St. John's	112-65 New York Blvd.	Brooklyn
(Dunley, Rev. E. A.)	Shiloh	164-19 — 106th Ave.	Brooklyn
(Farham, Rev. D.)	Christ Temple	161 W. 131st St.	Brooklyn
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(Harris, Mr. Jessie, Jr.)		87 S. 10th St.	Newark
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(Potterman, Rev. E. H.)		P. O. Box 243	New Brunswick

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Kirkland, Dr. J. A.	Philadelphia	63rd & Ludlow St.	Philadelphia
Kirkland, Rev. J. E.	Sumner	1914 Fitzgerald St.	Philadelphia
Langdon, Rev. J. B.	First Baptist	1120 Burr Ave.	Farell
Lewis, Rev. E. T. Jr.	Faith Tabernacle	1720 W. Montgomery	Philadelphia
Lightfoot, Rev. M. H.	Greater St. Luke	2210 W. Columbia	Philadelphia
Locant, Rev. O. M.	Jaharah	4000 Cassell Ave.	Philadelphia
MacChesney, Rev. A. M.	New Liberty	4034 W. Main Ave.	Philadelphia
MacChesney, Rev. M. T.	Tucker Street	2010 Tucker St.	Philadelphia
McIntosh, Rev. J. M.	St. Phillip's	1320-22 N. 4th St.	Philadelphia
McIntosh, Rev. J. M.	Galilee	917 Kensington	Philadelphia
Morris, Rev. Carl	Fountain	2004 Morris St.	Philadelphia
Morris, Rev. Cornelius	New Hope	701 Lane St.	Farell
Morris, Rev. H. E.	Hillside Station	467 N. Holly St.	Philadelphia
Parsons, Rev. T. E.	Tion	137 Highland Ave.	Amherst
Patterson, Rev. J. M.	Nazarene	106 - 5th St.	Midland
Phelan, Rev. W. D.	Second Faith Tabernacle	7033 Hamilton Ave.	Pittsburgh
Phillips, Rev. J. J.	Isiah	2000-52 N. 18th St.	Philadelphia
Powell, Rev. M. H. R.	Greater New Salem	2000 Olympic Ave.	Philadelphia
Ridgick, Rev. D. V.	St. Oliver Tabernacle	42nd & Wallace St.	Philadelphia
Shapard, Rev. M. L.	First Memorial Tabernacle	534 S. 57th St.	Philadelphia
Simms, Rev. W. E.	St. John	2220 W. Cumberland Ave.	Philadelphia
Small, Rev. L. J.	Scholarship Street	57th & Pine St.	Philadelphia
Stevens, Rev. L. J.	First Baptist	2114 S. 71st St.	Philadelphia
Trope, Rev. Harrison	Thomhill	1820 W. Allegheny	Pittsburgh
Walker, Rev. L. J.	Tabernacle Cosmopolitan	1900 Duane Victor St.	Philadelphia
Walker, Rev. P. L.	Greater St. Joseph	1436 N. 35th St.	Philadelphia
Washington, Rev. T. B.	Second Baptist	3037 Germantown Ave.	Philadelphia
Williams, Rev. E. G.	St. Vincent	311 Cambria	Pennsylv.
Williams, Rev. J. A.	Baptist Temple	7241 Reno St.	Pittsburgh
Williams, Rev. M. M.	Pearl	1630 N. Fulton St.	Philadelphia
Wright, Rev. C. L.	St. John The Evangelist	4532 Chestnut	Pittsburgh
White, Rev. S. R.	Talough	357 Ferry St.	Scranton

PERSONAL

Second Baptist	40 S. 6th St.	Pittsburgh
Bright Hope	325 Over St.	Scranton
Central	1511 N. 10th St.	Philadelphia
Morris Memorial	2220 Olympic Ave.	Pittsburgh
	1017 W. Duquesne	Philadelphia

ASSOCIATION

Eastern Nazarene Assn.	37th & Wallace St.	Philadelphia
Allegheny Union Assn.	7241 Reno St.	Pittsburgh
Pennsylvania Baptist Assn.	18th & Germantown	Philadelphia
Allegheny Union Baptist Assn.		Pittsburgh

CONVENTION

Po. State Baptist Conv.	1633 W. George Ave.	Philadelphia
Progression Po. Baptist State Conv.	1574 N. 26th St.	Philadelphia

TOTAL NUMBER OF CHURCHES—67

SOUTH CAROLINA

Adams, Rev. M. C.	Second Baptist	471 Hampton Ave.	Alton
Becker, Rev. Y.	Meadow Brook	913 N. Thompson St.	Flint
Berr, Rev. G. M.	Sum Hill	1109 E. Cox St.	Flint
Bowman, Dr. W. M.	Second Nazareth	2013 Hydrick St.	Columbia
Bower, Rev. T. B.	St. Oliver	P. O. Box 552	Chapel
Brackbill, Rev. A. L.	Laurel Hill	Rte. 1, Box 224	Chapel
Brackman, Rev. N. J.	Sumner	407 Green Ave.	Greenville
Brown, Rev. Willis	Garthman	100 Runney St.	Chapel
Bullock, Rev. F. A.	King Emmanuel	444 Sumner St.	Flint
Burd, Rev. W. E.	St. Zion	Rte. 2, Box 264	Durham
Canby, Rev. R. W.	St. Paul	206 S. Parly St.	Sumter
Cheek, Rev. Earl	Sumner	198 Gifford St.	Sumter
Cherry, Rev. E. A.	Liberty Hill	Boonville College	Columbia
Cleek, Rev. A. H.	Memorial	152 Alexander St.	Chapel
Cory, Rev. J. A.	St. Mark	York & Broad St.	Columbia

Minister	Church	Address	City
Smith, Rev. C. M.	Long Branch	P. O. Box 1236	Greenville
Smith, Rev. L. E.	New Bethel	31 E. College St.	Sumter
Spaul, Rev. J. D.	Central	24 Redcliffe St.	Chattanooga
Spaul, Rev. J. W.	High Rock	313 Bowling Ave.	Columbia
Spaul, Rev. J. W.	St. James	Rte. 2, Box 24	Chapel
Spaul, Rev. A. D.	St. Peter	Rte. 2, Box 43	Chapel
Spaul, Rev. P. W.	St. Paul	4253 Main Ave.	Columbia
Spaul, Rev. P. W.	New Prospect	Rte. 2, Box 74	Anderson
Spaul, Rev. J. M.	Marion	878 S. Box 43	Chapel
Spaul, Rev. F. O.	Salem	Rte. 4, Box 225-9	Sumter
Spaul, Rev. W. C.	First Rock	P. O. Box 635	Chapel
Spaul, Rev. S.	Golden View	Box 104	Fountain Inn
Spaul, Rev. William	St. Mark	41 Baxter St.	Greenville
Spaul, Rev. H. E.	St. Paul	163 E. Laurel St.	Chattanooga
Spaul, Rev. H. E.	St. Paul	1300 Liberty St.	Columbia
Spaul, Rev. H. E.	St. Paul	127 Arden St. East	Greenville
Spaul, Rev. H. E.	St. Paul	Rte. 4	Chapel
Spaul, Rev. H. E.	St. Paul	Rte. 2, Box 158	Greenville
Spaul, Rev. H. E.	St. Paul	Rte. 2, Box 18	Chattanooga
Spaul, Rev. H. E.	St. Paul	317 Lee St.	Chattanooga
Spaul, Rev. H. E.	St. Paul	P. O. Box 23	Chattanooga
Spaul, Rev. H. E.	St. Paul	417 Lee St.	Chattanooga
Spaul, Rev. H. E.	St. Paul	Rte. 2, Box 24	Chattanooga
Spaul, Rev. H. E.	St. Paul	P. O. Box 247	Chattanooga
Spaul, Rev. H. E.	St. Paul	P. O. Box 247	Chattanooga
Spaul, Rev. H. E.	St. Paul	1 Cashmere Dr.	Greenville
Spaul, Rev. H. E.	St. Paul	Sumner College	Columbia
Spaul, Rev. H. E.	St. Paul	106 Main St.	Greenville
Spaul, Rev. H. E.	St. Paul	223 S. Washington	Chattanooga
Spaul, Rev. H. E.	St. Paul	504 Chestnut St.	Chattanooga
Spaul, Rev. H. E.	St. Paul	501 Chestnut St.	Chattanooga
Spaul, Rev. H. E.	St. Paul	North Main St.	Chattanooga
Spaul, Rev. H. E.	St. Paul	3231 W. Road St.	Anderson
Spaul, Rev. H. E.	St. Paul	54 Marshall St.	Chattanooga
Spaul, Rev. H. E.	St. Paul	Rte. 1, Box 875	Chattanooga
Spaul, Rev. H. E.	St. Paul	293 Fairfield Rd.	Chattanooga
Spaul, Rev. H. E.	St. Paul	413 Lee St.	Chattanooga
Spaul, Rev. H. E.	St. Paul	1 Spaulsberg Lane	Greenville
Spaul, Rev. H. E.	St. Paul	513 Green St.	Chattanooga
Spaul, Rev. H. E.	St. Paul	101 W. Moore St.	Chattanooga
Spaul, Rev. H. E.	St. Paul	401 S. Park Ave.	Chattanooga
Spaul, Rev. H. E.	St. Paul	805 S. Main St.	Chattanooga
Spaul, Rev. H. E.	St. Paul	Rte. 1, Box 74	Chattanooga
Spaul, Rev. H. E.	St. Paul	407 E. Main St.	Chattanooga
Spaul, Rev. H. E.	St. Paul	1444 Green St.	Columbia

PERSONAL

England, Mr. J. H.	P. O. Box 10261	Greenville
Foster, Rev. W. C.	P. O. Box 825	Chattanooga
Imo, Rev. W. B.	307 Moore St., W.	Chattanooga
Johnson, Rev. M. T.	406 W. Market St.	Chattanooga
Johnson, Rev. M. T.	Box 36	Chattanooga
Johnson, Rev. M. T.	3412 Cornett St.	Chattanooga

ASSOCIATION

Evans, Rev. T. O.	Sumter Baptist Assn.	94 S. Main St.	Sumter
Stewart, Rev. C. C.	Galaxy Baptist Assn.	1 Spaulsberg Lane	Chattanooga
Williams, Dr. L. W.	Western Assn.	Beacon St.	Sumter

CONVENTION

St. Paul	State Education B	249 Main St.	Chattanooga
Missionary Conv.			
TOTAL NUMBER OF CHURCHES—42			

TENNESSEE

Chattanooga	St. Paul	2049 Broad St.	Chattanooga
Chattanooga	St. Paul		Chattanooga

Minister	Church	Address	City
[Binkley, Dr. E. L.]	First Baptist	P. O. Box 2652	Memphis
[Freeman, Rev. J. T.]	St. James	106 S. 7th Ave.	Newark
[Haines, Rev. W. C.]	Bethel	2407 Douglas	Memphis
[Hicks, Rev. B. L.]	Greater Middle	331 Lane Ave.	Memphis
[Kyles, Rev. S. B.]	Mount Zion	784 S. Parkway, E.	Memphis
[McBee, Rev. E. V.]	Greater Mt. Zion	1414 Davis St.	Memphis
[McBee, Rev. L. H.]	St. John	3103 1/2 Overline	Memphis
[Malters, Rev. J. L.]	Mt. Vernon	258 Edsel Ave.	Memphis
[McCarthy, Rev. R. W.]	Mt. Moriah	2334 Carver Ave.	Memphis
[Owens, Dr. S. A.]	Metropolitan	337 Madison Ave.	Memphis
[Robinson, Rev. L. S.]	St. Paul	4503 Society Rd.	Memphis
[Talbot, Rev. J. L.]	First Baptist	1310 S. Burkhead	Memphis
[Williams, Rev. A. R.]	Greater White Stone	917 S. Wallington	Memphis

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TEXAS

[Curry, Rev. M. E.]	Bishop College		Dallas
[Lamb, Rev. Victor]	St. Paul	733 Grandville St.	Houston
[James, Rev. S. H.]	Second Baptist	430 M. Pine St.	San Antonio
[Werner, Rev. S. M.]	Providence	5855 Delmar St.	Houston

ASSOCIATION

[Lamb, Rev. V.]	Inter-Baptist General Assn. of Texas	733 Grandville St.	Houston
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VIRGINIA

[Baker, Rev. A. A.]	Ebenezer	117 M. Peyton	Alexandria
[Baker, Rev. O. R.]	First Baptist	809 Ferry St.	S. Boston
[Byler, Rev. W. W.]	Oak Grove	844 — 14th St.	Newport News
[Campbell, Rev. G. G.]	Moore Street	1408 W. Leigh St.	Richmond
[Coster, Rev. W. E.]	Second Baptist	6626 Carter Dr.	Falls Church
[Coffey, Rev. C. W.]	New St. Thomas	3700 Elm Ave.	Portsmouth
[Daugherty, Rev. G. H.]	Lebanon	635 Brook Ave.	Suffolk
[Daugherty, Rev. J. M.]	Goodwill Temple	P. D. Box 274	Parkley
[Foster, Rev. E. K.]	Oak Grove	Rte. 3, Box 445	Stafford
[Giles, Rev. S. J.]	First Baptist	834 M. Klop St.	Hampton
[Harbitt, Rev. J. C.]	Mt. Olive	Rte. 2, Box 90	Catlett
[Hicketh, Rev. J. C.]	Silver Hill	Rte. 2, Box 90	Catlett
[Henderson, Dr. W. L.]	First Baptist	1500 Moore St., W.	Richmond
[Howard, Rev. J. D.]	Mt. Salvation	1961 N. Calhoun	Arlington
[Jefferson, Rev. M. L.]	Sixth Mt. Zion	328 Duluth Ct.	Hampton
[Kelly, Rev. J. C.]	Fifth Baptist	3218 Griffin Ave.	Richmond
[Mills, Rev. L. H.]	Oakland	3400 King St.	Alexandria
[Ritter, Rev. Owen M.]	Salem	1011 S. Moore Rd.	Dumfries
[Robinson, Dr. B. W.]	Endor Street	24th & North Sts.	Richmond
[Robinson, Rev. H. L.]	Consolidated	Box 29	Mayfield
[Shaper, Rev. M.]	Mt. Pleasant	3825 Shepard Ct.	Boyle's Creek Road
[Smith, Rev. M. H.]	Mt. Olive	Rte. 1, Box 414	Leesburg
[Sommers, Rev. E. E.]	First Baptist	426 Pine St.	Frederick
[Vaughan, Rev. E. J.]	New Hope	1330 Halligan	St. Petersburg
[Walker, Rev. Albert]	Marion Grove	4215 Greenwood Dr.	Portsmouth
[Whitaker, Rev. J. M.]	New Bethel	547 Madison Ave.	Cape Charles
[Wilson, Rev. R. M.]	First Baptist	418 W. Holly Ave.	Shirley Park
[Winter, Rev. Harold]	Mt. Lebanon	219 Windsor Ave.	Marble
[Wise, Dr. F. F.]	First Baptist	16 Saxon Pl., N. W.	Washington
[Wyman, Rev. J. T.]	First Baptist	2335 1/2 Venable St.	Richmond
[Y/a Carter, Mrs. Harman]	Ebenezer		

PERSONAL

[Collins, Rev. David]	First Baptist	1003 Salvation Ave., N. W.	Atlanta
[Hall, Rev. J. M.]	St. James	215 N. Birdneck Rd.	Virginia Beach
[Hargrave, Rev. J. L.]	Providence	1373 — 29th St.	Frederick
[Hicks, Rev. B. E.]	Zion		Oak Grove
[Horton, Rev. E. M.]	Third Baptist	2317 Weaver Ave.	Portsmouth
[McCreary, Rev. E. D.]		422 — 5th St., N. W.	Charlotte
[Roberts, Rev. S. M.]	Shiloh	1830 Thomas St.	Richmond

ASSOCIATION

[Baker, Rev. E.]	Northern Virginia Baptist Assn.	Richmond
[Haines, Rev. J. M.]	Northern Virginia Baptist Assn.	Baltimore
[Hicks, Rev. B. W.]	Eastern Shore Virginia & Maryland Baptist Assn.	Cape Charles

CONVENTION

[Hicks, Rev. B. W.]	Virginia Baptist State Conv.	
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TOTAL NUMBER OF CHURCHES — 37

WASHINGTON

[Hicks, Rev. S.]	Vacational First Baptist	1810 Tacoma Ave., S.	Tacoma
[Hicks, Rev. J. M.]	Bethlehem	1725 S. 1st	Tacoma

TOTAL NUMBER OF CHURCHES — 2

WEST VIRGINIA

[Hicks, Rev. S. T.]	Bethel	Howard Building	North
[Hicks, Rev. B. M.]	First Baptist	Rte. 1, Box 75	Marion
[Hicks, Rev. W. M.]	Mt. Zion	301 Cleveland Ave.	Farmington
[Hicks, Rev. I. P.]	Sharon Hill	341 Market St.	Ligon

PERSONAL

[Hicks, Rev. M.]			Harbitt
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TOTAL NUMBER OF CHURCHES — 4

WISCONSIN

[Hicks, Rev. L. A.]	Carinth	3529 N. 4th St.	Milwaukee
[Hicks, Rev. J. A.]	St. Mary's	2916 N. 4th St.	Milwaukee
[Hicks, Rev. T. B.]	Greater Calvary	3432 N. Tenth	Milwaukee

TOTAL NUMBER OF CHURCHES — 3

STATISTICS

Total number of churches enrolled in the Eighth Annual Session of the Progressive National Baptist Convention, Inc.—Miami Beach, Fla., 1969.

Alabama	Kentucky	North Carolina
41	25	30
Bahamas	Louisiana	Ohio
2	8	34
California	Maryland	Oklahoma
14	12	3
Colorado	Massachusetts	Pennsylvania
5	4	87
District of Columbia	Michigan	South Carolina
62	24	82
Delaware	Minnesota	Tennessee
1	2	15
Florida	Mississippi	Texas
7	17	4
Georgia	Missouri	Virginia
49	20	37
Hawaii	Nevada	Washington
2	2	2
Illinois	New Jersey	West Virginia
73	22	4
Indiana	New Mexico	Wisconsin
9	80	3
	New York	
	80	

GRAND TOTAL NUMBER OF CHURCHES — 741

DIRECTORY OF CHURCHES ENROLLED IN THE EIGHTH ANNUAL SESSION

MIAMI BEACH, FLORIDA — 1968
(According to available church letters and/or receipts)
S. S. HODGES, Executive Secretary

Church	Address	City	Minister	Amount
Bethel No. 2		Opelika	Rev. G. W. Mitchell	\$10.00
Bethel No. 2		Abbeville	Rev. E. L. Williams	25.00
Bethlehem	Box 7	Abbeville	Rev. L. F. Matthews	25.00
First Baptist	129 S. Main St.	Evangel	Rev. H. J. Hawkins	25.00
First B. C. Church	100 Ninth Court West	Birmingham	Rev. Graham Cook	25.00
Friendship	315 Main St.	Enterprise	Rev. N. L. Robinson	25.00
Greater Bethlehem	504 Hill Road Ave.	Hartford	Rev. T. R. Small	10.00
Greenwood Miss.	Dwight H. H.	Tuskegee Institute	Rev. R. F. Harvey	25.00
Jerusalem	101 Southwest Hwy. W.	Birmingham	Rev. L. R. Minter	15.00
Jerusalem No. 2		Evangel	Rev. C. F. Shagard	15.00
Ms. Central	300 S. Broad St.	Evangel	Rev. N. L. Robinson	25.00
Ms. Gilford	Rte. 3, Box 214	Evangel	Rev. E. L. Williams	25.00
Ms. Olive No. 2	303 Gilford St.	Evangel	Rev. W. C. Rogers	10.00
Ms. Peoria		Evangel	Rev. C. C. Suggs, Jr.	25.00
Ms. Sinai	840 I. Warren St.	Mobile	Rev. Geo. W. Pugh	10.00
Ms. Zion		Evangel	Rev. N. H. Smith	75.00
New Pilgrim	501 — 6th Ave., S.	Birmingham	Rev. G. W. Mitchell	25.00
Rising Star		Aviston	Rev. T. R. Small	10.00
St. Louis		Birmingham	Rev. J. S. Smith	25.00
St. Peter	#7 Bankhead Hwy.	Birmingham		
Progressive Miss. & Education Coes. at Ala.	Rte. 5, Box 330	Brewton	Rev. D. R. Bell	100.00
Forty-Sixth Street	1332 Cahaba St.	Birmingham	Rev. J. H. Stokes	10.00
Friendship		Nassau	Rev. E. E. Amett	10.00
Macdonald	P. O. Box 2179	Nassau	Rev. John L. Hines	10.00
Ms. Trinity	P. O. Box 2206	Nassau	Dr. W. B. McPherson	10.00
New Lively Hope	Camp Rd.	Nassau	Rev. E. J. Hines	5.00
St. Luke	Bigland Park	Nassau	Rev. W. C. Johnson	10.00
Emmanuel	Box 628	Hamilton	Rev. Allan Kerry	10.00
Bethany	5400 Adeline St.	Oakland	Rev. H. W. Watson	25.00
Ebenezer	375 Mississippi St.	San Francisco	Rev. John H. Pierce	70.00
Greater Bethesda Way	1061 W. 4th St.	Los Angeles	Rev. B. D. Harris	25.00
Metropolitan	4200 S. Hooper St.	Los Angeles	Rev. James Evans	25.00
Mr. Harmon	1302 W. 122nd St.	Los Angeles	Rev. A. P. Billings	5.00
Mr. Olive Second	1081 Tenth Ave.	Los Angeles	Rev. A. Moten	25.00
Mr. President Hill	8104 S. Avalon Blvd.	Los Angeles	Rev. Obba Lowe	30.00
Myer Williams Trust Inc.	1342 W. Adams Blvd.	Los Angeles	Rev. T. M. Chambers, Jr.	500.00
Second Baptist	7412 Griffin Ave.	Los Angeles	Dr. Thomas Kilgore, Jr.	73.13
St. James Community	1745 W. Vernon Ave.	Los Angeles	Rev. D. E. King	10.00
Metropolitan Dist.	1145 W. 55th St.	Los Angeles	Rev. James E. Evans	25.00
PERSONAL			Mrs. Edna Dillworth	5.00
			Rev. & Mrs. J. R. Henderson	20.00
			Rev. J. R. Henderson	10.00
			Rev. & Mrs. Kilgore	100.00
	1228 W. 35th St.	Los Angeles	Rev. David Morris	5.00

Address	City	Minister	Amount
5113 Big Rock Rd.	San Jose	Rev. H. W. Mason	25.00
		Rev. Little Yates	5.00
		Chap. J. C. Williams	15.00
CONNECTICUT			
29 Grove St.	Stamford	Rev. Samuel L. White	25.00
1913 Main St.	Hartford	Rev. A. H. Williams	15.00
DELAWARE			
840 E. 1st St.	Wilmington	Rev. Reginald Martin	5.00
DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA			
5119 — 4th St., N.W.	Washington	Rev. G. O. Fennery	10.00
4504 Gay St., N.E.	Washington	Rev. A. L. Calson	25.00
432 — 11th St., N.E.	Washington	Rev. E. R. Robinson	100.00
13th & Rhode Island, N.E.	Washington	Rev. G. O. Fennery	25.00
101 St., N.W.	Washington	Rev. H. Hines	25.00
1000 1st St., N.W.	Washington	Rev. B. C. Washington	50.00
1011 1st St., N.W.	Washington	Rev. E. C. Smith	150.00
113 Rhode Island, N.W.	Washington	Rev. L. W. White	25.00
101 W. Constitution, S.E.	Washington	Rev. James L. Bennett	125.00
3rd & Eye Sts., N.W.	Washington	Rev. O. L. Feltman	100.00
117 — 14th St., N.W.	Washington	Rev. Gregory Trumbert	25.00
771 Rhode Island, N.W.	Washington	Rev. Sidney T. Yancey	50.00
1615 — 3rd St., N.W.	Washington	Rev. David Durham	30.00
5101 — 14th St., N.W.	Washington	Rev. R. A. Carroll	25.00
1122 Maryland, N.E.	Washington	Rev. Eugene G. Wright	30.00
1000 — 10th St., N.W.	Washington	Rev. John J. Ringer	500.00
2924 Fourth St., S.E.	Washington	Rev. H. P. Brown	10.00
700 E. St., N.E.	Washington	Rev. Aaron McComb	675.00
528 Kennedy St., N.W.	Washington	Rev. Charles W. Green	25.00
4201 — 8th St., N.W.	Washington	Rev. Richard C. Work	25.00
1117 N. St., N.W.	Washington	Rev. Ernest Gibbs	25.00
1200 Canal St., S.W.	Washington	Rev. Herbert M. Ferris	12.00
1900-08 Ninth St., N.W.	Washington	Rev. John B. Franklin	120.00
9th & P Sts., N.W.	Washington	Rev. E. L. Harrison	25.00
1477 — 6th St., N.W.	Washington	Rev. Earl Harrison	25.00
2000 Kansas Ave., N.W.	Washington	Rev. Howard McCough	25.00
1017 Connecticut, N.W.	Washington	Rev. Louis A. McComb	25.00
771 Michigan Ave., N.E.	Washington	Rev. James E. McCay	25.00
1546 — 5th St., N.W.	Washington	Rev. G. L. Washington	25.00
4000 1st St.	Washington	Rev. Henry Miles	25.00
1018 Tennessee	Washington	Rev. Willie Ballou	25.00
1018 Tennessee	Washington	Rev. H. W. Green	25.00
1018 Tennessee	Washington	Rev. C. W. Yancey	155.00
4430 Elgin Ave., N.W.	Washington	Rev. Owen W. Ritter	25.00
3257 — 16th St., N.W.	Washington		
CONVENTION			
1400 — 12th St., N.W.	Washington	Rev. E. H. Foster	200.00
PERSONAL			
2420 — 25th St., S.E.	Washington	Rev. O. T. Hughes	10.00
1376 Belmont Pl., N.E.	Washington	Rev. A. H. Hines	5.00
FLORIDA			
506 — 15th St., S.W.	St. Petersburg	Rev. Frank G. Davis	25.00
2700 N.W. 10th St.	Pensacola	Rev. B. W. Williams	25.00
511 Ninth St.	West Palm Beach	Rev. G. N. Conroy	100.00
320 S. Magnolia	West Palm Beach	Rev. L. J. Alford	25.00
1903 Spruill	Jacksonville	Rev. W. E. Young	25.00
2211 S.W. 4th Ave.	Fort Lauderdale	Rev. J. W. Hubbard	15.00

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INDIANA				
Mt. Zion	3508 Grandland Ave.	Indianapolis	Rev. R. T. Anderson	100.00
New Revolution	3140 W. 11th Ave.	Bary	Rev. V. W. Douglas	5.00
Trinity Church	700 W. 11th Ave.	Bary	Rev. E. E. Jones	25.00
Van Buren	2585 Van Buren St.	Bary	Rev. M. O. Edwards	25.00

KENTUCKY				
Method	551 Ash	Lexington	Rev. L. S. Hazzard	25.00
Emmanuel	3811 W. Broadway	Lexington	Rev. C. D. Loner	25.00
Fifth Street	1901 W. Jefferson	Lexington	Rev. W. J. Haden	50.00
First	120 East 9th St.	Covington	Rev. Wm. P. Halbert	25.00
First	104 Clinton St.	Frankfort	Rev. H. L. Moore, Jr.	50.00
First	424 W. Broadway St.	Harrodsburg	Rev. J. J. Smith	20.00
First	246 E. Short St.	Lexington	Rev. H. E. Watkins	25.00
First	York St. & Chestnut	Villehartsburg	Rev. C. W. Thompson	10.00
First	P. O. Box #25	Pavia	Rev. E. M. Johnson	10.00
First Street	901 E. First St.	Hopkinsville	Rev. B. F. Green	15.00
Fourth Street	817 W. 4th St.	Owensboro	Rev. W. R. Brown	10.00
Green Street	514 E. Gay St.	Lexington	Rev. J. B. Estess	25.00
Guiding Star	2324 W. Walnut St.	Louisville	Rev. T. T. Robinson	100.00
Lutheran Tabernacle	430 So. 15th St.	Louisville	Rev. J. L. Swarden	25.00
Maria's Chapel	Washington & Julia Sts.	Henderson	Rev. A. Goff	10.00
Partridge	3223 Commercial St.	Louisville	Rev. A. M. Harris	25.00
Shiloh	237 — 5th St.	Lexington	Rev. G. H. Childs	15.00
Stone Street	340 State St.	Hawkinsburg	Rev. H. W. Jones	25.00
Virginia Street	400 So. Virginia St.	Hopkinsville	Rev. A. B. Lusk	25.00
West Chestnut Street	1725-21 West Chestnut	Louisville	Rev. G. E. Oltus	25.00
West End	2838 W. Jefferson	Louisville	Rev. Lincoln Bringham	25.00
Zion	2900 W. Walnut	Louisville	Rev. H. D. Carthagen	125.00
Zion	513 Eighth St.	Pavia	Rev. Byron Bentley	20.00

DELEGATION				
Kentucky Delegation of Progressive	595 So. Marion Pky.	Louisville	Rev. James L. Seardon	700.00

LOUISIANA				
Oxford				51.50

MARYLAND				
London	1401 — 7th St.		Rev. Henry S. Moore	25.00
Ford	4009 Wallace Rd.	North Brentwood	Rev. P. A. Smith, III	20.00
Mt. Hope	Trinity's Post Office	Charles County	Rev. Rufus L. Young	10.00
New Hope				20.00
Oak Grove	1503 Grog St.	Saint Plover	Rev. W. M. Louch	10.00
Park Heights	2616 Oakley Ave.	Baltimore	Rev. J. W. Green	50.00
Porter Memorial	111 Kansas Ave.	Silver Spring	Rev. James Rice, Jr.	25.00
St. Paul	4107 — 42nd St.	Baltimore	Rev. R. J. Williams	20.00

PERSONAL				
	7261 Gto Palmer Hwy.	Saint Plover	Rev. Henry McGee	5.00

MASSACHUSETTS				
Concord	198 Warren Ave.	Boston	Rev. John W. McGill	50.00
Everett	157 West Springfield	Boston	Rev. Dale M. Taylor	100.00
Metropolitan	177 Summer St.	Roxbury	Rev. J. M. Campbell	5.00

PERSONAL				
			Rev. Anna Peratt	5.00

MICHIGAN				
Calvary	1270 Joseph Campau Ave.	Detroit	Rev. L. A. Hart	100.00
Central Inn	1125 Richmond	Detroit	Rev. Wm. J. Gibbs	25.00
First Church	1700 Michigan	Detroit	Rev. Louis Roberts	25.00
Gospel Temple	18000 Wyoming	Detroit	Rev. J. E. King	25.00
Greater Christ	1516 E. Grand	Detroit	Rev. J. C. O'Leary	100.00
Greater Emmanuel	11221 Dexter Ave	Detroit	Rev. H. P. Thompson	25.00
Greater Macedonia	700 Mack Ave.	Detroit	Rev. M. H. Coleman	100.00
Greater New Mt. Zion	900 Howe Ave.	Detroit	Rev. T. L. Hurst	25.00
Greater Southern Miss.	6503 — 14th St.	Detroit	Rev. T. S. Scarborough	25.00
Hartford Avenue	4309 Hartford Ave.	Detroit	Rev. C. G. Adams	20.00

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MISSISSIPPI				
Epworth	2911 Kendall	Detroit	Rev. C. L. Coors	
King Solomon	6125 — 10th St.	Detroit	Dr. T. S. Boone	15.00
St. Paul	20056 Charrylawn	Detroit	Dr. R. M. Randle	100.00
St. George Miss.	7203 Harper Ave.	Detroit	Rev. J. H. Guttis	25.00
St. George	6633 Stuart & Concord	Detroit	Rev. C. W. Butler	25.00
St. Light	5240 W. Chicago Blvd.	Detroit	Rev. C. E. Tolley	50.00
St. Paul	441 Monroe Ave.	Detroit	Rev. A. A. Gault, Jr.	100.00
St. Paul	2801 West St.	Port Huron	Rev. M. C. Porter	50.00
St. Paul	900 Thomas, S.E.	Grand Rapids	Rev. J. L. Parle	25.00
St. Paul			Rev. W. L. Patterson	20.00

CONVENTION				
Aggressive State Baptist Conv. at Detroit	35 Ford Ave.	Detroit	Pres. J. F. Green	100.00

PERSONAL				
	12019 Monica	Detroit	Rev. George Hunter	5.00

MISSISSIPPI				
Evans Hill	3015 Marion Dunbar	Jackson	Rev. T. R. Oglethorpe	50.00
First	Box 123	Birmingham	Rev. M. C. Cherry	25.00
Friendship	132 North	Greenville	Rev. B. B. Bayl	10.00
Friendship Miss.	218 Main St.	Greenville	Rev. R. T. Moore	10.00
Friendship	Thosbold & Magnolia Sts.	Greenville	Rev. L. W. Williams	15.00
St. John's Miss.	P. O. Box 348	Lexington	Rev. M. M. Selford	10.00
St. John's	346 So. Fairview St.	Jackson	Rev. A. I. Jones	15.00
St. John's	911 N. Thosbold St.	Greenville	Rev. P. R. Winfield	10.00
St. John's	531 So. Liberty St.	Canon	Rev. G. L. Jones	25.00
St. Mark	111 Main St.	Lafayette	Rev. J. A. Gault	10.00
St. Peter	Box 13	Marshall	Rev. O. T. Trush	20.00
St. Peter's Home	Box 123	Birmingham	Rev. H. C. Cherry	10.00

ASSOCIATION				
Gallies Co. Baptist Assn.	Box 132	Birmingham	Pres. H. C. Cherry	25.00
Lafayette Baptist Assn.	P. O. Box 300	Lexington	Rev. W. M. Selford	100.00
Washington Co. Progressive		Greenville	Mod. L. W. Williams	40.00
W. R. Bapt. Assn.	476 Metrodome			

CONVENTION				
Aggressive Bapt. Conv.	Box 123	Birmingham	Pres. H. C. Cherry	200.00

MISSOURI				
Brethren Miss.	1917 College Ave.	Kansas City	Rev. Ray Waters	10.00
Brethren Miss.	928 Olive St.	Kansas City	Rev. W. Whitin	200.00
Epworth Miss.	2520 W. Howard Ave.	St. Louis	Rev. W. P. Taylor	20.00
First Church	1004 1/2	E. St. Louis	Rev. J. P. Soggs	10.00
Good Samaritan	5333 Ballantaine Ave.	Kansas City	Rev. W. J. Williams	20.00
Grace Road Miss.	1153 North Howard	St. Louis	Rev. Gus A. Dodd	25.00
St. Francis	2920 Webster	Kansas City	Rev. J. E. Lloyd	50.00
St. John's Miss.	2408 N. Union Blvd.	St. Louis	Rev. Solomon Wilson	25.00
St. John's Miss.	1005-7 N. Euclid	St. Louis	Rev. G. R. Holloman	25.00
St. John's Miss.	2506 Dayton St.	St. Louis	Rev. Sam Williams	20.00
St. John's Miss.	4300 Dryden Ct.	St. Louis	Rev. J. L. Goodby	25.00
St. John's Miss.	2619 E. 35th St.	Kansas City	Rev. Earl Abel	100.00
St. John's Miss.	1420 Blackstone	St. Louis	Rev. C. M. Smith	10.00
St. John's Miss.	8301 Irvington	Kirksville	Rev. W. Yates	10.00

ASSOCIATION				
Yellowship Dist. Assn.	5327 Ballantaine	Kansas City	Rev. W. J. Williams	25.00
St. Louis Progressive		St. Louis	Rev. P. J. Taylor	50.00
W. R. Dist. Assn.	4205 St. Louis Ave.			

CONVENTION				
Brethren Progressive	970 Olive St.	Kansas City	Pres. M. H. White	100.00
W. R. Conv.				

NEVADA				
	400 Adams	Las Vegas	Rev. I. W. Wilson	10.00

ASSOCIATION				
Nevada Valley Dist. Assn.	1304 Wyatt Ave.	Las Vegas	Rev. F. B. Addison	25.00

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CONVENTION				
Constitutional Baptist State				
NEW JERSEY				
Abyssinian	224 W. Kinney St.	Newark	Rev. H. P. Sharps	50.00
Baptist Temple	1200 Newark Ave.	Camden	Rev. E. J. Richardson	50.00
Bethel	448 — 15th Ave.	Newark	Rev. C. M. Macey	50.00
First	P. O. Box 215	Paterson	Rev. Edward Smith	50.00
First	300 Union Ave.	Vanahall	Rev. E. L. Williams	50.00
First Lutheran	40 Wallmont Ave.	Newark	Rev. E. L. McGee	50.00
New Hope	P. O. Box 73	Meriden	Rev. J. J. Dale	50.00
New Hope	100 Union Ave.	Newark	Rev. C. E. Thomas	50.00
New St. Matthew	302 Union St.	Newark	Rev. L. A. Banks	50.00
Redwood	1225 Market St.	Newark	Rev. J. Morrison	50.00
Second	1225 Market St.	Liberty Park	Rev. V. E. Matthews	50.00
St. John's	415 Parkway Ave.	Trenton	Rev. R. I. Austin, Jr.	50.00
Union			Rev. W. M. Evans	50.00
Union	617 W. 4th St.	Plainfield	Rev. A. R. Dunn	50.00
Union	30 Hawthorne Pl.	Montclair	Rev. Wm. H. Gray	50.00
Union	4 Liberty St.	Morristown	Rev. Charles Marks	50.00
Union	140 Oakwood Ave.	Orange	Rev. J. V. Miles	50.00
Union West	114 Springfield Ave.	Newark	Rev. C. C. Wick	50.00
FELLOWSHIP				
Progressive Fellowship			Rev. H. H. Payne	50.00
PERSONAL				
	703 N. 9th St.	Camden	Rev. J. M. Harris	50.00
NEW MEXICO				
Beaming Star	1517 S. Mulberry Ave.	Alamogordo	Rev. W. F. Waggoner	50.00
NEW YORK				
Antioch	878 Green Ave.	Brooklyn	Rev. Geo. Lawrence	50.00
Antioch	37-17 102nd St.	Brooklyn	Rev. A. P. Brown	50.00
Assembly of Prophecy	45 Belden Ave.	Brooklyn	Rev. W. A. Jones, Jr.	50.00
Calvary	440 Summer Ave.	Brooklyn	Dr. W. T. Hall	50.00
Calvary	765 Bergen St.	Brooklyn	Rev. G. W. Griggs	50.00
Calvary	790 Newark St.	Brooklyn	Rev. James Williams	50.00
Calvary	337 Powell St.	Brooklyn	Rev. A. H. Smith	50.00
Calvary	125 W. 150th St.	New York City	Rev. S. A. Guyton	50.00
Calvary	97 Catherine St.	Brooklyn	Rev. G. W. Thomas	50.00
Brown Memorial	404 Washington Ave.	New York City	Rev. W. T. Walker	50.00
Calvary	132 W. 116th St.	Brooklyn	Dr. W. S. Plam	50.00
Calvary	111-10 N. Y. Blvd.	Brooklyn	Rev. O. Fontaine	50.00
Central Temple	161 W. 131st St.	Brooklyn	Rev. E. Taylor	50.00
Central	653 Henry Ave.	Brooklyn	Rev. S. S. Jones	50.00
First	175 Second Ave.	Brooklyn	Rev. J. H. Mitchell	50.00
First Calvary	952 Putnam Ave.	New York City	Rev. S. W. Rogers	50.00
First Ebenezer	3455 — 8th Ave.	New York City	Rev. W. H. Watts	50.00
Friendship	144 W. 131st St.	New York City	Rev. G. E. Morris, Jr.	50.00
Friendship	102 Flinders Rd.	New York City	Rev. B. J. Taylor	50.00
Gethsemane	144 Newark St.	Brooklyn	Rev. J. H. Redwood	50.00
Grace	473 Vermont St.	Brooklyn	Rev. M. B. Mackay	50.00
Great Joy	195 Clifton Pl.	Brooklyn	Rev. James E. Gay	50.00
Greater Mt. Pleasant	807 St. Mark's Ave.	New York City	Rev. J. H. Bowman	50.00
Isabella	147 W. 131st St.	New York City	Rev. Geo. Y. Smith	50.00
Jehovah	1045 N. Y. Ave.	Manhattan	Rev. A. L. Hughes	50.00
Meredonia	457-59 W. 147th St.	New York City	Rev. C. J. Stamp	50.00
Metropolitan	151 W. 120th St.	Brooklyn	Rev. J. T. Smith	50.00
Mt. Zion	417 Union Ave.	Brooklyn	Rev. R. E. Gossage	50.00
Mt. Zion	102 Quincy St.	Brooklyn	Rev. V. S. Turner	50.00
Mt. Zion	771-79 Bailey St.	Brooklyn	Rev. Frank White	50.00
Mt. Zion	1715 Clark St.	Brooklyn	Rev. J. H. Taylor	50.00
Mt. Zion	88 Schuyler St.	Brooklyn	Rev. B. L. Smith	50.00
Mt. Zion	130 W. 120th St.	New York City	Rev. J. T. Taylor	50.00
New River Memorial	407 Clinton St.	Brooklyn		50.00

Church	Address	City	Minister	Amount
NEW YORK (Continued)				
Our Community	2123 8th Ave.	New York City	Rev. Clayton Cowan	50.00
Our Father	291 Rochester Ave.	Brooklyn	Rev. J. B. Cox	50.00
Our Hope	612 Washington St.	Union	Rev. J. B. Cox	50.00
Our Father	65 Ashland Ave.	Union	Rev. W. C. Johnson	50.00
Our Father	282 Thompson Ave.	Brooklyn	Rev. W. H. McBride	50.00
Our Father	1034 Montgomery St.	Syracuse	Rev. C. E. Paige	50.00
Our Father	197 W. 14th St.	Manhattan	Rev. H. J. Hopkins	150.00
Our Father	198 Du Roch Ave.	Brooklyn	Rev. P. H. Hays	50.00
Our Father	400 Du Roch Ave.	Brooklyn	Rev. F. A. Bond	50.00
Our Father	112-87 N. Y. Blvd.	Brooklyn	Rev. R. A. Wynn	50.00
Our Father	402 Sullivan St.	Brooklyn	Rev. Harry Morgan	50.00
Our Father	36 Varner St.	Brooklyn	Rev. F. J. Jenkins	50.00
Our Father	877 Foster Ave.	Brooklyn	Rev. C. W. Cole	50.00
Our Father	P. O. Box 201, Bates Rd.	Elizabethtown	Rev. E. A. Dooley	50.00
Our Father	163-70 — 106 Ave.	Brooklyn	Rev. J. H. Harrington	50.00
Our Father	15 Manhattan Rd.	Brooklyn	Rev. C. E. Houston	50.00
Our Father	301 Manhattan Ave.	Brooklyn	Rev. Thomas Williams	100.00
Our Father	100 Seaboard St.	Brooklyn	Rev. M. O. Parker	50.00
Our Father	979 Seaboard St.	Brooklyn	Rev. E. L. Johnson	50.00
Our Father	403 W. 163rd St.	New York City	Rev. D. M. Hunt	50.00
Our Father	124 Hopkins Ave.	Brooklyn	Rev. T. W. Harrison	50.00
Our Father	421 Main St.	Brooklyn	Rev. A. O. Lynn	50.00
Our Father	218 Parkton St.	Brooklyn	Rev. Harry Bond	50.00
Our Father	1303 Parkton St.	Brooklyn	Rev. G. A. Lacey	50.00
Our Father	63-15 Parkway South	Brooklyn	Rev. E. L. Simon	50.00
Our Father	103-37 Van Wyck Exp.	Brooklyn	Rev. L. A. Brown	50.00
ASSOCIATION				
Brooklyn Baptist Assn.	75 Brown St.	Brooklyn	Rev. Thomas Williams	50.00
Eastern Baptist Assn.	1641 Bergen St.	Brooklyn	Rev. H. L. Jones	50.00
New Hope Christian	147 West 121st St.	New York City	Rev. J. H. Dowson	100.00
New Hope Baptist Assn.	4500 Ashland Ave.	Brooklyn	Rev. W. C. Johnson	50.00
N. Y. Baptist Assn.	174 Manhattan Ave.	Brooklyn	Rev. T. W. Harrison	50.00
CONVENTION				
N. Y. Progressives	953 Putnam Ave.	Brooklyn	Rev. J. H. Nichols	100.00
PERSONAL				
	17 Midland Pl.	Brooklyn	Rev. Geo. T. Taylor	50.00
	422 Decatur	Brooklyn	Rev. W. H. Johnson	50.00
	1700 S. Goodman St.	Brooklyn	Rev. H. Mitchell	50.00
	170 Decatur St.	Brooklyn	Rev. H. Mitchell	50.00
	498 Riverside	New York City	Rev. L. P. Park	50.00
NORTH CAROLINA				
Antioch	405 Main St.	Charlotte	Rev. J. H. Ferguson	50.00
First	4015 Rhynes St.	Charlotte	Rev. J. H. Ferguson	50.00
First New Light Miss.	1404 Fairmont Rd.	Lumberton	Rev. S. B. Thompson	50.00
Friendship	248 — 8th Ave. S.W.	Highway	Rev. J. J. Alexander	50.00
Hopeful	724 Alford Ave.	Shelby	Rev. C. V. Owens	50.00
Mt. Zion	502 N. Central Ave.	Charlotte	Rev. P. H. Hays	50.00
Mt. Zion	1004 So. Central Ave.	Charlotte	Rev. E. T. Brown	50.00
Mt. Zion	610 Brantford Ave.	Charlotte	Rev. W. L. Edwards	50.00
Mt. Zion	230 W. Thomas St.	Rocky Mount	Rev. G. W. Dwyer	50.00
Peace Hall	P. O. Box 455	Charlotte	Rev. J. J. Johnson	50.00
Second Grace	P. O. Box 270	Lumberton	Rev. G. W. Dwyer	50.00
Shelby	1000 Federal St.	Shelby	Rev. B. E. Brown	50.00
Shelby	421 College St.	Shelby	Rev. C. H. Mitchell	50.00
Spring Branch	1404 Fairmont Rd.	Lumberton	Rev. A. G. Thompson	50.00
Union	904 N. Besham St.	Durham	Rev. G. B. Davis	100.00
ASSOCIATION				
The Rev. Union	301 Leno St.	Charlotte	Rev. J. H. Ferguson	50.00
St. John Baptist Assn.	P. O. Box 1230	Lumberton	Rev. C. J. Jones	50.00

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CONVENTION				
N. C. State Conv.	2000 Unstead St.	Durham	Rev. E. T. Brown	100.00
PERSONAL				
VA Hospital	112 Monille St.	Frederick	Chap. Hills Harris	100.00
			Rev. Thomas G. Killeen	1.00
OHIO				
Antioch	670 Weaver	Akron	Rev. W. C. Upshaw	100.00
Central	Rte. 4	Jefferson	Rev. Horace Harris	25.00
Emmanuel	2334 Canton St.	Cincinnati	Rev. C. P. Lockey	40.00
Fuji	4701 Midway Rd.	Cincinnati	Rev. E. S. Wagner	50.00
Jerusalem	1000—3rd St. N.E.	Canton	Rev. Harold Hopkins	25.00
Linden Heights	1103 Byrd St.	Cincinnati	Rev. H. W. Smith	20.00
Mt. Calvary	442 Bell St.	Akron	Rev. H. L. Brazil	1.00
Mt. Herman	3404 E. Blvd.	Cleveland	Rev. A. A. Womack	100.00
Mr. Herman	295 Charles St.	Mansfield	Rev. Joel King	25.00
Mr. Oliver	2290 E. 12th St.	Cleveland	Rev. LeRoy Kelley	25.00
Mr. Oliver	420 E. Main St.	Columbus	Rev. H. B. Hicks	100.00
Mr. Zinn	225 N. Wayne St.	Lakeland	Rev. Orla Moss, Jr.	25.00
New Temple	1504 Park Ave.	Cincinnati	Rev. M. D. McBride	20.00
Pears	650 Rockdale Ave.	Cincinnati	Dr. D. L. Marley	40.00
Pearles	1300 Market Ave.	S. Canton	Rev. W. H. Cutton	25.00
Prince of Peace	844 Garth Ave.	Akron	Rev. J. M. Burrell	100.00
Reverend Miss	411 Mulberry St.	London	Rev. H. C. Fletcher	25.00
Salem	2315 Cedar Ave.	Cleveland	Rev. S. S. Hodges	10.00
Second	1217 S. Second St.	Hamilton	Rev. C. J. Jackson	40.00
Spring Hill	523 Oak Knolls	Mansfield	Rev. A. P. Fawcett	10.00
Tabernacle	2363 Vine St.	Cincinnati	Rev. Joseph Hill	10.00
Tabernacle	450 Diamond Ave.	Cincinnati	Rev. I. V. Gosh	10.00
ASSOCIATION				
Providence M. B. Assn.	411 Mulberry St.	London	Rev. H. C. Fletcher	25.00
PERSONAL				
	904 Clinton Spring	Cincinnati	Rev. R. A. Mitchell	5.00
			Rev. M. M. Smith	1.00
OKLAHOMA				
Greater St. Steven	1645 N.E. 32nd St.	Oklahoma City	Rev. S. B. Parker	10.00
New Hope	1922 N.E. 7th St.	Oklahoma City	Rev. J. D. Fries	25.00
ASSOCIATION				
Oklahoma Synod Assn.	1801 N.E. 10th St.	Oklahoma City	Rev. E. B. Parker	100.00
PENNSYLVANIA				
Bright Hope	1110 W. Columbia Ave.	Philadelphia	Dr. Wm. H. Bess, Jr.	50.00
Childs Memorial	725 W. 10th St.	Philadelphia	Rev. R. A. Cromwell	50.00
Emmanuel Institute	1730 N. 22nd St.	Philadelphia	Rev. W. L. Bessley	20.00
Fourth Tabernacle	1728 W. Montgomery Ave.	Philadelphia	Rev. F. T. Lewis, Jr.	100.00
First United	2114 S. 7th St.	Philadelphia	Rev. S. L. Taylor	25.00
Galilee	2008 Chestnut St.	Philadelphia	Rev. O. M. Lovett, Jr.	25.00
Grace Memorial	477 Rockwood Ave.	Philadelphia	Rev. J. H. McGillich	25.00
Grace Memorial	2780 Spruce Ave.	Philadelphia	Rev. D. H. Wadleigh	25.00
Grace Memorial	2018 W. Columbia Ave.	Philadelphia	Rev. W. J. Lightfoot	15.00
Hillside Station	307 N. 6th St.	Philadelphia	Rev. W. Harman	50.00
Holy Cross	236-40-40 St.	Philadelphia	Rev. J. L. Bessley	50.00
Immanuel	4807 Rockwood Ave.	Philadelphia	Rev. D. M. Lewis, Jr.	50.00
Immanuel	1421 W. Dauphin St.	Philadelphia	Rev. J. A. Brown	50.00
Immanuel	1541 N. 10th St.	Philadelphia	Rev. J. A. Brown	10.00
Immanuel	274 Princeton Ave.	Philadelphia	Rev. H. B. Hicks	25.00
Immanuel	27nd & Tingo Sts.	Philadelphia	Rev. J. R. Adams	100.00
Immanuel	42nd & Wallace Sts.	Philadelphia	Rev. M. L. Sheppard, Jr.	25.00
Immanuel	237 Highland Ave.	Ambridge	Rev. E. Pachter	25.00
Immanuel	1000 & 1st St. N.	Philadelphia	Rev. A. Hershman	125.00
Immanuel	1000 & 1st St. N.	Philadelphia	Rev. E. M. Campbell	15.00
Immanuel	1701 Kensington St.	Philadelphia	Rev. T. C. Gifford	50.00
Immanuel	724 N. 23rd St.	Philadelphia	Rev. O. J. Smith	10.00
Immanuel	Faulkner & Tenthaven	Philadelphia	Rev. W. M. Anderson	100.00
Immanuel	3413 R. 37th St.	Philadelphia	Rev. H. P. Doherty	100.00

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CONVENTION				
Immanuel	6711 Edman St.	Pittsburgh	Rev. E. L. Davis	50.00
Immanuel	4527 Chestnut	Pittsburgh	Rev. C. E. Wright	50.00
Immanuel	20th & Wallace Sts.	Philadelphia	Rev. A. L. Johnson	50.00
Immanuel	1220 2nd St. N. 4th St.	Philadelphia	Rev. J. B. McIntosh	50.00
Immanuel	9000 N. 10th St.	Philadelphia	Rev. J. L. Phillips	10.00
Immanuel	605-7 S. 10th St.	Philadelphia	Rev. Willie H. Ellis	25.00
Immanuel	3040 Christian St.	Philadelphia	Rev. W. H. D. Powell	100.00
Immanuel	417 Roberts St.	Philadelphia	Rev. W. E. Slatt	55.00
Immanuel	1608 W. Allegheny	Philadelphia	Rev. M. J. Trapp	50.00
Immanuel	1135 S. 19th St.	Philadelphia	Rev. L. B. Henry	100.00
ASSOCIATION				
Allegheny Union Baptist	7240 Hawthorne St.	Pittsburgh	Rev. I. A. Williams	50.00
Allegheny Union Baptist	4218 Germantown Ave.	Philadelphia	Rev. Austin Johnson, Jr.	50.00
CONVENTION				
Allegheny Union Baptist	Faulkner & Tenthaven	Philadelphia	Rev. W. H. Anderson	100.00
Allegheny Union Baptist	3290 N. 21st St.	Philadelphia	Rev. S. B. Barber	100.00
Allegheny Union Baptist	5911 Kambie Ave.	Philadelphia	Rev. Lella Washington	15.00
PERSONAL				
	342 Lincoln Ave.	Pittsburgh	William D. Curren	10.00
	1521 67th Ave.	Philadelphia	Rev. Joseph Feltz, Jr.	5.00
	106 5th St.	Milford	Joseph H. Patterson	5.00
	1321 N. 57th St.	Philadelphia	Rev. Samuel Sheppard	5.00
	2548 N. Wacker St.	Philadelphia	Rev. Francis Stepan	5.00
			Rev. W. Woodley	10.00
SOUTH CAROLINA				
Abel	1 Ceshwara Dr.	Greenville	Rev. Albert Patterson	10.00
Abel	106 Wardlaw St.	Greenville	Rev. H. P. Pearson	25.00
Abel	513 Beaulieu Ave.	Columbia	Rev. J. W. Davis	25.00
Abel	300 Old Paris Rd.	Greenville	Rev. H. P. Pearson	25.00
Abel	Rte. 4	Greenville	Rev. C. J. Johnson	20.00
Abel	24 Euclid St.	Charleston	Rev. J. D. Bosh	50.00
Abel	P. O. Box 7044	Charleston	Rev. Lewis L. Sanders	25.00
Abel	230 Ashtar St.	Spartanburg	Rev. Earl Chubb	25.00
Abel	219 S. Washington	Spartanburg	Rev. W. S. Boudolph	50.00
Abel	P. O. Box 835	Waynesville	Rev. W. E. Foster	25.00
Abel	180 Ranney St.	Charleston	Rev. Willis Brown	25.00
Abel	565 Chestnut St.	Waynesville	Rev. E. W. Smith	10.00
Abel	107 W. Moore St.	Spartanburg	Rev. L. W. Walker	10.00
Abel	605 S. Main St.	Spartanburg	Rev. E. F. Watson	10.00
Abel	104 W. Sumter St.	Waynesville	Rev. F. A. Ballou, Jr.	10.00
Abel	Rte. 4, Box 334	Columbia	Rev. A. L. Bruchett	11.00
Abel	Donnell College	Greenville	Rev. C. A. Cherry	50.00
Abel	P. O. Box 1236	Charleston	Rev. C. M. Daniels	100.00
Abel	133 Alexander St.	Greenville	Rev. A. H. Cook	20.00
Abel	Rte. 4	Waynesville	Rev. J. C. Jackson	20.00
Abel	345 Chestnut St.	Waynesville	Rev. J. B. Bond	25.00
Abel	127 Arden St. E.	Waynesville	Rev. D. L. Hoffman	25.00
Abel	190 Johnson St.	Waynesville	Rev. H. H. Mitchell	50.00
Abel	York & Grand Sts.	Columbia	Rev. J. M. Curry	100.00
Abel	Rte. 2, Box 43	Waynesville	Rev. Milton Kroeger	25.00
Abel	Rte. 2, Box 43	Waynesville	Rev. A. D. Daniels	5.00
Abel	Rte. 2, Box 43	Waynesville	Rev. Henry McCall, Jr.	10.00
Abel	Rte. 2, Box 43	Waynesville	Rev. W. E. Fry	25.00
Abel	Rte. 2, Box 43	Waynesville	Rev. T. E. Johnson	10.00
Abel	Rte. 1, Box 435	Waynesville	Rev. Harold Bond	40.00
Abel	119 Birnie St.	Waynesville	Rev. C. S. Spaulding	25.00
Abel	54 Marshall St.	Waynesville	Rev. M. T. Robinson	10.00
Abel	Rte. 2, Box 74 Cherry	Columbia	Rev. J. M. Gault	10.00
Abel	5201 Fernwood Rd.	Columbia	Rev. R. E. Williams	25.00
Abel	4913 Melrose Dr.	Columbia	Rev. Paul W. Brummond	25.00
Abel	324 W. Bond St.	Waynesville	Rev. James G. Rich	25.00
Abel	414 First Ave.	Waynesville	Rev. T. D. Everett	25.00
Abel	Rte. 2	Waynesville	Rev. R. W. Cady	25.00

Church	Address	City	Dr. W. M. Bowman, Sr.	Amount
Second Mercantile	2012 Myrdick St.	Columbia	Minister	25.00
Sweet Canyon	1 Spartanburg Lane	Brownville	Rev. C. C. Stewart	25.00
Trinity	1316 Main St.	Anderson	Rev. John B. Sanders	15.00
Union	407 Green Ave.	Greenville	Rev. H. J. Brackman	15.00
Upper Hope Station	Rte. 2, Box 104	Carlisle	Rev. J. J. Jones	25.00
White Plains	515 Green St.	Laurens	Rev. M. U. Varney	25.00
Wilson Calvary	Cor. Lee & Stephen Sts.	Anderson	Rev. C. B. Lewis	25.00

ASSOCIATION

Eastley Union	Eastley	Rev. C. C. Stewart
Deborah River	Pickens	Rev. C. C. Stewart
Sumter Baptist	Sumter	Rev. T. O. Everett
Wyanah	107 W. Moore St. Sumter	Rev. L. W. Williams

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S. C. Fellowship of Ed & Mary Conv.	324 W. Reed St.	Anderson	Chr. James D. Rich	200.00
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COLLEGE

Goodwill College	Jacksonville	Pres. B. J. Peyton	10.00
Marion College	Jackson	Pres. B. B. Graham	10.00

PERSONAL

		Dr. W. P. Pigg	25.00
		Rev. S. J. Johnston	1.00
		Rev. S. W. Moore	1.00

TENNESSEE

Basket	744 Flynn	Memphis	Rev. John H. Lane	10.00
Bowling	1407 Douglas	Memphis	Rev. W. C. Holmes	10.00
First	1210 S. Edwards	Memphis	Rev. J. L. Talbert	100.00
First	2849 Broad St.	Memphis	Rev. H. C. Cherry	25.00
First	402 E. Lombard St.	Memphis	Rev. C. L. Binkley	10.00
Greater Middle	227 Lane Ave.	Memphis	Rev. B. L. Mank	100.00
Greater White Stone Miss.	517 S. Wallington St.	Memphis	Rev. A. E. Williams	25.00
Memphis	787 Walker Ave.	Memphis	Rev. S. A. Dean	25.00
Memphis	130 S. Patton St.	Memphis	Rev. S. B. Hyles	25.00
Mt. Meriah	2534 Carver Ave.	Memphis	Rev. P. Harnworthy	25.00
Mt. Vernon	547 Ross Blvd.	Memphis	Rev. J. B. Hatters	25.00

TEXAS

First	3610 Rosedale	Houston	Rev. J. H. Bailey	25.00
Presbyterian	1002 St. Clair	Houston	Rev. S. M. Weaver	25.00
St. Paul Miss.	2002 E. Tennessee	Houston	Rev. Victor Jacob	25.00
Second		Houston	Rev. S. H. Jones	25.00

ASSOCIATION

Inter-Baptist Assn of Texas	725 Greenville	Houston	Rev. Victor Jacob	25.00
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COLLEGE

Bishop Calison	Dallas	Rev. M. K. Curry, Jr.	10.00
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VIRGINIA

Cedar Street Memorial	304 & "B" St.	Richmond	Dr. E. W. Robertson, Sr.	25.00
Ebenezer	117 W. Peyton	Alexandria	Rev. A. A. Baker	25.00
Fajah	1400 W. Cary St.	Richmond	Rev. J. C. Kelly	25.00
First	1A Seaton Pl., N.W.	Washington, D. C.		
First	Rte. 1, Box 414	Tanquehann	Rev. J. T. Wynn	10.00
Lakewood	633 Brook Ave.	Leesburg	Rev. J. E. Tompkins	10.00
Mt. Olive	850 E. Box 90	Leesburg	Rev. G. M. Daugherty	10.00
Mt. Pleasant	610 W. Holly Ave.	Covington	Rev. I. C. Hestert	10.00
Mt. Salvation	1000 W. Longwood	Leesburg	Rev. Harold Wierfort	10.00
Mt. Zion	14th & So. Glabe Rd	Leesburg	Rev. J. E. Hestert	10.00
Mt. Zion	309 White St.	Arlington	Dr. O. E. Smith	25.00
New Bethel	450 Pine St.	Fredericksburg	Rev. J. D. McManis	10.00
New St. Thomas	3700 Elm Ave.	Fredericksburg	Rev. E. J. Vaughan	25.00
Old Cross	244—14th St.	Stafford	Dr. C. W. Coffey	25.00
Old Cross	Rte. 3, Box 448	Stafford	Rev. W. W. Baller	25.00
		Stafford	Rev. E. E. Foster	25.00

Church	Address	City	Minister	Amount
Church	2400 King St.	Alexandria	Rev. L. H. Gille	25.00
First Baptist	643—24th St.	Newport News	Rev. M. L. Jefferson	50.00
Lebanon	1811 Iowa St.	Drumville	Rev. G. W. Ritter	15.00
Lebanon	1811 Iowa St.	Falls Church	Rev. W. E. Godner	25.00
Star Hill	250 S. Box 90	Gettysburg	Rev. J. C. Harbott	15.00

ASSOCIATION

North Va. Baptist	Sta. 2, Box 157	Sta. 2, Box 157	Rev. J. W. Thornton	35.00
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Vt. Baptist State Conv.	225 1/2 Veranda St.	Richmond	Pres. H. W. B. Walker	200.00
Woman's Assn.		Richmond	Pres. Minnie Green	1.00

PERSONAL

	1373—29th St.	Newport News	Mrs. Florence Carter	10.00
	1706 W. Moore St.	Richmond	Rev. J. L. Hargrove	5.00
		Richmond	Dr. W. L. Henderson	50.00

WASHINGTON

Episcopal First	1810 Tacoma Ave.	Tacoma	Rev. J. B. Williams	50.00
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WEST VIRGINIA

Unaffiliated	Box 29	Mayberry	Rev. H. L. Robinson	10.00
Unaffiliated First	Box 29	Mayberry	Rev. H. L. Robinson	10.00
First	Rte. 1, Box 47	Marquette	Rev. F. M. Harris	15.00

WISCONSIN

Church	3524 N. 4th St.	Wausau	Rev. L. A. Kennedy	15.00
Center Callow	843 S. Tenth Ave.	Wausau	Rev. E. N. Phillips	25.00
St. Mary's	2916 N. 4th St.	Wausau	Rev. J. L. Latham	20.00

PROGRESSIVE NATIONAL BAPTIST CONVENTION, INC. **PROPOSED BUDGET FOR 1969-1970**

(Proposed income for Five-Year Period: \$1,500,000.00 or \$300,000.00 per year)

ANTICIPATED INCOME

I. Local Churches:		
1 — 100 churches giving \$600.00 per year or \$50.00 per month	\$60,000.00	
2 — 150 churches giving \$400.00 per year or \$33.33 per month	60,000.00	
3 — 500 churches giving \$300.00 per year or \$25.00 per month	150,000.00	
4 — 250 churches giving \$120.00 per year or \$10.00 per month	30,000.00	
5 — 200 churches giving \$60.00 per year or \$5.00 per month	12,000.00	
Total from churches		\$312,000.00
II. The Convention's Auxiliaries and oards, State Conventions and State Fellowships, District Associations, Special Offerings		30,000.00
III. Publishing Board		20,000.00
Total Anticipated Income		\$362,000.00

EXPENSES AND ALLOCATIONS

I. ADMINISTRATION:		
President's office and travel expenses	\$ 2,000.00	
Executive Secretary:		
Salary	\$10,000.00	
Office and Travel and Exp.	5,000.00	
Secretarial help	6,500.00	
Fringe Benefits	5,000.00	20,500.00
Recording Secretaries:		
Recording Secretary	150.00	300.00
Assistant Secretaries	150.00	300.00
Treasurer		500.00
Enrollment Committee		300.00
Music Committee		150.00
Printing: Programs, Minutes, Badges, Brochures		6,000.00
Regional Meetings		2,000.00
Budget Committee		500.00
Women's Auxiliary		5,000.00
Expenses to Baptist World Alliance (President of Convention, Pres. of Women's Auxiliary, and Executive Secretary	4,500.00	
Laymen (\$3,645.00) and Ushers (\$500.00)	4,145.00	
Total for Administration		\$ 51,895.00
II. EDUCATION:		
Congress of Christian Education	\$12,000.00	
Educational Institutions	10,000.00	
Department of Christian Education	1,000.00	
Total for Education		23,000.00
III. NATIONAL MISSIONS:		
Home Mission Board	\$ 4,000.00	
American Bible Society	1,000.00	
Total for National Missions		5,000.00
VI. WORLD MISSIONS:		
Baptist Foreign Mission Bureau	\$ 3,000.00	
World Baptist Alliance Relief Fund	500.00	
Total for World Missions		3,500.00

V. COOPERATIVE CHRISTIANITY:		
Baptist World Alliance	\$ 1,600.00	
North American Baptist Fellowship	500.00	
National Council of Churches	4,000.00	
Expenses — Representatives	1,000.00	
Total for Cooperative Christianity		7,300.00
VI. PUBLISHING BOARD		14,800.00
VII. PUBLIC RELATIONS		5,000.00
VIII. CIVIL RIGHTS:		
S.C.L.C.	\$ 1,000.00	
N.A.A.C.P.	250.00	
Total for Civil Rights		1,250.00
X. CONTINGENT FUND (Unanticipated Operation)		5,000.00
TOTAL		\$111,745.00
TOTAL EXPENDITURE BUDGET	\$116,745.00	
GENERAL PROGRAM EXPANSION	45,255.00	
PROPERTY AND EQUIPMENT EXPANSION	200,000.00	
TOTAL	\$362,000.00	

Proposals from Budget Committee adopted by the convention:

1. That there will be one printed program and one badge and one registration for the annual session of the convention and its auxiliaries, meeting simultaneously with the parent body.
(a) There will be a separate badge for personal enrollment.
2. That there will be a special committee appointed in the Miami session to study and plan a program for home missions.
(a) This committee to be considered a task force for a crash program.
3. That all offerings be eliminated, except offerings for special convention objectives and emergencies.
4. That there will be a listing of educational institutions as convention objectives.
New proposals:
1. That there may be a love offering for retiring presidents, with no prior solicitations.
2. That the Moderators' Council will desist from collecting money from churches or associations; but all money be paid through the regular Enrollment Committee of the convention.
(a) No expense account be allowed for the Moderator's Council.
3. That beginning with the next Annual (after Kansas City) Session, a unified Program Committee work out the program that will be a unified program.
4. A sub-committee from the Budget Committee on programming and structuring was appointed, namely—N. H. Smith, Mrs. Beulah Brent, and Executive Secretary.
5. That the Laymen's Banquet be the banquet of the Annual Session and no other banquet be held.
6. This budget will be treated on a percentage basis according to the total income for the fiscal year. This percentage allocation will be under the Executive Secretary and the Board of Directors.

PROGRESSIVE NATIONAL BAPTIST CONVENTION, INC.

TREASURER'S FINAL REPORT

JANUARY 21, 1970 — MEMPHIS, TENNESSEE

MID-WINTER BOARD MEETING — ADJOURNED SESSION

Dear Brothers:

Serving as your treasurer for the last two years has been for me a rewarding challenge. As you know, under your rules, my term expired at the Annual Session at Miami Beach, Fla., as this was the end of two years and a new treasurer was elected. It was impractical to attempt to change at the point of election as I was directed to pay off bills, finish the calendar year and report at the January Board Meeting, and at this time turn over the office and funds to my distinguished successor, Dr. C. V. Johnson, of Chicago.

I am prepared to do this today. And in order to expedite this transfer without an operational lapse, I have more than a month ago forwarded to the new treasurer two checks for one thousand dollars each for the purpose of establishing two checking accounts in Chicago banks—one a Treasurer's Account for general operations, and Account #2 for special items, particularly our literature with our publishers.

We did give you a report in Miami Beach in September 1969 so that this present report will cover September through December 1969 with a few necessary items in January 1970. It was found to be adverse to arbitrarily maintain December 31 as an absolute cut-off date when certain matters required attention and the new accounts were not ready for operation. Although this report begins with September 1969 we attach a full list of checks written beginning with July 1968 through December 1969 for your information.

General Fund Balance 8-31-69	\$24,770.54
Receipts and Deposits Sept. '69-Dec. '69	40,072.99
9-23 \$ 518.13 11-7 \$ 151.00	
10-7 392.60 11-25 40.00	
10-7 50.00 11-25 95.00	
10-7 435.00 11-25 408.46	
10-16 36,243.30 12-5 180.00	
10-21 37.50 12-5 180.00	
10-28 85.00 12-31 232.00	
11-7 280.00 12-31 140.00	
11-7 465.00 12-31 140.00	
Total Assets Available	\$64,843.53
Minus Expenditures during period (see check list attached for detail)	38,388.89
Balance	\$26,479.54
Check #480 — Transfer to Reserve Progressive NBC	12,500.00
Balance Detroit Bank	\$13,979.54
To Open Chicago Account (New Treasurer)	1,000.00
Operating Balance	\$14,979.54

*Please note, deposit of \$36,243.30 dated 10-16-69 represents Annual Session funds received and deposited in Jefferson National Bank, Miami Beach, Fla. These funds, monthly checks, were held by bank over 30 days to give our checks a chance to clear before releasing funds to us. Even after this precaution on their part we have returned checks in the amount of \$1,301.00 (Detail on returned checks is separately provided.) Otherwise our money from Miami bank would have been \$37,544.30 plus \$151.00 received 11-7-69. This amount was held up due to some checks made out to the convention but paid to housing bureau of local committee which paid them to local motel. When checks returned they were originally changed to our account and later released (Total receipts, \$37,695.30.)

It is important to note that while we had maintained a reasonable balance coming up to the Annual Session we were compelled to meet almost complete expenses on the spot which actually exceeded our balance. And since the income from the Annual Session is not actually available until checks clear it meant that at one point we had to be carried by our Detroit bank on the strength of assets in the Miami Beach bank.

If we learned any one thing from this experience it is that no treasurer should be expected or required to "pay off" all the routine bills of the convention while in session. It is impossible to conduct orderly business in hallways, hotel rooms and during sessions with many persons standing around asking or demanding checks. I hope that the new treasurer will have only to pay emergency expenses as they arise and will be trusted to take care of the rest of convention business after he returns to his office and mail checks as planned in an orderly business session. I am sure that all of us who are able to get to the convention will be able to get home.

Now again about returned checks. We have about worked out with the Cook Co. a procedure regarding unpaid checks which will be perfected with the new treasurer. This will greatly reduce the effect of bad checks on Account #2 related to purchase of literature as this is purely a business situation. We have yet to solve the problem of bad checks, accounts closed and checks stopped as relates to the General Fund and the Convention proper. I will be turning over a list of such to the President and Executive Secretary for such action as seems proper. I frankly hesitate to make them public on my own initiative, although I have made copies.

II. Now, Part II of our report has to do with Account #2 which is presently used primarily for literature and printing accounts.

Account #2 — August 31, 1969 - December 31, 1969			
Balance reported 8-31-69			\$17,261.07
Receipts and Deposits			
9-11 \$1,833.20 10-28 \$6,211.02			
9-23 4,970.83 11-25 4034.81			
9-23 4,219.27 12-5 1,883.37			
10-7 5,075.75 12-17 3,172.58			
10-28 60.33 12-31 5,217.31			\$36,478.47
Total assets for period			\$53,639.54
Disbursements — checks written			
#3 — 9-29-69 — David C. Cook —			
July Quarter 1969 in full			\$16,932.33
#4 — 12-15-69 — James W. English —			
Refund for Breakfast Lit. Comm. — Miami			63.00
#5 — 12-15-69 — David C. Cook Pub. Co. —			
October (4th Quarter) in full 1969			17,332.59
#6 — 12-5-69 — Progressive Nat'l Convention Acct. #2			
for New Treasurer Acct. — Chicago		1,000.00	35,327.86
			\$18,311.68
Transfer to Res. — Progressive NBC			12,500.00
Balance Detroit Bank			\$ 5,811.68
Balance Chicago (New Treas.)			1,000.00
			\$ 6,811.68

III. Part III deals with OTHER FUNDS

Date	Account	Amount	Additional Int.	Total Value
8-5-68	#392	\$ 8,972.97	\$244.10	\$ 9,706.13
8-5-68	#C-393	5,000.00	131.28	5,131.28
6-4-69	**#C-392 (536)	489.08		489.08
1-12-70	630	12,500.00		12,500.00
1-17-70	631	12,500.00		12,500.00
Total		\$39,461.97	\$375.38	\$40,326.45

Please note that Account #C-392 with face value of \$8,872.81 represents accumulated interest of \$972.97 from the original \$8,000 and now has a value of \$9,706.13 or a gain of \$1,706.13. **Certificate C-392 (536) for \$489.06 also represents earnings on Savings but was placed on a separate certificate (536) and re-invested.

It is clear that we have a value of \$2,326.45 gain above deposits. With our two new deposits on reserve our interest income next year should be more than pleasing. These accounts are retained by vote of the convention in Miami Beach. This would imply authority for continued deposits as we have done. However, since in the case of certificates each deposit is technically a new account we recommend approval of new accounts and deposits by the adoption of this report. This would officially qualify additional convention representatives to sign the new cards and be on record as signers of future business transactions.

It is believed that we have on hand ample fluid funds for current operations. It should be noted, however, that except for reasons when in session our outgo exceeds our income. The answer is in monthly support. Also more specific and limited guidelines are needed with reference to committee travel and auxiliary expense as well as official expense. I would point out that this office has not — in the two years, three months of our work — accepted one cent for ourselves. For the most part we have absorbed the cost of the office personally except for a few items reimbursed to the church and small gifts occasionally paid to workers for overtime from our account. Therefore I kept no running account from day to day for services, postage, transportation, certified mail, long distance telephones and the like. Some of these were absorbed by the Second Baptist Church of Detroit as if my personal work, partly because they know the office was temporary. Also there was reluctance on my part to write checks to myself for expenses. I believe I have done so only once which was authorized expense to attend Cooperative Committee at Green Lake. Another meeting at St. Louis I did not pay myself because I had no voucher or clear directive. It has been a pleasure to serve with the official family and I offer my best to our new treasurer, Dr. C. V. Johnson, and pledge full cooperation.

I cannot give a complete detail or specific income from churches since I have not received the receipts and records from Miami Beach and it is fully accounted for in this report. (Total good money received, Miami Beach, \$37,685.30; uncollected checks, \$1,301.00.) Nor do I have specifics on donors for M. L. King, Jr., Memorial Fund except \$418.65 received there with an additional \$50.00 by mail. Our original gift to the fund was \$3,555.60 for a total of \$4,024.25.

January salaries are paid already and office rent for January. I believe that our obligations are up to date. A new look should be taken at our giving to causes and to National and World organizations. Most of them operate on a fiscal year that is the same as the calendar year so this means they are expecting new money from us as of now for 1970. This is true even though our fiscal year (July 1 - June 30) is only half way.

Advance support to the Woman's Department, check #389, 9-6-69, Mrs. Beulah P. Brent. Expenses advance for President's office, \$1,000.00. Check #466, 12-15-69, Mrs. Beulah Brent, \$169.00, expenses in Southern Region, Paducah, Ky.

Congress of Christian Education has not received advance funds since their annual session in June. These were returned after session. I have received list of expenses but no clearance for payment of same. Re: One check, #461, 11-7-69, Rev. William Bishop, \$120, expenses to Valley Forge; it was not clear if this is congress meeting or that of a special committee.

To date the Executive Secretary's office, including salaries, rent, travel and minimum supplies, has cost \$3,238.35, October to January. This is at the salary of \$300.00 per month with \$260.00 for office help and \$40.00 for office rent. A full-time office will require furniture and fixtures outlay and some increases in salary.

Charged to the President's office to date is the sum of \$1,018.13, although \$218.40 actually was a refund for last year's expenses which exceeded budget and were charged to 1969-70 budget allowance. (Check # 351 — also #351)

The Baptist Foreign Mission Bureau was given \$7,000.00 check, #412, 9-25-69, by order of convention. During the convention the treasurer was ordered to pay the Home Mission Board chairman \$842.00 expense (#378, 9-8-69). As we have not received the records of enrollment, it is impossible to know what funds were ear-marked for this purpose.

Funds received and deposited since December 31, 1969: General Fund Treasurer's Account, \$401.00, 1-15-70; Account #2, Literature on First Quarter 1970, \$4,703.32, 1-15-70. These funds are over and above the report above and are not included therein.

Again, I thank you for the privilege and honor of being of service to the denomination. And remember my complete cooperation is available to the new treasurer and to the convention.

Yours in Christ,
A. A. BANKS, JR., Pastor
Second Baptist Church of Detroit
Outgoing Treasurer — 1-21-70

PROGRESSIVE NATIONAL BAPTIST CONVENTION MID-WINTER BOARD MEETING

Memphis, Tennessee — January 20-22, 1970

Part IV

Final Report of Retiring Treasurer
DR. A. A. BANKS, JR.

EXPENDITURES JULY 1968 - DECEMBER 1969 CHECK REGISTER

Check No.	Written Date	Autho- rity		
188	7-10-68	B	Dr. L. V. Booth, Executive Secy.	\$ 300.00
189	7-10-68	B	Dr. Booth, Office Secretary	260.00
190	7-10-68	B	Zion Bapt., Office, Rent for July	40.00
191	7-10-68	#28	Western Printing Co., 424 Commercial Sq., Cinti., O., 1st Inst. on Prtg. of Minutes	900.00
192	7-19-68	#29	Western Printing, 2nd Inst. mailed 7-10-68	1,355.00
193	8-10-68	#30	Western Printing, 3rd Inst.	1,100.00
194	7-10-68	#32	Dr. G. C. Taylor, B.W.A. Exec. Bd., Libera Vote of Conv.	1,000.00
195	7-10-68	#33	Dr. E. L. Harrison, B.W.A. Exec. Bd., Vote of Conv.	1,000.00
196	7-10-68	#34	Dr. Booth, Bapt. World Alliance Exec. Bd., Vote of Conv.	1,000.00
197	7-10-68	#15	Leonard Patterson, Bapt. World Youth Congress	200.00
198	8-28-68	#31	Western Printing Co., 4th Inst.	1,100.00
199	7-18-68	#34	Dr. W. W. Taylor, Exp., Bapt. Progress	128.45
200	7-18-68	#33	David C. Cook Pub. Co., 6,000 c.c. Bapt. Progress	628.88
201	7-18-68	#14	Dr. Thomas Kilgore, Exp. of Questionnaire	136.35
202	7-25-68	#18/17?	Concord Bapt. Refund, Exp. Pres.	718.03
203	7-25-68	#27	Dr. L. V. Booth, Refund, Conv. Exp.	319.58
204	7-25-68	#34	Gen. Commission on Chaplains	150.00
205	8- 1-68	B	Dr. Booth, Exec. Secy.	300.00
206	8- 1-68	B	Dr. Booth, Office Secy.	260.00
207	8- 1-68	B	Zion Baptist, Office Rent	40.00
208	8-31-68		Second Bapt., Refund, Office Material	51.87
209	8-31-68		Willis M. Boyd, Clerical, Treas. Office	50.00
210	8- 2-68	B	Western Printing, Bal. Due	1,412.00
211	9- 2-68	#35	David C. Cook Co., S.S. & BTU	10,470.63
212	9- 6-68		Capitol Airlines	84.90
213	9- 6-68		Clifton Cabell, Photo Service	100.00
214	9- 7-68		Rev. G. W. Criss, Refund, Exp.	116.00
215	9- 7-68		Rev. W. W. Taylor, Refund, Exp.	138.40
216	9- 7-68		Roy Riser, Refund, Exp., Laymen's	482.50
217	9- 7-68		Rev. E. K. Foster, Exp., E. Reg.	32.00

Check No.	Written Date	Authority		
218	9-7-68		Rev. J. F. Williams, Regis. Comm.	80.00
219	3-7-68		Rev. L. J. Alford, Chinn, Regis.	100.00
220	9-7-68		Rev. L. J. Alford, Refund	135.00
221	9-7-68		Rev. Edward Banks, Exp. of Music	100.40
222	9-7-68		Dr. E. R. Searcy, Expense	389.00
223	9-7-68		Economy Adv. Co., Badges	360.50
224	9-7-68		Dr. L. V. Booth, Exp., Exec.	1,770.14
225	9-7-68		James Francis, Exp. & Service	125.00
226	9-14-68		Dr. L. V. Booth	300.00
227	9-14-68		Dr. Booth, Office Secy.	280.00
228	9-14-68		Zion Baptist, Office Rent	40.00
229	9-26-68		Fidelity & Deposit Co.	152.00
230	10-8-68		Dr. Booth, Exec. Secy.	300.00
231	10-8-68		Dr. Booth, Office Secy.	280.00
232	10-8-68		Zion Bapt., Office Rent	40.00
233	10-8-68		Western Printing Co.	33.20
234	10-11-68		Dr. E. R. Searcy, Exp. Allow., N. Y.	150.00
235	10-15-68	B	David C. Cook	792.99
236	10-15-68	#37	Bapt. Foreign Mission Bureau	2,500.00
237	10-15-68	36	Dr. L. V. Booth, Reim. of Salaries, 1967-68	420.00
238	11-14-68	B	Dr. Booth, Salary	300.00
239	11-14-68	B	Dr. Booth, Office Secy.	260.00
240	11-14-68	B	Zion Baptist, Office Rent	40.00
241	11-14-68		American Bible Society	1,000.00
242	11-14-68		Chicago Bible Institute	500.00
243	11-25-68	38	Rev. W. T. Walker, Public Rel	132.54
244	11-25-68	39	Dr. S. D. Edwards, C. Ed.	430.00
245	11-25-68	40	Rev. R. L. Patterson, Rec. Secy.	63.00
246	11-25-68	41	Rev. S. B. Kyles, Travel	127.20
247	12-5-68		Dr. L. V. Booth	300.00
248	12-5-68		Dr. Booth, Office Secy.	260.00
249	12-5-68		Zion Baptist Church, Rent	40.00
250	12-5-68	43d	Rev. Booth, Internal Rev.	171.75
251	12-5-68	44d	Rev. D. D. Clay, Travel Exp.	114.00
252	12-5-68	45d	Rev. H. B. Hicks, Travel Exp.	125.00
253	12-5-68	46d	Rev. L. V. Booth, Travel Exp.	183.21
254	12-5-68		Void	
255	12-5-68	47d	Rev. V. S. Turner, Travel Exp.	133.75
256	12-5-68	48	Dr. A. A. Banks, Travel Exp.	90.05
257	12-5-68		Capitol & Glogau, Photography	146.00
258	1-10-69	51	Dr. D. E. King, Exp., Bapt. Prog.	340.05
259	1-10-69	52	Charles W. Lowe, Photo Service	25.00
260	1-10-69		Dr. Booth	300.00
261	1-10-69		Dr. Booth, Office Secy.	260.00
262	1-10-69		Zion Baptist, Rent	40.00
263	1-13-69	53	Nat'l Council of Churches	300.00
264	1-13-69	54	Dr. E. R. Searcy, Supplies & Clerical	150.00
265	1-13-69	57	Dr. E. R. Searcy, Travel Exp.	250.00
266	1-19-69	D	Benedict College	250.00
267	1-19-69	D	Bapt. Foreign Mission Bd.	1,434.23
268	1-22-69	56	Concord Bapt. Church, Pres. Mess.	150.00
269	1-22-69	57	David C. Cook Pub. Co.	681.88
270	1-22-69	58	Rev. A. E. Banks	42.50
271	1-22-69	59	David C. Cook (Back Bill)	7,489.32
272	2-5-69	60	David C. Cook (Back Bill)	11,489.93
273	2-5-69		Dr. L. V. Booth	300.00
274	2-5-69		Dr. Booth, Office Secy.	260.00
275	2-5-69		Zion Baptist Church, Rent	40.00
276	2-18-69		Dr. E. R. Searcy, Travel Exp.	150.00
277	2-18-69		Atlanta Daily World	100.00
278	2-18-69		Nat'l Council of Churches	500.00
279	2-18-69		Bethany Bapt. Church, Refund	11.75
280	2-18-69		Mrs. M. L. Bruce, Pres. Exp.	1,000.00
281	2-20-69		M. L. King Memorial Fd.	3,555.60

Check No.	Written Date	Authority		
282	2-20-69		Oak Grove Missionary Bapt. Church	2.30
283	3-3-69		Dr. Searcy & Dr. Booth, Travel Exp.	500.00
284	3-3-69		Dr. L. V. Booth	300.00
285	3-3-69		Dr. L. V. Booth, Office Secy.	280.00
286	3-3-69		Zion Baptist, Rent	40.00
287	3-12-69		Rev. W. W. Taylor, Budget Exp.	116.47
288	3-12-69		Rev. W. C. Upshaw, Travel Exp.	36.98
289	3-12-69		Rev. G. W. Criss, Travel Exp.	99.06
290	3-12-69		Rev. H. P. Sharper, Exp.	114.55
291	3-12-69		Francis A. Kornegay, Consultant	25.00
292	3-19-69		David C. Cook, Oct. Quarter 1968	13,644.98
293	4-11-69		Dr. H. B. Hicks, Refund, Travel	150.00
294	4-11-69		Rev. James Fair, Service	30.00
295	4-11-69		Mrs. Marie Taylor, Refund, Exp.	370.18
296	4-11-69		Edythe Hyde, Secy.-Treas. & Exp.	120.75
297	4-11-69		James Thompson, Laymen's Exp.	180.00
298	4-11-69		James Thompson, Refund	30.00
299	4-11-69		Mrs. Willie Mae Steen, Youth Dept.	145.00
300	4-11-69		Lynda Lee, Pianist	5.00
301	4-11-69		Miss Peggy Giametti, Chmn. Fin.	25.00
302	4-11-69		Mrs. Gertie Phillips, Fin. Secy.	18.00
303	4-11-69		James Thompson, Refund	30.00
304	4-15-69		Dr. D. E. King, Allowance Exp.	450.00
305	4-11-69		True Light Baptist, Entertainment	50.00
306	4-11-69		Mich. Progressive Bapt. Conv.	125.00
307	4-11-69		Dr. Booth	300.00
308	4-15-69		Dr. L. V. Booth, Secy.	260.00
309	4-15-69		Zion Baptist Church, Rent	40.00
310	5-7-69		Dr. L. V. Booth	300.00
311	5-7-69		Dr. L. V. Booth, Secy. Salary	280.00
312	5-7-69		Zion Baptist Church, Rent	40.00
313	5-25-69	#76	Dr. Booth, Fed. & City Taxes, Trip to D. C.	515.03
314	5-29-69		Suske Printing Co., Invoice #2442	98.00
315	6-5-69		Dr. L. V. Booth	300.00
316	6-5-69		Dr. Booth, Secy. Salary	280.00
317	6-5-69		Dr. Booth, Postage, Clerical Help	250.00
318	6-5-69		Zion Baptist, Office Rent	40.00
319	6-5-69		Void	
320	6-20-69		Rev. Charles Adams, Exec. Comm. Exp.	100.00
321	6-20-69		Rev. H. W. Creecy, Sr., Exp.	109.57
322	6-20-69		Rev. G. K. Offutt, Exp. to Chicago	69.45
323	6-20-69		Rev. D. L. King, Exp., Elgin, Ill.	25.57
324	6-20-69		Dr. Wm. C. Upshaw, Exp., Lit. Comm.	102.00
325	6-20-69		Progressive Nat'l Bapt. Congress	
			of Cd. Ed. Budget Allowance	7,500.00
326	6-30-69		Dr. Booth, Deficit, Income Tax Refund	79.37
327	6-30-69		Dr. Booth, Salary for July, Order of	
			Board of Directors	300.00
328	6-30-69		Dr. Booth, Office Secy., Salary in Adv.	280.00
329	6-30-69		Zion Bapt., Rent in Adv. for July	40.00
330	7-14-69		Bapt. World Alliance, Annual Donation	1,800.00
331	7-14-69		Dr. Booth, Exp., B.W.A.	624.00
332	7-14-69		Dr. Gardner C. Taylor, Exp., B.W.A.	645.00
333	7-14-69		Mr. John L. Cowling, Refund, Photo Serv.	25.00
334	7-14-69		North American Baptist Fellowship	750.00
335	7-14-69		National Council of Churches	1,000.00
336	7-26-69		Baptist Foreign Mission Bureau	1,138.62
337	7-26-69	#79	Dr. D. E. King, Exp. for Bapt. Prog.	460.00
338	8-6-69		Mrs. N. L. Bruce, Exp., Programs, etc.	500.00
339	8-6-69		Dr. E. R. Searcy, Pres. Exp.	500.00
340	8-6-69		Cancel	
341	8-6-69		Mrs. Marie R. Taylor, Reg. Pres. Exp.	276.00
342	8-15-69		Western Printing Co., 1st & 2nd Instal.	
			1969 Minutes	2,031.00

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343	8-15-69	James Thompson, Pres. Mid-West Laymen	243.00
344	8-16-69	Dr. L. V. Booth, Salary	300.00
345	8-16-69	Dr. Booth, Office Secy.	260.00
346	8-16-69	Zion Baptist Church, Rent	40.00
347	9-3-69	Adv. Draw on Publicity, Dr. W. Walker	300.00
348	9-4-69	Dr. Robert Wilson, Guest Speaker	350.00
349	9-4-69	Barcelona Hotel, Banquet 323	1,824.95
350	9-5-69	Dr. Searcy, Advance 1969-70 Budget	300.00
351	9-5-69	Mt. Zion Second Bapt., Refund, Pres. Off	218.40
352	9-5-69	House of Photography	250.00
353	9-5-69	Miami Beach Hotel	455.00
354	9-5-69	Rich Photos, Inc., Publicity	75.00
355	9-5-69	House of Photography, Bal. Due	250.00
356	9-5-69	Dr. G. W. Criss, Trans.	50.00
357	9-5-69	Dr. D. E. King, Exp. to Bapt. Progress	450.00
358	9-5-69	Rev. T. W. Washington, Exp. of Auditor	150.00
359	9-5-69	Thomas Kilgore, Ref. Speaker	375.33
360	9-5-69	Second Bapt., Los Angeles, Refund	253.20
361	9-5-69	Parker, Son, Inc., Printing	158.80
362	9-5-69	Rev. L. J. Alford, Chmn., Fin. Comm.	100.00
363	9-5-69	Rev. Alford, Refund	30.00
364	9-5-69	Rev. John Williams, Service, Reg. Comm	80.00
365	9-5-69	Rev. D. L. Motley, Service, Reg. (2 days)	30.00
366	9-5-69	Rev. Charles Cherry, Service, Reg. (3 days)	45.00
367	9-5-69	Rev. R. L. Patterson, Exp., Rec. Office	150.00
368	9-5-69	Rev. M. I. Jefferson, Historian	100.00
369	9-5-69	Rev. D. D. Clay, Office of Trans.	100.00
370	9-5-69	Rev. S. D. Edwards, Office of C. Ed.	500.00
371	9-5-69	Dr. Booth, Office & Exp.	1,370.98
372	9-5-69	Rev. George W. Dudley, Budget Exp.	29.00
373	9-5-69	Roscoe Buford, Pres. Ushers, Exp.	260.49
374	9-5-69	Mrs. Anna M. Serrano, Dean Ushers Dept.	250.67
375	9-6-69	Rev. K. L. Monroe, Service, Asst. Secy.	60.00
376	9-6-69	Rev. N. H. Smith, Service, Asst. Secy.	60.00
377	9-6-69	Cancelled	
378	9-6-69	Dr. C. S. Stamps, Home Mission Bd.	842.00
379	9-6-69	Mrs. M. L. Bruce, Donation for Pres.	1,000.00
380	9-6-69	Dr. L. V. Booth, Books & Mail	40.00
381	9-6-69	Dr. L. V. Booth, City & Fed. Tax Refund	196.84
382	9-6-69	Void	
383	9-6-69	Esther Smith, Refund	35.00
384	9-6-69	House of Photo, Additional Pub.	262.00
385	9-6-69	Rev. Kendall Smith, Ref. Tel	10.50
386	9-6-69	Rev. Edward Banks, Music Service	129.10
387	9-6-69	Cornelius Ford, Music Service	100.00
388	9-6-69	Mrs. Emma Boyd, Asst. Pres. Office	67.00
389	9-6-69	Mrs. E. P. Bryant, Exp., Women's Aux.	1,000.00
390	9-6-69	Mary Smith, Fin. Secy., Aux.	250.00
391	9-6-69	Peggy Garnett, Rec. Secy.	200.00
392	9-6-69	Mrs. O. D. Powell, Women's Treas.	53.10
393	9-6-69	Mrs. M. L. Bruce, Pres. Expense	405.00
394	9-6-69	Baldwin Piano, Women's Dept. Use	150.00
395	9-6-69	Rev. Louis Rawls, Guest Speaker	50.00
396	9-6-69	William Robinson, Guest Speaker	50.00
397	9-6-69	Dr. Orlando Lightfoot, Guest Speaker	50.00
398	9-6-69	Mrs. Lillie Haynes	75.00
399	9-6-69	Helen Dixon, Clerical	50.00
400	9-6-69	Bapt. Foreign Mission Bureau	1,000.00
401	9-6-69	Dr. U. Arbouin, Ref. Meals	9.10
402	9-6-69	Mary Smith, Office Material	34.47
403	9-24-69	Nat'l Council of Churches	500.00
404-409		Spooled	
410	9-24-69	Economy Adv. Co., Conv. Badges	405.38
411	9-25-69	Western Pub. Co., Bal. on Printing	2,974.50

Check No.	Written Date	Authority	
412	9-25-69	Bapt. Foreign Mission Donation	7,000.00
413	9-25-69	Rev. H. D. Cockerham, Asst. Secy.	60.00
414	9-25-69	L. V. Booth, Page Ad, S. Prog.	80.00
415	9-25-69	Atlanta Daily, Pres. Office, Check Stopped	
416	9-25-69	Dr. E. R. Searcy, Travel Exp.	150.00
417	9-25-69	Dr. L. V. Booth, Refund, Fed. & City Taxes	196.64
418	10-6-69	Western Printing Co.	174.23
419	10-6-69	Barbara Barnes, Asst. Secy.	100.00
420	10-6-69	Esther Fishborne, Cor. Secy.	100.00
421	10-6-69	Rogena Cook, Organist	107.50
422	10-6-69	C. C. Manua, Pianist	107.50
423	10-6-69	Beatrice McAlpin, Music Service	35.00
424	10-6-69	Gladys Parker, Music Service	25.00
425	10-6-69	Josephine Crimes, Bills, Women's Dept.	100.00
426	10-6-69	Willie Eldridge, Music Service	25.00
427	10-6-69	Erma Upshaw, Bills, Women's Dept.	90.10
428	10-6-69	Margaret Smith, Bills, Women's Dept.	45.00
429	10-6-69	Hazel Chambers, Bills, Women's Dept.	38.80
430	10-6-69	Rev. C. S. Stamps, Guest Speaker	50.00
431	10-6-69	Rev. S. Kyle, Guest Speaker	50.00
432	10-6-69	Rev. D. D. Clay, Guest Speaker	50.00
433	10-6-69	Mrs. M. Rangel, Guest Speaker	50.00
434	10-6-69	Mrs. Herman Rodenbush, Guest Speaker	50.00
435	10-6-69	Irene Walker, Clerical	25.00
436	10-6-69	M. Burch, Clerical	25.00
437	10-6-69	Elizabeth Baker, Clerical	25.00
438	10-6-69	Katie Waller, Clerical	25.00
439	10-6-69	Nannie H. Burroughs School	1,000.00
440	10-6-69	Church Women United	200.00
441	10-6-69	Mrs. Uvee M. Arbouin	750.00
442	10-6-69	Willie M. Boyd, Clerical, Treas.	15.00
443	10-6-69	Kenneth Haith, Clerical, Treas.	10.00
444	10-7-69	Second Baptist, Pioneers Banquet	104.00
445	10-20-69	Rev. S. S. Hodges, Exp., Secy.	250.00
446	10-20-69	Rev. S. S. Hodges, Salary	300.00
447	10-20-69	Rev. Wm. C. Upshaw, Exp.	50.00
448	10-20-69	Rev. William Bishop, Exp.	75.00
449	10-20-69	Rev. R. T. Andrews, Exp.	31.50
450	10-20-69	Rev. L. V. Booth, Bal., Banquet	800.00
451	10-20-69	American Bible Society, Refund	35.00
452	10-27-69	Fidelity Deposit Co., C. B. Bond	152.00
453	11-3-69	Rev. S. S. Hodges, Office Help	130.00
454	11-3-69	Sardis Baptist Church, Office Space	20.00
455	11-3-69	Rev. Hodges, Office	300.00
456	11-3-69	Rev. Hodges, Office Help	280.00
457	11-3-69	Rev. Hodges, Church, Office	40.00
458	11-5-69	Sardis Baptist Church, Exp., N. Y. C.	150.00
459	11-5-69	Dr. F. R. Searcy, Exp., Chicago-Valley Forge	174.00
460	11-5-69	Dr. Hodges, Exp., World Pub.	47.73
461	11-7-69	Rev. Wm. Bishop, Exp., Valley Forge	120.00
462	12-3-69	Dr. S. S. Hodges	300.00
463	12-3-69	Dr. Hodges, Office Secy.	260.00
464	12-3-69	Sardis Baptist Church, Rent	40.00
465	12-5-69	Dr. S. Hodges, Exp. to Paducah, \$98.00;	
		Exp. to St. Louis, \$89.00	187.00
466	12-15-69	Mrs. Beulah Brent, Exp. to Paducah	189.00
467	12-15-69	Rev. H. J. Franklin, Exp., Southern	158.40
468	12-15-69	Dr. D. E. King, Exp., Bapt. Prog.	500.00
469	12-15-69	Gen. Comm. on Chaplains	260.00
470	12-15-69	Progressive Nat'l Bapt. Conv.,	
		New Treas. for New Acct.	1,000.00
471	12-15-69	Dr. E. R. Searcy, Clerical	150.00
472	12-15-69	Duplicator Sales & Service	181.50
473	12-31-69	Dr. S. S. Hodges, Exp., Chicago	39.85

Check No.	Written Date	Authority	
474	12-31-69	Dr. Hodges, Exp., New York	\$5.90
475	12-31-69	Dr. Hodges, Office Exp., Exec.	100.00
476	1- 2-70	Dr. Hodges, Salary	300.00
477	1- 2-70	Dr. Hodges, Secretary Salary	260.00
478	1- 2-70	Sardis Baptist, Office Rent	40.00
479	12-31-69	Southern Chr. Leadership Conf.	1,000.00
480	12-31-68	Home Federal Savings & Loan, Transfer to Revenue Savings	12,500.00
481	12-31-69	M. L. King Mem. Fd., Morehouse College	468.85
482	12-31-69	Delores Nehemiah, Service, Women's Aux.	40.00
483	12-31-69	Willa M. Boyd, Clerical Service	75.00
484	12-31-69	Second Baptist Church, Refund, Off. Sup.	15.00

THE MINUTES OF THE SOUTHERN REGIONAL MEETING OF THE PROGRESSIVE NATIONAL BAPTIST CONVENTION, INC.

The Mount Zion Baptist Church
Griffin, Georgia

FEBRUARY 24, 1970

The opening session consisted of the Welcome Program which consisted of appropriate statements from the Pastors of Griffin and vicinity, the Board of Education and the churches; interspersed by what may be described as a singspiration—music and gospel songs rendered by choirs from both the local area and Atlanta, forty miles away. The members of these singing groups, predominantly, were young people.

Following the Welcome Program, President J. J. Johnson was presented, who in turn presented the Rev. J. S. Smith, who very appropriately responded to the Program in behalf of the Convention. In presenting Dr. S. S. Hodges, the Executive Secretary of the Progressive National Baptist Convention, for remarks, President Johnson made the observation that Dr. Hodges was the first and only full-time Secretary of Negro Church organizations in the United States. Mrs. Beulah Brent, the President of the National Women's Convention, Auxiliary to the Progressive National Baptist Convention, and Mrs. Mullean Heard, President of the Women's Auxiliary of the Southern Region, were presented. Following the announcements by the host Pastor, Dr. O. H. Stinson, and Mrs. Flora Smith, Director of the Youth, the benediction was given by Rev. J. S. Smith.

FEBRUARY 25, WEDNESDAY A.M.

The Joint Worship was lead by Mrs. Mullean Heard and Dr. J. J. Johnson. The Scripture lesson was the 1 Cor. 13 chapter; Prayer by Dr. E. T. Brown. Theme song "My Hope Is Built" followed by the Inspirational Address by Rev. M. I. Jefferson, Pastor of the Sixth Mount Zion Baptist Church, Newport News, Virginia. He used for a text Act 4:12—Neither is there Salvation in any other for there is none other name under heaven, whereby we must be saved. Salvation, the minister stated, is more than physical in nature. Christ was concerned, not only about the soul, but the whole house hold, of the Jailer was saved, for example. Salvation, the mission of the Christian Church, involves a change of human nature, which is affected by the power of God.

In the analysis of the social, intellectual and economic situation of the world outlook the question was raised as to what is the hope of the world? Politicians, Statesmen, Governments, Law, Education, have contributions to make, but they are inadequate. The multiplicity of educational institutions have fallen short of the hope needed in safety and world peace. The fitting answer to this question was given effectively by the speaker. There is no other name save Jesus by which we must be saved. Who else but Jesus!

Following the inspirational period the women went into their session. The Pastors were permitted to complete their personal enrollment at \$3.00 each. Thirty-three dollars was the amount received.

APPOINTMENT OF COMMITTEES:

FINANCE:
Rev. E. T. Brown
V. A. Edwards
William S. Randolph

PROGRAM:
C. R. Lewis
O. K. Lawson
H. J. Hawkins
Mrs. Rosa B. Brown
Mr. H. Heard
Miss Daisy Scott

TIME AND PLACE:
Rev. J. H. Ferguson
M. I. Jefferson
F. L. Williams

RESOLUTION:
Rev. C. J. Cooper
Mrs. Margie McCreary
J. L. Still

At this point the President presented Dr. S. S. Hodges, the Executive Secretary, who stressed the importance of correct mailing addresses, a panel discussion on our budget and the idea of installment giving.

Secondly, the President presented Mr. English of the Cook Publishing House, to talk about Progressive Literature. Mr. English expressed the importance of the church to the individual by illustrating the life of a Negro boy. Following Mr. English's presentation, Brother M. I. Jefferson mentioned the idea of the history of our Convention and the importance of its history. He also asked the region to support ideas that might come up in the National Convention.

Brother Edwards made a statement about Home Missions. The idea of the Self-Help project was the central idea of Brother Edwards' remarks. The project in question is located in a twelve county area in Alabama. The self-help items are: a Credit Union; Feeder Pig Project, and an industrial development with employment potential.

THE PANEL

The theme of the panel was: "Jesus Christ The Only Hope." The subjects for discussion were: Home and Family Relations; World Peace and Brotherhood. Rev. E. L. Williams of Evergreen, Alabama served as Moderator. Mrs. Margie McCreary discussed the first subject; Mrs. Rosa B. Brown, the second and Rev. O. K. Lawson discussed the third.

The panel discussion, as presented by these leaders, both broadened and deepened the application of the theme as hardly could have been done as effectively in a limited time.

During the question and answer period, the subject of Black Panther was raised with reference to World Peace and Brotherhood. The answer to the question raised was in terms of the appropriate application of the teaching of Jesus.

When the hour for the sermon arrived the Rev. William S. Randolph, Pastor of the First Baptist Church in Sumter, South Carolina, introduced Rev. C. R. Lewis, the Pastor of Wilson Calvary Baptist Church of Anderson, South Carolina. Rev. Lewis was presented as a Pastor who is concerned with developing the church, and the community, educationally, politically and economically. From the Ninth Chapter of Matthew the minister spoke, using for his subject: "The Power of Jesus."

The observation was made that fear and frustration are rampant. Changes are being made in areas of Communism, Civil Rights, Space Age, races and nations. Confusion is the order of the day. In the 9th Chapter of Matthew is portrayed how with power Jesus is going about doing good for others. In front of Him are the halt, the lame, and the sick, behind Him are those who are walking with sight restored; sin forgiven. In the midst of criticism for claiming to forgive sins; Jesus accepts the challenge by telling the sick man to get up; pick up thy bed and walk. The power of God changes things. Jesus had power over death—raised the ruler's daughter from the dead; cured the woman with an issue of blood; opened the eyes of the blind. The message was powerfully delivered and graciously received. An offering of \$38.11 was received, which was blessed by Rev. H. J. Hawkins.

Greetings were brought by Dr. E. R. Searcy, President of the Progressive National Baptist Convention. He commented on (1) the beauty of the Church edifice; (2) the convention's financial goal—one million dollars within the next three years; \$300,000 each year; (3) World Baptist Alliance and (4) Togetherness.

Mrs. Beulah Brent, President of the Progressive National Baptist Women's Auxiliary, brought greetings also with emphasis upon the Convention's theme: "Christ is the only hope," and progressiveness. The benediction—by Rev. C. R. Lewis.

AFTERNOON SESSION

Following a brief devotion while Vice-President Hawkins presided, Mrs. Mullean B. Heard, President of the Southern Region Women's Auxiliary was presented for her Annual Address. The theme of the address was in keeping with the Convention's theme: "Jesus is the only Hope." In the midst of the many changes, the speaker emphasized the question is: "What shall we do to inherit eternal life?" There is an appeal to help the poor in terms of civil rights—responding to human needs; urban crisis save social change, spiritual fitness. The address was followed by a solo, beautifully and effectively rendered by Mrs. Margaret Sanders of Greenville, South Carolina.

Dr. S. S. Hodges, Executive Secretary of the Progressive National Baptist Convention, expressed the desire to identify himself with the people of the Southern Re-

gion. Monthly contributions were appealed for. Such contributions will make possible support of Home Missions and Civil Rights. An appeal was made to use Progressive S. S. literature; to do so will encourage persons who have ability to write Christian literature, by giving jobs; an appeal was made also to support the President's Tour.

For the Women's Convention a report was made of the Nominating Committee—(See the Women's minutes.)

FEBRUARY 25, 7:00 P.M.

At 7:00 P.M. the Youth Period—A Youth Department was organized. See the Women's minutes.

Mrs. Beulah Brent, President of the Women's Convention of the Progressive National Convention, was presented. She presented a Unit System and a Pamphlet: WOMEN POWER—ONE MILLION WOMEN. Theme: One Million Women in the 1970's who will be asked to give \$1.00 each. The appeal is to reach out beyond the stained glass windows—move out where the action is. President E. R. Searcy was presented. The choir of the Second Mt. Zion Baptist Church of Atlanta rendered two numbers: (a) "Leaning on the Everlasting Arms" and (b) "Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow."

Comments by the National President of Progressive National Baptist Convention, Inc. (1) President Brent's suggestion of 1 million women from the churches in the nation; (2) monthly contribution of \$362.00 or \$1,500.00 for the next five years. Allocation by churches giving certain amounts per month; support Baptist Students in the I. T. C. institutions.

Rev. O. K. Lawson in presenting Rev. J. J. Johnson, the President of the Southern Region, stated that he is sponsoring a Low Rent Housing Corporation. He is a City Councilman of Fairmount, N. C. Now aspiring for the State House of North Carolina. He gives leadership in the local community and state of North Carolina.

The choir sang "Only A Look." The President began his message with these words: "The gospel of Christ is re-run over and over again." The theme: CHRIST THE ONLY HOPE. The words of a noted poet in a prison cell—saw a flower coming through or between the bricks—FLOWER IN THE CRANNIED WALL—if this is possible then my chances to be free are good for God is able. As a basis for his message the following Scripture passages were used: (1) Matt. 8:24 there arose a great tempest on the sea; (2) Matt. 5:35 why troublest thou the Master any further and (3) Matt. 9:28 why could we not cast him out? The subject was: WHAT TO DO WHEN A STORM COMES UP.

The second scripture emphasizes: God's men failing some times we fail—some we can't save—turn over to God. The third scripture emphasizes: some times the crowd has to be put out—He can't use it. The first scripture—there was a man on board who could control the storm. They woke Him up JESUS, because they knew what he could do. When the storm is raging who do you call? Black Power—No, I call Jesus.

A solo—"Only What You Do For Christ Will Last." A statement by the Vice-President followed by an offering of \$52.16 was received. The final remarks and the benediction were made by the President.

FEBRUARY 26, A.M.

The opening session was a joint worship service led by Mrs. Daisy Scott and Rev. William S. Randolph. The closing hymn was: "Wherever He Leads—I'll Go." Sentence prayers followed. At this point the President called for Committee reports. THE TIME AND PLACE:

The committee reports that the Sandy Grove Baptist Church extends to the Southern Region of the Progressive National Baptist Convention an invitation to hold its 1971 session at Lumberton, N. C. It was moved and met with a second that the convention accept the invitation extended by Rev. O. K. Lawson, Pastor of Sandy Grove Baptist Church.

Committee:

Rev. J. H. Ferguson
Rev. M. I. Jefferson
Rev. E. W. Williams

FINANCE:

Total receipts from the Parent Body	\$ 285.01
Total receipts from the Women's Auxiliary	369.97
Grand Total	\$1,154.98

EXPENSE FOR PARENT BODY:

Printing 600 Programs	\$ 42.00
Badges (2 packages)	5.40
Postage for promotional purposes	8.91
Convention Letter Blanks	1.50
Secretarial Help	6.00
Receipt Books (2)	.50
2 Legal pads (note books)	.50
Promotional Expense for Secretary	40.00
Expense for the President	25.00
For the Host Church	30.00

\$ 159.81

Committee:

Rev. E. T. Brown
Rev. V. A. Edwards
Rev. W. S. Randolph

RESOLUTION:

On behalf of the Southern Region of the Progressive National Baptist Convention, we wish to express our sincere thanks and appreciation for the very fine way the Mt. Zion Baptist Church has entertained us. No stone was left unturned. Again may we say thank you from the bottom of our hearts.

Your Committee:

Rev. C. J. Cooper
Mrs. Margie McCreary
Mrs. J. L. Still

PROGRAM:

The program for the 1971 session as worked out by the joint committee was read and approved by the convention assembled. But the Chairman, Rev. C. R. Lewis, asked for the privilege of taking it home with him for the purpose of putting it in readable form and promised to send it forthwith to the Secretary. When it is returned it too will be placed herewith.

Rev. C. R. Lewis	Mrs. Mullean B. Heard
Rev. O. K. Lawson	Mrs. Rose B. Brown
Rev. H. J. Hawkins	Mrs. Daisy Scott

Following the reports of the above named committees, "Jesus Keep Me Near the Cross" was sung and Rev. J. H. Ferguson, Pastor of the Poplar Spring Baptist Church of Rockingham, N. C., was presented for the morning sermon. For his text the Minister used these words: "Think not that I am come to destroy the Law or the Prophets: I am not come to destroy, but to fulfill. For I say unto you, that except your righteousness shall exceed the righteousness of the scribes and Pharisees, ye shall in no case enter into the kingdom of heaven." Matt. 5:17-20.

The Minister's discussion dealt with Three Wrong Concepts of the Old Testament. The first had to do with Christ: Think not that I have come to destroy the Law. Fulfillment was done by sacrifice and atonement and the establishing of a New Covenant. Christ taught as one having authority. His love was radiated on Calvary and His over coming power was seen more clearly through His victory from the grave.

Following this very effective message an offering was received to the amount of \$16.72, for which Mrs. Beulah Brent gave thanks. Appreciative closing remarks were made by both Dr. S. S. Hodges, the Executive Secretary, and Mrs. Beulah Brent.

Rev. O. K. Lawson, the host Pastor for the 1971 Annual Session, gave the following as his mailing address: P. O. Box 200, Lumberton, N. C. Telephone, Residence—910-239-4561; Church, 739-7202.

Following the closing remarks by the President came the Benediction.

MINUTES OF THE FIRST ANNUAL SESSION OF SOUTHERN REGION NUMBER TWO Auxiliary To The Progressive National Convention U.S.A., Inc. held with

THE PEARLIE GROVE BAPTIST CHURCH, JACKSON, MISS.

REV. A. I. JONES—PASTOR

TUESDAY NIGHT, MAY 12, 1970

WELCOME PROGRAM

The Churches of Jackson and neighboring cities brought to us glorious and inspiring songs of praise, they lifted our souls to heights of joy, very seldom equaled. Truly this was a great opening, preparing our hearts for one of the greatest meetings held to date; truly we were ready.

WEDNESDAY MORNING, MAY 13, 1970

President Franklin sounded the gavel and called the meeting to order at 10:30 A.M. We were led in our devotions by the following ministers: Rev. Safford—Dr. J. V. Bottoms, Dr. Netters.

Opening song—"Jesus Keep Me Near The Cross." Scripture—Rev. Safford—Joshua 24: 1-10. Prayer—Dr. J. V. Bottoms—A very fervent prayer. Devotional topic very ably discussed by Dr. Netters, and was enjoyed by all. Song—"What A Fellowship, What A Joy Divine." Adoption of the program. It was moved, seconded and carried that the program be adopted with the necessary corrections.

APPOINTMENT OF COMMITTEES:

Enrollment and Finance:	Time and Place Committee:
Chr. A. I. Jones	Dr. Cockerham, Chr.
J. V. Bottoms	W. L. Rankin and Q. L. Jones
Rev. Cameron and Netters	

Brief enrollment period.

The Women's Auxiliary joined us for the introductory sermon. We were led in inspirational singing by Mrs. C. A. Travis, "When We All Get To Heaven," "I Need Thee Every Hour," "Give Me That Old Time Religion." This was truly inspiring.

The President introduced the speaker, Dr. W. L. Rankin.

The speaker chose for his background scripture, Matthew 25: 6. The story of the 10 Virgins: He emphasized that "they were all virgins," "but they were not all ready."

"The vessel of oil is not enough, without the burning lamp."

"We should not be lulled to sleep by the cares of the world."

"Do not let the midnight summons catch you unaware."

"Go ye out to meet Him."

The speaker further emphasized that "there is a midnight in every life" but we must be glad, that we have a Master whose grace is sufficient: "In the darkest hours," we must keep oil in our lamps at all times. Truly this was a powerful message.

We then stood and received Dr. E. R. Searcy, and our executive secretary, Dr. S. S. Hodges, who brought us greetings which were enjoyed by all.

We were then led in singing the old hymn, "Something Within." President Franklin commented on this great message with the story of the lightning bug: "Something within him."

President Searcy was loud in his praise of region number two and its President, H. I. Franklin.

Offertory for the morning

Church enrollment

Personal enrollment

(All Partial)

Benediction: Dr. S. S. Hodges.

\$ 19.40
155.00
\$9.00

AFTERNOON SESSION

Dr. W. L. Rankin-Presiding.

Dr. Netters of Memphis led us in our devotions by singing, "I Need Thee Every Hour." His devotional thought was taken from this scripture, John 1, 1-14 "The Divinity of Christ." He emphasized "The Power to Become," "Christ Is The Power."

Man has experienced the power of controlling most earthly things, but cannot control himself. He has not learned the power to love. This power comes from God. The power to enlighten, comes from Him. The power to transform, the power that moves us, you must believe it to experience its success.

Bro. Netters then led us in prayer, this was surely a spiritual devotion. There were remarks coming from Dr. Rankin after which he turned the gavel over to President H. J. Franklin, who called for business.

ITEMS DISCUSSED

A. Tenure

Bro. Netters from Memphis voiced his opinion concerning tenure. His thoughts were that tenure should be extended from 2 to 4 years.

Bro. Cockerham voiced his sentiments concerning tenure, and recommended a study of this suggestion.

Bro. Oliphant voiced his sentiment concerning this suggestion. He also felt the time is not ripe for such action.

Dr. J. V. Bottoms made a very wise observation, that the Progressive Convention was born out of the pains of tenure, and that we must be careful in this matter lest we destroy our image.

Dr. S. S. Hodges made this observation, that we must learn the distinction between an office of honor, and an office of service. Said he, the president's office is an office of honor; most people do not understand this, hence they feel the present tenure is too short. He further explained that the executive secretary operates the work of the convention and this is an office of service.

It was suggested that all offices of the convention be staggered so that our convention will never fall under the control of one man.

These discussions were profitable and enlightening, and everyone was satisfied to shelve these issues temporarily.

PRESENTATION OF NATIONAL OFFICERS

Dr. E. R. Searcy brought greetings from the Parent Body. He said in reference to our Congress, we have the best faculty in the country. He also said that our congress has 52 courses to offer.

The president praised Black Civil Rights Leaders as being representative of the Progressive National Convention.

He announced the passing of Rev. Bell of Brantley, Ala. He also announced that Rev. W. H. Anderson, president of our congress, has had a serious operation, and urged region 2 to pray for him.

He encouraged all members to attend the National Convention in Kansas City this year, and urged us to go to Washington, D. C. to see our headquarters, and send something for its support.

He said we have done more with a unified budget than ever before in the history of Black Conventions in these United States.

He also urged monthly financial support to the over all program of Progressive Baptists.

The Progressive Convention offers young pastors an opportunity to be heard, and to use whatever talents they may possess.

President H. J. Franklin presented Mrs. Benlah P. Brent, President of the Women's Auxiliary of the Progressive National Convention U.S.A., Inc.

She said as we return to Kansas City, let us go in peace and prosperity. She also asked each Pastor to select a key woman, or appoint a committee to enroll each

woman in his church to give one (1) dollar per year to the Women's Work, and try to get them to attend our annual sessions.

The President presented Dr. S. S. Hodges, our executive secretary.

Dr. Hodges spoke very complimentarily of Dr. E. R. Searcy. Our President has learned degrees, and is well able to lead this body.

He spoke complimentarily of our organizational meeting in Paducah, Ky. and praised us very highly.

He spoke of the convention budget. We need the following cooperation:

1. 100 churches to give \$50.00 per mo.
2. 150 churches to give \$33.33 per mo.
3. 500 churches to give \$25.00 per mo.
4. 250 churches to give \$10.00 per mo.
5. 200 churches to give \$ 5.00 per mo.

PRESENTATION OF DELEGATES BY STATES

Mississippi	10/Partial enrollment	
Tennessee	2/Churches	\$46.00
Louisiana	1/Personal	\$ 5.00
Kentucky	8	

Benediction: W. M. Rankin.

EVENING SESSION

President Franklin-Presiding.

The Youth Hour was highlighted by spiritual singing, such songs as: 1. "What a Mighty God We Serve"; 2. "Open the Gates"; 3. "Foot Prints of Jesus"; 4. "Ride On King Jesus" and 5. "Over My Head."

Youth offering—\$26.45.

WOMEN'S HOUR

Mrs. J. J. Smith-Presiding.

Mrs. Smith-presented Mrs. Armstrong, 2nd Vice President of Region 2, who in turn introduced President Virgie Blanton to make her address.

She began to encourage her hearers to trust God today, and every day. She gave a glowing report of our organization in Paducah. Her theme was "Laborers Together With God." She emphasized the value of prayer to God; Faith in God; Obedience to the voice of God. She admonished the youth to faithfulness in the work of God. She closed her address with the lyrics of "Wherever He Leads I'll Go."

This was a fine address. The speaker was full of the spirit, and went to her seat rejoicing.

Solo by Mrs. Mary Osborne, "If I Can Help Somebody."

The highlight of the evening session was now at hand, and Vice President W. L. Rankin presented President H. J. Franklin for his address.

The president thanked Pastor Jones and the local committee for their great work in preparing for our comfort. He encouraged the young people for their very fine program.

He then gave the scripture basis for his address, Luke 10: 30-37. Theme, "Investing in Eternity." Most of us invest in something every day, but only investments made in Christ will count.

The certain man mentioned in the text could be you; He fell among thieves. The speaker said, a thief does not have to be a human being, it could be marijuana, alcohol, good times, etc.

The tragic part of this story is that the religious folk of that day passed by this man in need on the other side; a man of the cloth neglected him; a choir member neglected him; but a Samaritan saw a man, not a special person but a man, and had compassion on him; he picked him up; he took him up; and paid him up. The speaker said that is what Jesus did for us; He gave us salvation, justification, and sanctifica-

tion and paid us up on Calvary. And one of these days, He will give us glorification. This was truly a great message.

Dr. Rankin asked for a love offering for our President, and received a fine response. Dr. Bottoms and Pastor Jones conducted this period.

The photographer took over and made pictures of our national officers and the congregation.

Total receipts through Wednesday:

Personal enrollment	\$ 69.00
Church enrollment	265.00
Public offering	19.40

Benediction—H. J. Franklin

THURSDAY MORNING, MAY 14, 1970

Call to order—President Franklin. Devotions by Rev. Cameron. Song, "Leaning On The Everlasting Arms"; Scripture—Rom. 10: 1-10. Prayer—Rev. Cameron. Song, "There Is a Name I Love to Hear." Truly a fine devotion. President Franklin made a few remarks concerning the election of officers, and called for business.

The Rev. S. S. Hodges suggested an integrated program for region 2.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

Time and Place Comm. (Mr. H. D. Cockerham stated he had one invitation. Zion Baptist Church, Louisville, Ky., by unanimous vote the convention accepted.

The president appointed Rev. Bro. Hogan to assist Rev. Oliphant. Song, "Jesus Keep Me Near The Cross." Scripture—Numbers 13: 33. Joshua 14: 12. Theme—The giants, the mountains, and the conquerors. The speaker cited Caleb as the conqueror.

a. Faith in God.

b. Courage

c. It had been promised to him, therefore he asked for it, for he believed God.

You see, the fear of a thing makes it look greater than it actually is. So it is with us today, we create too many giants and mountains. If the Lord is with us, we have no need to fear; we need to go forward, we need to ask for the hard places in life. This was a very fine message. Song, "Lift Him Up."

Thursday Morning Offering	\$ 18.31
Personal Enrollment	5.00
Women's Total Report	129.00
Youth Total Report	26.45
Total Church Report	329.85
Late Personal Report	2.00

\$509.16

Visitors remarks: Rev. Dr. Brown, Mrs. Robinson, Mrs. Storey, Dr. Wm. P. Davis. These speakers were enjoyed by all. Benediction, Dr. Brown.

THURSDAY AFTERNOON

Call to order, President Franklin, singing "At The Cross"; Scripture—John 15: 1-7. Prayer by the President, a very fervent prayer. The president called for the report of the special committee appointed to draw up a statement to the Parent Body. The statement shall read: 1. That all banking be done in Washington, D. C. 2. That the executive secretary be authorized to bring blank checks, signed by the National Treasurer, to all regional conventions, to pay all bills, on the spot. Unanimously adopted. We adjourned to meet at the Zion Baptist Church next year. Benediction—President.

H. J. Franklin, President
J. J. Smith, Secretary

MINUTES OF THE SOUTHERN REGION NO. 2 OF THE

PROGRESSIVE NATIONAL BAPTIST CONVENTIONS, INC. SESSIONS

held with the

WASHINGTON STREET BAPTIST CHURCH, PADUCAH, KENTUCKY

November 12-13, 1969

REV. H. J. FRANKLIN, Pastor

WEDNESDAY MORNING, NOVEMBER 12, 1969

Morning worship conducted by President H. J. Franklin. We were led in our hymns of faith by Mrs. J. J. Smith.

Rev. C. E. Bagwell led us in our Guided Worship Period; using as a basis for his emphasis, the 23rd chapter of Luke, 33-34. Theme: The Place Called Calvary.

We see the world at its worst, God at His best, where all must come to be saved, where God prayed and men cursed, where we come with our hell and receive His heaven.

The speaker was very forceful, and was enjoyed by all. Prayer by Rev. C. E. Bagwell, a very fervent prayer. The speaker led us in singing, "Oh How I Love Jesus."

The President called the meeting to order. The introduction of all present. Following accolades were given of those introduced. The program was read and adopted with the necessary amendments, if needed. Finance Committee. Enrollment Committee: J. J. Smith, Raifield Sanford. Adjournment for 30 minutes for registration, benediction, Rev. Bagwell.

11:45 A.M. Opening song, "Savior More Than Life To Me." The President presiding. Scripture: John 4:24-31. Rev. R. Sanford presented Dr. B. F. Greene, text, John 4: 25, I Know That The Messiah Cometh. We live in a sick world. And if we would be cured we must listen to Jesus. The Prophets expected Him. God has not abandoned us. He has come to give us the abundant life. He has brought to us a solution for our problems, Love.

He has given us the formula for living: 1. Social life: Jesus is the answer. Our social life must become a brotherhood. It must consist of the Golden Rule. There must be forgiveness one of the other. There must be Love, for modern science has called the spiritual man. 2. Economical Life: The earth is the Lord's. He has promised us our daily bread. The soul needs living bread, living water, none other than Jesus, which is called Christ. If you have him you can hold up your corner. Dr. Greene sang, "My Heavenly Father Watches Over Me." We bowed in silent prayer while the instrument spoke unto us. This was certainly a great message with a fitting climax, "I Trust in God." Our President was feeling good and told us a touching story of a cripple woman who survived a terrible storm. She trusted God. Offertory, conducted by Rev. Bagwell and Powell. Morning offering—\$10.55, consecrated by C. E. Bagwell. Benediction by Dr. Greene.

1ST DAY AFTERNOON SESSION

2:10 P.M. President Franklin presiding. Music by Mrs. Sam Ella Brown. Opening song, "What A Friend We Have In Jesus." Scripture by Rev. Franklin, John 6: 1-13. Prayer by Rev. Sanford. A very fervent prayer. Song, "I Have Decided To Follow Jesus, No Turning Back." The President introduced Rev. Rouse, a great spirit from St. Louis, Mo. Bro. Rouse said he loved the Baptists because our New Testament church is pointed out by a Baptist Book. He made other statements with eloquence. President Franklin opened the business period. It was moved and seconded to receive recommendations from the Women's Auxiliary for president. There were none.

The president called for nominations, there were none. It was motioned and seconded by the women present and carried that Mrs. Virgie Blanton would be president of the Southern Region 2 of the Progressive National Convention Incorporated.

porated. The election was suspended until tomorrow, for the women. The president made recommendation that Robert Coleman be the President of the Laymen, also suspended until tomorrow. Brother Lucas was introduced along with Brother Cockerham to bring greetings. The following brethren were placed on the finance committee. Brother Lucas, and Cockerham. We stand adjourned until 7:00 P.M. Benediction by the President

EVENING SESSION

7:00 P.M. Inspirational singing: "Oh How I Love Jesus" (congregationally).
"Leaning On The Everlasting Arms," (led by choir); "When We All Get To Heaven"
7:15 P.M. Rev. Robert Anderson, Pastor of Lincoln Heights, Scripture John 1
1-10. Prayer by Rev. Anderson

The President presented Rev. W. G. Harvey to bring greetings from the churches. Rev. Harvey is the first Negro Commissioner of Paducah, and Pastor of the Greater Harrison Baptist Church of this city. Washington Street Senior Choir gave us a selection entitled, "Jesus Has Brought Me All The Way." Deacon E. L. Wilson brought greetings for the Washington Street Church, which were enjoyed by all. Mrs. McNutt, Mayor Pro-tem, brought to us greetings from the city of Paducah, which were pleasant to the ear. Greetings from the Song Leader's Convention by the Rev. R. A. Hill, President of said group. We were encouraged by his remarks. Rev. R. Sanford, the District Missionary and President of their School of Religion, Hopkinsville, Kentucky, brought greetings from the First District Association. Selection by the Male Chorus of the Washington Street Church, entitled, "Without God I Could Do Nothing," truly a beautiful rendition. The response was brought by the scholarly Rev. C. B. Lucas, who with eloquence on behalf of Southern Region Division 2, responded in a magnificent way. Selection by the Youth Choir entitled, "Own Me As Your Child," "When I Come To Die." Presentation of National, State, and District Officers. Mrs. Virgie Blanton, President-elect of Southern Region No. 2 Women's Auxiliary, brought greetings from the Women's Auxiliary of the Kentucky Fellowship. The President presented our President of Progressive Women, Mrs. Beulah Brent. She brought greetings from her auxiliary, and stated that these are challenging times, and if we are successful we must come together. She admonished us to accept the challenges before us. Rev. S. S. Hodges, Executive Secretary of the Progressive National Baptist Convention, Inc., brought greetings from the P.N.B.C. His remarks were timely and well taken. The Progressive Convention is the youngest of the national bodies, but they all know we are here.

Offertory—conducted by Rev. Sanford and Lucas. Evening offering—\$36.91. Consecrated by Rev. C. B. Lucas. The President presented the Rev. H. D. Cockerham for the evening message. The Senior Choir rendered a beautiful anthem before the message, entitled, "Fasten To The Lamb." Washington Street has many wonderful singing groups.

AN AGE OF BOLDNESS

We need not apologize for our convictions. We need to know what we believe. We need a solid foundation of truth. We need to speak with boldness. We need to manifest Jesus Christ instead of ourselves. We need to be changed from a Non-Christian to Pro-Christian. From a persecutor to the persecuted. I know in whom I believe. We need to sing a new song. Grace, Grace has brought me safe thus far and Grace will lead me home. When God gets ready he will calm the raging seas, and tame the savage beast. This truly was a great message. Song, "Amazing Grace," was sung as the doors of the church were opened by the Pastor. Mrs. Wilson favored us with the 3rd stanza. Through many dangers, toils and snares, I have already come. Benediction by Rev. Cockerham

THURSDAY MORNING

11:00 A.M. President Franklin presiding, we held the election of officers. The following brethren were elected:

Rev. Q. L. Jones, Mississippi, First Vice President
Rev. W. L. Rankin, Louisiana, Second Vice President
Rev. S. B. Kyles, Tennessee, Third Vice President
Rev. J. J. Smith, Kentucky, Recording Secretary

Rev. C. B. Lucas, Kentucky, Treasurer
Rev. H. D. Cockerham, Kentucky, Corresponding Secretary
Brother Robert A. Coleman, Kentucky, President of Laymen
We adjourned to be photographed.

THURSDAY EVENING

7:00 P.M. President H. J. Franklin presiding. Inspirational singing by the congregation, led by Mrs. Ray: "Lift Him Up," "Alas and Did My Savior Bleed," "Oh How I Love Jesus." This period was enjoyed by all.

7:15 P.M. Devotions by the Rev. L. E. Ellis. Scripture, 2nd Chapter Phillipians 1-15. Rev. Ellis led us in a very fervent prayer. We were highly honored by the Youth Community Choir, which is under the direction of Mrs. R. A. Hill. "Take Me Through, Guide My Feet, And I'll Do What You Want Me To Do," "I'm Going to Walk, I'm Going to Talk, I'm On My Way to Heaven To Meet The King." These selections were wonderfully rendered. The President presented the newly elected officers. The President made glowing remarks in behalf of all electees. All promised to give the task to which they were chosen, their all. The Youth Choir brought us another wonderful selection entitled, "We Are Climbing Jacob's Ladder."

Offertory Prayer—H. D. Cockerham. Offering for the evening—\$27.17.

Solo by Mrs. V. L. Hamock, entitled, "If I Can Help Somebody." Wonderfully done. Brother Franklin introduced and presented our P.N.B.C. Inc. President, Dr. E. R. Searcy, as one of the greatest spirits of our times. Second Corinthians Chapter 4. This scripture was dedicated to the newly elected officers. The President was humorous, and brought greetings from Atlanta; progress being made in politics in Atlanta. The President said that the Negro is somebody. The only thing that will set America free is the word of God. No man is completely educated until he learns about Jesus. He was high in his praise of Washington Street for their beautiful office.

Our budget is \$1,500,000 for 1970. We must carry the work of the convention to the people, for we are a working people. The president said don't boast in your achievements, you are just a pot of clay. We are not afraid of what will happen to us in this world because God is still on the throne. One of these days God is going to call our name. Let us work to be a delegate. The Youth Choir brought another number entitled, "I'll Draw All Men Unto Me." Truly this was enjoyable.

The President, J. J. Franklin, said thanks to the people for their splendid cooperation in this meeting.

Partial report Thursday afternoon

Evening offering

Total

\$36.91

27.17

\$295.63

We stood and extended our thanks to Washington Street. Benediction by Dr. Searcy. We adjourned to socialize in the refreshment parlor.

MINUTES OF THE SOUTHWEST REGIONAL BOARD MEETING OF PROGRESSIVE NATIONAL BAPTIST CONVENTION, INC.

held at the MOUNT HERMON BAPTIST CHURCH
2303 West 132nd Street, Los Angeles Calif.
REV. A. R. BILLINGLY, Host Pastor

WEDNESDAY MORNING, FEBRUARY 11, 1970

9:50 A.M. Guided worship was conducted by Rev. W. M. Luckas of Los Angeles.
10:00 A.M. Rev. Nehemiah of Los Angeles, brought inspiring thought on the
NEW TESTAMENT CHURCH during moment of meditation.

10:15 A.M. Theme song, "Higher Grounds." Then our session was called to
order by President Lowe. The President gave his expression of gratitude. He also
expressed the need for a greater co-operation for the future progress of the conven-
tion. President Lowe opened the house for business. He then asked for the minutes
of the last session. There were no minutes. The President asked Dr. J. D. Provo if
he could give any highlight or state any unfinished business of the last session.
Dr. J. D. Provo stated that since there were no minutes, no record, of the last session
we should carry on as if we were starting from the beginning. The President then pro-
ceeded to the appointment of committees.

The committee on PERMANENT ORGANIZATION, Rev. T. M. Chambers, Sr.,
Los Angeles, chairman; Dr. J. D. Provo of Oklahoma; Rev. E. E. Holly, Tulsa,
Oklahoma; Rev. E. L. Graves, Los Angeles. Then Dr. Chambers stated that he would
not be able to spend the entire day due to previous commitments, and asked that
Dr. Provo stand in his stead. This was agreed and accepted.

ADVISORY COMMITTEE: Dr. S. H. James of Texas, Chairman; Rev. J. E.
Evans of Los Angeles; Rev. E. E. Holly, Oklahoma; Mrs. Delores Nehemiah, Los
Angeles; Mrs. T. M. Chambers, Los Angeles; Mrs. Elvora Anderson, Oklahoma.
Mrs. Pearl Neely of Oakland, Calif.

EVANGELIC BOARD, only with co-chairmen Rev. C. L. Girden of Los Angeles.
Rev. E. E. Holly of Oakland, Calif.

COMMITTEE ON PROGRAM FORMAT: Rev. A. R. Billingly, of Los
Angeles; Rev. J. D. Provo, of Oklahoma; Rev. E. E. Holly, Oklahoma; Mrs. E.
Anderson, Oklahoma; Mrs. D. Nehemiah, of Los Angeles.

Then President Lowe gave remarks of our annual meeting of the convention
which is to be held in Houston, Texas, with Host Pastor Rev. Weaver, and asked
that the advisory committee give a definite report of this before this session is closed
today. It was motioned by Dr. Provo of Oklahoma, and seconded by Dr. S. H. James,
of Texas, that Rev. O. D. Lowe would serve as President of the Southwest Regional
of Progressive National Baptist Convention and recommended that this recommenda-
tion be officially voted on at the Progressive National Baptist Convention in Kansas
City. This motion was carried through and accepted. The President asked that all
newly elected officers present please stand.

Mrs. Delores Nehemiah

Rev. I. Sims

Rev. A. Moton

Rev. J. D. Provo

Bro. I. Wilson

President of Women's Auxiliary

Corresponding Secretary

Treasurer

Supervisor

1st Vice President

It was then motioned that Mrs. Dora Perkins would serve as assistant recording
secretary. This motion was carried through.

THE REPORT FROM THE ADVISORY COMMITTEE was read by Sister
D. Nehemiah of Los Angeles, that the annual session would meet at the Providence
Baptist Church, 2810 Rosedale, Houston, Texas, on May 5 & 6 & 7. This was confirmed
by a telephone call with Dr. S. M. Weaver and Dr. Victor Jacob. This report was
received and adopted as read.

THE REPORT FROM THE COMMITTEE ON PROGRAM FORMAT was
read by P. Neely of Oakland, Secretary of this committee. It was reported that we
would use the same format as this season. It was also stated that on Tuesday
night, there would be a pre-musical. The report was received and adopted as read.

Then President Lowe stated that there would be a business meeting on the 5th of May
at 5:00 P.M. in Houston, Texas. The President then stated that we would appoint a
budget committee in Houston. Then the President asked if there were any questions,
there weren't any. Then the President declared the business period closed for this
session. Song, "Pass Me Not Oh Gentle Savior," led by the musical director,
Mrs. E. Anderson. Then Rev. A. Moton presented the speaker for the hour, the Rev.
E. E. Holly of Tulsa, Okla. Scripture reading from Matthew 16th Chapter, the 24th
thru 27th verses, subject (Christ Challenge to Christianity). He brought a very in-
spiring message.

12:30 P.M. Invitation was extended while singing, "What A Friend We Have In
Jesus" (Offering money raised, \$15.43. Partial report from the financial secretary for
churches registration and personal enrollment, \$165.00. Host Pastor Rev. Billingly
gave remarks. Then President Lowe gave highlight on our next session which would
convene at 1:30 P.M. Then the President of the Women's Auxiliary, Mrs. Delores
Nehemiah, gave remarks and asked all officers of the women department to meet at a
special meeting after adjournment. Morning session was closed with prayer at
12:45 P.M.

2:00 P.M. Session was called to order with Rev. W. M. Luckas, and Rev. A.
Brown conducting guided worship. Scripture was read by Rev. Luckas. Song, "Near
Thy Cross." Prayer was offered by Rev. A. Brown, continued to sing "Near Thy
Cross."

2:10 P.M. The President, Rev. O. D. Lowe, introduced Dr. S. H. James of Texas
who conducted a workshop in Evangelism in the Church. Ten minutes were desig-
nated as a feed back session. There were many expressions and inspiring remarks.

2:40 P.M. Song, "I Will Trust In The Lord." Registration.

2:50 P.M. Ministers speak out on Christian doctrines. Rev. E. B. Bulk of Mesa,
Ariz. spoke on subject of The Christian Church. Rev. A. R. Billingly of Los Angeles,
subject, "The Lord's Supper." Ten minutes were designated as a feed back session.

3:50 P.M. Offering money raised \$7.88. Session was adjourned with prayer, and
a film was shown on "The Church In The World."

WELCOME HOUR

Wednesday evening, Feb. 11, 1970, 7:00 P.M. session was called to order by
singing "What A Fellowship." Scripture from the 48 number of Psalms. Song,
"Amazing Grace." Prayer was offered by Rev. A. Brown. Song, "Down At The
Cross." The service was in the hand of our President, Rev. O. D. Lowe. He gave
brief remarks. Song, "Pass Me Not Oh Gentle Savior." Words of welcome were
extended to us by Mrs. Johnson of Mt. Hermon Baptist Church. Then President Lowe
introduced Mr. Richard Jones, a representative from Mayor Samuel Yorty's staff.
He brought beautiful words of welcome to our guest. Then Lieutenant Briggs brought
words of welcome from the police department of Los Angeles. Then an A & B
selection was brought to us by the Southwest Regional Youth Chorus. A selection,
"Let My Hope Be Built On Thee." Selection, "Oh Happy Day." Then words of
welcome were brought to us by Mrs. Davis, First City Clerk of Compton. Then
the words of welcome from the Mayor of Compton, Mayor Dollarhede. Selection by the
Youth Choir, "Do Lord Remember Me." Then enrollment of churches and offering.
Special request from Mayor Dollarhede that the youth choir do again, "Oh Happy
Day."

8:40 P.M. President Lowe introduced the speaker of the hour, Dr. J. D. Provo.
Scripture reading, Matthew, 8th Chapter and the 7th verse. Subject: "Let Us Pass
Over On The Other Side." He brought a beautiful message.

9:15 P.M. Selection by the choir, "What You Do For Christ Will Last." Invi-
tation was extended by Rev. J. E. Evans of Los Angeles. Then President of the
Women's Auxiliary gave remarks and introduced Mrs. Reulah Brent of New Jersey.
This session was closed with prayer by Dr. J. D. Provo at 9:50 P.M.

THURSDAY MORNING, FEB. 12, 1970

Women's Department was called to order at 8:40 A.M. with Mrs. Anderson
presiding. Devotion, Scripture reading, Psalm 17, prayer. Selection, "Lord Plant
My Feet On Higher Ground." Spiritual life moments. Theme, "His Likeness To
Show." Psalms 17, 15.

9:20 A.M. Accents on the theme were given by the following persons:
 In Love Mrs. Novella Gompas
 Through Action Mrs. Charlie Mae Bell
 Through Witnessing Mrs. Dora Perkins

Song, "Lift Him Up." Then Mrs. Anderson presented our President, Sister Nehemiah. The President expressed her gratitude and thanks and gave to us a beautiful report of the winter board meeting which she attended in Memphis, Tenn. Inspirational sing, "My Heavenly Father Watches Over Me," "This Little Light of Mine," "I Am On The Battlefield For My Lord." All officers of the Women's Department were presented. Then Mrs. Fannie Harris presented words of welcome to our National President, Mrs. Beulah Brent. Song, "Hear The Call."

10:00 A.M. President Lowe presented Dr. Horace Mays, Executive Director, I. A. Council of Churches. Ten minutes were designated as a feed back session. There were interesting remarks from various persons. Dr. Chambers gave interesting and most helpful thought on "some little big things in pastoral service." Then President Nehemiah introduced Mrs. Martha Williams, with solo, "My Living Will Not Be In Vain." Then Mrs. Barnes presented the state flower (bird of paradise) to Mrs. Beulah Brent. Mrs. Brent brought some beautiful remarks and highlights for our women department.

12:15 P.M. President Lowe presented the speaker of the hour, Rev. Kelley Keys of Southern Baptist, Los Angeles. Reading from Ezekiel, 8th Chapter and 7th verse Subject, "Dig In, Go In And Anticipate." He brought a very spiritual fill message. Invitation was extended while singing, "Amazing Grace." Then an A and B selection by Southern Baptist Church choir. Offering money raised, \$40.76. Partial report from the financial secretary, \$82.00. Session was adjourned at 1:00 P.M. with prayer by Rev. Kelley Keys.

PROGRESSIVE YOUTH IN ACTION THURSDAY AFTERNOON, FEB. 12, 1970

3:00 P.M. Session was called to order with Sharon Bridges and Gail Turner presiding and conducting spiritual life moment.

3:15 P.M. Testimonial service hymn, "I Want To Be More Like Jesus." Prayer by Rev. McClung. Then the youth presented an open forum (Christian Youth in a Revolutionary Age).

3:30 P.M. Talent time, the youth presented a very outstanding talent service to us.

3:50 P.M. Work shop in evangelism was led by Rev. J. McClung. Invitation was extended offering, film on LSD, "Insight or Insanity." This film was shown by Mrs. Nehemiah. Social hour was directed by Mrs. Smith, Mrs. Neeley, Mrs. Mary Lewis, Mrs. Clay.

THURSDAY EVENING, FEB. 12, 1970

Evening session was called to order at 5:45 P.M. USHER HOUR, conducted by the President, National Ushers.

6:00 P.M. Social hour, getting to know you

6:30 P.M. Spiritual life moment. The Christian Ushers, Mrs. Julia Lee presiding

7:10 P.M. Aisle demonstration, directed by Mr. Ben McGriff.

7:30 P.M. Layman's hours, with Mr. M. M. Simmons, presiding. Music by Roger Williams male chorus.

7:40 P.M. Processional of the Southwest Regional Adult Choir. Offering money raised, \$101.00. Welcome from the layman by Bro. Simmons. Then A and B selection from the Roger Williams male chorus. Then A and B selection from the adult choir. Echo, from Oklahoma State Convention by Rev. E. E. Holly, A and B selection from the adult choir. Echo from the national congress by Mrs. Caldwell, then a selection by the choir. Special presentation was extended to Mrs. Beulah Brent, President of the National, and to Mrs. Delores Nehemiah, President of the Women's Auxiliary. Selection B, the adult choir. Then Dr. Chambers Sr. brought the message of the hour, Scripture Luke 10, Chapter 25, 30 verses. Subject, "Looking At Religion Thru A Question Mark. What, Who, Which." He brought a very spiritual fill message. Invitation offering. Money raised \$70.85. The convention was closed with prayer by Dr. Chambers.

President, Rev. O. D. Lowe
 Assistant Secretary, Dora Perkins

PROGRESSIVE BAPTIST CONGRESS OF CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

1969

The Seventh Annual Session of The Progressive Baptist Congress of Christian Education of the Progressive National Baptist Convention convened in Detroit, Michigan, June 16-22, 1969. The New Grace Baptist Church, 25 Ford Avenue, W. D. McClung, Pastor, served as host church. The Reverend Lewis Johnson, pastor of the Friendship Baptist Church, served as general chairman of the entertainment committee.

Registration started at 11:00 a.m. The Board meeting was held at 4:00 p.m. Dr. W. C. Upshaw, president, presided at the meeting. The meeting was opened with prayer, and the President called for the treasurer's reports:

FINANCIAL REPORT

RECEIVED		
Brought Forward from Akron Bank	\$ 46.69	\$ 163.67
Brought Forward from Atlanta Bank	7,659.50	
Raised by Registrations	795.93	
Raised by Public Offerings	120.00	
District Congresses Representation		
Total Raised 1969		8,622.12
Allocated by Parent Body		7,500.00
		\$16,285.79

EXPENDITURES		
Workers	\$ 8,782.00	
Adjusted Duplicate Registrations	197.00	
Paid Fees for Cashier Checks	3.95	
Total Expenditures for 1969		\$ 8,983.17
		\$ 7,302.62

RECAPITULATION		
Brought Forward	\$ 163.67	
Deposited	15,921.12	
Readjusted	197.00	
Fees for Cashier Checks	3.95	
Total Handled		\$16,285.79

EXPENDITURES		
Workers	\$ 8,782.22	
Readjustment	197.00	
Cash for Cashier Checks	3.95	
Total Expenditures		\$ 8,983.17
		\$ 7,302.62

Balance in Bank		
Returned to Parent Body August 1969		\$ 302.62
Balance		

Total Given Parent Body		
January 1969	\$ 885.00	
August 1969	7,000.00	
	\$ 7,885.00	
	7,500.00	

Received from Parent Body		
Balance in Parent Body Treasury	\$ 385.00	
Congress Treasury	\$ 302.62	
	\$ 687.62	

Grand Balance		
		165

The Program of the Congress was observed by the board members and adopted. The President stated that he and Rev. W. A. Anderson, the Director General, would go to Detroit, and survey the place of meeting. The President also said that the Congress strive to have clear and precise information as it related to subject matter and class-room directions. The Director General, Rev. Anderson, pledged his support to the President in seeing to it that the Congress would be at its best.

President Upshaw reminded the board that we must stress the necessity of thorough Bible Teaching in our Congress and Churches. The meeting was dismissed with prayer.

TUESDAY, JUNE 17, 1969

The Session of the Progressive National Baptist Congress of Christian Education was opened at 12 o'clock noon. Those in attendance stood and with joyous hearts, under the leadership of Mr. Lee L. Randolph, sang "O How I Love Jesus." The presence of the Holy Spirit was felt in the midst of God's people. The President called for the Reverend W. J. Hodge of Louisville, Kentucky, to lead the Congress in prayer. The Born Again Ones could feel the presence of the Master in the person of the Holy Spirit as Dr. Hodge invoked the blessing of God upon the work of the Congress.

President Upshaw expressed his thanksgiving to God for the privilege to meet once again as a fellowship. He asked that the spirit of Christ be exemplified in our attitude and decorum in every deliberation.

The Congress Choir sang "Lift Up Your Heads Oh Ye Gates." Once again, the Congress was assured of the presence of the Master after listening to this song. Following this selection by the choir the Rev. B. W. Smith delivered a meaningful meditation. He was introduced by the President, Rev. W. C. Upshaw.

(Meditation Excerpts)

Text: "Lord that our eyes may be opened" Matthew 20

Subject: "OUR NEED FOR AN EYE OPENER"

The secular world coined this phrase. As a matter of fact it was gotten from one who eventually became an "alcoholic." However, I could never understand this, for the thing that he took to pick him up, knocked him down.

We as Christians, ought to open our eyes to what is happening to this social life of our community. The militants get the ear quicker than the preacher. We must open our eyes. We live on the outside of the needs of the people. We must move back into the community of need.

A man who is lacking in hygiene is dangerous. We must watch our character development. Are we seeking freedom to finally be like the slave owner? The church does not have to defend herself, God will take care of his own wife. The church is the Bride, and He (God) will take care of his wife.

Our only defense is the word of God, and we should be found hiding the Word in our hearts, for the hour of need. We spend more money for the minor while the major is going unheeded. The world is passing us by on their way to hell. Our eyes need to come open to help the prostitute, the poverty stricken, etc. This should take the preeminence of choir robes, stain windows, etc.

The blind man's plea was not justice, but mercy. What do you want? Not alms, finally, but sun, stars, moon, etc. We want our sight, and we will make for ourselves. This is what needs to happen to our churches, "our eyes need to be opened." Men want to be great without knowing Jesus. How can a man be great and not know Jesus "Lord that our eyes might be opened."

The Meditation period was closed with the congregation singing "Amazing Grace."

President Upshaw said we want to see an admission, that we are blind. The President had the Permanent Organization Committee's names read. The recommendation was adopted by the body. The Finance Committee was appointed.

Rev. G. W. Criss
Rev. M. A. Curry
Rev. Siroy Freeman
Rev. J. M. Moore
Rev. W. H. Anderson, Director General

The President of the Parent Body was presented to the Congress by President Upshaw. Dr. Searcy reminded the Congress of the great challenge that the Christian Church was confronted with, and the only way to meet these was to be spiritually prepared. We are here, to be informed, inspired and encouraged.

The President, Dr. W. C. Upshaw, announced that a board meeting would be held at 2:00 P.M.

The Reverend W. J. Bishop extended a warm welcome to the Congress in the stead of Rev. Louis Johnson.

An inspirational address was delivered by Rev. G. P. Dudley, Rocky Mount, North Carolina. Rev. Dudley spoke from the subject: "Christian Education and the New Morality." The New Morality is a current philosophy of not necessarily denying the existence of God, but simply by-passing Him.

The Congress officers were presented by Dean Rev. S. H. James.

Offering: The benediction was given by Dr. Butler, Detroit, Michigan.

3:15 P.M. Guided Worship.

Music was led by Mr. Lee Randolph, "Oh How I Love Jesus." Meditation was given by the Rev. W. H. Conley, Chicago, Illinois. Following the very inspiring meditation period was the welcome program prepared by the Host Committee.

WELCOME PROGRAM

Organ Prelude, "Contemplation," Organist.

Hymn, "All Hail The Power," Perroneit

Invocation, Rev. David Johnson.

Scripture, (Psalm 48), Rev. James Lewis.

Hymn, "I Love Thy Kingdom, Lord" Dwight.

Welcome on behalf of the local entertainment committee.

Dr. Louis Johnson.

Selection, "Saved! Saved! Saved!", the Congress Choir.

Greeting on behalf of the Interdenominational Ministers Alliance was brought by Bishop Collins. W. Melvin Smith represented the Mayor of Highland Park. Dr. Charles Williams, President of the Baptist Ministers Conference of Detroit and vicinity brought warm greeting, followed by Rev. Roosevelt Williams, President of the Council of Baptist Pastors.

The Greater Christ Baptist Church Youth Choir sang "The Heavens Are Telling." Dr. Robert L. Kincheloc, Executive Director of the Metropolitan Detroit Council of Churches expressed himself in a very serious and unique way. He said, "We must learn to spell Baptist with a small 'B'. Christ is the Important name." "Hold to Fundamental Doctrine for sure." We cannot and must think of separatism, run forward, don't flee. Run toward the moral issue of the day. Adolph Braun brought greeting from the North American Baptist Conference. The Canadian Baptist was represented by Rev. M. Brown, Pastor of the First Baptist Church, Windsor, Ontario, Canada. Mrs. Kate T. Montgomery spoke on behalf of the National Baptist Convention of America, Inc.

Mrs. Doris Weems received an unusual ovation, after singing "Climb Every Mountain." Lewis Business College was ably represented by Mrs. Marjorie Harris. Dr. Fred D. Hubbs, Executive Director of Southern Baptist Convention gave warm and sincere greeting to the Congress body. Mr. C. Morris brought greetings on behalf of the Business and Professional Organization of Detroit. The Congress Choir sang. A representative, in the stead of Dr. Selwyn Smith, of the American Baptist Convention, made it quite clear in his greetings, "that we needed each other." Mr. Proctor spoke in the place of Mayor Jerome P. Cavanagh. Mr. Brown well represented The Honorable William G. Milliken, Governor of the State of Michigan. The Progressive Baptist Fellowship extended their greeting through the able Dr. J. F. Green, their President.

Pastor of the Host Church, Rev. McClung made several important announcements. The Greater Christ Youth Choir sang.

President Upshaw called upon Dr. S. S. Hodges to respond to the welcome in the stead of Rev. S. M. Weaver. Dr. Hodges was given a tremendous ovation for a magnificent response.

Music led by director Lee L. Randolph.

The Reverend Earl Nance of St. Louis, Mo. introduced Rev. O. R. Heitman, of St. Louis, Mo., who delivered the Introductory Sermon.

(Excerpts)

Text: "Therefore thus saith the Lord God, Behold, I lay in Zion for a foundation a stone, a tried stone, a precious corner stone, a sure foundation: he that believeth shall not haste." Isaiah 28:16.

The Church is being criticized, but has not failed. God must have some fearless men. Men who will take a chance. Too many ministers are holding their peace at a time when they should speak out. Nobody can out-do God. "God has his word wrapped up in a Divine Mystery and unfolds it daily to men. Our sins are getting worse. Remember, God can still live and see all that we do. If we want to build a great Congress we must be cooperative. Jesus said, "Upon this rock I will build my church." Unity, solidarity, and oneness is seen in a stone. A tried stone, not just any stone. A tested stone. God needs men who will stand the test."

Offering—Announcements and Benediction.

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 18, 1969

11:00-11:30 A.M. Guided Worship—The Congress was led in congregational singing by Director, Mr. Lee L. Randolph. The Meditation message was delivered by Rev. Clarence Williams, Brooklyn, N. Y. The basis for the message was found in Psalm 8, "What is man that thou art mindful of him." Music followed the meditation message. Solo: "The Lord Is My Light and My Salvation."

The keynote address was delivered by Dean S. H. James, of Texas. He was introduced by Dr. Charles Green of Virginia.

(Excerpts)

Text: "Prove all things, hold fast that which is good." 1 Thess. 5:21.

Subject: "THE CHALLENGE OF THE FUTURE."

One of the great philosophical truisms of the age is the ability of the mind to pause and linger within itself. The first proof of a well ordered mind is to be able to pause and linger within itself. "Prove all things, hold fast that which is good." The command of the text is good for today. Christ has come as the revelation of God. Hid within the deep shadow of our time is the deep sense of self value. Moses' leadership of Israel led them on victoriously to the promised land. He was possessed with a faith that would not let him go. Jeremiah believed God, "A remnant shall return, all will not be lost." Jeremiah had a faith that would not let him go. Jesus' enemies did not reckon with that third day morning, all because he had a faith that would not let him go. Martin Luther, the great reformer, said, "Lord God here I stand, because I can do no other." (In the face of death) all because he had a faith that would not let him go.

Think about the stand you are taking for God in these times of social change. The future, our future will be determined by our present thinking, with an awareness that wisdom was not born with us. Now is the time to pause, reflect, and linger in your minds. Now. Do not postpone this challenge. Your future is tied up in your decision. Life is involved, the temptation to postpone living until some future time is very subtle—that is to postpone living significantly. Such a temptation is apt to present itself at any time to any person. The well ordered mind pauses, reflects, and lingers within itself, and in doing so it sees the great possibility of blunder, in postponing living significantly. Now Life does not stop being life because we are young or because we are preparing ourselves vocationally or because certain important decisions that are in the hands of others have not been made. The well ordered mind sees the future, and dares to live deeply.

There are two roads in life's journey, and only the well ordered mind will take the high road. Go back home and roll up your sleeves and scrub up the dirty work of the dirty world. We must be concerned about the future. Our culture is heet with a thousand voices calling. It is important to think about the tomorrows. A quote from "Quo Vadis": "Whither goeth thou?" Today's youth, where goeth thou? "People who walk in darkness have seen a great light." The light has come, and men who have seen the light have seen the high road. "Hold fast only to the good," for our needs are moral and spiritual. We don't need clever people, we need morally good people. People of integrity.

Following the dynamic message from Dr. James, the Guiding Star Church Choir of Louisville, Kentucky sang

"CHRISTIAN HERITAGE NIGHT"

7:00-7:25 P.M. Guided Worship. Music led by Mr. Lee L. Randolph.

(Meditation Excerpts)

The meditation message was delivered by Rev. John Milton Burrell, Akron, Ohio. The Reverend Burrell used as a text for the meditation thought "He maketh grass to grow upon the mountain." Psalms 147:8 "Dreaming Big Dreams." David was a man of Big Dreams. He saw God always walking the unanticipated paths. He was a servant of God whose vision kept him ahead of his people. Faith in the supernatural was his priceless possession. He believed that God would always be found in the unexpected places. David refused to limit the Creator in any aspect of the word.

The text tells us in unquestionable tones that We have a God who is able to do that far above our expectation. Therefore as we confront the forces of evil from day to day, we must face them with a faith that will not shrink. We must believe that as the Incarnate Son of God's preachment and presence changed the life of the Woman at the Well, He is still able to change the vile heart of any sinner today, and make it the habitation of the Holy Spirit. He can do the impossible. We do not associate grass growing on mountain tops, but with the oasis and low lands. Yet David saw it growing there. He was speaking to men of all subsequent ages, the downtrodden, and forgotten ones, do not despair. God can do anything but fail.

We are enjoying, as a black people, a measure of freedom, because of men of vision. Men who saw grass growing on the mountain. Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. saw, Rev. Fred Shuttlesworth saw it, Rev. Steele of Florida saw, A. Philip Randolph, Roy Wilkins and others too numerous to name at this time. They saw and believed in God who was able to make changes, and they began to tell men, "We Shall Overcome."

Music followed the meditation.

The Reverend G. W. Criss made the appeal for THE MARTIN LUTHER KING JR. Memorial Fund.

The congregation stood and sang with much spirit, "Since Jesus Came Into My Heart." Rev. W. B. Smith introduced the Reverend Otis Moss, who delivered the CHRISTIAN HERITAGE NIGHT address.

(Excerpts)

Text: "And there arose another generation after them, which knew not the Lord." Judges 2:20.

Subject: THE TRAGEDY OF AN INADEQUATE KNOWLEDGE ABOUT GOD

Dr. Moss said the text was a signal warning to this generation.

The conflict today is between two ships—youth and age. One ship seeking a harbor and the other setting sail. The incoming ship is the old, and outgoing ship is the young. The youth ship is filled with leaping dreams. The mood and song of emigration is not the same as anchorage.

From the chosen people of God, Israel, with their many wilderness experiences there arose another generation who knew not God. As their forefathers forgot about God and refused to worship Him, so it was with their children.

Institutions alone are not enough. Your children who dwell in the house of tomorrow, are not like us. We should not want them to be like us, but better in every sense of the word.

Before we condemn too harshly the youthship, we must deal with our past, and then ask why. It is strange that we have been too weak to speak out against the four principles agonies of the church, that is anti-semitism, race, war, and capitalism. Yes, we have been worshipping god, but the god we have been worshipping has failed. Our theology, I am afraid, is the American dollar.

There must be a reaffirmation that men shall not live by bread alone. The God who institutionalized is a dead God. However, the God of Creation, He who guides our going out and our coming in, is not dead nor has he failed, but our theology has failed. We have been living by a theology that has condemned lip-stick and not night sticks, etc.

It does not need me to defend his integrity. He is real and self-supporting. We must re-examine our theology.

The Rev. Otis Moss delivered one of the greatest addresses that those in attendance will ever hear.

Offering—Announcement—Benediction.

THURSDAY, JUNE 19, 1969

11:00 A.M. Assembly, with Vice-President C. W. Butler presiding. Guided Worship under the direction of Mr. Lee L. Randolph. Meditation—Rev. L. M. McDougald, Wisconsin. The Antioch Baptist Church Choir, Akron, Ohio, sang two selections prior to the President's Annual Address.

The Vice-President, Dr. C. W. Butler, introduced the President.

SECOND ANNUAL ADDRESS

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"THE CHRISTIAN CHURCH IN THESE TROUBLED TIMES"

Vice President Butler, President Searcy, Dean James, Faculty, and other officials of our Great Convention. I am happy to be here today and deliver to you my Annual Message as president of this great body of Christian educators. I am here because of the confidence you placed in me two years ago when we met in Baltimore, Maryland. Please know that I am grateful for the trust committed to me.

In 1967 our Annual Session was held in St. Louis, Mo. I think we made history there in that city. In my judgment, we had the finest session we've had since we have been organized. The St. Louis session was great because of the contribution you made to it. Not so much because of the president, but because of you. We can not very well think of the success of this Congress without thinking of the great leadership first president, Dr. G. K. Offutt. Dr. Offutt, you did a fine job in laying a good foundation. I am also grateful for the fine cooperation given us by the presidents of the parent body, Drs. T. M. Chambers, Garner C. Taylor, and E. R. Searcy. Rev. O. R. Hellum and his committee made our stay in their city a pleasant one.

Today, we are here in Detroit, the Motor City. Dr. Louis Johnson and his committee have already made us know that we are in for a great entertainment here in our Seventh Annual Session. Dr. Johnson, our hats are off to you.

Since we met last we have lost some links in our chain of life. Yes, some of our most loyal friends have passed on to the great beyond. I have reference to Dr. J. C. Austin, Dr. A. C. L. Arhoun, Mr. T. E. Brown, and others whose names I do not have now. It is true that we will miss them but we must not challenge God's right to take from his flower garden any bouquet He desires for himself. So that we conclude that they are better off with him than they would have been with us.

The subject that I am to speak to you on today was chosen because of my serious concern about the condition of our country as it affects the Christian Church.

We are living in the most dangerous time our world has ever known. This is due, some believe, to the shrinkage of the world caused by the greatly improved means of communication. For in many ways the world is now one great community. The mingling of people, the clash of civilizations, and the processes which characterize this scientific age have led to marked relaxing and weakening of the restraints of the social customs, as well as the ethical and religious system of non-Christian people. So then the question, what will afford a helpful environment and ensure better relationships between nations and races is a challenge to our Christian witness.

We are confronted with an unprecedented world situation, a situation in which the church is called upon to face some of the most difficult problems with which she

has had to grapple in the almost two thousand years of her existence, especially on the home front. I say on the home front because here lies much of my personal concern. It is my sincere hope that the Christian Church will bravely accept these problems as a challenge to make her witness more effective in all the areas of human society. For, of a truth, now is the time for the church to prove her concern for the total life of mankind. This, of course, means getting down to earth and becoming involved with the every day life of the people whatever their condition is. This does not mean that the Christian must partake of everything that some of the people like to do. But, it does mean becoming involved and not being withdrawn from the people. In my opinion that has been one of the main reasons that our witness has been so ineffective in the ghetto. Those people feel that they are there in a given community of their own and that no one, even the church, cares for them. Therefore, the church needs to change its pattern and some of her methods in doing things. She needs to change the direction of her life from that of a self-centered interest to a costly love for the world to which she has been commissioned to witness. This is the task of the church.

The problems of the world demand a re-declaration of concern on the part of the Christian Church. I accept this demand as a clear call to the church to stop and listen again to the call of the Master. See what the Spirit says to the church. Be still and be certain that she is going in the right direction in her life's mission. We are called upon to come out from hiding, get on the field where the action is; get down in the valley where Christ is busy transforming men for the kingdom of God. He expects us there to join Him. The lives of men must be transformed from the unholy worldliness of caution, fear, and retreat to holy worldliness of boldness, courage, and sacrificial love for all sorts and conditions of men.

It is understandable that every denomination wants to grow, and that is as it should be. They want to reach more people, and this too is good when recruiting members is not an end in itself. But if the churches are riddled with class and racial bias, closed societies rather than an open community, what does it profit the kingdom of God if their ranks are enlarged?

Therefore, the church is challenged by the things around her to awake, put on her strength, and be prepared for the conflict. Paul must have seen, this time approaching, for nearly two thousand years ago he warned the Christians saying, Put on the whole armour of God, that ye may be able to stand against the wiles of the devil. For we wrestle not against flesh and blood, but against principalities, against powers, against the rulers of darkness of this world, against spiritual wickedness in high places. It is interesting to study this 6th chapter of Paul's letter to the Ephesians, read it, especially, 6:11-18.

We see that one of the exciting figures depicting the Christian Church is that of an army. We often speak of the church militant. We sing—"Like a mighty army moves the church of God." We sing, "Onward Christian soldiers, Marching as to war, With the Cross of Jesus Going on before."

With such testimonies as are deeply embodied in these old hymns of the Christian Church, we should be encouraged to prepare ourselves for any eventuality.

Christians are soldiers, enlisted in the army of God, wearing their armour and shod with the preparation of the gospel of peace. They are under obligation to engage the enemy where the action is. If the Christians are to fulfill their mission, it is important for them to locate the action, identify the issues, engage the principalities and power which seek to destroy men.

Yes, it is time for the church to move out on the battlefield away from her long-time fixed positions, as they relate to her political, economic, and social concern for the people. For if the Christian Church continues to hold on to her old habits and customs she will find herself unable to wage an effective warfare. Paul L. Stagg, in his book, "The Converted Church," gives a classic example of what might happen when the church becomes static, when he said, In World War II, France's security rested in the famous Maginot line, supposedly an impregnable fortress. Her troops were stationed there and she thought she was safe. But while she was resting in her fixed position the enemy abandoned the sector and skirted around the Maginot line and France was defeated. She was defeated because she kept her troops safe in the barracks and never did engage the enemy. I think our churches can feel too

safe in their old customs and habits, too at ease in Zion, and too far away from the people. Here is a lesson from the experience of a great nation. We, my brethren, do not want to be caught asleep or standing at parade-rest on the pinnacle of the mountain while the opposing forces are in the valley, where the people are, destroying them whom we are sent to save. It is unfortunate and yet, it is true, the church does not always have her eyes on the target. Too often, with the best of intention, we simply talk in vague generalities about high sounding principles and ideals but do little, if anything, about them. We seem to forget that the genius of the gospel is that it is definite, concrete, specific, and addressed to man in the changing circumstances of his life.

We are playing a dangerous game in a world that seems so far removed from the generation that lived before us. Every one seems to be trying to live apart from the rest of mankind, attempting to escape involvement in this disturbing human situation. But the responsibility evolves upon the church to face the issues and correct the wrong. This is the talk of the Christian Church. For the trouble that we are having in our day, did not start yesterday but is the product of many years.

When I say we must face the issues of our day, I appeal not just to any special racial group, but to the people of these United States of America. For I am convinced that we must meet this challenge together or we will die together in disgrace. However, we must live with the immediate problems:—What to do when some are hurting, and others, who have power, don't care? How to make narrow, busy, and self-righteous people understand that other people exist? It was because of these things that A. J. Muste, Gandhi, and Martin Luther King, Jr. devised and experimented the strategy of active massive non-violent confrontation, both non-violent resistance and aggressive non-violence. Some how, I believe this is the only strategy that addresses all aspects of the situation. It challenges the unconcerned. It attacks institutions and confronts people as well. It personalizes the conflict so that habitual and mechanical responses are not easy. It diminishes strangeness. It opens possibilities for the narrow to grow and catch step with the time instead of shutting them out. It stops the downward spiral of the oppressed into despair, fanaticism, and brutality. It is the only realistic strategy, for it leads to rather than prevents, the achievements of a future community among the combatants.

The fact is, we will have to live together in some community. Just how? And in what community? I don't know, but this is a major concern of the Christian Church.

THE BLACK POWER ADVOCATES—While I don't agree with many things that are done under the caption of Black Power, I do not say that everything they say and do should be cast out the window. Therefore, I am not opposed to Black Power as such. However, I cannot subscribe to its most common concept as it is commonly understood by the man on the street. But if it means political, social, and economic power, I am with it one hundred percent. While on the other hand, if it means a segregated community called Black Community, I am opposed to such an act of separatism and shall ever be. Through the years I have been identified with groups that have tried to get the Negroes to come together and form a solid front on issues that would result into the common good of the race here in America, where we live and where we have lived all of our lives. I am a citizen, by birth, of America. I have fought for the security of this country. My son fought in two wars for this country, my grandson fought for America. Yes, a greater part of my life has been given to help make America the greatest power on earth today. I want, and I feel that I should have, a share in whatever America has for the citizens of this country, whether that be black or white. Now, for that I am willing not only to fight, but to die, if necessary. I am not concerned about having a separate state for the blacks. I am not interested in being set off in what is known as a "BLACK COMMUNITY." To be set off in a black community would be no new experience for me. I have been in that all of my days; I am striving to get out. I shall not be satisfied with sectionalism in this country in any form. I want the privilege to live in any community of my choosing as any American should have.

THE LAWLESSNESS OF OUR TIME—The lawlessness of this age is a threat to the security of the nation. Let us not fool ourselves, we live in America and we are here to stay, and we are responsible to correct the evil that is causing the problems of our day.

We are now threatened with conditions bordering on anarchy. The fact is we have sporadic anarchy on many of the streets in our larger cities. Statistics show that as far back as 1963, four serious crimes were committed every minute. A murder was committed every hour, and assault every four minutes. For every one thousand persons in the larger cities in the United States, forty-two were arrested. Around eight hundred million dollar's worth of property were stolen during the year. Since 1958, according to the FBI, the population increased eight per cent while crime increased forty per cent. Since 1960, nearly 200 policemen have been killed defending the law. Crime costs were about forty-one billion dollars last year and continue to climb. J. Edgar Hoover, who heads the FBI, has spoken out against what he terms as excessive leniency which tends to ignore the victim and obscure the right of a free society protection.

The Chairman of the International Chiefs of Police appeared on a national TV panel show, and after he had expressed alarm over the fearful rise in crime rate, a newspaper woman asked him pointedly if man's diminished fears of hell had contributed to this condition. The Chief said he thought so. William Pitt said, "Where law ends, tyranny begins." I read an article in the Akron Beacon Journal this year, 1969 quotes Justice Thurgood Marshall in saying, "Anarchy is anarchy, and it makes no difference who practices it, it is bad; it is punishable and should be punished." We must know that lawlessness is not the way out of these troubled times. Two wrongs will not make a single right.

NOW CONCERNING THE POOR—The Christian Church must show her concern about the poor. The battle of the poor people for the necessities of life must be ours, too. Many of our citizens are underfed despite the fact that we live in the richest country in the world. It is our duty as Christians to see that all people share in the things that God has given the world for the common good of man.

When I speak of helping the poor, I do not mean just a basket of fruit once a year (Christmas) or a pair of old worn-out shoes or a dress that no one else wants. I do not mean that the local church is totally responsible for supplying all the needs of any given community. I mean, inasmuch as we are citizens of the community and taxpayers and have voting rights and privileges, we should exercise our, if you want to call it Black Power influence, united, in the interest of those who can't help themselves. Jack Fenegan says in his book, "Space, Atoms, and God," people first of all must have bread. They must possess the means of survival before any knowledge of life's meaning can take hold. In fact, without bread, men are incapable of making sound decisions. Satan knew this and challenged Jesus when he said to him command the stones to be made bread. He knew Jesus was hungry after forty days of fasting, and thought he had Him on the ropes. However, there was one thing he did not know. He did not know that he was talking to the Bread of Life. The time is now that the church must fight for the survival of others.

THE CHURCH MUST TEACH THEM—Much of our trouble is due to the neglect of teaching. Teaching is an injunction or a command of Jesus Christ and forms a part of the language of the Great Commission. A failure to practice it, according to the plans of the President of the World's Educational System, we find ourselves weighed in the balances and found wanting. I know of no church group in the world that has suffered more for a well balanced curriculum and a well balanced teaching staff than the Negro Baptist Churches throughout this country.

Take a look at our Sunday Church Schools, and you will see what incompetency means when you try to build a well-balanced faculty. I am not necessarily talking about an educated faculty in terms of degrees from outstanding schools, for secular education alone does not make for good in God's program. Yes, education is important and serves to best qualify man to teach. But education alone is not enough. Jesus said to Nicodemus, YOU MUST BE BORN AGAIN. This is of most importance when it comes to teaching Christian religion. There must be something in that teacher to direct that cultured mind in the right channel. I think some of our people feel he or she can make a good Sunday School teacher just because he or she has a college education. There is where much of our trouble lies.

This is a world in which material progress is the chief concern of man. The main theme of conversation is about things and getting things done. In the first six decades of the twentieth century, remarkable progress has been made in physics,

chemistry, astrophysics, biology, anthropology, archaeology and all the physical sciences. The atom has been smashed and harnessed. The Antarctic and the Arctic have been explored. The moon and the planets are about to be occupied. Commerce has pyramided its corporate strength and millionaires are so common you may meet them anywhere. Gadgets of every description have taken slavery out of work, and automation bids fair to eliminate physical labor altogether. But it is yet the responsibility of the Christian Church to teach men to know God, and the power of His Resurrection. Brethren, the clarion call from our communities is, Please feed us, teach us and preach to us.

The Antioch Choir followed the President's Address with singing. Dr. E. R. Searcy, President of the Parent Body, gave praise to Dr. Upshaw for such a far-reaching message. He also brought greeting from the Parent Body. Dr. Searcy complimented highly the work of the Congress. Mrs. Minnie Bruce, President of the Women's Auxiliary, brought greetings from that auxiliary.

Dr. E. R. Searcy presided at the election period. He called for the report of the Congress Nominating Committee. The Committee reported as follows: We recommend that the following named persons will be considered by the Congress for following positions:

W. H. Anderson	President
W. J. Bishop	First Vice President
C. W. Davis	Second Vice President
J. O. Rich	Secretary
E. K. Foster	Assistant Secretary
S. H. James	Director General
L. J. Alford	Assistant Director General
W. J. Hodge	Dean
Charles Houston	Assistant Dean
Fred L. Steen	Music Director
Verdeen Fielding	Assistant Director of Music
Jessie Lewis	Treasurer
Thelma Johnson	National Youth Director

W. W. Taylor, Chairman	Earl Nance
R. H. Milner	C. G. Smith
W. J. Bishop	H. B. Hicks
T. S. Boone	V. Simpson Turner
Cleo Caldwell	L. J. Alford
R. L. Patterson	E. K. Foster
S. S. Hodges	J. M. Burrell
Charles Davis	

Benediction

7:30 P.M. Guided Worship—Mr. Lee L. Randolph, Music Director. Meditation—Rev. J. T. Reeder, Brooklyn, N. Y.

8:00 P.M.—YOUTH PROGRAM—Mrs. Thelma Johnson, National Youth Leader, Mrs. Willie Mae Johnson, Detroit Youth Leader, were in charge. The youth presented a drama that reflected "The Spiritual Blindness of This Age." The drama was unique in its presentation.

The Rev. Henry Jones of Kentucky delivered the address for the occasion

FRIDAY, JUNE 20, 1969

10:50-11:20 A.M. Guided Worship. Meditation—Mrs. Esther Smith, Atlanta, Ga. Rev. J. Pierce of California delivered the inspirational address, "Christian Education and the Culturally Deprived."

Rev. C. William Butler, Detroit, Michigan, delivered a challenging commencement address to the Congress. Music—"Higher Ground" was led by Mr. Lee L. Randolph Offering—Announcement—Benediction

8:30 P.M.—Guided Worship. Music—Mr. Lee L. Randolph led the Congress in singing "Blessed Assurance." The meditation message was given by Mr. H. W. Jones.

of Louisville, Kentucky. Rev. J. H. McKissick, Philadelphia, Pa. delivered the inspirational address, "Christian Education for Political Involvement." Final reports were called for from all committees.

The Doctrinal Sermon was delivered by Rev. J. C. Williams, South Carolina. Meditation and prayer of Thanksgiving and Benediction

(COMMITTEES)

State Of The Country	Finance
Rev. G. P. Dudley	Rev. G. W. Criss
Mrs. Sarah Higginbottom	Rev. M. A. Curry
Mrs. Doris L. Burrell	Rev. Stroy Freeman
Dr. Garland K. Offutt	Rev. J. M. Moore
Dr. W. H. Anderson	Rev. W. H. Anderson, Director General
Dr. Charles Denkins	
Rev. James A. Lewis	
Rev. William Conley	
Time and Place	Resolution
Rev. D. L. Motley	Rev. Louis Johnson
Rev. T. O. Rich	Mrs. Aurelia R. Downey
Mr. J. C. Alford	Rev. C. S. Saunders
Rev. Abraham Calston	Rev. Raymond Robinson
Deacon, Fred Cole	Rev. K. L. Moore
Mr. William Weston	Rev. H. W. Simmons
Rev. C. S. Hampton	Mr. Freddie Brown

STATISTICAL REGISTRATION OF CONGRESS

Messengers	262
Churches	19
Local District & Conventions	8
Individual Registration	90
Ministers Registered in Seminar	

CLASSIFICATION REPORT

States Represented	28
Churches Represented	262
Class Enrollment	1,226
State Organizations Represented	19
Individuals	8

MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL SOUTHWEST REGIONAL MEETING OF THE PROGRESSIVE NATIONAL BAPTIST CONVENTION

May 5, 6, 7, 1970

PROVIDENCE MISSIONARY BAPTIST CHURCH
2810 Rosedale, Houston, Texas

REV. S. M. WEAVER, Host Pastor

TUESDAY EVENING, MAY 5, 1970

Pre convention musical and welcome hour conducted by churches of Houston.
9:30 P.M. Introduction of convention officers. 10:00 offering; money raised \$70.20
10:30 musical was closed with prayer by Rev. Leo Daniels of Houston

WEDNESDAY MORNING, MAY 6, 1970

9:45 A.M. session was called to order by the president. Moments of meditation by Mrs. Minnie V. Anderson of Oklahoma. 10:00 Guided Worship was beautifully conducted by Rev. Glenn of Los Angeles and Rev. E. E. Holly of Tulsa, Oklahoma. Song, "I Need Thee Every Hour." 10:15 meditation by Rev. Joe Allen Smith of Oklahoma. Scripture, Mark 9th chapter 17th and 18th verse. Subject, "What Aileth Thee"

10:30 song, "What A Fellowship." 10:35 President Lowe opened the house for business. Reading of the program. It was received and adopted as read. Then the minutes of the last sessions were read. They were received and adopted as read. President Lowe gave brief expressions and remarks about the advancement of the convention, he also stated that 21 churches had been added to the convention in the state of California, he also stated the purpose of the convention.

Roll call of all churches present. 11:00 A.M. President Lowe asked if any one had any propositions, statements or any unfinished business, there wasn't any.

President Lowe then opened the house for new business. The president stated that we must move forward in the coming session and support our national.

There were statements coming from Dr. E. E. Holly of Oklahoma and Dr. J. D. Provo of Oklahoma, expressing their desire in supporting the state of Oklahoma. Dr. Holly also stated that he would like to have the convention come to Tulsa for the next annual session. President Lowe stated that the committee on permanent organization would consider this in their report.

The president stated that there was a list of churches that would like to join our convention and before this session is adjourned we will have organized a state convention in Houston, he also stated that we would need more field workers.

Dr. J. D. Provo gave expressions and remarks about the work that president Lowe is trying to carry on. He also remarked on the beautiful board meeting in California.

President Lowe then stated that in the annual session we are to elect the following officers: president, vice president, assistant vice president, financial secretary, and treasurer. These will be elected to serve a 2 year term.

The committee on permanent organization was re-organized with Dr. J. D. Provo of Oklahoma as chairman, Dr. E. E. Holly of Tulsa, Oklahoma, Rev. Victor Jacobs of Houston, Bro. Simms of Los Angeles, Sis. D. Nehemiah of Los Angeles, Sis. Minnie V. Anderson of Oklahoma and Rev. A. R. Billingly of Los Angeles as Co-chairmen. President Lowe asked that they would give a report on the next afternoon.

12:15 P.M. Rev. A. R. Billingly of Los Angeles brought a beautiful message from the 17th chapter of St. John 21st and 22nd verse. Subject "Lord Make Us One." 12:30 P.M. invitation to discipleship was conducted by Rev. E. E. Holly while singing "Precious Lord." 12:45 P.M. Registration of churches and personal offering, money raised, \$17.60. Partial report from the financial secretary of \$199.00. 1:00 P.M. Dr. S. S. Hedges, our executive secretary, came to us with beautiful expressions of gratitude and gave us intelligence on some new literature of the Progressive National. There were questions and remarks coming from various persons. 1:15 P.M. The president read the program for our afternoon session and introduced Mrs. Beulah

Brent, president of our Women's auxiliary. 1:30 P.M. Morning session was closed with prayer by Rev. A. R. Billingly of Los Angeles.

WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON

2:30 P.M. Session was called to order with inspirational singing, conducted by Mrs. M. V. Anderson. 2:40 P.M. symposium "Our Doctrines, Our Directives," was beautifully expressed by the following ministers: Rev. Rufus Wilson of San Antonio, Rev. Joe H. Hamilton of Houston, Rev. Stacks of San Antonio, Rev. Powell and Rev. Bradford of Houston. 3:40 P.M. 10 minutes were designated as a feedback session, invitation was extended while singing "Amen." Offering, money raised \$11.00. Partial report, \$83.00. Solo by Dr. J. D. Provo, "Something Within Me." 4:15 P.M. afternoon session was adjourned with prayer.

WEDNESDAY EVENING, MAY 6, 1970

6:45 P.M. session was called to order with Rev. C. L. Birden conducting devotion, song, "Leaning On The Everlasting Arms." Scripture by Rev. A. R. Billingly of Los Angeles, from the 2nd chapter of Philippians, 11th verse. Prayer by Rev. E. E. Holly. Rev. C. L. Birden gave remarks and introduced Mrs. Page of Los Angeles, with a solo, "He'll Understand And Say Well Done." 6:50 P.M. Rev. Powell of San Antonio brought a beautiful thought during the Evangelic Hour, subject, "A Dangerous Assignment." 7:15 P.M. Rev. Powell sang a solo, "Precious Lord," invitation was extended by Rev. C. L. Birden of Los Angeles. 7:20 P.M. offering, money raised \$16.30. Rev. Birden introduced president Lowe. The president gave remarks and introduced Mrs. Essie Smith, who gave remarks and introduced the president of the Ushers, Bro. Roscoe Buford who brought a beautiful address. 7:35 P.M. President Lowe introduced Mr. S. S. Simmon of Los Angeles, president of the Laymen. Bro. Simmon gave a beautiful address on the subject, "Who Are Laymen, What Is The Work Of The Layman?" 8:00 P.M. Congregational song, "What A Fellowship." President Lowe then gave remarks. 8:15 P.M. Mrs. Johnson of Los Angeles came to us with a solo, "Never Grow Old." 8:30 P.M. Rev. Collins of Houston, Texas came to us with a solo, "We Shall Overcome Someday." Scripture reading by Rev. H. J. Hamilton of Houston. Congregational song, "Remember Me," prayer by Rev. C. L. Birden of Los Angeles. President Lowe then introduced the speaker of the hour, our National President of the Progressive National Baptist Convention, Dr. E. R. Searcy. Scripture reading from the 3rd chapter of Ezekiel. He brought an inspiring message on the "Sign of Time." He also gave a financial report for the future progress of the convention. 9:20 P.M. Invitation was conducted by Rev. C. L. Birden, while Rev. Collins came to us with a solo, "It's In My Heart." Offering, money raised, \$40.00. Remarks from our president of the Women's Department, Mrs. Dolores Scheniah, she in turn introduced Mrs. Beulah Brent, our National president. Mrs. Brent gave expressions and remarks. 9:45 P.M. Evening Session was closed with prayer.

THURSDAY MORNING, MAY 7, 1970

Women Session was called to order at 9:45 A.M. with Mrs. Minnie V. Anderson conducting devotion song, "I Need Thee." Scripture reading by Mrs. Wilson of Oklahoma from the 16th chapter of Matthew, 16 thru 18 verses. Prayer by Mrs. Mary Billingly of Los Angeles, song, "My Faith Looks Up To Thee." 10:00 A.M. Spiritual Life Moments was conducted by Mrs. Ora Norwood of Oklahoma, subject, "Building on a Solid Foundation." Song, "I Come to the Garden." 10:15 A.M. Accent on the theme by Mrs. Bledsoe of Oklahoma and Mrs. L. Moore of Houston, subject "A Solid Rock," song, "In Times Like These." Business period was conducted by Mrs. D. Nehemiah, president of our Women's Auxiliary. Registration of all churches. 11:00 A.M. Recognition of national, regional, and state district officers and workers was conducted also by Mrs. E. Monson. 11:10 A.M. Presentation was conducted by Mrs. E. Monson. 11:15 A.M. Welcome Hour conducted by Mrs. B. T. Walker of Houston, host church. 11:40 A.M. Welcome from Mrs. Rosse Lee Jacobs, Inter Baptist work shop. 11:50 A.M. Acknowledgement by Mrs. E. Monson. Remarks by president Nehemiah. Our president gave highlight on going to Kansas City for the National Session.

He also gave remarks concerning the afternoon session which should begin at 1:45 a.m. Then Mrs. Nehemiah turned the further service into the hand of president Lowe after singing "Pass Me Not." Introduction of guest speaker by Rev. S. M.

Weaver, host pastor, 12:00 NOON Rev. Rufus Wilson, pastor of San Antonio, Texas came to us with a beautiful message. Subject, "Come For All Things Are Now Ready." Scripture taken from St. Luke, 14th chapter, 16th and 17th verse. This was a very inspiring message and a blessing to all who heard it. Solo, "Move On Up A Little Higher" by Mrs. R. Wade. 12:30 P.M. Invitation. 12:40 P.M. Report on the permanent committee with Dr. E. R. Searcy presiding was read as follows.

We the committee on permanent organization met at the Providence Baptist Church on May 7, 1970. The meeting was called to order by the supervisor, Dr. J. D. Provo. Prayer by Rev. A. R. Billingly. Meeting was opened for business. Recommendation of officers.

President	Rev. Obia D. Lowe, Los Angeles
1st Vice President	Rev. L. E. Gibbs, Los Angeles
2nd Vice President	Rev. V. Jacob, Houston, Texas
Supervisor	Dr. J. D. Provo, Okla.
Corresponding Secretary	Rev. I. Sims, Compton, Calif.
Recording Secretary	Mrs. Dora Perkins, Los Angeles
Financial Secretary	Mrs. Hazel Johnson, Compton, Calif.
Treasurer	Rev. A. Moton, Los Angeles
Evangelic Board Chairman	Rev. C. L. Birden, Los Angeles
Evangelic Co-Chairman	Rev. E. E. Holly, Tulsa, Okla.
Home Mission Chairman	Dr. S. M. Weaver, Houston, Texas
Home Mission Co-Chairman	Rev. J. N. Roberson, Los Angeles
Supt. Layman Movement	Rev. W. H. Charles, Los Angeles
President of Laymen	Bro. M. M. Simmon, Los Angeles
Vice Pres. Laymen	Bro. W. M. Miller, Oklahoma

WOMEN'S DEPARTMENT

President	Mrs. Dolores Nehemiah, Los Angeles
1st Vice President	Mrs. Epron Monson, Oklahoma
2nd Vice President	Mrs. Eleanor Wilson, Oklahoma
Youth Director	Mrs. Lula Dunn, Oklahoma
Secretary	Mrs. Pearl Nerley, Oklahoma
Assistant Secretary	Mrs. Isabel Onal
Treasurer	Mrs. Carrie Ford, Oklahoma
Music Department	Mrs. M. Anderson, Oklahoma
Mission Education	Mrs. Cornelius Clay, Los Angeles
President Usher Board	Bro. Roscoe Buford
Vice President	Mrs. Essie Smith
Supervisor	Rev. A. R. Billingly

COMMITTEE ON PERMANENT ORGANIZATION

Chairman	Dr. J. D. Provo
Secretary	Mrs. Essie Smith, Los Angeles
Rev. V. Jacobs, Member	Houston, Texas
Bro. T. J. Simms, Member	Los Angeles, Calif.
Mrs. Dolores Nehemiah, Member	Los Angeles, Calif.
Mrs. Minnie V. Anderson, Member	Oklahoma
Rev. A. R. Billingly	Los Angeles, Calif.

BOARD MEMBERS

Mrs. T. Donaldson	Oklahoma
Mrs. Ora Norwood	Oklahoma
Rev. A. R. Billingly, Member	Los Angeles

1:00 P.M. Remarks by the President. Then President Nehemiah came forth and appointed ladies to collect the offering. Money raised \$19.37. Remarks from Mrs. Williams (Youth Director), then our National President, Mrs. Beulah Brent was introduced. Morning Session was adjourned with prayer.

EVENING SESSION

2:00 P.M. Women session was called to order by Mrs. Johnson of Los Angeles and Mrs. Bessie Bledsoe of Oklahoma, conducting the Spiritual Life Moments.

2:15 P.M. Feminar. "The Reality of Christianity In A Woman World," were beautifully discussed by the following persons:

Mrs. Epron Monson	Oklahoma
Mrs. Eleanor Wilson	Houston, Texas
Mrs. J. P. Barrett	Houston, Texas
Mrs. M. L. Barrett	Houston, Texas
Mrs. Dora Perkins	Los Angeles, Calif.
Mrs. Luella Dunn	Oklahoma

3:15 P.M. Singpiration.

3:30 P.M. Work shop in Christian Discipline Dr. S. S. Hodges, Executive Secretary.

4:00 P.M. A time for your questions about how progressive operates.

4:15 Offering, Prayer and adjournment.

4:30 P.M. A film was shown on The Church In The World. There were many questions and answers.

THURSDAY EVENING, MAY 7, 1970

7:45 P.M. Young people in business conducted by Mrs. Essie Smith of Los Angeles. Mrs. Angie Liggins, Mistress of Ceremony, song "Rock of Ages," theme (Solid Rock). Demonstrated by the Youth of Providence Baptist Church. Song, "I Want To Be A Christian." Paper was read by Miss Edith Liggins. Song "In Times Like These." Panel discussion was conducted by Mrs. Essie Smith and Mrs. Minnie V. Anderson on "Christ In The Home." Offering money raised \$21.35. Mrs. Nehemiah gave remarks, then Rev. V. Jacob gave remarks. Song, "Must Jesus Bear The Cross Alone." 8:30 P.M. Rev. Hampton of Houston introduced the Speaker of the Hour, President of the Southwestern Region, Rev. O. D. Lowe. Scripture Reading from 2 Kings 6 Chapter 1st thru the 4 verses. He brought a beautiful address and most inspiring to those who heard it 9:15 P.M. It was motioned by Rev. A. R. Billingly that the President Message would be adopted and become a part of our records. Offering money raised \$30.00. Report from the women was read by the Secretary of the Woman Dept. 9:30 P.M. Words of thanks came from Mrs. Beulah Brent. Then words of thanks from President Nehemiah. 9:30 P.M. Mrs. Mary Billingly of Los Angeles gave words of thanks to the host pastor and his congregation. 9:40 P.M. Our annual southwest regional of Progressive National Convention was closed with prayer by President Lowe.

(St. John, Chapter 17)

Mid-Western Region
Progressive National Baptist Convention, Inc.
The True Light Baptist Church
Grand Rapids, Michigan

April 12, 1969

President Searcy, President Bruce, our most Gracious First Lady of all Progressives, Our Distinguished First Lady of the Mid-Western Region, President Taylor, Presidents Emeriti Johnson and Lambert, My very able Vice President, Progressives gift to Wisconsin, Vice President Phillips.

Greetings:

By any standard of measurement this is a high moment of my life; a high moment in the life of Progressive Baptists. To say we have come thus far by faith must not be regarded as idle, out-worn chatter. This is an undeniable divine truism. When I look back at the distance God has brought us in such a short space of time my heart sings with that sweet singer of Israel who declared on tip-toe: "The Lord hath done great things for us, whereof we are glad." I do not dwell on the past. We have not time for that. We are glad babbling of platitudes and promiscuous promises, and thereby forfeit our chance in this century to assist God in making His Church greater.

Our theme for this session is laden with a warning, and a challenge. If the one world our Master gave to us uses any synthetic substance for His Word tragedy is inevitable for us. By contrast, if we accept the challenge of comparing to this **ONE WORD**, as He lived as she is, the mandates of our Master, we generate this **ONE WORD** then, we expect to find the strength to strengthen the world through us. Progressive Baptists, needs to be told in no uncertain terms, repeatedly what God told Israel, "If you will not hear, and if you will not lay it to heart." Moreover, our theme is intended to answer the universal need for a universal panacea for our global ills. Today we hear so many new found theories on the generation gap, the population explosion, Situation Ethic, and every school of thought except the one founded on **ONE WORD**. **THE ETERNAL YEA** for our distraught world. Theories, fiction and deceptive mythology will not make the Church in God's world great. History is replete with instances where men and nations have attempted to live as though the Word had never been uttered. Those who have so done are no more, but thank God, that through you and me, His Church, wrapped in His Word, has a Remnant of which we are not ashamed! Because of His Word the blood of the martyrs became the seed of the Church, thus the poet was as modern as tomorrow when he declared that Jesus, The Logos, Jesus, The Word, shall reign wherever the sun does its successive journey run.

The main thrust of the work of regions is not to present to you recommendations. These are important, but are dealt with, in the main, in our business sessions, and the faithful departments and committees. My concern I say is not recommendations. The challenge I have tried and true principles of spiritual confirmation taken from ONE WORD. Progressives are God's epistles to be read by us and through us to all this world. In short, we are what Dr. Howard Grimes calls in his stimulating book **THE CHURCH REDEMP- TIVE**. If we have been redeemed, and if others are to be redeemed it shall be through our diligent dissemination of His Word. The nature of the church, and the mission of the laity has too long been taken for granted, As Poet E. D. Tyler of Louisiana declares: "Years ago, one who could hollow was regarded as a scholar, and that made a preacher think himself a real gospel bird, but now when the church fails to teach the letter, almost every child knows better, thus the man who preaches now must preach the word."

Indeed God is depending upon His regions fellowship for leadership, and thank God nobody is too insignificant to contribute to the kingdom. Dr. Gardner Taylor is now in Africa telling that part of our Father's world about some portion of His Word. Next week I shall be presiding in the absence of Dr.

Taylor over one of the most far-reaching committees known in our fellowship. Our mission is based precisely upon God's Word which commands that we reach them - those over whom the Holy Ghost has made us Governors, and them to us. We shall be observing, along with the excellent cooperation of the Executives of the American Baptist Convention, ways of cooperative planning so that we may jointly lengthen our cords, and strengthen our stakes in a global all-out war on all types of mismanagement and inefficiency in the realm of Christendom.

Another thrust of my message is a word of commendation to those in the leadership of our parent body who realize now that it is later than it has ever been in regards to the place lay persons seek, with justification, in the planning and execution of the program of kingdom extension in our progressive ranks. The 15 man committee appointed by President Searcy is now at work. E. Stanley Jones was correct when he said too many people fail, and never answer the riddle of life because their world is too small. Thank God we are now searching, but we need the interest and participation of all people in our ongoing struggle in the One Word that will help us widen our horizons in many neglected fields so germane to the expansion of this world. Specifically, let me list up just a few areas which have given me much concern:

Christian Education is not to be confused with Religious Education. Our world has 13 major religions and approximately 250 denominations, but all of them do not subscribe to ONE WORD, nor even to our Judea-Christian traditions. We criticize our laity for being so diverse to the point that we doubt their role in the field of Christian Education. We insist that the majority of our laity are not adverse, they just have not been stimulated and sufficiently informed. The program and the plan of God's Church is not only relevant for our generation, but necessary. We must frankly tell men that we no longer can operate God's Church with the business as usual sign hanging outside. The Good Lord says we admit that we live in a changing generation but God's Word for our world changeth not. Do you know we spend 80 billion dollars for defense, when many Churches are splitting because somebody suggested the hiring of a full time Director of Religious Education. Today we have more college graduates than ever, yet our jails are crowded. Crime costs our nation \$22 billion dollars annually. Nine times more than all our Churches gave in 1968. There is a homicide every 58 minutes, somebody is robbed every 39 seconds and a major larceny is committed every minute. A forcible rape is committed every 34 minutes, and a car is stolen every two minutes. All these things and more in our land of the free and the home of the brave! Well planned and well directed programs of Christian Education might have produced a better picture. What do you think? Illustrations in this vein are legion. We must broaden our scope of reasoning before it is too late. Yes, we must proclaim the fact that the Church in the world, which is grounded in His word, is and must be our base of operation first and always.

Finally, I would be remiss if I failed to say how greatly I appreciate the honor to do my bit for God this past year as your leader. I have not done the best, but I have done my best to make this nation's Progressive Conscious wherever I have gone. In God's name and in the name of your behalf I have answered every summons from our Chieftain, and attended all state and national meetings. With the able assistance of my co-worker, Mrs. W. W. Taylor, we have tried to pool our ideas and seek the ideas and suggestions of all persons in our district. In subsequent meetings the implementation needed will be forthcoming to make all divisions in our region functional. As we pursue the work of this session keeping our relevant theme in mind, I want to summarize my stewardship with the joy which you have possibly heard, but which, none the less, epitomizes my sincere feeling. An elderly farm couple put an ad in the local paper for a dependable farm hand. A lad answered the ad. When asked what he could do because of his small size he said "I am small, but I can sleep when the wind is blowing!" This statement was most incoherent, and possibly many of my actions have been incoherent, but I come to the close of this year saying simply, "I can sleep when the wind is blowing." Finally the lad was hired. Several weeks later after having worked faithfully, a tremendous storm came to the area where the farm was located. The owners hurried to the quarters of the farm hand to notify him of the storm, and to urge him to hasten and see about the stock and the supplies. The farm hand moved very slowly, but finally gave the explanation of a sage.

**DEPARTMENT OF CHRISTIAN EDUCATION
PROGRESSIVE NATIONAL BAPTIST CONVENTION, INC.**

S. D. EDWARDS, D.R.Ed., D.D., Secretary
2237 Francis Avenue Flint, Michigan 48505

January 16, 1970

Mr. President, Officers and members of our Adjourned Session of the Progressive National Baptist Convention, Inc.

I present greetings from the Department of Christian Education, the Department of Educational Development of The National Council of Churches, the Commission On Christian Education of the National Council of Churches. The following is my report from the Department of Christian Education from September 15, 1969, through January 16, 1970:

We have certified 11 Institutes and Schools. We have issued 1,311 credit cards, 31 1st Certificates, 11 2nd Certificates, 9 3rd Certificates and 3 Advance Certificates. The Metropolitan Baptist Church, Washington, D. C., issued 23 Certificates in one School of Religion within the last three months. The Metropolitan Baptist Church of Washington, D. C., is the only Progressive Baptist Church that never fails to hold her own each year with our Department of Christian Education in fostering Christian leadership education on an educative level which presents real education values in today's complex society. These facts are exemplified in her post-teaching reports. Our Illinois churches, California churches and Mississippi churches are doing excellent jobs in fostering Christian leadership education through the accrediting by our Department. The Canaan Baptist Church of Flint, Mich., seeks certification through our office annually. Canaan belongs to the National Baptist Convention, Inc., but supports our leadership education curriculum, and compliments most of our new courses.

NEW COURSES

The Department of Christian Education has created the following courses since September 15, 1969: "173.9b. A Survey of Negro Heritage." "113.3b. Christian Stewardship in the Black Church." "150.32b. The Psychology of Christian Leaders in the Black Community." All these courses are 3rd series courses and we find them accepted greatly by many of our A.M.E. churches and two of the Holiness churches have asked for the 3rd series Stewardship course. Lastly, "145.1b. Narcotics and Dangerous Drugs." This course, which we created last fall, has been highly commended by the Mental Health Department of Lansing and Flint. It has been endorsed by Dr. Eli Wisner, Chairman of the Educational Development of the National Council of Churches, and Dr. Hubert Noble, Chairman of the Department of Higher Education of the National Council of Churches. We have brochures with us here at the convention, and should be pleased to share them with any one who wants one.

Humbly submitted,
S. D. EDWARDS
Secretary of Christian Education

**REPORT OF PRESIDENT
DIVISION TWO — SOUTHERN REGION
PROGRESSIVE NATIONAL BAPTIST CONVENTION, U. S. A., INC.**
408 South 8th Street Paducah, Kentucky

January 20, 1970

President Searcy, Vice Presidents-at-Large, Regional Vice Presidents, Officers of the Progressive National Baptist Convention, and messengers of the Adjourned Session convening with Greater Whitestone Baptist Church, 917 South Wellington Street, The Rev. A. R. Williams, Pastor, and other Progressive National Baptist Churches of Memphis, Tennessee:

GREETINGS:
Having been led, as I believe, by the Spirit of God, and induced by my personal interest and concern for the Progressive National Baptist Convention, I drove from Paducah, Ky., to Anderson, S. C. — over 1,500 miles round trip — to attend the Annual Meeting of the Southern Region in March 1969. At the appointed time, President Searcy made a dynamic speech concerning the need

of the Regional meetings. In his speech, he expressed his desire to see every state participating in one of the Regional fellowships.

Pursuant to the mandate of the Parent Body, empowering him to divide the Southern Region into Units, as per his recommendation, President Searcy called for the messengers from Kentucky, Tennessee, Mississippi and Louisiana. Your humble servant stood "And no man stood with me." It was immediately obvious that I was the only person present from the four states. Mrs. Minnie L. Bruce, then president of the Women's Auxiliary, personally introduced me to President Searcy, with highest encomiums based upon her personal knowledge of me, and her confidence in my ability to serve in the capacity of Regional President, and persuaded President Searcy "to believe." Hence, Dr. Searcy appointed me Acting President of the proposed Division Two — Southern Region, and instructed me to raise \$1,000.00, to be reported at the Miami meeting of the Parent Body.

I left the regional meeting, full of enthusiasm and exhilarated to a state of euphoria — only to have my ardent zeal punctured by the pen of disappointment, and to watch my fervor evanesce. I could get no support, because my appointment "must be ratified by the convention."

At the Annual Meeting of the Convention, September 1969, Miami Beach, Fla., I was elected by the Parent Body, as provided for in the constitution, to serve as president. Upon this action of the convention, I left Miami reassured and inspired. Since there were no funds for operating expenses available for me — with faith in God, confidence in the pastors of the four states involved, and the Convention, I set out to do my best with nothing.

I planned a program and set a date, November 12-13, 1969. Washington Street Baptist Church, Paducah, Ky., where your humble servant serves as pastor. General Theme: "Hold Up Your Corner," based upon the episode set forth in Mark 2:3. I personally contacted "via telephone" each person scheduled to preach, and received verbal consent. I had programs and stationery printed, and sent programs and mimeographed letters to every person whose names appeared in the 1968 and 1969 minutes under Kentucky, Tennessee, Mississippi and Louisiana, and others whose names and addresses I secured from Mr. English, of the Publishing House, Elgin, Ill.

It gives me significant pleasure to report that our esteemed president, Dr. E. R. Searcy, the illustrious Mrs. A. Ross Brent, president of the National Women's Auxiliary, and Dr. S. S. Hodges, our distinguished Executive Secretary, dignified our meeting with their presence. The response from Kentucky was not overwhelming, but at least encouraging. There were no messengers from Mississippi, Louisiana or Tennessee, but we received representation fees from Dr. W. L. Rankin of Peter Rock Baptist Church, Monroe, La., and Mrs. Elsie Williams, Jackson, Miss. Although we had to make many substitutions on the program, we were blessed to go through with our plans.

The officers elected were as follows:

First Vice President, Rev. Q. L. Jones, Jackson, Miss.
Second Vice President, Dr. W. L. Rankin, Monroe, La.
Third Vice President, Rev. S. B. Kyles, Memphis, Tenn.
Recording Secretary, Rev. J. J. Smith, Harrodsburg, Ky.
Corresponding Secretary, Rev. H. D. Cockerham, Louisville, Ky.
Treasurer, Rev. C. B. Lucas, Louisville, Ky.

President Brent organized the Women's Auxiliary of Division Two — Southern Region, the officers of which will be reflected in the Women's Auxiliary report. Mrs. Virgie M. Blanton, President. Mr. Robert A. Coleman, Washington Street Baptist Church, Paducah, Ky., was elected President of the Laymen. Two new churches were enrolled: St. John Baptist Church, Murray, Ky. Rev. R. Sandford, Acting Pastor; and Lincoln Heights Baptist Church, Paducah, Rev. Robert Anderson, Pastor. Total receipts for the meeting, \$312.17. Total expenses, which I have been refunded, \$157.98. Total turned over to the convention, \$154.19.

Our meeting was adjourned in high spirits, with the understanding that the four states would come together at this meeting and set a time and place for the first annual meeting. We hope that this has been one small step for a region and one giant step for our convention.

Humbly submitted in the spirit of Christ,
H. JOSEPH FRANKLIN, President

PROGRESSIVE NATIONAL BAPTIST-EASTERN REGIONAL MEETING

March 17-19, 1970

Baptist Temple, Pittsburgh, Pa.

REPORT OF THE FINANCIAL SECRETARY

Rev. Elmer J. Williams	Sixth Mt. Zion, Pa.	\$ 25.00
Rev. Rafe Taylor	Ebenezer, Mass.	25.00
Rev. Gardner C. Taylor	Concord, N. Y.	125.00
Rev. Charles Houston	Shiloh, N. Y.	25.00
Rev. V. Simpson Turner	Mt. Carmel, N. Y.	25.00
Rev. A. L. Colston	Glendale, D. C.	15.00
Rev. J. E. Gay	Greater Mt. Pleasant, N. Y.	25.00
Rev. James Williams	New York, Personal	15.00
Rev. L. W. White	Mt. Bethel, D. C.	60.00
Rev. John H. Bothea	Virginia, Personal	5.00
Rev. G. L. Bowick	Rodman Street, Pa.	25.00
Rev. J. H. Beatty	Holy Cross, Pa.	25.00
Rev. Norman W. Smith	Mt. Olive, Va.	15.00
Rev. J. E. McCoy	St. Paul, D. C.	25.00
Rev. Edward Smith	New Jersey	15.00
Rev. J. D. Ross	Parker Memorial, Md.	25.00
Rev. T. R. Washington	Second, Pa.	25.00
Baptist Men of Philadelphia	Philadelphia, Pa.	18.00
Rev. L. Hutchinson	Wayside, N. Y.	15.00
New York Baptist Assoc.	New York	25.00
Rev. T. Stanton	Bright Hope, Pa.	50.00
Rev. I. B. Lavine	First Baptist, Pa.	25.00
Rev. H. B. Hicks, Jr.	Mt. Aarat, Pa.	25.00
Rev. E. K. Foster	Oak Grove, Va.	25.00
Rev. R. L. Patterson	Mt. Carmel, D. C.	50.00
Rev. G. B. Rogers	Isle of Patmos, D. C.	25.00
Rev. E. L. Harrison	Shiloh, D. C.	15.00
Rev. T. C. Killbrew	New Light, Pa.	25.00
Rev. R. C. Washington	Jerusalem, D. C.	15.00
Rev. O. W. Ritter	Salem, Va.	25.00
Rev. L. A. McCombs	St. Marys, D. C.	50.00
Union Baptist Church	Pa.	35.00
Rev. G. R. Yancey	Gethsemane, D. C.	25.00
Rev. Gregory Trueheart	Mt. Horeb, D. C.	15.00
Rev. G. L. Washington	Tabernacle, D. C.	15.00
Rev. Aaron McCombs	Paramount, D. C.	15.00
Beulah Baptist Church	Pa.	25.00
Rev. S. T. Yancey	Mt. Pleasant, D. C.	25.00
Rev. Leroy Walker	Tabernacle, Pa.	5.00
Rev. David L. Jemison	Pa., Personal	25.00
Rev. Alfred Vaughn	Grace Memorial, Md.	25.00
Rev. Harold A. Carter	New Shiloh, Md.	5.00
Mrs. Anna Serrano	New York, Personal	50.00
Rev. Samuel L. White	Faith Tabernacle, Conn.	55.00
Rev. C. E. Thomas	New Hope, N. J.	25.00
Rev. J. A. Williams	Baptist Temple, Pa.	10.00
Rev. Alvin Parris	Pilgrim, Md.	15.00
Rev. A. A. Booker	Ebenezer, Va.	25.00
Rev. W. A. Jones	Bethany, N. Y.	50.00
Rev. G. C. Taylor	Concord B. C. Laymen, N. Y.	25.00
New Psalmist Bapt. Church	Pa.	25.00
New Hope Baptist Church	Metuchen, N. J.	25.00
Rev. Ross A. Brent	Grace, N. Y.	25.00
Rev. J. A. Underwood	Pa.	20.00
Rev. C. E. Wright	New York	25.00
Rev. J. H. Nichols		

Rev. R. R. Robinson	Israel, D. C.	25.00
Rev. R. L. Rollins	Florida Ave., D. C.	25.00
Shiloh Tuckahoe	New York	50.00
Rev. Booker T. Hughes	Personal	5.00
Rev. J. L. Bennett	Mt. Calvary, D. C.	35.00
Rev. J. H. Nichols	Hutchinson, N. Y.	40.00
	First Calvary, N. Y.	25.00

LOVE OFFERINGS:

Rev. W. A. Jones	\$109.45
Rev. G. L. Washington	39.25
Rev. W. A. Anderson	50.25
Mrs. Percetti	55.01
Mr. Francis, Org.	100.00
Rev. Edw. Smith	35.00
Rev. Rafe Taylor	40.00
Total	\$428.96

EXPENSES:

Rev. V. Simpson Turner	\$ 60.60
Rev. W. A. Jones	114.60
Bethany Baptist Church, N. Y.	55.00
Carleisle Press	75.00
Rev. J. E. McCoy	10.00
Baptist Temple, Pa.	280.00
Total	\$595.20

SCHOLARSHIP FUND:

Paid to Rev. Harold A. Carter	\$461.00
Total Churches registered	58
Total Personal Donations:	\$2,508.60
Income turned over to Rev. S. S. Hodges, Executive Secretary	

Respectfully Submitted,
Rev. W. A. Jones, Jr., President
Rev. Harold A. Carter, Vice President
Rev. James P. McCoy, Financial Secretary
Rev. V. Simpson Turner, Corr. Secretary
Rev. C. E. Houston, Recording Secretary
Rev. E. K. Foster, Treasurer

**FINANCIAL SECRETARY'S REPORT
TO THE
THE WOMEN'S AUXILIARY
TO THE
PROGRESSIVE NATIONAL BAPTIST CONVENTION, INC.**
MRS. MINNIE L. BRUCE, President
OCTOBER 1, 1968—JANUARY 20, 1970
(Annual Session—Miami Beach, Florida)
MARY SMITH, Financial Secretary

RECEIPTS

(August 1, 1969—September 8, 1969)

210 Annual Members	\$ 1,055.00
15 Associate Members	77.00
19 Associations and Districts	440.00
145 Missionary Societies	2,752.50
Offering (Mrs. M. L. King, Sr.)	\$927.35
Pre-registration of Regions and Societies	610.27
Regions:	
Eastern—W. Percetti (Pre-registered)	(\$300.00)
South Western—D. Nehemiah	45.00
16 State Conventions	765.00
29 Units	4,257.78
Total Receipts	\$10,929.90

DISBURSEMENTS

(October 1, 1968—January 20, 1970)

ADMINISTRATIVE FOR NOVEMBER, DECEMBER, 1968	
Typist & Clerical—Mrs. B. Williams	\$ 177.00
PRESIDENT'S TRAVEL	
December, 1968—Atlanta, Georgia	122.00
January 20, 1969—Progressive National Baptist Convention	3,000.88
ADMINISTRATIVE	
Typist, Clerical—February, March, April	252.00
May, June, July and August	234.00
SPEAKERS:	
Miss Alma Hunt	
Transportation and Honorarium, Miami Beach, Florida	\$ 200.00
SEPTEMBER, 1969	
Progressive National Baptist Convention	8,435.28
Mrs. Martin L. King, Sr.	927.35
DiLido Hotel (Testimonial)	350.00
Treasurer's Expenses, Mrs. O. Powell, 1967-1969	300.00
(4) Units—Expenses for Materials	200.00
MISCELLANEOUS—Miami Beach	
Rental—Typewriter, Adding Machine, Flowers, etc.	82.33
Parliamentarian's Expenses, Mrs. Ora L. McElhenny	75.00
ADMINISTRATIVE	
Typist—Clerical, October	95.00
Local Transportation	25.00
Clerical	50.00
NOVEMBER, 1969	75.00
Total Disbursements	\$14,600.84

RECAPITULATION

On Hand October 1, 1968	\$ 4,268.08
September, 1969—Annual Session	10,929.90
Grand Total—Oct. 1968—Sept., 1969	15,197.98
Total Disbursements—	
Oct. 1, 1968—Jan. 20, 1969	14,600.84
January 20, 1970—Progressive National Baptist Convention	596.90
Bank Charges	1.10

ANNUAL MEMBERS

Name	City and State	Amount
Andrews, Mrs. R. Q.	Indianapolis, Ind.	\$ 5.00
Anderson, Mrs. Helen B.	Washington, D. C.	5.00
Anderson, Mrs. Mabel	Chicago, Ill.	5.00
Aukins, Mrs. Hannah	Plainsfield, N. J.	5.00
Austin, Mrs. Adelaide	Chicago, Ill.	5.00
Bailey, Mrs. Lendora	Tuckahoe, N. Y.	5.00
Banks, Mrs. A. A. Jr.	Detroit, Mich.	5.00
Bell, Mrs. Bessie	Brooklyn, N. Y.	5.00
Bell, Mrs. Shirley H.	High Point, N. C.	5.00
Berry, Mrs. Canary	Milwaukee, Wis.	5.00
Blekley, Mrs. Velma	Detroit, Mich.	5.00
Bond, Mrs. Jodie	Brooklyn, N. Y.	5.00
Boykins, Mrs. Emma L.	St. Louis, Mo.	5.00
Booker, Mrs. Bernice	Brooklyn, N. Y.	5.00
Brent, Mrs. Bessie	Brooklyn, N. Y.	5.00
Brim, Mrs. Georgia	Louisville, Ky.	5.00
Brigham, Mrs. Ella Mae	Chicago, Ill.	5.00
Brown, Mrs. Onita	Detroit, Mich.	5.00
Brown, Mrs. Rosa	Brooklyn, N. Y.	5.00
Brooks, Mrs. Eloise	Chicago, Ill.	5.00
Burton, Mrs. Hattie	Chicago, Ill.	5.00
Butler, Mrs. Elizabeth	New York, N. Y.	5.00
Byrd, Mrs. Zeda J.	Atlanta, Ga.	5.00
Calloway, Mrs. D. F.	Emeryville, Calif.	5.00
Campbell, Mrs. Katie	Gary, Ind.	5.00
Campbell, Mrs. Ruth E.	Chicago, Ill.	5.00
Carthan, Mrs. Ann	Detroit, Mich.	5.00
Chappel, Mrs. Catherine	Kansas, Mo.	5.00
Chapman, Mrs. Edith M.	Summit, N. J.	5.00
Chapman, Mrs. Mary C.	Detroit, Mich.	5.00
Cherry Mrs. Velma	Chicago, Ill.	5.00
Christy, Mrs. Lillie L.	Washington, D. C.	5.00
Clark, Mrs. Julia	Mt. Vernon, N. Y.	5.00
Clambow, Mrs. Dorothy J.	Washington, D. C.	5.00
Cochran, Mrs. Evelyn	Chicago, Ill.	5.00
Coleman, Mrs. Christine	Chicago, Ill.	5.00
Coleman, Mrs. Margaret	Plainsfield, N. J.	5.00
Conner, Mrs. Laura B.	River Beach, Fla.	5.00
Cowans, Mrs. Juanita	Washington, D. C.	5.00
Crockett, Mrs. Christine	Chicago, Ill.	5.00
Cox, Mrs. Nellie	Chicago, Ill.	5.00
Crosby, Mrs. Mary E.	Detroit, Mich.	5.00
Curry, Mrs. Alberta	Chicago, Ill.	5.00
Cuttle, Mrs. Dorcas M.	Brooklyn, N. Y.	5.00
Dabney, Mrs. Ruth E.	Philadelphia, Pa.	5.00
Davis, Mrs. Jessie B.	Chicago, Ill.	5.00
Donaldson, Mrs. Mildred	Nassau, Bahama Islands	5.00
Dudley, Mrs. Nellie L.	Birmingham, Ala.	5.00
Durham, Mrs. Anna	Atlanta, Ga.	5.00
Durham, Mrs. David	Washington, D. C.	5.00
Eldridge, Mrs. Willie	Chicago, Ill.	5.00
Ellis, Mrs. Josephine	Bronx, N. Y.	5.00
Fellon, Mrs. Carrie	Washington, D. C.	5.00
Flippo, Mrs. O. C.	Spotsylvania, Va.	5.00
Fielburn, Miss Esther	Columbus, Ohio	5.00
Foster, Mrs. Montonia	Kansas City, Mo.	5.00
Franklin, Lena C.	Chicago, Ill.	5.00
Franklin, Mrs. Nella	Paducah, Ky.	5.00
Fryon, Mrs. Norma	Brooklyn, N. Y.	5.00
Gale, Mrs. Mary	Chicago, Ill.	5.00
Gan, Mrs. Lena W.	Washington, D. C.	5.00

Name	City and State	Amount
Ganter, Mrs. Lillie M.	Chicago, Ill.	5.00
Gardner, Mrs. Eva	Brooklyn, N. Y.	5.00
Garrison, Mrs. Mamie	Milwaukee, Wis.	5.00
Gay, Mrs. Airis	Cleveland, Ohio	5.00
Gilchrist, Mrs. Irene	Brooklyn, N. Y.	5.00
Goldholdie, Mrs. Catherine	Philadelphia, Pa.	5.00
Goldman, Mrs. Martha C.	Brooklyn, N. Y.	5.00
Graham, Mrs. Nellie	Chicago, Ill.	5.00
Green, Mrs. Elizabeth	Charleston, S. C.	5.00
Greene, Mrs. M. C.	New York, N. Y.	5.00
Hall, Mrs. Audry M.	Memphis, Tenn.	5.00
Hall, Mrs. Era R.	Oklahoma, Okla.	5.00
Handy, Mrs. Elizabeth	Chicago, Ill.	5.00
Hardin, Mrs. Jessie	Georgia	5.00
Harris, Mrs. Anna Mae	Detroit, Mich.	5.00
Hawkins, Mrs. Elvian J.	Indianapolis, Ind.	5.00
Henderson, Mrs. Clara M.	Jamaica, N. Y.	5.00
Hester, Mrs. Americus	Plainsfield, N. J.	5.00
Heywood, Mrs. Ola D.	Brooklyn, N. Y.	5.00
Hicks, Mrs. Sadie	Chicago, Ill.	5.00
Higgs, Mrs. Marea L.	Brooklyn, N. Y.	5.00
Hill, Mrs. Woodie M.	Winona, Miss.	5.00
Holder, Mrs. Violet	Brooklyn, N. Y.	5.00
Holmes, Mrs. Reola	Harvey, Ill.	5.00
Hopkins, Mrs. Audrey	Canton, Ohio	5.00
Houston, Mrs. Corine	Bay Shore, N. Y.	5.00
Hood, Mrs. Katie	Brooklyn, N. Y.	5.00
Humphrey, Mrs. Rosa	Chicago, Ill.	5.00
Ivory, Mrs. P. J.	Forest Park, Ga.	5.00
Jesker, Mrs. Estoria	Atlanta, Ga.	5.00
Johnson, Mrs. Alberta	Detroit, Mich.	5.00
Johnson, Mrs. Aleather	Philadelphia, Pa.	5.00
Johnson, Mrs. Margarette	Miami, Fla.	5.00
Jones, Mrs. Elizabeth	Detroit, Mich.	5.00
Jones, Mrs. Mary	Chicago, Ill.	5.00
Jolly, Mrs. Geneva R.	South Carolina	5.00
Jordan, Mrs. Blanche	Milwaukee, Wis.	5.00
Kelly, Mrs. Oliver	Kansas City, Mo.	5.00
Kennedy, Mrs. Ann	Milwaukee, Wis.	5.00
Killebrew, Mrs. D. C.	Philadelphia, Pa.	5.00
King, Mrs. Alma	Detroit, Mich.	5.00
King, Mrs. M. L. Sr.	Atlanta, Ga.	5.00
Lamb, Mrs. Mary	Chicago, Ill.	5.00
Lewis, Mrs. Andrew	Plainsfield, N. J.	5.00
Lee, Mrs. Ophelia	Tuckahoe, N. Y.	5.00
Lee, Mrs. Willie J.	Lafayetteburg, N. C.	5.00
Littlejohn, Mrs. Agnes	Washington, D. C.	5.00
Looper, Mrs. Ann	Chicago, Ill.	5.00
Major, Mrs. Nora	Tuckahoe, N. Y.	5.00
Maukins, Mrs. Francenina	Plainsfield, N. Y.	5.00
Mansfield, Mrs. Ora	Detroit, Mich.	5.00
Marten, Mrs. Ann	Atlanta, Ga.	5.00
Martin, Mrs. Earlene	Syracuse, N. Y.	5.00
Martin, Mrs. Omelia	Milwaukee, Wis.	5.00
Marshall, Mrs. Alice	San Antonio, Texas	5.00
Marrow, Mrs. Helen	Philadelphia, Pa.	5.00
Mathews, Mrs. Alma	Chicago, Ill.	5.00
Mickens, Mrs. Millie	Tuckahoe, N. Y.	5.00
Minley, Mrs. A.	St. Louis, Mo.	5.00
Mitchum, Mrs. Simmie	Chicago, Ill.	5.00
Moody, Mrs. Susie H.	Washington, D. C.	5.00
Moore, Mrs. Dorothy J.	Philadelphia, Pa.	5.00

Name	City and State	Amount
McElhenny, Mrs. Ora L.	McDonough, Ga.	5.00
McGee, Mrs. Alice	Detroit, Mich.	5.00
McGlanthing, Mrs. D.	Oklahoma City, Okla.	5.00
McGuire, Mrs. L. M.	Chicago, Ill.	5.00
McLadden, Mrs. Nellie	Brooklyn, N. Y.	5.00
Nelson, Mrs. Artie G.	Memphis, Tenn.	5.00
Nelson, Mrs. Katherine	Kansas City, Mo.	5.00
Nesley, Mrs. Pearl B.	Oakland, Calif.	5.00
Nichols, Mrs. Martha	Brooklyn, N. Y.	5.00
Oliver, Mrs. Mary E.	Brooklyn, N. Y.	5.00
Owens, Mrs. Ollie M.	Chicago, Ill.	5.00
Parker, Mrs. Susie M.	Brooklyn, N. Y.	5.00
Parr, Mrs. Rutha Lee	Kansas City, Mo.	5.00
Patterson, Mrs. Alberta	Chicago, Ill.	5.00
Peers, Mrs. Mary	Chicago, Ill.	5.00
Petkus, Mrs. Hattie	Brooklyn, N. Y.	5.00
Pitts, Mrs. Sallie	Chicago, Ill.	5.00
Phillips, Mrs. Gerie	Milwaukee, Wis.	5.00
Porter, Mrs. Emory	Chicago, Ill.	5.00
Powell, Mrs. W. H.	Philadelphia, Pa.	5.00
Pugh, Mrs. Mattie	Atlanta, Ga.	5.00
Quarrels, Mrs. Helen	Cincinnati, Ohio	5.00
Ray, Mrs. Lydia	Chicago, Ill.	5.00
Roberts, Mrs. Ellen	Tuckahoe, N. Y.	5.00
Robinson, Mrs. Ethel	Washington, D. C.	5.00
Robinson, Mrs. G.	Washington, D. C.	5.00
Ritter, Mrs. Mildred	Washington, D. C.	5.00
Reid, Mrs. Helen	Brooklyn, N. Y.	5.00
Rimmer, Mrs. Ardelia	Chicago, Ill.	5.00
Robinson, Mrs. Julia	Plainsfield, N. J.	5.00
Rogers, Mrs. Eloise	New York, N. Y.	5.00
Rose, Mrs. Ida	Chicago, Ill.	5.00
Saffold, Mrs. Annie L.	Lexington, Miss.	5.00
Scott, Mrs. Katherine	Westberry, N. Y.	5.00
Scott, Mrs. Louise	Pleasantville, N. J.	5.00
Scott, Mrs. Mary L.	Chicago, Ill.	5.00
Shelton, Mrs. Cenovia	New York, N. Y.	5.00
Skelton, Mrs. Martha	Washington, D. C.	5.00
Stanley, Mrs. Elmira	Evanston, Ill.	5.00
Stanback, Mrs. Ruth	New York, N. Y.	5.00
Stewart, Mrs. Maggie	Detroit, Mich.	5.00
Streeter, Mrs. Beatrice	Chicago, Ill.	5.00
Stacking, Mrs. Ella B.	Chicago, Ill.	5.00
Stukey, Mrs. Susie	Plainsfield, N. J.	5.00
Smith, Mrs. Charlesie	Chicago, Ill.	5.00
Smith, Mrs. Della	Oakland, Calif.	5.00
Smith, Mrs. Dorothy	Washington, D. C.	5.00
Smith, Miss Alice	Washington, D. C.	5.00
Smith, Mrs. Mary	Chicago, Ill.	5.00
Smith, Mrs. Panthia	Philadelphia, Pa.	5.00
Spain, Mrs. Margie	Washington, D. C.	5.00
Sullivan, Mrs. Lottie	Philadelphia, Pa.	5.00
Sutton, Mrs. Burnell M.	Milwaukee, Wis.	5.00
Stewart, Mrs. Daisy	Brooklyn, N. Y.	5.00
Taylor, Mrs. Ernestine	Markham, Ill.	5.00
Taylor, Mrs. S. S.	Philadelphia, Pa.	5.00
Tellis, Mrs. Verna	Detroit, Mich.	5.00
Thompson, Mrs. Evelyn	Brooklyn, N. Y.	5.00
Thompson, Mrs. Pearl	Detroit, Mich.	5.00
Turner, Mrs. Fannie	Tacoma, Wash.	5.00
Varnado, Mrs. Carrie	Chicago, Ill.	5.00
Wade, Mrs. Euvia	Chicago, Ill.	5.00

Name	City and State	Amount
Waite, Mrs. Anna	Brooklyn, N. Y.	5.00
Wagner, Mrs. C. L.	Canton, Ohio	5.00
Wagner, Mrs. Eloise	Kansas City, Mo.	5.00
Ward, Mrs. Roberta	Chicago, Ill.	5.00
Ware, Mrs. Virginia	Milwaukee, Wis.	5.00
Watkins, Mrs. Betty	Markham, Ill.	5.00
Wells, Mrs. Callie Mae	Chicago, Ill.	5.00
West, Mrs. Alva	Detroit, Mich.	5.00
White, Mrs. Mamie	Chicago, Ill.	5.00
White, Mrs. Selena E.	Hope, Ark.	5.00
Whittington, Mrs. W.	Chicago, Ill.	5.00
Winfield, Mrs. Virgie	Brooklyn, N. Y.	5.00
Winterspoon, Mrs. Olean	Kansas City, Mo.	5.00
Williams, Mrs. Blanche	Chicago, Ill.	5.00
Williams, Mrs. Eva	Columbus, Ohio	5.00
Williams, Mrs. Estella	Oklahoma City, Okla.	5.00
Williams, Mrs. Doris J.	Memphis, Tenn.	5.00
Williams, Mrs. Idell	Chicago, Ill.	5.00
Williams, Mrs. Louise	Bryn Maur, Pa.	5.00
Williams, Mrs. Mary W.	Los Angeles, Calif.	5.00
Williams, Mrs. Nina	Brooklyn, N. Y.	5.00
Williams, Mrs. Rosa M.	Detroit, Mich.	5.00
Wilson, Mrs. Eliza	Chicago, Ill.	5.00
Wordlaw, Mrs. Phoebe	Chicago, Ill.	5.00
Wysinger, Mrs. Ethel J.	Brooklyn, N. Y.	5.00
Yancey, Mrs. Ida Bell	Maryland	5.00

ASSOCIATE MEMBERS

Name	City and State	Amount
Bacots, Mrs. Inez	Columbus, S. C.	\$ 5.00
Brown, Mrs. Bessie L.	West Palm Beach, Fla.	5.00
Coleman, Mrs. Lola M.	Hartford, Conn.	5.00
Deus, Mrs. Jessie	Chicago, Ill.	5.00
Gaines, Mrs. Gertrude	New York, N. Y.	5.00
Hill, Mrs. Lollie E.	Philadelphia, Pa.	5.00
Marks, Mrs. Helen	Chicago, Ill.	5.00
Milton, Mrs. Rosa	Jeanerette, La.	5.00
Murray, Mrs. Marguerite	Washington, D. C.	10.00
Pulliam, Mrs. Julian P.	Memphis, Tenn.	5.00
Smith, Mrs. Idella	Brooklyn, N. Y.	5.00
Strung, Mrs. Loretta	Chicago, Ill.	5.00
Thompson, Mrs. Cora	Neptune, N. J.	5.00
Thompson, Mrs. Cora	Asbury Park, N. J.	2.00
Nesbit, Mrs. Geneva	Plainsfield, N. J.	5.00

LIFE MEMBERSHIPS

Name	City and State	Amount
Bruce, Mrs. Minnie I.	Chicago, Ill.	\$25.00
Durden, Mrs. Emma R.	Cincinnati, Ohio	25.00
Luckey, Mrs. Catherine	Cincinnati, Ohio	25.00
Reid, Mrs. Annie	Cincinnati, Ohio	25.00
Ritter, Mrs. Mildred C.	Washington, D. C.	20.00
Smith, Mrs. Alice	Washington, D. C.	5.00
Taylor, Mrs. Gardner	Brooklyn, N. Y.	50.00
Williams, Mrs. Annie B.	Chicago, Ill.	12.50

ASSOCIATIONS AND DISTRICTS

Name	City and State	Representative	Amount
Calvary	Nassau, Bahamas	Mrs. E. McPhee	\$25.00
Christian Fellowship	Oakland, Calif.	Mrs. T. Donaldson	25.00
Metropolitan	Los Angeles, Calif.	Mrs. F. B. Harris	25.00
Antioch	Chicago, Ill.	Mrs. Katie Carter	25.00
Bethlehem	Chicago, Ill.	Mrs. W. M. Lewis	25.00

Caion	Chicago, Ill.	Mrs. Leon Davis	25.00
Central	Louisville, Ky.	Mrs. A. Thomas	25.00
Zion	Wionana, Miss.	Mrs. W. M. Hill	25.00
Progressive	St. Louis, Mo.	Mrs. C. William Hogan	25.00
Fellowship	New Jersey	Mrs. E. J. Clayton	25.00
Brotherhood	Buffalo, N. Y.	Mrs. Daniels	20.00
New Era	New York, N. Y.	Mrs. M. Diggs	25.00
New Hope	New York, N. Y.	Mrs. V. Adams	25.00
New York	Brooklyn, N. Y.	Mrs. L. Broddie	25.00
Mt. Zion	Poughkeepsie, N. Y.	Mrs. D. Fordham	25.00
Eastern Union	Columbus, Ohio	Rev. W. C. Upshaw	25.00
Women's Aux. Allegheny	Pittsburgh, Pa.	Rev. C. L. Pryor	20.00
Progressive Penns.	Philadelphia, Pa.	Mrs. I. M. Walker	25.00
Union Progressive	Memphis, Tenn.	Mrs. L. Nelson	25.00

MISSIONARY SOCIETIES

Church	City	Representative	Amount
ALABAMA			
First Baptist Woodward	Bessemer	Mrs. Alma Heavens	\$15.00
Mars Hill Baptist	Bessemer	Mrs. Sarah Pinston	15.00
New Pilgrim Baptist	Birmingham	Mrs. Nellie Dudley	15.00
St. Peter	Birmingham	Mrs. Flora Smith	15.00
CALIFORNIA			
Bethany Baptist	Berkley	Mrs. Leola Joseph	15.00
Ebenezer Baptist	San Francisco	Mrs. T. Donaldson	15.00
Greater Bethany	Los Angeles	Mrs. Fannie Harris	15.00
Metropolitan	Los Angeles	Mrs. Elnora Anderson	15.00
Mt. Olive Second Baptist	Los Angeles	Mrs. Irene Moore	15.00
Roger Williams True Love	Los Angeles	Mrs. K. B. Mathis	15.00

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Greater Faith	Stanford	Mrs. Frances Baxter	15.00
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DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

Bethlehem	Washington	Mrs. Georgia Parham	15.00
Florida Avenue Baptist	Washington	Mrs. Mary Boots	15.00
Methodism	Washington	Mrs. Beatrice Sprigg	15.00
Isles of Patmas	Washington	Mrs. Lucille Chambers	15.00
Israel	Washington	Mrs. Mary J. Minor	15.00
Jerusalem	Washington	Mrs. Ella D. Lindsay	15.00
Metropolitan	Washington	Mrs. Gladys G. Davis	15.00
Mt. Bethel	Washington	Mrs. Leslie Ellison	20.00
Mt. Carmel	Washington	Mrs. Minnie W. Allen	15.00
Mt. Calvary	Washington	Mrs. Geneva Bennett	15.00
Mt. Pleasant	Washington	Mrs. Dora Cook	15.00
Paramount	Washington	Mrs. Marion McCombe	15.00
St. Mary's	Washington	Mrs. Charlene King	15.00
New Bethany	Washington	Mrs. Juanita Warner	15.00
Oak Grove	Washington	Mrs. Emma Foster	15.00
Shiloh	Washington	Mrs. Mary E. Robinson	15.00
Springfield	Washington	Mrs. Willie Mullen	15.00
St. Paul	Washington	Mrs. Otelia Walker	15.00
Upper Room	Washington	Miss S. Higginbotham	15.00

FLORIDA

Mt. Zion	Miami	Mrs. Pearl Atkins	22.50
Roanoke	W. Palm Beach	Mrs. Elnora Alford	15.00

GEORGIA

Bethlehem	Savannah	Mrs. Alice Gordon	15.00
Ebenezer	Atlanta	Mrs. Laura Henderson	25.00
Liberie	Atlanta	Mrs. Anna Durham	15.00
Mt. Zion	Atlanta	Mrs. Marybelle Pagett	15.00

ILLINOIS

Beth-el	Chicago	Mrs. Zellea Roberts	15.00
Beulah Community	Chicago	Mrs. Sallie Downs	15.00

Come and See	Chicago	Mrs. Savannah Graham	15.00
Concord	Chicago	Mrs. L. M. Thomas	15.00
Christian Mission	Chicago	Mrs. Evangie Davis	15.00
El Bethel	Chicago	Mrs. Ethel Pettis	25.00
Greater Mt. Hope	Chicago	Mrs. L. A. Lambert	15.00
Hopeful	Chicago	Mrs. Bessie Leverette	15.00
Lawnside	Chicago	Mrs. Ida Hampton	15.00
Liberty	Chicago	Mrs. Alice Walker	15.00
Maryland	Chicago	Mrs. Mattie Russell	25.00
New Exodus	Chicago	Mrs. Mary L. Frazier	15.00
New Friendship	Chicago	Mrs. Elsie Edwards	15.00
Pilgrim	Chicago	Mrs. M. Noble	15.00
Pilgrim	Chicago	Mrs. Mary E. Smith	45.00
Pilgrim	Chicago	Mrs. Carrie M. Jones	15.00
Pilgrim Rest	Chicago	Mrs. Fannie Jones	15.00
Pleasant Gift	Chicago	Mrs. Daisy Buckner	15.00
Pleasant Ridge	Chicago	Mrs. Eva Mac Lewis	15.00
Progressive Baptist	Chicago	Mrs. Willie M. Lewis	15.00
Progressive	Chicago	Mrs. Leona Betts	15.00
Shiloh Baptist	Chicago	Mrs. Beatrice McCalpin	15.00
South Park	Chicago	Mrs. Theresa Rice	50.00
South Park	Chicago	Mrs. E. R. Williams	15.00
Tabernacle	Chicago	Mrs. Pinkie Malone	10.00
First Union	Chicago Heights	Mrs. Minnie I. Bruce	25.00
Bethany Baptist	Evanston	Mrs. Mattie Whitlock	15.00
Full Gospel	E. St. Louis	Mrs. Edna Clark	15.00
Calvary Baptist	Markham	Rev. J. F. Suggs	10.00
		Mrs. Beatrice Burrough	15.00

INDIANA			
First Baptist	East Chicago	Mrs. Evelyn Brown	15.00
New Revelation	Gary	Mrs. Helen Douglas	15.00
St. John	Gary	Mrs. R. Campbell	15.00
Twentieth Century	Gary	Mrs. Marsha Joyner	15.00
Lott Carey	Indianapolis	Mrs. Mamie Gibson	15.00

KENTUCKY			
First Baptist	Harrodsburg	Mrs. J. J. Smith	15.00
Emmanuel	Louisville	Mrs. V. M. Blanton	15.00
Green Street	Louisville	Mrs. Lavenia Bright	15.00
West Chestnut	Louisville	Mrs. Margaret Hayes	15.00
Zion Baptist	Louisville	Mrs. Addie M. Thomas	25.00
Zion Baptist	Paris	Mrs. Elizabeth Jackson	15.00

MASSACHUSETTS			
Concord Baptist	Roxburg	Mrs. Louis Prout	15.00

MICHIGAN			
Calvary	Detroit	Mrs. Mary H. Parks	15.00
Central	Detroit	Mrs. Wm. Bishop	15.00
Friendship	Detroit	Mrs. Hazel Tate	60.00
Gospel Temple	Detroit	Mrs. Pauline Bell	15.00
Greater Christ	Detroit	Mrs. Signora Dixon	15.00
Greater Macedonia	Detroit	Mrs. Lyda Ingram	25.00
Greater New Mt. Moriah	Detroit	Mrs. Catherine Davis	15.00
Hartford Avenue	Detroit	Mrs. Wilhelmina King	15.00
Mt. Calvary	Detroit	Mrs. Emma Travis	15.00
New Grace	Detroit	Mrs. Lessie Epps	15.00
New Light	Detroit	Mrs. Mary L. Reeves	15.00
Second	Detroit	Mrs. Willie M. Johnson	15.00
True Light	Grand Rapids	Mrs. Charlotte Kyle	15.00

MISSISSIPPI			
Pearlie Grove	Jackson	Mrs. L. C. Armstrong	15.00

MISSOURI			
Mt. Nebo	St. Louis	Mrs. A. M. Sutton	15.00
New Jerusalem	St. Louis	Mrs. Jetta Parham	15.00

NEW JERSEY			
Rapahel Temple	Camden	Mrs. Anna Hodge	15.00
Shiloh	Plainsfield	Mrs. Geneva Nesbit	15.00
Shiloh	Fieldsboro	Mrs. Ella Clayton	15.00

NEW YORK			
First Baptist	Bayshore	Mrs. C. Houston	10.00
Metropolitan	Bronx	Mrs. Leotia Stamps	15.00
Isaiah	Brooklyn	Mrs. Jesse Green	15.00
Dorcas	Brooklyn	Mrs. P. H. Parker	15.00
First Calvary	Brooklyn	Mrs. Alice Midgell	15.00
Grace	Brooklyn	Mrs. M. Nichols	15.00
Greater Mt. Pleasant	Brooklyn	Mrs. E. Huggins	15.00
New Jerusalem	Brooklyn	Mrs. Cellie McBride	15.00
Mt. Carmel	Brooklyn	Mrs. Sallie Futrell	15.00
Wayside	Brooklyn	Mrs. Cynthia Blair	15.00
Antioch	East Elmhurst	Mrs. Uvee M. Arhoun	15.00
Friendship	New York	Miss N. C. Greene	15.00
Macedonia	New York	Mrs. Golena Hughes	15.00
Meek	New York	Mrs. F. Duckworth	15.00
Mt. Zion Baptist of Christ	New York	Mrs. Daisy Singleton	15.00
Beulah	Poughkeepsie	Mrs. S. A. Grayson	15.00
Zion Hill	Rockaway	Mrs. Nina Sitton	15.00
Assembly of Prayer	Rossum	Mrs. Martha Belcher	15.00
Friendship	Riverhead	Mrs. Ellen M. Martin	15.00
Zion Temple	Richmond Hill	Mrs. C. White	25.00
Shiloh	Tuckahoe	Mrs. O. Lee	15.00

NORTH CAROLINA			
Mt. Vernon	Durham	Dr. Rosa Brown	20.00
Mt. Zion	Rocky Mount	Mrs. P. V. Patterson	15.00

OHIO			
Antioch	Akron	Mrs. Dorothy Crosby	25.00
Prince of Peace	Akron	Mrs. J. M. Burrell	15.00
Emmanuel	Cincinnati	Mrs. Catherine Lucky	15.00
Greater New Light	Cincinnati	Mrs. Lena B. Jones	15.00
Lincoln Heights	Cincinnati	Mrs. Donetta Brimmon	15.00
Zion Baptist	Cincinnati	Mrs. Nannie L. Shegog	45.00
Sardis	Cleveland	Mrs. S. S. Hodge	10.00
Central	Cleveland	Mrs. M. Gilbert	15.00
Mt. Olive Rose of Sharon	Columbus	Mrs. Eva Williams	15.00
Pilgrim	Hamilton	Mrs. Flessie Stallwood	15.00
Mt. Zion	Lackland	Mrs. Mamie Zatio	15.00

OKLAHOMA			
New Hope	Oklahoma City	Mrs. O. Norwood	15.00

PENNSYLVANIA			
First Baptist	Fatrell	Mrs. Richard Campbell	15.00
Bright Hope	Philadelphia	Mrs. Francis Staten	15.00
Child's Memorial	Philadelphia	Mrs. Nancy M. Jackson	15.00
Faith Tabernacle	Philadelphia	Mrs. Edith Paulin	15.00
Galilee Baptist	Philadelphia	Mrs. John McKissak	15.00
Holy Cross	Philadelphia	Mrs. Laura Pollard	15.00
Lebanon Jireh	Philadelphia	Mrs. O. M. Locust	15.00
Mt. Olive Tabernacle	Philadelphia	Mrs. Martha Graham	15.00
North Penn	Philadelphia	Mrs. Lillie A. Haynes	15.00
Shiloh	Philadelphia	Mrs. Georgiana Wilson	30.00
Thankful	Philadelphia	Mrs. Margaret Brown	15.00
Rodman	Pittsburgh	Mrs. Barbara Rush	15.00

SOUTH CAROLINA			
Mt. Moriah	Anderson	Mrs. M. Heard	15.00
Greater Bethel	Charleston	Mrs. H. H. Dayson	15.00

TENNESSEE			
Beulah	Memphis	Mrs. Gladys Mayfield	15.00
First Baptist	Memphis	Mrs. M. B. Wooten	15.00

Greater White Stone	Memphis	Mrs. Josephine Woodard	15.00
Metropolitan	Memphis	Mrs. Ruby Stewart	15.00
Mt. Moriah	Memphis	Mrs. Louise Nelson	15.00
Mt. Vernon	Memphis	Mrs. Lucille M. Greene	15.00

TEXAS

Second Baptist	San Antonio	Mrs. Albert McHenry	15.00
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VIRGINIA

Oakland Baptist	Alexandria	Mrs. Beatrice Terrell	15.00
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WISCONSIN

Greater Galilee	Milwaukee	Mrs. Canary Berry	15.00
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UNITS

Unit	Chairman	Amount
Annual Members		\$1,055.00
Associate Members	Mrs. Thelma Walton	77.00
Child Welfare	Mrs. Addie Thomas	112.78
Christian Citizenship	Mrs. Bernice W. Porter	29.00
Christian Outreach	Mrs. Bertha Faulkner	
Clerical	Mrs. Lillie Haynes	92.50
Courtesy (Ushers)	Mrs. Mary Oliver	75.00
Deacon Wives	Mrs. Essie Rivers	116.00
Exhibits	Mrs. Georgia Brim	87.20
Foreign Mission	Mrs. Mary E. Robinson	962.70
Health (Nurse)	Mrs. C. Shelton	194.50
Home & Family Life	Mrs. Elizabeth Duckworth	
Home Mission	Mrs. Annie Filmore	132.00
Key Women	Mrs. Edith Hyde	55.00
Leadership Education	Mrs. Erma R. Upshaw	175.00
Life Membership	Mrs. O. W. Ritter	237.50
Literature	Mrs. Martha Nichole	169.60
Mass Media	Dr. Rosa Butler Brown	
Minister Wives	Mrs. Gertrude Phillips	400.00
Minute Women	Mrs. Margaret Smith	55.00
Music	Mrs. Reena Yancy Cook	144.00
N. H. Burrough (Memorial)	Mrs. Artie G. Nelson	261.00
N. H. Burrough (Scholarship)	Mrs. Leotia Stamp	345.00
Pageantry & Drama	Mrs. Morille Lofton	25.00
Rose & Lily	Mrs. Emory S. Porter	50.00
Social Changes & Moral Reform	Mrs. Dorothy B. Smith	47.00
Spiritual Life	Mrs. Josephine Grime	275.00
Stewardship	Mrs. Julia Marshall	98.50
Temperance	Mrs. Alice Walker	36.00

STATE CONVENTIONS

Name	State	Representative	Amount
Constitutional	Alabama	Mrs. Margie McCreary	\$50.00
Women's Auxiliary	California	Mrs. Essie Rivers	50.00
New Era	D. C.	Miss Violet M. Ankrum	50.00
Baptist State	Georgia	Mrs. L. S. Stoll	50.00
Progressive State	Illinois	Mrs. Minnie L. Bruce	50.00
Women's Auxiliary	Indiana	Mrs. Theresa Rice	50.00
Bapt. Women's Louisville	Kentucky	Mrs. Emma Johnson	50.00
Michigan Prog.	Michigan	Mrs. Julia Bowman	50.00
Progressive Baptist	Mississippi	Mrs. Hazel Tate	50.00
Progressive	Missouri	Miss W. M. Hill	50.00
New York Women's	New York	Mrs. Naomi Hagan	90.00
O.B.G.A. (Women's)	Ohio	Mrs. Bernice Porter	50.00
Oklahoma	Oklahoma	Rev. Wm. C. Upshaw	50.00
Women's Auxiliary	Pennsylvania	Mrs. Ora Norwood	25.00
Wisconsin State	Wisconsin	Mrs. Lillie M. Hayes	50.00
Region		Mrs. B. M. Sinton	50.00
Southwest		President	Amount
		Mrs. Dolores S. Nehemiah	\$45.00

MINUTES OF THE SEVENTH ANNUAL SESSION OF PROGRESSIVE WOMEN Auxiliary to the Progressive National Baptist Convention, Inc.

September 2-7, 1969

at LIDO HOTEL

Lincoln Road Mall and Collins Avenue—Miami, Florida

OFFICIAL GUEST OF THE MT. ZION BAPTIST CHURCH

DR. EDWARD T. GRAHAM, Pastor

WEDNESDAY MORNING, SEPTEMBER 3, 1969

7:30 A.M.—Service of Consecration and Rededication—Miss Violet M. Ankrum, 2nd Vice President.

8:20 A.M.—The Organ Speaks—Great Hymns of the Christian Church—Mrs. Reena Y. Cook, Organist.

8:30 A.M.—Let's Study—Leadership Training Unit—Mrs. Erma R. Upshaw, Chairman—Mrs. Jennie E. Hall, Co-Chairman.

9:30 A.M.—Spiritual Life Moments—"A Changeless Christ in a Changing Age." Mrs. Josephine W. Grimes, Chairman, Spiritual Life Unit. Mrs. Alma Carroll, Co-Chairman. Scripture: Hebrews 13:5, 6, 8, 9. Prayer: Mrs. Elsie Jones. Solo—"The Only Hope We Have." Mrs. Pinkie Malone. Meditation: Mrs. Josephine W. Grimes.

The delegates stood and reverently sang "I Need Thee Every Hour."

10:10 A.M.—After reading Psalm 8, President Minnie L. Bruce declared the Seventh Annual Session of the Women's Auxiliary open for business.

Miss Violet W. Ankrum, 2nd Vice President, presiding

Organization of the Women's Auxiliary.

Delegates were seated from the following states: Alabama, Arkansas, California, District of Columbia, Florida, Georgia, Illinois, Indiana, Kentucky, Louisiana, Maryland, Massachusetts, Michigan, Mississippi, Missouri, New Jersey, New York, North Carolina, Ohio, Oklahoma, Pennsylvania, South Carolina, Tennessee, Texas, Virginia, Wisconsin, Nassau, Bahama Islands.

Recognition of Unit Chairman and Co-Chairman.

Pre-Registration and enrollment: Mrs. Mary Smith, Financial Secretary.

Annual Members	
Associations	8
Life Members	2
Districts	4
Missionary Societies	54
State Conventions	9
Units	10
Regions	3

National Officers presented.

Recognition of Regional, State, District, Fellowship Presidents and visitors. Recording Secretary, Peggy A. Garnett, moved the adoption of the Auxiliary

Program. Motion carried.

President Bruce appointed the following: Chairman, Nominating Committee, Mrs. Margaret C. Smith, Illinois.

Resolutions.

Mrs. Dolores Nehemiah, California.

President Bruce presented Dr. E. R. Searcy, President, Progressive National Baptist Convention, Inc., for greetings.

Music: "Hear The Call Progressive Women."

11:00 A.M.—Miami Hour of Welcome.

Mrs. Luvenia Knox, Chairman.

Greetings from:
1. Mrs. Eunice Liberty, Vice President, National Council of Negro Women of Miami

2. Mrs. Barbara Goldman
3. Mrs. Ruth Polke, Zeta Phi Beta Sorority
4. Mrs. Ethel Graham

Solo: "I Walked Today Where Jesus Walked," Mrs. Barbara Dems

Response: Mrs. Jennie E. Hall, District of Columbia

12:00 Noon.—Rev. E. R. Williams presented Dr. Louis Rawls, Founder and Pastor of Tabernacle Baptist Church, Chicago, Illinois for the opening sermon. Subject: "Church Renewal in a Revolutionary Age," Ephesians 5:14, 16-Isaiah 55:4. Closing prayer—Rev. E. R. Williams.

WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON, SEPTEMBER 3, 1969

2:45 P.M.—Sharing Through Dialogue, Dr. Rose Butler Browne, Moderator Discussion Group Leaders:

- I. DR. ORLANDO D. LIGHTFOOT, JR.
Subject: "Christian Women and Attitude Toward Race"
- II. MR. WILLIAM H. ROBINSON
Subject: "Impact of the Concept of Brotherhood in Our Times"
- III. MRS. HERMAN RODENBUSH
Subject: "Role of Christian Women in Meeting The Social Struggle Around Us."

4:30 P.M.—Rev. A. Ross Brent, presented Rev. C. S. Stamps, Pastor, Metropolitan Baptist Church, New York for the afternoon sermon

Subject: "How Great Thou Art," Job 37:23-24

Hymn: "How Great Thou Art"

Adjournment

7:30 P.M.—Foreign Mission Hour

Mrs. Lillie A. Haynes, National Director, Women's Service Committee, presented Dr. R. A. Cromwell, Executive Secretary, Baptist Foreign Mission Bureau.

Dr. Cromwell introduced three African students brought to the United States by the Bureau to further their education.

The students brought words of thanks to the Bureau and expressed their desire to return to their native land to help their people

8:20 P.M.—"O, Sing Unto The Lord"

Musical selections by the Music Unit

Mrs. Roena Y. Cook, Chairman

Mrs. C. C. Mann, Co-Chairman

Mrs. Gladys Parker

Mrs. Delores Nehemiah

8:30 P.M.—Dramatic Presentation, "Christianity In A Crisis," Presented by the Drama Department, Tabernacle Baptist Church, Chicago, Illinois, Mrs. Willie Eldridge, Director

Benediction: Dr. Louis Rawls.

THURSDAY MORNING, SEPTEMBER 4, 1969

8:00 A.M.—Ministry of Silence, Miss Violet Ankrum, Guide.

"So we may know God better

And feel His quiet power,

Let us daily keep in silence

A meditation hour"

8:20 A.M.—The Organ Speaks: Great Hymns of the Church, Mrs. Roena Y. Cook, Organist.

8:30 A.M.—Let's Study—Leadership Training Unit

9:30 A.M.—Spiritual Life Moments: Scripture—St. Luke 9:23-26; Solo: "Hark The Voice," Mrs. Aurelia R. Downey; Meditation: Mrs. Iola J. LiGans.

10:00 A.M.—President Bruce presiding

President Bruce recognized the following new State Conventions:

1. Martin Luther King Jr. Memorial Baptist Convention of Indiana.

2. Baptist Women's State Convention of Kentucky.

Music: "Ready To Go," Vignettes: Nannie Helen Burroughs Scholarship Unit, Mrs. Leotta Stamps, Chairman.

Health Service Unit, Miss Genovia Shelton, Chairman.

Mrs. Uvee Mlodana Arbouin, Promotional Secretary reported on her work for the past year.

Solo: "I Heard The Voice of Jesus Say," Mrs. Doris Burrell.

11:00 A.M.—Mrs. Uvee Mlodana Arbouin presented Miss Alma Hunt, Executive Secretary, Women's Missionary Union, Southern Baptist Convention, for the morning address

Remarks: Mrs. A. A. Banks.

Solo—"He Lifted Me," Mrs. Cassie Russell.

12:00 Noon—Ministry of The Word.

Rev. Stroy Freeman presented Dr. D. D. Clay, President, Baptist State Convention of Illinois, for the morning message. Subject: "The Relevancy of The Church in The Midst of Social Change," St. Matthew 16:18

Hymn: "Precious Lord."

Benediction—Dr. H. J. Trapp.

THURSDAY AFTERNOON, SEPTEMBER 4, 1969

3:00 P.M.—Mrs. Beulah P. Brent, First Vice-President presiding. President Minnie L. Bruce moved that Mrs. Uvee Mlodana, First President of the Women's Auxiliary and presently serving as Promotional Secretary be named President Emeritus of the Women's Auxiliary, Progressive National Baptist Convention, Inc. Motion carried unanimously.

Miss Peggy A. Garnett, Recording Secretary, Women's Auxiliary, P.N.B.C., Inc. presented President Minnie L. Bruce for her Annual Address. Subject: "The Church's Call to Action."

(See President's Address)

Solo: "I'd Rather Have Jesus," Miss Norma J. Lambert

Social Hour and Tribute to President Bruce. Cotillion Room, di Lido Hotel;

Mrs. Zella J. Byrd, Chairman of Tribute; Mrs. Laney A. Lambert, Co-Chairman;

Mrs. Lena C. Franklin; Mrs. Margaret C. Smith.

THURSDAY EVENING, SEPTEMBER 4, 1969

Adjourned to meet with Parent Body to hear Annual Message of President L. R. Stamps

FRIDAY MORNING, SEPTEMBER 5, 1969

7:45 A.M.—Sunrise Worship—Mrs. Aurelia R. Downey, Chairman; Mrs. Alma Carroll, Co-Chairman.

8:15 A.M.—The Organ Speaks—Great Hymns of the Church. Mrs. Roena Y. Cook, Organist.

8:20: A.M.—Let's Study—Leadership Training Unit

9:20 A.M.—Spiritual Life Moments. Hymn: "My Hope is Built" Scripture: St. Mark 14:61-62, St. Luke 21:25-28; Prayer: Mrs. Martha Skelton; Solo: "I'd Rather Have Jesus," Mrs. Pinkie Malone; Meditation: Mrs. Josephine W. Grimes.

President Bruce presiding.

10:00 A.M.—Vignettes: Ministers' Wives: Mrs. Gertie Phillips, Chairman,

Mrs. Arlee Brown, Co-Chairman.

Historian's Report: Mrs. Hazel Chambers gave her report in the form of a huge

scrapbook containing information from the Auxiliary's inception to the present.

Nomination and Election of Officers: Dr. E. L. Harrison, presiding.

Report of the Nominating Committee: Mrs. Margaret C. Smith, Chairman:

President

1st Vice-President

2nd Vice-President

President Emeritus

Recording Secretary

Assistant Recording Secretary

Corresponding Secretary

Treasurer

Financial Secretary

Parliamentarian

Historian

Youth Director

Mrs. A. Ross Brent (N.J.)

Miss Violet M. Ankrum (D. C.)

Dr. Rose Butler Browne (N.C.)

Mrs. Uvee Mlodana Arbouin (N.Y.)

Mrs. Remus O. Harris (Calif.)

Mrs. Gilbert B. Langford (Ind.)

Miss Barbara A. Barnes (Md.)

Mrs. Monroe A. Byrd (Ga.)

Mrs. Robert L. Roberson (Tenn.)

Mrs. Robert Chappel (Mo.)

Mrs. William L. Lambert (Ill.)

Mrs. Theodora R. Cross (Ill.)

Mrs. Uvee Mlodana Arbouin moved, Mrs. Walker seconded the report be accepted. Motion carried.

God. For He that is mighty hath done great things for us and holy is His name." It is a great time to be alive.

We wish to express our sincere thanks to Dr. Edward T. Graham, host pastor, and Mr. Larry Batchler for their excellent accommodations and courtesies shown to us. Dr. Graham has left no stone unturned and has been instrumental in coordinating the separate women of Florida for this Session. Thanks to Mrs. Luvenia Knox and her Welcome Committee for the warm welcome accorded to PROGRESSIVE WOMEN. With their humble spirits, generous hearts and sincerity of purpose, we have definitely concluded that Miami Beach is a great place for our 1969 Session.

The Progressive Women's Auxiliary has reached the 7th milestone of its existence and my departure is now at hand. I want to thank you for the trust and confidence placed in me, and for the opportunity to serve this august body for these two years. I am deeply indebted to my cabinet officers who have worked by my side strengthening and encouraging me as I have tried to steer this organization under the divine guidance of God. A special thanks goes to our Regional Presidents, Mesdames: Marie Taylor, Willie E. Percetti, Mullran B. Heard, Elnora B. Anderson, Virginia Oulds and newly elected President Dolores Nehemiah for their support.

It has been a joy serving in this leadership capacity. Even though the task was enormous, it was a great challenge. God has been at work among us and we can be assured that He will not fail us in the days ahead. Thanks to each Progressive Woman and particularly the Unit Chairmen and Co-Chairmen who have inspired other women to become involved in our Progressive work.

I could never call the names of the many, many, men and women who have prayed for—and with me for the successes of the past two years. Therefore, to each Progressive woman on our roll, I say thank you and please be encouraged to go forward.

Special commendation is due each Pastor, President of Associations and State Conventions. The Baptist State Convention of Illinois and the Midwest Region have been with me all the way. To my pastor, Dr. Louis Rawls, and the members of Tabernacle Baptist Church, you have been a tower of strength. I shall not forget your unstinted loyalty and support during my term in office. To my husband, Mr. James R. Bruce, my deepest appreciation to you for having been so kind, understanding and cooperative while I served this organization. And speaking of encouragement and support, I cannot overlook Mr. James English of the David C. Cook Publishing Co., who helped us meet so many deadlines and offered hints just when we were fresh out of publication ideas. Thank you, Mr. English.

OUTSTANDING PROGRESSIVE MEN AND WOMEN

It is an esteemed honor and a rare opportunity to be associated with men and women of great minds. The privilege has been mine to have had counsel of the world's renowned men—President Emeritus Chambers, Executive Secretary Booth, Dr. Gardner C. Taylor and President E. R. Seay, all of whom have given me their total support and encouraged the women to remain in the faith. Many circumstances and events during the past two years have shown me the greatness of Progressive women. Possessing warmth, intelligence, ability and fine Christian spirit, the women of this Auxiliary will always play an important role not only in this convention but nationally and internationally. Of course, two such women stand out for all of us to emulate. Who can say she is a true mother without looking to the image of Mrs. Martin Luther King, Sr., who despite tragedy holds her family together by the sheer force of her glowing Christian personality. And then there is Coretta, a guide for women the world over, black or white, a woman who moved outward from the refuge of her immediate home and made the world and the plight of its people her own cause. The outstanding feature of this Women's Auxiliary is—that it possesses many women like the Kings and many with the same potential.

And, too, Progressive men have been an inspiration. For no auxiliary can be greater than its parent body. Leading the way in carrying unity between our own family and others is Dr. Thomas Kilgore, recently elected President

of the American Baptist Convention. We have men and women who can make a place for themselves in any setting over any boundaries, racial or geographic.

YOUNG PEOPLE'S DEPARTMENT

Our Young People's Department under the guidance of Mrs. Mattie Cross, Hazel B. Nelson and the Youth Counselors is going forward—striving harder—and reaching toward new horizons. They are recruiting new workers and have waged a "war on wasted talent." My sincere prayer is that deeper concern will be shown for our young people in developing the constructive programs and outlets they so vitally need.

PROGRESSIVE WOMEN'S OBJECTIVES

We have supported all of the objectives of the Women's Auxiliary with special emphasis on the Nannie Helen Burroughs School. We are rejoicing that another outstanding Progressive woman, Mrs. Aurelia Downey, has been elected as President of the Nannie Helen Burroughs School. Therefore, we must redouble our efforts to help carry on the work of this great school left by Dr. Burroughs and the late Rebecca Calloway. We must work the WORKER until it has reached the home of every Christian woman and every missionary society in our Progressive Convention has subscribed to it.

Baptist Women's DAY OF PRAYER

November 3, 1969 is Baptist Women's Day of Prayer. Theme: "Let Us Rise Up and Build."—We urge the auxiliary to unite with women around the world in prayer for those in physical and spiritual need. Last year our quota was \$750.00. I am happy to report that we exceeded our quota. This year we have been asked to go higher. Sisters, the need is great. We must show compassion for those in need.

"But whosoever hath this world's good, and seeth his brother have need, and shutteth up his bowels of compassion from him, how dwelleth the love of God in him?"

FELLOWSHIP WITH OTHER COMMUNIONS

The challenge to fellowship with other church communions—has been great working with the women of the Southern Baptist Convention, Miss Alma Hunt, Executive Secretary, the American Baptist Women, Church Women United and North American Baptist Women's Union of the Baptist World Alliance. We must extend our fellowship even further. We must put our words into deeds and show love and concern for our sisters and brothers having none.

IN MEMORIAM

We are grateful to God that death has not broken the chain of our cabinet of officers. However, many officers and members have lost their dear ones since our last annual session. We pause now in memory of those who have reached that building not made with hand but eternal in the heavens. Today it is well with their souls:

Our Theme: "Church Renewal in A Revolutionary Age," I shall address myself to the topic, The Church's Call To Action—Compassion—Concern and involvement.

The modern world has seen three fundamental revolutions—the French Revolution, the American Revolution and the Russian Revolution. These three are fundamental because of the new ideas they injected and their continuing effect on our society. These were great revolutions with far-reaching social and ideological changes. We are now experiencing another revolution, whose doctrines will be felt far and wide. Men will probably call this present revolution with its scoffing of time-proven values, a great revolution, also. But, I can think of a still greater revolution, one that makes these others look like mere uprisings, one whose flames we will have to rekindle if the modern church is to meet the needs of this day. That revolution was, and is Christ's revolution, ever new, continuing to awaken the hearts of men to the greatest rehabilitator of all—God's love. Christian friends, if we are to make our present institutional churches relevant to today's fast moving, though degenerate world, we will have to go back to the source. We must go back and rediscover who we are and what is our purpose. In the fulfillment of Christ's Mandate we are not without resources. We have the Scriptures. In them Our Lord commissioned the church to act. "Go Ye! into all the world—teach all nations—

baptizing them in the name of the Father, Son and Holy Ghost and lo, I am with you always." The church has no new mission, but if the institutional church is to remain vital and dynamic, there must be new dimensions in its outlook and it must renew its ministries. New horizons beckon as the Great Head of the Church reminds us that "Ye are the Light of the world. Ye are the salt of the earth."

It is our job to meet the world's movements head on for who else can and who else has the power to do so. The revolutionary age is an age of challenge to the church. But throughout all ages, the church has maintained her witness as a colony of heaven with a spiritual interpretation.

How firm a foundation, ye saints of the Lord,
Is laid for your faith in His excellent Word!
What more can He say than to you He hath said,
To you who for refuge to Jesus have fled?

WHAT IS THE CHURCH?

There is a wide variety of interpretations of what the church is. Like all other institutions, it has grown up in the course of human society. And yet it can be said that the church is more than a mere product of human development. It is not an organization but an organism. It has life. It is the representative of God in the world, the bride of Christ, spiritual and individual, yet sustaining real life on earth. It is believed to be of this world, but beyond it is a communion of saints that extends back to the beginning of time and on to its end, a spiritual fellowship of all those who have found a new life in Christ. The Holy Writ describes it as the body of Christ. The body has many members but it is not divided. Yet the Christian Church, with its many denominations, appears to the world as a divided body of people who do not present a united witness to the world.

When the Church was organized on the day of Pentecost, its members were of one accord, united in spirit. But somewhere we have lost that tie that binds our hearts in our local churches, in our conventions and between denominations. We have severed the cord which bound us. The early Christians rejoiced in suffering for what they believed. Though small in number, they were big in commitment.

There was action among them—they had compassion—they were concerned, they were involved—and they had power unlimited. Their witness was so powerful—until they turned "the world upside down."

WHO CONSTITUTES THE CHURCH?

The real Church is made up of those who have been redeemed by the blood of Jesus Christ and of those who died in the faith believing in God. Paul records that Abraham believed in God and it was reckoned unto him for righteousness. Stephen identified Moses as belonging to the church in the wilderness. Job died in the faith and can be numbered with those who constituted the church, for in his affliction, he said, "I know that my redeemer liveth, and that He shall stand at the latter day upon his earth. And though after my skin worms destroy this body, yet in my flesh shall I see God. Though he slay me, yet will I trust Him." "All the days of my appointed time—I'll wait till my change come!"

THE PURPOSE OF THE CHURCH

Christ redeemed the church to serve as an agency in the world to constrain men, women and children to seek the abundant life. Christ is concerned about the whole man. "I have come that they might have life and have it more abundantly." The church is challenged to show compassion and concern for those in physical need as well as spiritual need. The institutional church has become immobile in many areas, with its major interest on its parishes, property and programs. Many have turned their back on the poor, youth and aged. They are not concerned about the national crises that presently exist.

On every hand we hear of the need for church renewal and for her to update her ministries. The church, we are told, has failed. It must learn to speak meaningfully to modern man, and this of course necessitates new forms.

We acquiesce to the fact that the institutional church is in dire need of dismemberment. It is for us to say:

Lord—Open my eyes that I might see
Glimpses of truth thou hast for me
Place in my hand the wonderful key
That shall unclasp and set me free.

Silently now I wait for thee
Ready my God Thy will to see
Open my eyes, illumine me
Spirit divine.

In many instances the church has failed to discern the great need in our world today. But the true church of Jesus Christ will never fail. It is indestructible; for it is founded upon a rock and that rock is Jesus Christ, and the gates of Hell shall not prevail against it.

"On Christ the solid rock I stand,
All other ground is sinking sand."

Church renewal must first begin within the heart of its constituents with new attitudes as well as new desires to serve, and that does not exclude any one, laity or clergy. But it must use these new directions to bring about reconciliation in a broken world. There is a gap between the churches and the people. The gap must be bridged by the Christians for we are the instruments through which Christ works. Therefore, we must come out of our ivory towers, roll up our sleeves and get out in the dirt and the ghettos. We must go where the people are. Christ has no hands, no feet, no tongue but ours. If the message of the church is to be heard, it must obey the voice which commands: Oh Zion, that bringest good tidings, get thee up into the high mountains; Jerusalem, that bringest good tidings, lift up thy voice with strength; lift it up, be not afraid. This is no time for the church to be afraid or hide behind token Christmas and Thanksgiving baskets for the poor. For too long, we have been becalmed in the backwater of a dying age, frightened by the swift currents of a new age coming into fruition. The church must get involved.

"Fear not; I am with thee; O be not dismayed!
For I am thy God and will give thee aid;
I'll strengthen thee, help thee and cause thee to stand,
Upheld by My gracious, omnipotent hand."

Quoting Dr. Harold Blake Walker, "It is infinitely easier to pray in the quiet privacy of an upper room, to meditate in spiritual serenity 'far from the maddening crowd' than it is to become involved in the problems of the poor, involved in the struggle for racial justice, ill housing, school crises, immorality, involved in the tasks of preserving our environment from pollution. It should be remembered, however, that our spiritual tradition invites concern and responsibility wherever human personality is threatened, bruised or hurt. The quietness of an ivory tower, the wonder of wisdom, guidance and steady experiences of meditation are sources of worship and prayer, the creative power. But the tragedy of contemporary movements of protest is in fact that they ride off in all directions to destroy a better day for mankind, largely devoid of power to build creative bridges to a better day for mankind. On the other hand, personal piety is altogether sterile unless it pushes us out. Where cross the crowded ways of Life to deal with the problems that trouble society? What one takes in by prayer, meditation and contemplation, he must pour out in LOVE. Too many Christians spend their days without being vocal against social wrong. Evil always triumphs when good people do nothing.

The Christian Church can no longer remain a sleeping giant. The exciting thing about the tale of Rip Van Winkle is not how long he slept, but that he slept through a revolution. For while he was asleep, the face of the entire world was being changed. "So then let us not sleep as others do, but let us

keep awake and be sober. Now it is high time to awake out of sleep. Awake, O sleeper and arise from the dead and Christ will give us light."

This nation of ours must also be awakened. America is basking in affluence while many of her families and two-thirds of the world's population go to bed hungry each night. We can supply troops but no food. Where is our compassion? We have excelled every nation in the field of science. Man has scaled mountains, traversed valleys and he has now left his footprints on the moon. Yet there is still corruption in government, little children are still starving, old people are still uncared for, boys are dying in Viet Nam, crime, hate, war and racism are still the order of the day. Man is yet faced with the same old problem of his relationship to himself, his brother and God. He has conquered space, but he has failed to conquer himself.

OUR YOUTH

These days, it would be so much easier for many of us to ignore our young people, their complaints, their disillusionment. It would be easier to dismiss them as an unruly generation, long hair, funny clothes. Yes, it would be easier to ignore them except for the fact that the future of our world depends upon the kind of youth it produces and maybe they are trying to tell us something. Throughout the nation and the world, there are those who are deeply concerned about the problems of our youth. We should continue to stress the value of education to our young people, no matter what their goals. It can only help to know and understand the world about us. However, the primary factor in solving the dilemma with our youth, is development of strong, honest family ties.

Christian Women, we have a tremendous task in renewing the walls of broken homes. The home is the basic unit of society, from it stems the church. Many of the problems of youth—revolt, delinquency, school drop-out, dope and illicit sex—can be traced to the home. We parents have neither heard nor understood our children. We have failed to show them compassion and love. We have failed to communicate with them. We have failed to teach them due respect for law and order, which is necessary to protect the lives of individuals. However, law and order cannot cure the ills of our times. It can only deal with the symptoms. For law and order without justice is like a ship in deep water without a sail. We live in a sick society. The problems we are encountering with our youth are only the symptoms of a nation that has placed its values and goals on material things and scientific progress rather than God. So in many instances, our young people have valid complaints, and we have failed to give them alternatives. We have failed to teach them what thus saith the Lord.

In a recent article of "Christianity Today" our youth are depicted as a "cheated generation." Much of the responsibility belongs to parents—in homes where God and His Christ are not honored or obeyed, where there has been no example of righteous faith in action, where permissiveness has replaced discipline. Parents who have neglected to give God's Word priority in the home, who have instilled in their children a desire for the things of the world at the expense of those things that last for eternity—these parents have cheated their children.

Therefore, PROGRESSIVE WOMEN, as I prepare to leave you in the role of leadership, may I admonish you to let us rise up and renew the walls of our homes. Let us open our eyes and our ears to understanding our youth—Let us Act—Let us Show Compassion and Concern—and Let us get involved in building a better world—in building a better PROGRESSIVE CONVENTION.

The Church must reaffirm that the Gospel of Jesus Christ has power to save in a revolutionary age, and that faith in Jesus Christ is the way to salvation for all. There must be a spiritual awakening within the church by the power of the Holy Spirit. Christians need to be revived—we must take time to listen to what the Spirit says—John the Revelator came close to our present day church—when he wrote to the church saying, "you're neither hot or cold but lukewarm." The church must come alive, and get on fire for God.

So then, my Progressive family we must be shaken from our sleep, roused from our complacency and filled with a burning desire to be used by God. The church must get on with Christ's mission.

God is trying to awaken the church. We can see His mighty hand moving

in all directions. A few days ago he moved and opened up the heavens and the rain began to fall across the southern states of Mississippi, Louisiana and Virginia in a mighty storm. Hundreds of lives were lost, thousands were left homeless, buildings that stood tall and stately were crushed to the ground.

The church too, is in a storm, the winds of confusion, separatism, jealousy and envy are blowing on the church—she is being challenged by outside forces—many Christians are afraid and perturbed—but I hear the Voice of Jesus saying to his church as He did to His disciples when the storm was raging on the Sea of Galilee, and they asked, "Master, Carest thou not that we perish?" Jesus answered saying, "Peace be Still."

He is saying to His church, "Peace be still." Progressive Convention, I admonish you . . . Be still and hear the voice of Jesus . . . "Be still and hear His call to Arms" . . . Be still and know that He is the Way, the Truth and the Life.

Brother President I now give back to you the Women's Auxiliary of this great convention. Thank you for the opportunity you have given me to serve. I have not done all that could have been done—there is yet unfinished business, but, in the light of existing circumstances, I've done my best! God has been on my side.

Many times during these two years, it has been evidenced more acutely and profoundly "I can do all things through Christ which strengthened me." The voice of Jesus was a source of comfort . . . And in the midst of it all He inspired me to join the hymn writer in saying:

"I've seen the lightning flashing,
And I've heard the thunder roll,
I've felt sin's breakers dashing,
Trying to conquer my soul,
I've heard the voice of Jesus,
Telling me still to fight on,
He promised never to leave me
Never to leave me alone."

Progressive Women, my final plea is that you will support our new President and cooperate with her as she assumes the heavy responsibilities of the Presidency of the Women's Auxiliary. I leave you hoping that the lamp of love, peace and cooperation will burn in your hearts until the church militant shall join the church triumphant.

If revolution in this age denotes a moving away from church, let us hold even more fast to our role in the Evolution of God. Revolution denotes change and a new beginning—but evolution denotes the continuous growth from a beginning that needs no man-made alterations. And truly Christ is the only panacea for perfection. It is in Christ's evolution that we will be in the number that John saw which no man could number. When asked who they were—He said "these are they" which came out of great tribulation and have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the lamb. May we live our lives so close to Christ as to mean "we are they."

In my life, pleasure and vitality has been synonymous with working for Christ. It affords me great joy to step out on His word each day. Therefore I say with no reservation, it was an honor to have so great a multitude of women following as I witnessed with all hope and faith in God. From the Cradle to the Grave, the world gives us many issues and images on which to build our lives. Out of these, we may carve for ourselves an existence of material and aesthetic plenty. . . .

Yet all of this is transient and can only be used, even in life's interim, if it is attached to a "sure foundation." The only sure foundation is Christ Jesus. Therefore, with no trepidation or hesitation, I can say—I'd rather have Jesus, than anything this world affords today.