

South Carolina Conference

OF THE

Wesleyan Methodist Connection,
or Church, of America



HELD AT

Central, S. C.

November 14-18

1916

MINUTES

OF THE

TWENTY-FOURTH ANNUAL SESSION

OF THE

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HELD AT

CENTRAL, SOUTH CAROLINA

NOVEMBER 14-18, 1916

Until Election:

Rev. S. IRVING KEELER, President

L. B. SMITH, Secretary

After Election:

Rev. S. IRVING KEELER, President

L. B. SMITH, Secretary

S. W. WRIGHT, Treasurer

South Carolina Conference

OFFICERS.

President	S. Irving Keeler.
Vice-President	J. R. George.
Secretary	L. B. Smith.
Treasurer	S. W. Wright.

STANDING COMMITTEES.

Advisory Board—H. C. Bedford and W. A. Matthews.

Committee on Itineracy and Orders—W. D. Correll, 1 year; S. I. Keeler, 2 years; L. B. Smith, 3 years; E. L. Henderson, 4 years. W. A. Matthews and J. Sigler, lay members.

Committee on Vacancy—J. M. Merrill, J. T. Carey, W. F. Stamey, Elders; J. W. Miller and I. B. Brannon, lay members.

Sunday School Board—W. A. Matthews, S. W. Wright, and W. D. Correll.

Sunday School Secretary—W. A. Matthews.

THE CONFERENCE ROLL.

Elders.

L. G. Clayton	Central, S. C.
J. T. Carey	Calhoun, S. C.
C. A. Dunwoody	Central, S. C.
D. O. Powers	Moores, S. C.
J. R. Davis	Central, S. C.
S. I. Keeler	Central, S. C.
W. D. Correll	Piedmont, S. C.
J. R. George	Spartanburg, S. C.
H. C. Bedford	Central, S. C.
G. D. Watson	Los Angeles, Calif.

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J. M. Merrill	Spartanburg, S. C.
W. F. Stamey	Central, S. C.
L. B. Smith.....	Mayo, S. C.
E. L. Henderson	Central, S. C.
S. W. Wright	Central, S. C.

Licentiates.

J. M. Hames	Belton, S. C.
Laurence Kelley.....	Pickens, S. C.
Miss Dora Wiebens	Westminster, S. C.
W. L. Ramsey	Walhalla, S. C.
J. R. Garrett	Central, S. C.
Levi Rigdon	Pickens, S. C.
C. E. Crenshaw	Pickens, S. C.
R. C. Kendrick	Greer, S. C.
R. G. Cudd	Spartanburg, S. C.
A. A. Abbott	Westminster, S. C.

Lay Delegates.

C. B. Smith	Central, S. C.
G. W. Davis	Greer, S. C.
W. A. Matthews	Central, S. C.
L. W. Huff	Piedmont, S. C.
J. P. Satterfield	Spartanburg, S. C.
A. C. Sizemore	Greenville, S. C.
J. W. Miller	Easley, S. C.
Talmage Evatt	Central, S. C.
Mrs. Addie Clayton	Central, S. C.
B. J. Johnson	Central, S. C.
R. M. Martin	Central, S. C.
Mrs. L. E. Correll	Spartanburg, S. C.
O. H. P. Woolbright	Westminster, S. C.
Mrs. L. G. Garrison.....	Central, S. C.
J. Sigler	Walhalla, S. C.
J. L. Cantrell	Pickens, S. C.
J. P. Byars	Central, S. C.
Malenda Fowler	Gaffney, S. C.
J. T. Meredith	Westminster, S. C.

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Journal of Daily Proceedings

Pursuant to call, the twenty-fourth annual session of the South Carolina Conference of the Wesleyan Methodist Connection, or Church, of America met in the church at Central, South Carolina, November 14, 1916, at 7:30 P. M.

The opening sermon was preached by Rev. E. Teter, of Sheridan, Ind. The business of the Conference was not taken up until November 15, 1916.

Morning Meeting, Wednesday, November 15, 1916.

The Conference met at 8:30 A. M., November 15, 1916. Religious worship was conducted by Rev. D. O. Powers, after which Rev. S. I. Keeler, the President of the Conference, called the Conference to order.

The roll was called.

By motion, it was decided to hold the day services of the Conference at the church, and the evening services at the College.

Rev. E. L. Henderson, Rev. W. D. Correll and W. A. Matthews were made a Committee on Public Worship.

Rev. D. O. Powers and W. A. Matthews were elected a Committee to suggest the Conference bar.

The Committee reported, suggesting the first five front seats and the amen corners.

The time for holding the business meetings of the Conference was fixed as follows: To meet at 8:30 A. M. for religious worship, business to begin at 9 A. M. Close at 11:30 to meet at 1:30, P. M. and close at 3:30 P. M. for worship.

Rev. J. R. George and R. M. Martin were elected a Committee on Ministerial Character.

By vote of the Conference, Rev. J. W. Miller and Talmage Evatt were elected a Committee on Statistics.

Rev. E. L. Henderson was elected a Committee on Courtesy.

Rev. E. L. Henderson was elected to succeed Dr. L. G. Clayton on the Committee on Itinerary and Orders. The committee now stands as follows: Rev. W. D. Correll, 1 year; Rev. S. I. Keeler, 2 years; Rev. L. B. Smith, 3 years; Rev. E. L. Henderson, 4 years.

Rev. J. R. George was elected a Committee on Thanks.

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Rev. S. I. Keeler, Rev. J. R. George and Rev. J. M. Hames were elected a Committee on the State of the Work.

The Secretary of the Conference and Rev. W. D. Correll were elected a Committee on Apportionments.

Friday, November 17th, at 3:00 o'clock P. M., was the time set apart for Prof. H. C. Bedford to address the Conference on Education.

Thursday, November 16th, 9:30 o'clock A. M., was the time set apart to elect the officers for the Conference.

The following named brethren were elected a Committee on Pastoral Relations: Rev. D. O. Powers, W. D. Correll, J. R. Davis, Elders; G. W. Davis, W. A. Matthews and A. C. Sizemore, lay members.

Rev. E. Teter, the Missionary Secretary, was introduced to the Conference and made an interesting address.

Rev. C. C. Churchill was introduced to the Conference and expressed his appreciation of being present.

By motion, the Whitmire Church was added to the Easley Circuit.

By vote of the Conference, the Committee on Pastoral Relations was authorized to define the duties and fix the salaries of the President and Conference Evangelist.

Afternoon Meeting, November 15, 1916.

In harmony with the time set, the Conference met at 1:30 o'clock.

The devotional service was conducted by Rev. Levi Rigdon.

The roll was called.

By vote, the Conference dispensed with the reading of the minutes except at the morning meeting.

Rev. S. Bedford was introduced to the Conference, and spoke some encouraging words.

By motion he was made an honorary member of the Conference.

By motion, Rev. W. D. Correll, Prof. H. C. Bedford and Rev. S. I. Keeler were elected a Special Committee on Preachers' Institute.

The transfer of S. W. Wright from the Champlain Conference was presented by the President. By motion, Brother Wright was received.

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The President of the Conference, Rev. S. I. Keeler, made his report. By motion, the report was adopted.

In harmony with the time set, the Conference adjourned for worship.

Third Day, Morning Meeting, November 16, 1916.

Pursuant to adjournment, the Conference met at 8:30 A. M.

Devotional exercises were conducted by Rev. W. D. Correll.

Rev. S. I. Keeler called the Conference to order.

The roll was called and the minutes of the previous meetings were read and corrected.

By vote of the Conference, Mrs. L. E. Correll was elected to take the place of the absent delegate of the Carlisle Circuit.

The Committee on Pastoral Relations made a partial report. After some discussion of this report, the order of the day was called for, and the Conference entered into the election of officers.

W. L. Ramsey and W. A. Matthews were appointed tellers, and the election resulted as follows: Rev. S. I. Keeler, President; Rev. J. R. George, Vice-President; L. B. Smith, Secretary; Prof. S. W. Wright, Treasurer.

By vote, Rev. J. R. George, elder, and W. A. Matthews, lay member, were elected a Missionary Board.

The election of the Trustees was called for. Dr. L. G. Clayton resigned, and Rev. J. R. Davis was elected. The Trustees of the Conference now stand as follows: Rev. J. R. Davis, Rev. J. R. George, Rev. D. O. Powers, elders, and J. W. Miller and W. A. Matthews, lay members.

Prof. H. C. Bedford and W. A. Matthews were elected an Advisory Board.

Judiciary Committee—Rev. J. R. George, Rev. J. R. Davis, Prof. H. C. Bedford and Rev. W. F. Stamey.

Committee on Vacancy—Rev. J. M. Merrill, J. T. Carey, and W. F. Stamey, elders; J. W. Miller and I. B. Brannon, lay members.

Sunday School Board—W. A. Matthews, W. D. Correll and S. W. Wright.

Sunday School Secretary—S. W. Wright.

The second item of the partial report of the Committee on Pastoral Relations was adopted. The item stands as follows: That the Evangelist work under the direction of the Conference Missionary Board, and that his salary be six hundred dollars, with the

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privilege of retaining his collections up to eight hundred dollars, to be applied on his salary.

Rev. J. M. Hames was elected Conference Evangelist.

W. A. Matthews and J. Sigler were appointed lay members on the Committee on Itinerary and Orders.

Thursday Afternoon, November 16, 1916.

The President called the meeting to order at 1:30 o'clock.

Rev. J. R. George led the devotional exercises.

The roll was called.

The following names were called and their characters passed: W. D. Correll, R. C. Kendrick, and J. T. Carey.

The first item of the partial report of the Committee on Pastoral Relations was adopted, with an amendment. The report now reads as follows: The duties of the President to hold the first and fourth quarterly conferences, and do evangelistic work, help the weak churches and neglected fields during the second and third quarters; also to represent the general interests of the work and have the oversight of the Conference. His salary is to be six hundred dollars with traveling expenses, and his collections to be applied on salary.

Dr. J. S. Willett was given the three o'clock hour, by motion of the Conference.

Friday Morning, November 17, 1916.

Conference came to order at 8 o'clock.

Rev. S. I. Keeler led the devotional exercises.

The roll was called, and the minutes were read and corrected.

By motion, the Conference rescinded the act of last year's Conference to hear the last reading of the report of the Committee on Pastoral Relations Monday morning.

By motion, it was decided to hear the last report of the Committee on Pastoral Relations Saturday evening after service, and also to read it Sunday morning.

The time for meeting was set at 8 o'clock for Saturday morning.

The following names were called and characters passed: R. G. Cudd, Rev. E. L. Henderson, Rev. J. M. Merrill, Rev. Levi Rigdon.

Brother King made a partial report for Rev. Mason.

By motion, the Conference authorized the Statistical Committee

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to add the money paid in by the Y. M. W. B. and W. H. & F. M. to Item 10.

The Conference decided to hold a ten days' Institute in February so as to include the fourth Sunday.

Rev. E. L. Henderson read an excellent paper on Moral Reform. The report was adopted.

Conference adjourned by limitation of time.

Friday Afternoon, November 17, 1916.

Conference came to order at 2 o'clock. Rev. J. R. Davis led the devotional exercises.

The roll was called.

The following names were called and their characters passed: Rev. J. R. Davis, Rev. Lawrence Kelley, and Rev. J. R. George.

Prof. H. C. Bedford made a verbal report.

The Treasurer was authorized to buy a new book for the minutes.

Rev. E. Teter was called to the chair.

The Committee made their first report on the assignment of pastors.

The chairman of the Holiness Convention Districts made verbal reports.

The order of the day was called for, and Prof. H. C. Bedford made an educational address.

By motion, the Conference decided to meet in the College chapel Saturday morning at 8 o'clock.

Dr. L. G. Clayton made a verbal report.

The Conference adjourned.

Saturday Morning, November 18, 1916.

Conference was called to order by the President.

Brother Crenshaw conducted the devotional exercises.

The roll was called and the minutes read and corrected.

The following names were called and characters passed: Rev. D. O. Powers, Rev. John Hames, Rev. G. E. Crenshaw, Miss Dora Wiebens, Rev. J. R. Garrett, and Rev. L. B. Smith.

Rev. W. F. Stamey and Rev. C. A. Dunwoody made verbal reports.

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Conference ordered the next Institute to meet at Central.

Place of holding the next Annual Conference to be determined by the President and his Advisory Board.

The books of the Treasurer were ordered closed today at 11 o'clock.

The Conference ordered the Treasurer's books to be closed each year on the Thursday night of Conference week.

Rev. S. Bedford made an instructive address.

Brother E. G. Dietrich, of Syracuse, N. Y., chairman of the Book Committee, was introduced and greeted the Conference.

Brother Royal was introduced to the Conference.

Committee on Pastoral Relations read their second report.

Prof. S. W. Wright resigned as Conference Sunday School Secretary. Resignation accepted.

Brother W. A. Matthews was elected Conference Sunday School Secretary.

The Conference adjourned.

Saturday Afternoon, November 18, 1916.

After worship, the roll was called.

The Tithing Secretary made a verbal report.

The Conference took recess for the Camp Meeting Association to meet.

The Conference was again called to order at 2:40 o'clock.

Brother J. Lawrence, of Ashburn, Ga., was introduced and greeted the Conference.

Brother J. Lawrence and Brother E. G. Dietrich were made honorary members of the Conference.

The Statistical Committee read their report.

By vote of the Conference the President of the Conference was authorized to appoint a committee to formulate plans to organize a building and loan association and report at the next Conference.

The following committee was appointed: Rev. E. L. Henderson, Rev. S. W. Wright, Rev. H. C. Bedford, W. A. Matthews, and C. B. Smith.

Adjourned by limitation of time for the address on Sunday Schools.

Conference was called to order again.

The report of the Missionary Board was read and adopted.

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The Treasurer read his report.

Rev. E. L. Henderson and Rev. E. Teter were appointed an Auditing Committee.

Rev. J. M. Hames was authorized to sell the Conference tent and apply the money on the tent debt.

The Committee on Institute read their report. It was adopted.

By motion the Conference adjourned.

Night Session, November 18, 1916.

The report on thanks was read and adopted.

The report of the Auditing Committee was read and adopted.

The Treasurer's report was adopted.

The Treasurer was authorized to make a new note for the Conference to the Superannuated Ministers' Fund to apply on the tent debt.

The Williamston Church debt was referred to the Committee on Building and Loan.

The Committee on Pastoral Relations made their last report. It was adopted.

The Committee on Itineracy and Orders completed reading their report. It was adopted.

Minutes of Saturday's session were read, corrected and adopted.

The Secretary was authorized to edit and publish five hundred copies of the Minutes.

The Secretary was authorized to send a mailing list to the Publishing House at Syracuse, N. Y., and have the Minutes mailed direct to pastors.

The Trustees of the Conference met.

The Conference adjourned.

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Reports of Committees

REPORT OF AUDITING COMMITTEE.

We, the Auditing Committee, report as follows:

We have examined the Treasurer's books and receipts and found them correct.

E. L. Henderson,
E. Teter.

REPORT OF MISSIONARY BOARD.

To the Parent Missionary Board:

We, S. I. Keeler, J. R. George, and W. A. Matthews, the Missionary Board of the South Carolina Conference, request you to assist the Conference by paying a note at the Bank of Central for \$81.00 and interest, and the deficit of \$137.08 on the President's salary for the past year.

We further request a renewal of the same relations for the coming year that has existed the past year with the Parent Board, we turning over to them all our missionary funds, and they standing behind our Conference missionary work.

S. I. Keeler,
J. R. George,
W. A. Matthews.

REPORT OF PASTORAL RELATIONS COMMITTEE.

The Pastoral Relations Committee begs leave to submit the following report:

1. Central Station—E. L. Henderson.
2. Carlisle Charge—Carlisle, Graham's Chapel, Eden and Providence—L. B. Smith.
3. Spartanburg Charge—Spartanburg, Glendale and Union—W. D. Correll.

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4. Piedmont Charge—Piedmont and Pelzer—W. L. Miller.
 5. Walhalla Charge—Walhalla, Welcome and Mt. View—
L. H. Kelley.
 6. Greenville—Greenville, Ready River and Williamston—Levi
Rigdon.
 7. Gaffney Charge—Gaffney, Landrum—R. G. Cudd.
 8. Whitmire Charge—Whitmire, Oakway and Fountain Inn—
D. O. Powers.
 9. Greer Charge—Greer, Tucapau, Oneal—R. C. Kendrick.
 10. Easley Charge—Easley, Pickens View, and Davis Chapel—
J. R. George.
 11. Anderson Charge—Anderson, Westminster—Left in hands
of the President.
 12. Mt. Olivet and Smith's Chapel—J. Merk.
 13. Martin's Grove Charge—Martin's Grove, Golden Grove—
J. R. Garrett.
 14. Fellowship and Rock Hill—J. T. Carey.
 15. Glenville Church and Missionary Work—F. W. Stamey.
- Conference Evangelist—J. M. Hames.
Missionary Evangelists—J. R. Davis and J. M. Merrill.
President of Wesleyan Methodist College—H. C. Bedford.
President of Conference—S. I. Keeler.
Professor of Theology—S. W. Wright.
L. G. Clayton, C. A. Dunwoody, and G. D. Watson, to choose
their own fields of labor.

S. Irving Keeler,
W. D. Correll,
D. O. Powers,
J. R. Davis,
W. A. Matthews,
G. W. Davis,
A. C. Sizemore.

REPORT OF THE PRESIDENT.

The following items of business came before the President, and action taken, with the approval of the Advisory Board, as follows:

1. Early in the year Rev. A. A. Abbott was appointed an assistant pastor of Greenville Circuit, in charge of Pelzer church.

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2. Oakway church, having been left in the hands of the President, was assigned to Rev. J. F. Mason as supply pastor.

3. Rock Hill was added to the Westminster charge, under the pastoral care of Rev. J. T. Carey.

4. At the first quarterly conference of the Anderson charge it was voted unanimously to petition for a division of the circuit. This petition was granted, and Anderson church, with Belton added, was constituted one charge, and the other circuit, consisting of Mt. Olive, Martin's Grove, Smith's Chapel and Golden Grove, constituted the Mt. Olive charge, thereafter holding its separate quarterly conference. Rev. W. L. Ramsey was appointed assistant pastor of the Anderson charge.

5. A new, live, growing class has been organized at Fountain Inn, added to the Easley circuit, and received by the President. It grew out of a revival meeting held by Evangelist J. M. Hames. Rev. D. O. Powers appointed pastor.

6. A new and spiritual class was organized at Tucapau by Evangelist J. R. George. It was put under the pastoral care of Rev. R. C. Kendrick, added to the Greer charge, and received by the President.

7. Another class was organized by Evangelist George, following a tent meeting at Chesnee. Rev. D. O. Powers was appointed pastor, and it was added to Easley circuit, and received by the President.

8. A fourth new class was organized at Whitmire, which now numbers 28, some having been since added. It is the result of a tent meeting by Evangelist J. M. Hames, and is in entirely new territory, down east of Laurens, but not very far from our churches at Union and Fountain Inn, so that these three will make a good circuit for another year. The class at Whitmire is a promising one. The sum of \$800.00 has already been subscribed for a meeting house.

9. Transfers were granted to Rev. L. L. and Rev. Anna K. Folger, to the Illinois Conference. Rev. H. C. Bedford was received by transfer from the Lockport Conference. Also Rev. J. A. S. Anderson was transferred to the Alabama Conference. A letter of standing was issued to Rev. J. M. Hancock.

Practically a new class has been added to our work by the labors of Evangelist George at Davis Chapel, which for a few years has had a name to live, but was dead. It has come to life, the building repaired and painted, and a good class at work.

A new work above Walhalla has been opened by the labors of

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Rev. Houston Pressley, and the tent meeting held by Rev. J. R. Garrett and Rev. E. A. Crenshaw. We expect this will soon be a church.

Besides traveling the Conference to hold the quarterly meetings we have visited various parts of the work, holding one revival meeting and two Bible Institutes of eight days' duration, aside from labor in the Preachers' Institutes and camp meetings. In the services we held, not counting camp meetings, fifty souls in round numbers claimed pardon or sanctification. Received on salary among the churches, \$252.68. Most of the pledges on Budget were raised by Sister Stella Wood, returned missionary from India. Also Budget was raised by the Evangelists and the President.

Looking back over the past months, we feel constrained to say that we have had a good year as a whole, for which we thank God. The outlook for the future is brighter than in years, if we keep united, humble, clean and become more aggressive.

We believe that as a people we need to give our pastors a better support, labor to bring all our people into line in this matter, and work to promote revivals on every charge and to extend the work into new territory.

S. Irving Keeler.

COMMITTEE ON PASTORAL RELATIONS.

The Committee on Pastoral Relations begs leave to submit the following partial report:

We recommend that the duties of the President be to hold the first and fourth quarterly conferences, do evangelistic work, help the weak churches and neglected fields during the second and third quarters, also take general oversight of the work of the Conference, and that his salary be fixed at \$600.00, and his traveling expenses, his collections to be applied on salary.

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REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON APPORTIONMENT.

	Budget.	Minutes.	President's Salary.
Central	\$250.00	\$5.00	\$45.00
Spartanburg	300.00	5.00	45.00
Greenville	150.00	3.50	25.00
Piedmont	150.00	3.50	25.00
Walhalla	125.00	2.25	20.00
Greer	245.00	5.00	45.00
Carlisle	250.00	5.00	45.00
Martin's Grove	125.00	2.75	20.00
Mt. Olivet	125.00	2.75	20.00
Easley	210.00	4.75	40.00
Fountain Inn	85.00	3.00	20.00
Gaffney	130.00	2.75	20.00
Fellowship	50.00	2.00	10.00
Anderson	100.00	2.25	15.00
Total	\$2,295.00	\$51.40	\$395.00

L. B. Smith,
W. D. Correll,
Committee.

REPORT OF CONFERENCE EVANGELIST.

Time employed, 12 months. Meetings held, 13. Churches organized, 3. Number uniting with the church, 48.

Collections in meetings, 408.88. Pledges and cash on Budget, \$270.35. On building and repair, \$4.83.

J. R. George,
Conference Evangelist.

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REPORT OF CONFERENCE TREASURER.

Receipts. By Cash and Receipts.

Undivided Budget	\$1,747.15	
Foreign Missions	131.18	
Home Missions	9.00	
Education	7.50	
Minutes	45.95	
		\$1,940.78

Disbursements.

One per cent. of Undivided Budget	\$17.45	
Paid E. Teter by receipts and cash	1,153.13	
Paid H. C. Bedford, by cash and receipts.....	576.57	
Home Missions, cash and receipts	9.00	
Foreign Missions, E. Teter and by receipts.....	131.18	
H. C. Bedford, cash for education and receipts..	7.50	
Minutes, L. B. Smith	1.65	
To incoming Treasurer	44.30	
		\$1,940.78

Superannuated Ministers' Funds.

Received this year	\$13.58	
Cash on hand last year	32.23	
		\$45.81
Paid to Treasurer Wright		\$45.81
Due from notes Williamston Church		\$284.30
Accrued interest at 8 per cent		22.74
Due from Conference for tent note		37.98
Accrued interest		3.04
		\$348.06

Church Extension Fund.

Received	\$7.00
Paid out same to L. H. Kelley	\$7.00

J. W. Miller, Treasurer.

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OFFICIAL ROLL OF THE SOUTH CAROLINA CONFERENCE
WOMAN'S HOME AND FOREIGN MISSION-
ARY SOCIETY.

President Miss Ina Gaines.
Vice-President Mrs. L. G. Clayton.
Secretary Mrs. S. I. Keeler.
Treasurer Mrs. Agnes Boggs.
Organizer Miss Ina Gaines.
Supt. Y. M. W. B. Miss Estelle Gaines.

Conference Society Roll.

Mrs. H. C. Bedford,	Mrs. S. I. Keeler,
Mrs. L. T. Shirley,	Mrs. Agnes Boggs,
Mrs. W. D. Correll,	Mrs. L. G. Clayton,
Miss Estelle Gaines,	Mrs. W. M. Harris,
Mrs. J. W. Miller,	Miss Dora Wiebens.
Miss Ina Gaines.	

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Our Dead

In order occurred, name, place of death and year.

Rev. H. G. Scuddy	Moseley, S. C., 1896.
Rev. I. M. Abbott	Pacific Grove, Calif., 1896.
Rev. B. J. Davis.....	Greer, S. C., 1898.
Rev. A. R. Willis	Canon, Ga., 1898.
Rev. J. D. Wilson.....	Central, S. C., 1900.
Rev. C. W. DePew	Pelzer, S. C., 1903.
Rev. W. B. Padgett.....	Easley, S. C., 1903.
Rev. L. J. Harrington.....	Central, S. C., 1911.
Rev. J. E. Martin	Central, S. C., 1913

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SESSIONS OF CONFERENCE

Sessions of the South Carolina Conference of the Wesleyan Methodist Church given in order of number, date, place, where held, President, Secretary, and number of members:

1. Central, November 1, 1893; H. S. Abbott, President; S. J. McElroy, Secretary; 412.
2. Anderson, October 24, 1894; H. S. Abbott, President; S. J. McElroy, Secretary; 637.
3. Central, November 6, 1895; S. J. Cowan, President; J. W. Bailey, Secretary; 580.
4. Oakway, September 21, 1896; W. H. Kennedy, President; S. J. McElroy, Secretary; 740.
5. Calhoun, October 13, 1897; G. B. Nally, President; Estelle Gaines, Secretary; 850.
6. Central, October 12, 1898; G. B. Nally, President; J. W. Bailey, Secretary; 954.
7. Central, November 15, 1899; G. B. Nally, President; L. W. Johnson, Secretary; 1,156.
8. Converse, November 6, 1900; L. G. Clayton, President; L. W. Johnson, Secretary; 1,131.
9. Spartanburg, November 13, 1901; L. G. Clayton, President; L. W. Johnson, Secretary; 1,133.
10. Pelzer, October 15, 1902; L. G. Clayton, President; L. W. Johnson, Secretary; 1,281.
11. Greer, November 18, 1903; L. G. Clayton, President; L. W. Johnson, Secretary; 1,300.
12. Central, November 15, 1904; L. G. Clayton, President; Ina Gaines, Secretary; 1,608.
13. Anderson, November 22, 1905; E. Teter, President; Ina Gaines, Secretary; 1,484.
14. Central, November 21, 1906; L. W. Johnson, President; Ina Gaines, Secretary; 1,634.
15. Piedmont, November 20, 1907; L. W. Johnson, President; Ina Gaines, Secretary; 1,718.

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16. Landrum, November 18, 1908; L. W. Johnson, President; Ina Gaines, Secretary; *1,975.

17. Greer, November 16, 1909; B. L. Padgett, President; J. M. Hancock, Secretary; 1,670.

18. Greenville, November 29, 1910; M. T. Hartsoe, President; J. M. Hancock, Secretary; 1,511.

19. Piedmont, November 14, 1911; L. G. Clayton, President; J. M. Hancock, Secretary; 1,553.

20. Central, November 12, 1912; L. G. Clayton, President; J. M. Hancock, Secretary; 1,435.

21. Central, November 18, 1913; L. G. Clayton, President; J. M. Hancock, Secretary; 1,289.

22. Greer, November 24, 1914; S. I. Keeler, President; J. M. Hancock, Secretary; 1,440.

23. Easley, November 16, 1915; S. I. Keeler, President; L. B. Smith, Secretary.

24. Central, November 18, 1916; S. I. Keeler, President; L. B. Smith, Secretary.

* This number is too high. The Conference never had as many members as these high reports show.

THE SOUTH CAROLINA CONFERENCE.

STATISTICAL REPORT OF SOUTH CAROLINA ANNUAL CONFERENCE WOMAN'S HOME AND FOREIGN MISSIONARY SOCIETY FOR 1916

	Members		Honorary	Amount Raised for Home Missions	Amount Raised for Foreign Missions	Medical Missions	Education	Local Church Work	Total Receipts	Y. M. W. B.
	Active									
Calhoun	9	9		\$6.50	\$5.00				\$11.50	
Central	19	19		12.23	6.90		\$10.00		29.13	\$119.04
Easley	20	13	7	10.00	3.25		6.75	\$48.25	68.20	13.75
Greenville	16	12	4	2.50	4.75	\$2.45		7.05	16.75	13.40
Greer	24	19	5	42.93	43.43	9.00	12.00		107.36	31.47
Issaqueena	14	14		111.00	19.46		4.00		134.46	30.86
Landrum	10	3	7	8.75	2.75				11.00	7.75
Piedmont	14	14		8.12	4.05		2.90	38.25	54.09	89.70
Reedy River	32	28	4	4.60	6.43	6.43		11.31	28.87	
Total	158	131	27	\$205.63	\$102.02	\$17.88	\$35.65	\$104.85	\$461.36	\$292.57

The Y. M. W. B. report is incomplete, the Bands continuing their offerings until December 31.

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SOUTH CAROLINA CONFERENCE STATISTICAL REPORT

	Time Employed	Appointments	Societies	No. Wesleyan Methodists	S. S. Banners	Teacher's Quarterlies	Scholar's Quarterlies	Junior Quarterlies	Primary Class Papers	Little Folks Cards	Members Received	Expelled	Discontinued
Westminster	12	4	3	10		31	78		50	64	1		
Greer	12	3	3	20	24	12	80	55	30	75	21	3	1
Oakway	12	1	1			5	25		10	15	1		
Carlisle	12	4	4	6		12	125	75	125	142	23		
Spartanburg	12	5	5	17	18	22	130	125	40	132	17	2	16
Anderson	12	6	5	27		12	80	10	70	142	18	3	5
Greenville	12	5	5	10	25	19	75	149	126	95	23	24	2
Easley	12	5	5	13		11	105	175	58	70	49		8
Walhalla	12	4	4	12		14	38	15	45	40	11	2	2
Central	12	1	1	23	40	9	60	24	12	24	33		21
Piedmont	12	1	1	10	48	15	75	25	10	60	16		5
Total	132	39	37	148	153	162	871	603	576	859	213	34	60

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STATISTICAL REPORT—Continued

	Died	Granted Letters	No. Reported Last Year	No. at Beginning of Year	Present Number	Gain	Loss	Associate Members	Baptized	Unstationed Elders	Licentiates	Membership Tithing
Westminster		7	39	69	58		9	5	1		1	2
Greer	1	3	119	119	130	11			15		1	15
Oakway	2		78	78	77		1		1		1	
Carlisle		2	230	230	251	21			10		2	4
Spartanburg	3	8	224	224	212		12		9		2	32
Anderson		8	227	229	231	2			6		2	
Greenville		9	126	126	111		15		8		2	
Easley	1		70	70	139	69		1	21		4	
Walhalla	1		127	127	133	6			3		1	15
Central	2	12	152	120	110		10		4	1	2	32
Piedmont		3	64	64	72	8			11			10
Total	10	52	1456	1456	1536	78		6	89	1	22	110

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STATISTICAL REPORT—Continued

	No. Sabbath Schools	Officers not Teach. or Schol.	No. Teachers	No. Scholars in Home Pept.	No. Scholars in Cradle Roll	No. Scholars in Main School	Total No. in Sab. School	Average Attendance	No. Scholars Converted	No. Scholars Joining Church	No. Departmental Supts.	No. Teach. in Train. Course	Schol. in Adult Bible Class	No. Books in Library
Westminster . . .	3	4	8			103	88	75	1	1				
Greer	2	8	13	3	32	129	138	113	10	8	3		25	
Oakway	1	2	5			50	35	35	2	1			30	
Carlisle	4	8	12			120	132	120						
Spartanburg . . .	5	9	21		12	270	417	335	7	7			60	
Anderson	5	10	16		12	249	297	200	6					
Greenville	4	8	18		8	285	323	203					22	12
Easley	2	4	12		5	142	154	154						
Walhalla	3		9			100	112	75	3					
Central	1	3	8		13	130	154	110	4	4	3		70	
Piedmont	1	3	8		27	125	164	100	15	13	1		12	
Total	31	59	130	3	109	1703	2014	1520	48	34	7		219	12

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STATISTICAL REPORT—Continued

	No. Church Buildings	Value of	Amt. of Indebtedness	No. Parsonages	Value of	Amt. of Indebtedness	Cash or Other Val. on Hand	Pastors' Salary	Parsonage Rent	Fees, Marriage and Funerals	Gifts
Westminster ..	3	\$2300	\$62.00					\$252.76		\$5.00	\$14.02
Greer	2	1800						294.05		9.50	30.00
Oakway	1	600						42.50			
Carlisle	4	2500	10.00	1	\$1000	\$12	\$4.50	262.97	\$60	2.00	64.50
Spartanburg ..	5	4700	384.70				20.40	599.79		6.20	71.07
Anderson	5	4200	29.17					454.30			95.00
Greenville	3	3550	840.30				115.21	308.85		2.00	95.00
Easley	2	2800						362.62		8.00	35.00
Walhalla	3	1200						198.12		1.00	
Central	1	1250					350.00	408.28		3.00	43.50
Piedmont	1	1500		1	1000			401.85	84		26.81
Total	30	\$26400	\$1326.17	2	\$2000	\$12	\$490.15	\$3586.09	\$144	\$36.70	\$474.90

THE SOUTH CAROLINA CONFERENCE.

STATISTICAL REPORT—Continued

	Total Pastor's Receipts	For Church, Con. Pres. Sal.	Evangelistic Help	Sabbath School Expenses	Building and Repair	Incidental Expenses	Total for Church
Westminster	\$271.78	\$22.57	\$48.89	\$10.00	\$225.00	\$54.50	\$360.96
Greer	329.55	24.02	113.00	53.00		63.45	250.47
Oakway	42.50	13.35	26.00		150.00	3.00	192.35
Carlisle	389.47	15.57	131.00	50.00	287.00	50.00	531.57
Spartanburg	677.26	44.11	93.40	129.60	355.91	89.68	722.70
Anderson	549.30	30.21	95.82	75.39	282.45	49.20	533.57
Greenville	405.85	9.55	129.18	124.89	126.56	129.50	519.68
Easley	405.62	26.62	85.00	77.00	30.00	50.00	268.62
Walhalla	199.12	30.00	107.34	25.00	55.00	8.00	225.34
Central	454.78	36.50	78.91	70.66	215.00	66.24	467.31
Piedmont	511.66	10.42	59.28	76.12	16.75	39.02	201.59
Total	\$4237.89	\$262.92	\$967.82	\$692.66	\$1743.67	\$602.59	\$4276.66

THE SOUTH CAROLINA CONFERENCE.

STATISTICAL REPORT—Continued

	For Benevolence	Missions	Education	Minutes	Superannuated Min. Fund	Other Benevolent Objects	Total for Benevolence
Westminster	\$92.10	\$30.57	\$41.95	\$3.00	\$6.00	\$73.10	\$233.72
Greer	166.00	187.38		3.70		59.70	413.08
Oakway	22.49			1.50			23.99
Carlisle	183.50	75.04		4.80			263.30
Spartanburg	264.06	39.55		9.80	1.00	48.50	364.81
Anderson	290.45	94.17		6.25		162.25	539.12
Greenville	67.68	99.51		2.90	.78	95.72	273.97
Easley	154.24	4.00		6.43	4.40	100.00	262.64
Walhalla	123.71	16.04	2.50	3.60		115.45	256.70
Central		243.42	96.30		.50	457.00	776.16
Piedmont	83.05		18.76	3.97	.90	41.65	144.36
Total	\$1448.28	\$789.68	\$182.01	\$45.95	\$13.58	\$1153.37	\$3551.85

THE SOUTH CAROLINA CONFERENCE.

STATISTICAL REPORT—Continued

	Total for Pastors	Total for Church	Total for Benevolence	Total for all Purposes	Undivided Budget	Missions	Education	Conference	Total
Westminster	\$271.78	\$360.89	\$243.62	\$876.29	\$92.10	\$30.57	\$41.95		164.62
Oakway	42.50	192.35		264.35	22.49				22.49
Carlisle	339.47	531.57	263.30	1134.34	183.50	75.00			258.50
Spartanburg	677.26	722.70	364.81	1743.32	264.06	28.55			292.71
Anderson	549.30	533.07	509.95	1592.15	290.45	94.17			384.62
Greer	329.55	253.47	413.08	1096.10	166.00	192.95			298.95
Greenville	405.85	519.68	273.97	1199.50	67.68	124.57			192.19
Easley	405.62	268.62	262.64	943.21	154.24	4.00			158.24
Walhalla	199.12	225.34	257.70	682.15	123.70	16.04	2.50		142.24
Central	454.78	467.31	776.16	1688.25		243.42	96.30		339.72
Piedmont	511.66	201.59	144.36	857.61	83.05	102.45	18.76		204.26
Total	\$4186.89	\$4276.59	\$3509.59	\$11988.91	\$1447.29	\$728.27	\$159.51		\$2438.54