

1966

M I N U T E S

OF THE

THIRTY-SEVENTH ANNUAL CONFERENCE

OF THE

TENNESSEE MISSION CONFERENCE

OF THE

WESLEYAN METHODIST CHURCH

OF AMERICA

HELD AT

WESLEYAN METHODIST CAMP GROUND

KNOXVILLE, TENNESSEE

REV. C. WESLEY LOVIN, President

MISS AGNES G. HOUSER, Secretary

PAGE OF INFORMATION

(Pastors Please Follow Instructions)

1. Remit your Conference Budget money to the Conference Treasurer by the last day of each current month. Your Conference Treasurer's address is: Alvin A. McCammon, 6005 Chalmers Drive, Knoxville, Tennessee.
2. Your General Budget may be sent to the various Treasurers direct if you prefer, but a copy of the receipt MUST BE MAILED to the Conference Treasurer for credit on your Budget.
3. The Conference Treasurer's Books close June 30.
4. The Woman's Missionary Society Treasurer is Mrs. Walter Neal, Box 142, Rockwood, Tennessee.
5. The Y.M.W.B. Superintendent is Mrs. H. R. Cureton, 905 Mallory Road, Knoxville, Tennessee.
6. Your BUDGET APPORTIONMENT per Member is:

Foreign Missions	\$ 2.00
Church Extension	1.50
Education	4.00
Superannuated Pension Fund	7.00
Orphanage50
Australia25
Church Administration	2.15
General Conference Expense50
Wesleyan Seminary50
General Sunday School25
Brainerd Indian School	<u>.25</u>
General Budget per Member	\$ 18.90
Conference Budget (as set by the Board of Managers ..	<u>10.00</u>
Total Budget per Member	\$ 28.90

O F F I C I A R Y

PRESIDENT Rev. C. Wesley Lovin, Box 2000, Marion, Indiana
 VICE PRESIDENT Rev. Edward Schade, 611 Shelby Avenue, Nashville, Tennessee
 SECRETARY Miss Agnes G. Houser, Route 16, Knoxville, Tennessee
 TREASURER Alvin A. McCammon, 6005 Chalmers Drive, Knoxville, Tennessee

ADVISORY BOARD

Ministerial - N. C. Hoggle

Layman - W. C. Crowe

BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Ministerial - Edward Schade (1969), H. A. Harvey (1968), N.C. Hoggle (1967)
 Laymen - Alvin A. McCammon (1969), W. C. Crowe (1968)

STANDING COMMITTEES

Itineracy and Orders - Rev. Edward Schade, Rev. H. A. Harvey, Rev. N. C. Hoggle
 Alvin A. McCammon and W. C. Crowe.

Judicial - Rev. Edward Schade, Rev. N. C. Hoggle, Rev. H. A. Harvey and
 Rev. J. A. Cassady

Vacancies - Taylor Jackson, Michael Houser, Rev. J. A. Cassady, and Rev.
 H. A. Harvey.

Board of Managers - Rev. Edward Schade, Rev. H. A. Harvey, Rev. N. C. Hoggle,
 Alvin A. McCammon and W. C. Crowe.

Statistician - Agnes G. Houser

Sunday School Board M. R. Gatlin, Dave Cardwell, Roy Gill, and Robert
 McIlwaine

Nominee to Central Board of Managers - Alvin A. McCammon; Alternate, Carl
 Taylor

SESSIONS COMMITTEES

Apportionment - Rev. Edward Schade, Rev. H. A. Harvey, Rev. N. C. Hoggle,
 Alvin A. McCammon and W. C. Crowe

Pastoral Relations - Elders; N. C. Hoggle, Edward Schade, H. A. Harvey
 Laymen; Alma Lane, W. E. Crowe and Charles Cayce (

Character - Taylor Jackson, Michael Houser, Rev. J. A. Cassady and Rev.
 H. A. Harvey

CHURCH DIRECTORY

Knoxville, First 2016 Woodbine Avenue
 Nashville, First 611 Shelby Avenue
 Second
 Grace Gartland Street
 Oak Ridge Royce Circle

CONFERENCE ROLL

Elders on Stationed List

	Phone
Hoggle, N. C. (2) 2732 Linden Avenue NE, Knoxville, Tennessee	615/523-2660
Schade, Edward (2) 617 Shelby Avenue, Nashville, Tennessee	615/255-7846

Elders on Superannuated List

Cassady, J. A. (2) Route #1, Selmer, Tennessee	
Harvey, H. A. (2) P. O. Box, Powell, Tennessee	615/947-7208
Harvey, Willa E. (2) P. O. Box, Powell, Tennessee	615/947-7208

Conference Preachers on Stationed List

Gatlin, M. R. (2) North Second Avenue, Nashville, Tennessee
 McCabe, Claude (2) Box 352, Oak Ridge, Tennessee
 Smith, B. C. (2) Gartland Street, Nashville, Tennessee

Students in the Course of Study

Claude McCabe	Bernard C. Smith
Earl Seibers	Earl Wright

Delegates

W. C. Crowe (2)	Oak Ridge, Tennessee
Michael Houser (2)	Knoxville, First, Tennessee
Taylor Jackson (2)	Knoxville, First, Tennessee
Lloyd S. Jordan (2)	Nashville, Grace, Tennessee
Alvin A. McCammon (2)	Knoxville, First, Tennessee
Earl Wright (2)	Nashville, Second, Tennessee

JOURNAL OF DAILY PROCEEDINGS

10:00 A.M. Tuesday, August 23, 1966

Rev. C. Wesley Lovin led the conference body in singing "Leaning on the Everlasting Arms" and "Glory to His Name."

Dr. Virgil A. Mitchell, General Superintendent, asked Rev. C. Wesley Lovin to give the morning devotions. He chose as his text Acts 1:8. Rev. Claude Scott, a member of the Ohio Conference, led in prayer.

By direction of the General Conference (See Appendix A, Par. IX and X) of The Wesleyan Methodist Church of America, Dr. V. A. Mitchell called the thirty-seventh session of the Tennessee Mission Annual Conference of The Wesleyan Methodist Church of America to order.

Miss Agnes G. Houser was asked to serve as secretary pro-tem.

Dr. Mitchell stated that by directive of the General Conference (See Appendix A, Par. IX, Lines 5-10) officers of the Conference would be elected from those who signed the Statement of Adherence to the Discipline of The Wesleyan Methodist Church of America (See Appendix B).

It was voted that the first six rows of seats forward and the rostrum constitute the Bar of the Conference.

Names of ministers and lay delegates signing the Statement of Adherence to the Discipline were read.

Five elders, one conference preacher, and four laymen were seated.

Moved by N. C. Hoggle, supported by Edward Schade and approved by vote of Conference body that the Second Wesleyan Methodist Church, Nashville and Grace Wesleyan Methodist Church, Nashville, be received as members of the Tennessee Mission Annual Conference.

Moved by N. C. Hoggle, supported by Edward Schade and approved by vote of the conference body that M. R. Gatlin and delegate, Earl Wright, be seated as members of the Conference body.

Moved by Willa E. Harvey, seconded by Edward Schade, and approved by vote of conference body that B. C. Smith and dlegate, Lloyd S. Jordan, be seated as members of the Conference body.

Moved by Edward Schade, seconded by M. R. Gatlin and approved by vote of the conference body that a Nominating Committee of five be elected: The following were elected: Edward Schade, W. C. Crowe, M. R. Gatlin, Alvin McCammon, and H. A. Harvey.

The Nominating Committee was excused to prepare its report.

Names of laymen who signed the Statement of Adherence to Discipline were read. It was moved by N. C. Hoggle, supported by Willa E. Harvey and voted by the conference that those signing said statement be made honorary members of the body, to participate in conference discussions but not having right to vote.

Dr. R. C. Mullinax, President of Central Wesleyan College, brought greetings and gave his official report on the College.

The Committee on Nominations presented the following partial report which was adopted as read -- each committee being voted on separately.

BOARD OF TRUSTEES: Elders Edward Schade, H. A. Harvey, N. C. Hoggle; Laymen Alvin A. McCammon, W. C. Crowe.

ITINERACY AND ORDERS: Elders Edward Schade, H. A. Harvey, N. C. Hoggle, and Willa E. Harvey.

BOARD OF MANAGERS: Elders Edward Schade, H. A. Harvey, N. C. Hoggle; Laymen Alvin A. McCammon, and W. C. Crowe.

CHARACTER: Taylor Jackson, Michael Houser, J. A. Cassady, and H. A. Harvey.

SUNDAY SCHOOL BOARD: M. R. Gatlin, Dave Cardwell, Roy Gill, and Robert McIlwaine.

VACANCIES: Taylor Jackson, Michael Houser, J. A. Cassady, and H. A. Harvey.

The Committee on Character reported that the characters of N. C. Hoggle (elder), Edward Schade (elder), C. R. McCabe, M. R. Gatlin, and R. C. Smith (conference preachers) had been passed. By vote of the conference body this report was adopted.

Dr. Mitchell stated that by directive of the General Conference (See Appendix A, Par. I) the body could: (1) Elect a president from among those declaring loyalty to the Discipline or (2) Elect the Executive Secretary of Church Extension and Evangelism as President.

W. C. Crowe and Alvin McCammon were appointed tellers.

Officers were elected (by ballot) as follows:

President - C. Wesley Lovin
Vice President - Edward Schade
Secretary - Agnes G. Houser
Treasurer - Alvin A. McCammon

By vote the conference was adjourned for dinner, to reconvene at the call of the chair.

Dr. Mitchell, General Superintendent, called the business session to order at 2:00 p.m.

Mr. W. C. Crowe led in prayer.

Roll was called: five elders, three conference preachers, and six lay delegates answered roll call.

Reading of the minutes were omitted.

Election of trustees was declared null and void since they must be elected by ballot. Ballots were cast and the following were elected trustees:

Elders: Edward Schade (3 years)
H. A. Harvey (2 years)
N. C. Hoggle (1 year)

Laymen: Alvin A. McCammon (3 years)
W. C. Crowe (2 years)

Alvin A. McCammon was elected trustee for Central College and Carl Taylor was elected alternate trustee for Central College.

The Nominating Committee gave the following report which was adopted by vote:

PASTORAL RELATIONS: Elders N. C. Hoggle, Edward Schade, H. A. Harvey;
Laymen Alma Lane, W. E. Crowe and Charles Cayce.

JUDICIARY COMMITTEE: Elders Edward Schade, N. C. Hoggle, H. A. Harvey, and
J. A. Cassady.

COMMITTEE ON APPORTIONMENT: Recommended that the General Budget be accepted;
and that the Board of Managers survey the needs and make recommendations
for annual conference budget items.

STATISTICIAN: Miss Agnes Houser was elected Statistician.

BOARD OF MANAGERS: By motion the Board of Trustees was elected Board of Managers
of the Tennessee Conference.

The Committee on Pastoral Relations was excused for committee work.

A motion carried that the date of the next Annual Conference be referred
to the Conference Board of Managers.

A motion prevailed that all unfinished business be referred to the
President and his Advisory Board.

By motion it was voted that a committee composed of the Conference
President, Conference Secretary, and Board of Managers, read, edit, approve,
and make provisions for publishing of the Conference Minutes.

REPORTS OF PASTORS AND DELEGATES:

B. C. Smith, pastor, Grace Wesleyan Methodist Church, Nashville, gave his
report and Lloyd S. Jordan, delegate, gave his testimony.

M. R. Gatlin, pastor, 2nd Wesleyan Methodist Church, Nashville, gave his
report and Earl Wright, delegate, gave his testimony.

Claude McCabe, pastor, Oak Ridge, gave his report and W. C. Crowe,
delegate, gave his testimony.

N. C. Hoggle, pastor, First Wesleyan Church, Knoxville, read his report
and Alvin A. McCammon, delegate, gave his testimony.

Edward Schade, pastor, First Wesleyan Methodist Church, Nashville, read
his report.

The following superannuated ministers gave testimonies: H. A. Harvey
Willie E. Harvey, and J. A. Cassady.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON ITINERACY AND ORDERS:

Item I: M. R. Gatlin - Inasmuch as he is a Conference Preacher and served as pastor for 17 years of the mission which was later organized the Second Wesleyan Methodist Church, Nashville, Tennessee, and having completed the Course of Study, we recommend he be ordained, time and place to be determined by Committee on Itineracy and Orders.

Item II: Classification of Students

Second Year - Earl Wright, Second Wesleyan Methodist Church, Nashville
Third Year - Earl Seibers, Knoxville First Church; Bernard Smith, Grace Wesleyan Methodist Church, Nashville; Claude McCabe, Oak Ridge.

The above recommendations were adopted by vote.

The president nominated and the conference elected the following as the President's Advisory Board: Elder N. C. Hoggle and Layman W. C. Crowe.

A motion prevailed that the Statistician receive and compile the statistical report and mail reports back to pastors.

REPORT OF PASTORAL RELATIONS COMMITTEE

Appointments:

Knoxville First Wesleyan Methodist Church - N. C. Hoggle
Oak Ridge Wesleyan Methodist Church - Claude McCabe
Nashville First Wesleyan Methodist Church - Edward Schade
Nashville Second Wesleyan Methodist Church - M. R. Gatlin
Grace Wesleyan Methodist Church, Nashville - Bernard Smith

Superannuated:

H. A. Harvey, Willa E. Harvey, J. A. Cassady.

RECOMMENDATION: That the remainder of the Wesleyan Methodist Churches within the bounds of the Tennessee Conference be left in the hands of the President and his Advisory Board with power to act in accordance with the provisions of the General Conference actions and the current edition of the Wesleyan Methodist Discipline.

The report and recommendation of the Pastoral Relations Committee was adopted.

Moved by Rev. Edward Schade, seconded by H. A. Harvey that the Conference President and Conference Trustees become the trustees for the Tennessee Corporation. Motion carried.

The chairman announced that the Statement of Adherence to the Discipline of the Wesleyan Methodist Church will be left open until September 15, 1966 for further signatures to be affixed.

General Superintendent Virgil A. Mitchell declared that in accordance with action of the General Conference of The Wesleyan Methodist Church of America the transactions of this body today will constitute the official acts of the Tennessee Mission Conference of The Wesleyan Methodist Church of America. The purported conference held July 19, 1966, is illegal and its actions null and void.

Mrs. Mildred Scott, General WMS President, reported the following WMS Officers.

President - Mrs. Edward Schade
Vice President - Mrs. W. C. Crowe
Secretary - Mrs. Alvin McCammon
Treasurer - Mrs. Walter Neal
Y.M.W.B. Superintendent - Mrs. H. R. Cureton

C. Wesley Lovin expressed appreciation for the wonderful spirit of cooperation shown . . . and emphasized that to preach and live the Bible and govern the Church by the Discipline was the best formula for harmonious progress.

The Conference by vote was adjourned to the call of the chair.

C. Wesley Lovin, President

Agnes G. Houser, Secretary

ITEM No. 1-2 PASTOR'S LABORS AND PERIODICALS	CHURCH	Number of Local Preachers	Number of Appointments	Number of Organized Church Societies	Time Employed (months)	THE WESLEYAN METHODIST taken	THE WESLEYAN MISSIONARY taken	THE WESLEYAN YOUTH taken	Devotional Quarterly	Adult and Teacher	Senior Youth and Teacher	Junior Youth and Teacher	Junior and Teacher	Primary and Teacher	Aldersgate Kindergarten	Sunday School Banner	High School Signal	Junior Journeys	Children's Friend
KNOXVILLE FIRST	2	1	3	12	61	30	8	2	80				9	11	11	60		10	
NASHVILLE FIRST	1	1	3	12	15	12	8	Uses	Denominational Literature but did not indicate Number										
NASHVILLE GRACE	1	1	1	12	1	1	1	Uses	Denominational Literature but did not indicate number										
NASHVILLE 2ND	1	1	1	12	Uses Denominational Literature but did not indicate number of each used														
OAK RIDGE	0	1	3	12	6	8	7	Uses	Denominational Literature but not indicating number used										
TOTALS	5	5	11	60	83	51	24	2	80				9	11	11	60		10	

CHURCH	ITEM No. 3 MEMBERSHIP																		
	Full Members Reported Last Year	Full Members Received This Year: On Profession of Faith	Discontinued	Died	Granted Letters	Members Lost	Present Full Membership	Associate Members	Junior Members	Total Present Membership	Total Membership Reported Last Year	Gain in Members for the Year (or)	Loss in Members for the Year	Number of Seekers	Persons Baptized	Infants Dedicated	Number of Family Altars	Membership Tithing	Card Call Subscribers
KNOXVILLE FIRST	61	1	15	2	3	20	42	10		52	65		13				17	30	6
NASHVILLE FIRST	70	8	5	1		6	72	20	15	107	137		30	26	8	6	68	63	
NASHVILLE GRACE		11					11			11		11		4			4		
NASHVILLE 2ND		17					17			17		17		8			10	1	
OAK RIDGE	6	2					8			8	6	2					4	8	
TOTALS	137	39	20	3	3	26	150	30	15	195	208	30	43	38	8	6	103	102	6

CHURCH	ITEM No. 4 & 5 SUNDAY SCHOOLS AND WESLEYAN YOUTH	NUMBER of Sunday Schools	Average Attendance	Pupils Enrolled	Officers and Teachers	Potential Regular Attendance (Total Number in main School)	Cradle Roll Department (Not counted above)	Home Department (Not counted above)	Total enrollment (add 5, 6, and 7)	Number of Pupils Joining Church	Standard of Achievement Score	Teacher Training Units Taught	WETT Credit Cards Earned	Number of CYC Chapters	Total CYC Members	Enrollment Vacation Bible School	Average Attendance Vacation Bible School	NUMBER WESLEYAN YOUTH Locals	Active Members Wesleyan Youth	Associate Members of Wesleyan Youth
KNOXVILLE, FIRST		1	81	82	12	94	2	8	102									1		
NASHVILLE FIRST		1	125	104	13	117	6		123	3						108	76	1	14	5
NASHVILLE GRACE		1	11	9	2	11														
NASHVILLE 2ND		1	48	31	4	34			34	2										
OAK RIDGE		1	17	23	3	23	1		24	2								1	2	
TOTALS		5	282	249	34	279	9	8	283	7						108	76	3	16	5

ITEM No. 6 CHURCH PROPERTY									
CHURCH	Number of Church Buildings	Value of Buildings	Amount of Indebtedness	Amount of Insurance	Number of Parsonages and Auxiliary Buildings	Value of Parsonages and Auxiliary Buildings	Amount of Indebtedness	Amount of Insurance	Cash or Other Valuables on Hand
KNOXVILLE FIRST	1	\$ 18,000		\$15,000	1	\$ 12,500		\$ 15,000	\$ 2,945.78
NASHVILLE FIRST	1	45,000	\$ 7,950	25,000					1,003.57
NASHVILLE GRACE									
NASHVILLE 2ND									
OAK RIDGE	1	5,000		5,000					261.90
TOTALS	3	\$ 68,000	\$ 7,950	\$ 45,000	1	\$ 12,500		\$15,000	\$ 4,211.25

ITEM No. 7 DISBURSED FOR PASTOR								
CHURCH	SALARY	Parsonage Rent and Utilities	Special Services - Gifts	Donations	Allowances received for Travel and/or Car Expense	Pastor's Unadjusted Gross Ministerial Receipts	Amount spent for Church Travel and/or Car Expense	Net Ministerial Income
KNOXVILLE FIRST	\$ 4,015.00	\$ 1,767.30			\$ 420.00			\$6,202.30
NASHVILLE FIRST		2,950.00			210.00		\$1,000.00	4,160.00
NASHVILLE GRACE								
NASHVILLE 2ND								
OAK RIDGE	780.00		\$ 108.00			\$ 888.00		888.00
TOTALS	\$ 4,795.00	\$4,717.30	\$ 108.00		\$ 630.00	\$ 888.00	\$1,000.00	\$11,250.30

ITEM No. 8 DISBURSED FOR CHURCH										
CHURCH	Other Evangelistic Help	Sunday School Expense	Promotional Expense of other Church Auxiliary Organizations	Buildings (do not include borrowed funds)	Repairs (do not include borrowed funds)	Amount Paid On Indebtedness	Amount Paid on Expense of Indebtedness	Church Incidental Expense	Amount spent by Pastor for Church Travel and/or Car Expense	TOTAL FOR CHURCH
KNOXVILLE FIRST	\$ 806.85	\$ 442.33	\$ 172.02	\$	\$ 678.41	\$	\$	\$ 1,337.68		\$3,437.29
NASHVILLE FIRST	50.00	500.00	100.00	2,150		960.00	160.00	1,601.23		5,521.23
NASHVILLE GRACE										
NASHVILLE 2ND		30.00						1,270.00		1,300.00
OAK RIDGE	86.50	128.71	336.05					240.35		791.61
TOTALS	\$ 943.35	\$1,101.04	\$608.07	\$2,150.00	\$678.41	\$960.00	\$160.00	\$4,449.26		\$11,050.13

ITEM No. 9 DISBURSED FOR BUDGET														
CHURCH	Undivided Budget	World Missions	Australia	Brainerd Indian School	General Church Extension and Evangelism	Pension Plan	Church Administration	General Conference Expense	Board Expense	Hephzibah	Education	Wesleyan Seminary Foundation	General Sunday School	Total General Budget
KNOXVILLE FIRST	122.54	14.00	14.00	87.00	196.00	122.42	28.00	8.40	62.70	227.00	16.80	24.00		922.86
NASHVILLE FIRST	143.00	18.00	18.00	105.00						24.50	140.00	22.40		470.90
NASHVILLE GRACE		Newly Organized Church												
NASHVILLE 2ND		Newly Organized Church												
OAK RIDGE	12.00	1.50	1.50	9.00	21.00	12.00	3.00	.90	2.10	24.00	1.80	6.00		94.80
TOTALS RAISED	277.54	33.50	33.50	201.00	217.00	134.42	31.00	9.30	89.30	434.00	41.00	30.00		1,488.56

MINUTES OF WOMAN'S MISSIONARY SOCIETY

The Woman's Missionary Society of the Tennessee Conference convened Tuesday, August 23, 1966, 1:30 p.m. at the Conference camp ground for their annual meeting.

Mrs. Clyde Scott, Connectional WMS President, called the meeting to order.

Mrs. Eilene Kindley, Connectional YMWB Superintendent led the devotions. A period of silent prayer for our missionaries followed the reading of the Psalm.

The following were elected as a Nominating Committee: Agnes Houser, Chairman, Mrs. Taylor Jackson and Mrs. W. C. Crowe.

Rev. R. C. Mullinax, President of Central College, reported on Central College and invited the ladies down for Harvest Day, October 28th.

Mrs. Scott spoke about and showed some of the aides available to local societies, including: WWF Program, Penny-A-Meal stickers, Mile of Dimes and Birthday folders.

The Nominating Committee submitted the following slate which was elected by ballot.

President - Mrs. Edward Schade
Vice President - Mrs. W. C. Crowe
Secretary - Mrs. Alvin A. McCammon
Treasurer - Mrs. Walter Neal
Y.M.W.B. Superintendent - Mrs. H. R. Cureton

The following plan of work was given: (1) Date for closing of books to coincide with that of the Conference; (2) Send all Monies to Conference Treasurer quarterly; (3) Follow plan of work for local societies; and (4) Pay 25¢ per active member for conference work.

Moved and carried to adjourn to divide into groups for workshops.

Mrs. H. R. Cureton
Secretary Pro-Tem

Y.M.W.B. — TENNESSEE CONFERENCE

Conference Year 1965-66

Number of active members reported-	39
Number of honorary members reported	40
Total	79

Number of meetings held	68
Number of children participating in reading course	0
Number of children choosing prayer partners	14

FUNDS

World Missions	75.93
Church Extension	30.25
Education	35.00
Hephzibah	33.61
Special Projects:	
World Missions	12.90
Church Extension	2.00
	<u>\$189.69</u>
Total non credit	<u>2.23</u>
GRAND TOTAL	\$191.92