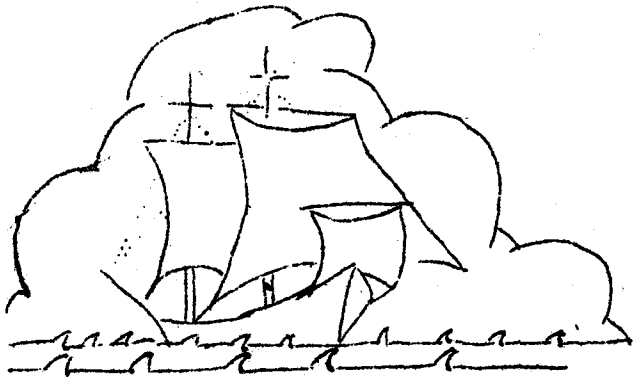


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PILGRIM HOLINESS CHURCH
MINUTES OF ANNUAL
ASSEMBLY
1941



Abilene, Texas

Nov. 17, 18, 1941

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REX GARRABRANT.....JOHN ABLA.....RUTH INGRAM

RESOLUTIONS COMMITTEE

NAOMI CLEVINGER.....MARTHA INGRAM.....MAXINE HICKMAN

EXAMINING AND EDUCATIONAL BOARD

NAOMI CLEVINGER.....MARTHA INGRAM.....REX GARRABRANT

CAMP MEETING BOARD

JOHN ABLA.....NAOMI CLEVINGER.....NELLIE MIX
DECIA QUINN.....HAZEL MCCOY.....ADDIE ALYSEWOTH

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ELLA MAE MOHLMAN.....HARRAH, OKLAHOMA

APPOINTMENTS

DEVINE, TEXAS.....REX GARRABRANT
HILLSBORO, TEXAS.....NAOMI CLEVINGER
PLAINVIEW, TEXAS.....T. C. INGRAM
SHAMROCK, TEXAS.....JOHN ABLA

JOURNAL OF PROCEEDINGS

FIRST SITTING

THE FIRST ANNUAL ASSEMBLY OF THE PILGRIM HOLINESS CHURCH OF THE TEXAS DISTRICT CONVENED IN THE SALVATION ARMY HALL AT ABILENE, TEXAS, NOVEMBER 17, 1941, AT 9:20 A.M.

THE ASSEMBLY WAS OPENED WITH A DEVOTIONAL SERVICE. REV. JOHN ABLA LED THE CONGREGATION IN SINGING. NAOMI CLEVINGER WAS AT THE PIANO.

PRAYER WAS OFFERED BY REV. R. W. WOLFE, AFTER WHICH REV. WOLFE GAVE THE ASSEMBLY A STIRRING MESSAGE FROM THE THIRD CHAPTER OF EPHESIANS, ENLARGING ON THE SEVENTH VERSE AND ENTREATING US TO GIVE DILIGENCE TO THE FACT THAT WE WERE MADE MINISTERS.

THE ASSEMBLY PROCEEDED WITH BUSINESS, WITH REV. R. W. WOLFE, SECRETARY OF HOME MISSIONS, PRESIDING.

IN THE ABSENCE OF THE DISTRICT SECRETARY IT WAS MOVED AND SECONDED THAT THE CHAIRMAN APPOINT A SECRETARY PRO TEM AND AN ASSISTANT. THE MOTION WAS CARRIED.

THOSE APPOINTED WERE, NAOMI CLEVINGER, SECRETARY PRO TEM AND MAXINE HICKMAN AS ASSISTANT.

IT WAS MOVED AND SECONDED THAT THE FIRST THREE ROWS OF SEATS CONSTITUTE THE ASSEMBLY BAR. THE MOTION WAS CARRIED.

MOVED AND SECONDED THAT BROTHER JOHN ABLA BE INTRODUCED TO THE ASSEMBLY BY WAY OF TESTIMONY AND THAT HE BE TRANSFERRED TO THIS DISTRICT. THE MOTION WAS CARRIED.

MOVED AND SECONDED THAT BROTHER REX GARRABRANT BE INTRODUCED TO THIS ASSEMBLY BY WAY OF TESTIMONY AND THAT HE BE TRANSFERRED TO THIS DISTRICT. THE MOTION WAS CARRIED.

MOVED AND SECONDED THAT SISTER NAOMI CLEVINGER BE INTRODUCED TO THIS ASSEMBLY BY WAY OF TESTIMONY AND THAT SHE BE TRANSFERRED TO THIS DISTRICT. THE MOTION WAS CARRIED.

A COMPLETION OF THE REGISTER WAS MADE.

MOVED AND SECONDED THAT THE TIME OF OUR SITTINGS BE AS FOLLOWS, 9:30 A.M. TO 11:00 A.M., 2 P.M. TO 4 P.M., WITH PREACHING SERVICES BEGINNING AT 7:30 P.M. THE MOTION WAS CARRIED.

OUR GENERAL SECRETARY REQUESTED PRAYER OF THOSE PRESENT IN BEHALF OF THE BUSINESS CONNECTED WITH THE PURCHASING OF PROPERTY TO MAKE ABILENE A PERMANENT PLACE FOR OUR ASSEMBLY.

THE SITTING ADJOURNED BY EXPIRATION OF TIME.

SECOND SITTING

THE SECOND SESSION WAS OPENED WITH BROTHER ABLA IN CHARGE OF THE SINGING. RUTH INGRAM WAS AT THE PIANO.

REV. GARRABRANT OFFERED PRAYER.

THE MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS SITTING WERE READ AND APPROVED AS CORRECTED.

IT WAS MOVED AND SECONDED THAT WE HAVE ONE COMMITTEE TO PERFORM THE DUTIES OF BOTH THE EDUCATIONAL AND EXAMINING BOARDS. THESE TO BE APPOINTED BY THE DISTRICT SUPERINTENDENT. THE MOTION WAS CARRIED.

THOSE APPOINTED WERE NAOMI CLEVINGER, MARTHA INGRAM, AND REX GARRABRANT.

IT WAS MOVED AND SECONDED THAT THE DISTRICT SUPERINTENDENT APPOINT THOSE TO SERVE ON THE WAYS AND MEANS COMMITTEE AND THE RESOLUTIONS COMMITTEE. THE MOTION WAS CARRIED.

THOSE APPOINTED WERE: WAYS AND MEANS COMMITTEE: REX GARRABRANT, JOHN ABLA, AND RUTH INGRAM. RESOLUTIONS COMMITTEE NAOMI CLEVINGER, MAXINE HICKMAN, AND MARTHA INGRAM.

ELECTION OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES WERE AS FOLLOWS: WALTER QUINN, T. C. INGRAM, AND REX GARRABRANT.

IT WAS MOVED AND SECONDED THAT WE HAVE A CAMP MEETING COMMITTEE. THE MOTION WAS CARRIED.

THOSE ELECTED TO SERVE ON SAID COMMITTEE WERE JOHN ABLA, NAOMI CLEVINGER, NELLIE MIX, DOCIA QUINN, AND HAZEL MCCOY.

THE ASSEMBLY WAS FAVORED WITH A DUET BY RUTH INGRAM AND SISTER GARRABRANT.

IT WAS MOVED AND SECONDED THAT WE ADJOURN TO GIVE OUR COMMITTEE TIME TO WORK. THE MOTION WAS CARRIED.

EVENING SERVICE

THE EVENING SERVICE WAS EVANGELISTIC. THE CONGREGATION WAS LED IN SINGING BY RUTH INGRAM. NAOMI CLEVINGER WAS AT THE PIANO.

THOSE LEADING IN PRAYER WERE BROTHER HOLIDAY AND REV. JOHN ABLA.

ACCORDIAN MUSIC GIVEN BY MISS INGRAM AND MISS CLEVINGER BROUGHT FORTH NOTES OF APPRECIATION BY THOSE PRESENT.

THE ASSEMBLY AS A WHOLE EXPRESSED THEMSELVES IN TESTIMONY THAT THEY WERE GRATEFUL TO BE INCLUDED IN A PART OF THIS GREAT ASSEMBLY THAT WAS TO BE THE BEGINNING OF GREAT THINGS IN TEXAS.

REV. GARRABRANT BROUGHT US A STIRRING MESSAGE FROM PSALM 14:1 ENLARGING ON THE FACT THAT, "THE FOOL HATH SAID IN HIS HEART THERE IS NO GOD."

THIRD SITTING

THE THIRD SESSION OPENED WITH THE CONGREGATION SINGING "I WILL PRAISE HIM."

PRAYER WAS OFFERED BY MAXINE HICKMAN.

THE SCRIPTURE LESSON WAS READ BY NAOMI CLEVINGER. SHE CHOSE THE FIRST CHAPTER OF EPHESIANS.

MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS SITTING WERE READ AND APPROVED.

MOVED AND SECONDED THAT WE ADD A LAYMAN FROM THE PLAINVIEW CHURCH TO THE CAMP MEETING COMMITTEE. THE MOTION WAS CARRIED.

CONDUCTED A VERY PROFITABLE REVIVAL. SOULS WERE SAVED AND SANCTIFIED, AND THE CHURCH STRENGTHENED SPIRITUALLY AND NUMERICALLY.

WE CAME BACK THROUGH AUSTIN, AND ON TO WACO, LOOKING OVER THE POSSIBLE PLACES FOR PILGRIM WORKS. WE CAME ON TO HILLSBORO CHURCH FOR A SHORT MEETING OF TEN DAYS. HERE WE FOUND SOME VERY DISCOURAGING THINGS, BUT GOD BLESSED AND GAVE VICTORY AND ALL WERE BUILT UP IN THE LORD. IMPROVEMENTS ON THE HILLSBORO PROPERTY THIS YEAR WERE TO PUT A NEW ROOF ON THE PARSONAGE AND SOME OTHER MUCH NEEDED IMPROVEMENTS.

ALL OF THE CHURCHES HAVE PASTORS AT THE PRESENT WHO ARE CARRYING ON VERY EFFICIENTLY. WE ALSO HAVE VISITED DALLAS, FORT WORTH, MCKINNEY, FARMERSVILLE, BLUE RIDGE, AND ARLEY, TEXAS, SEEING ABOUT THE POSSIBILITIES OF HOLDING HOME MISSIONARY MEETINGS IN ALL THESE TOWNS.

OUR NEEDS ARE NOW FOR HOME MISSIONARY EVANGELISTS, WITH THE WORK OF SOUL-WINNING ON THEIR HEARTS. WE BELIEVE THAT IN ALL THESE PLACES FREE ENTERTAINMENT AND VERY GOOD OFFERINGS, FOR WORKERS WHO WILL GO TO PREACH OLD-TIME BIBLE HOLINESS FOR THEM. THE TASK IS BIG AND OUR GOD IS A GREAT GOD. OUR TASK IS TO TRAVEL THE STATE, LOCATE PLACES TO GET HOLD FOR OUR PILGRIM WORK.

AT SWEETWATER, TEXAS WE HAVE A LITTLE BAND OF FAITHFUL SAINTS WHO ARE STANDING ONE HUNDRED PERCENT TRUE, THOUGH FOR FIVE YEARS THEY HAVE BEEN WITHOUT A PASTOR. THEY ARE BEGGING SOMEONE TO COME HELP THEM. HERE WE HAVE AN OPPORTUNITY THAT SHOULD NOT BE NEGLECTED. THIS GREAT STATE OF TEXAS IS ON MY HEART, THERE IS MUCH TO BE DONE, SO FEW WORKERS TO DO THE WORK.

WE CLOSED THE YEARS WORK WITH SISTER CLEVINGER IN A

HELPFUL REVIVAL WITH THE HILLSBORO CHURCH. OUR CLOSING TRAVELS WERE WITH THE DEVINE CHURCH DURING THEIR REVIVAL WITH NAOMI CLEVINGER, THEN TO HILLSBORO WITH BROTHER B. F. DURHAM IN A GOOD REVIVAL THERE. ON TO PLAINVIEW WITH REV. DURHAM CONDUCTING A PROFITABLE MEETING THERE. REV. RICE HAS CONDUCTED A SPLENDID REVIVAL WITH THE SHAMROCK CHURCH. BROTHER RICE HAS PASTORED THIS CHURCH THE LAST TWO MONTHS. THE SHAMROCK CHURCH HAS A BRIGHT FUTURE.

HUMBLY SUBMITTED,

YOUR SERVANT

T. C. INGRAM

CHURCH REPORTS

DEVINE, REV. REX GARRABRANT, PASTOR.

STATISTICAL REPORT: PRESENT MEMBERSHIP, 12; PREACHING SERVICES, 116; CHURCH PRAYER MEETINGS, 45; COTTAGE SERVICES, 5; OTHER SERVICES, 26; REVIVALS, 1; NUMBER OF TITHERS, 9. PASTOR'S REPORT: (SEPTEMBER 28 TO OCTOBER 26.) SERMONS PREACHED, 8; REGULAR CHURCH SERVICES, 10; CALLS, 27; PERSONS PRAYED WITH FOR HEALING, 3; SEEKERS, 3. FINANCIAL REPORT: PASTOR'S SUPPORT, \$32.78; EVANGELIST'S OFFERING, \$13.56; DISTRICT BUDGET, \$7.00; CHURCH BUILDING AND PARSONAGE RENT, \$82.00; RUNNING EXPENSES, \$56.40; TOTAL INCOME \$206.45; TOTAL EXPENDITURES, \$191.74; CASH ON HAND, \$14.71. SUNDAY SCHOOL REPORT: AVERAGE ATTENDANCE, 21; ENROLLMENT, 27; TOTAL RECEIPTS, \$32.59; TOTAL EXPENDITURES, \$22.09; BALANCE ON HAND, \$10.50

HILLSBORO, REV. NAOMI CLEVINGER, PASTOR.

STATISTICAL REPORT: MEMBERS, 28; PREACHING SERVICES, 26; PRAYER MEETINGS, 10; REVIVAL, 1. PASTOR'S REPORT: SERMONS PREACHED, 55; CALLS, 30; REVIVALS, 2; CASH RECEIVED FROM CHARGE, \$38.94; DONATIONS, \$4.57; OTHER SUPPORT, \$62.00; TOTAL SUPPORT, \$105.94. FINANCIAL REPORT: TOTAL OFFERINGS, \$164.84; EXPENDITURES: PASTOR'S SUPPORT, \$38.94; BUDGET, \$15.85; DISTRICT SUPERINTENDENT'S OFFERING, \$10.11; FORMER PASTOR'S SUPPORT, \$46.02; EVANGELIST'S OFFERING, \$26.00; INCIDENTALS, \$27.92; TOTAL EXPENDITURES, \$164.84. SUNDAY SCHOOL REPORT: AVERAGE ATTENDANCE, 18; TOTAL INCOME, \$8.00; TOTAL EXPENDITURES, \$5.20; BALANCE ON HAND, \$2.80.

PLAINVIEW, REV. AND MRS. T. C. INGRAM, PASTORS.
STATISTICAL REPORT: PRESENT MEMBERSHIP, 23; PREACHING SERVICES, 110; PRAYER MEETINGS, 50. PASTOR'S REPORT: SERMONS PREACHED, 110; CALLS, 550; REVIVALS, 3; MARRIAGES, 3; FUNERALS, 4; SEEKERS, 25; PERSONS PRAYED WITH FOR HEALING, 30; HOMES PRAYED IN, 300; SUBSCRIPTIONS TO THE ADVOCATE, 5. FINANCIAL REPORT: PASTOR'S SUPPORT, \$146.45; DONATIONS, \$12.00; PAYMENTS ON THE CHURCH, \$150.00; DISTRICT SUPERINTENDENT, \$15.00; BUDGET, \$15.00; EVANGELIST, \$85.00; INCIDENTALS, \$157.50; TOTAL RECEIPTS, \$581.95; TOTAL EXPENDITURES, \$581.95. SUNDAY SCHOOL REPORT: MEMBERS ENROLLED, 35; AVERAGE ATTENDANCE, 25; OFFERING RECEIVED, \$14.25; PAID OUT FOR SUNDAY SCHOOL SUPPLIES, \$12.25; INCIDENTALS, \$2.00; TOTAL PAID OUT, \$14.25.

SHAMROCK, REV. JOHN ABLA, PASTOR.
FINANCIAL REPORT: PASTOR'S SUPPORT, \$54.24; SUNDAY SCHOOL SUPPLIES, \$3.62; RENT, \$20.00; RUNNING EXPENSES, \$27.49; BUDGET, \$12.81; SPECIAL OFFERING, \$34.50; TOTAL RECEIPTS, \$165.10; TOTAL EXPENDITURES, \$152.66; CASH ON HAND, \$12.44. SUNDAY SCHOOL REPORT: AVERAGE ATTENDANCE, 44; TOTAL RECEIPTS, \$15.28; TOTAL EXPENDITURES, \$15.28.

RECAPITULATION OF REPORTS

STATISTICAL REPORT:

PRESENT MEMBERSHIP, 63; PREACHING SERVICES, 252; PRAYER MEETINGS, 105; COTTAGE SERVICES, 5; OTHER SERVICES, 26; TOTAL SERVICES, 388. REVIVALS, 2.

PASTOR'S REPORT:

SERMONS PREACHED, 173; REGULAR CHURCH SERVICES, 10; REVIVALS, 5; CALLS 607; MARRIAGES, 3; FUNERALS, 4; PERSONS PRAYED WITH FOR HEALING, 33; SEEKERS, 28; HOMES PRAYED IN, 300; SUBSCRIPTIONS TO THE ADVOCATE, 5; DONATIONS, \$17.57; TOTAL CASH SUPPORT RECEIVED FROM CHARGE, \$272.41; OTHER SUPPORT, \$62.00; TOTAL AMOUNT OF SUPPORT, \$351.98.

FINANCIAL REPORT:

TOTAL CASH RECEIPTS, \$1118.34. EXPENDITURES: PASTOR'S SUPPORT, \$285.41; DISTRICT SUPERINTENDENT'S OFFERING, \$25.11; FORMER PASTOR'S SUPPORT, \$46.02; EVANGELIST'S OFFERING, \$124.56; SPECIAL OFFERING, \$34.50; DISTRICT BUDGET, \$50.66; CHURCH BUILDING AND RENT, \$252.00; INCIDENTALS, \$269.31; SUNDAY SCHOOL SUPPLIES, \$3.62; TOTAL EXPENDITURES, \$1091.19. TOTAL CASH ON HAND, \$27.15.

SUNDAY SCHOOL REPORT:

TOTAL MEMBERS ENROLLED, 62; TOTAL AVERAGE ATTENDANCE, 108; TOTAL RECEIPTS, \$70.12; TOTAL EXPENDITURES, \$56.82; TOTAL CASH ON HAND, \$13.30.

REPORT OF THE WAYS AND MEANS COMMITTEE

1. WE RECOMMEND THAT THE DISTRICT BUDGET BE SET AT \$150.00,
EACH CHURCH APPORTIONED AS FOLLOWS: SHAMROCK, \$50.00; PLAINVIEW, \$40.00; HILLSBORO, \$40.00; DEVINE, \$20.00.
2. WE RECOMMEND THAT ALL ORDAINED AND LICENSED MINISTERS PAY THEIR TITHES TO THE DISTRICT TREASURER, THE SAME TO BE APPLIED TO THE DISTRICT SUPERINTENDENT'S SUPPORT.
3. WE RECOMMEND TO PAY OUR DISTRICT SUPERINTENDENT \$10.00 MONTHLY FOR TRAVELING EXPENSES.
4. WE RECOMMEND THAT EACH PASTOR RAISE AN OFFERING UPON THE VISIT OF THE DISTRICT SUPERINTENDENT FOR HIS EXPENSES, THE SAME TO BE APPLIED ON THE DISTRICT BUDGET.
5. WE RECOMMEND THAT EACH CHURCH ARRANGE FOR MONTHLY DONATIONS OF PROVISIONS FOR THE PASTOR.
6. WE RECOMMEND THAT THE CAMP MEETING COMMITTEE RAISE FUNDS FOR THE DISTRICT CAMP MEETING EXPENSES.
7. WE RECOMMEND THAT \$30.00 BE TAKEN FROM THE DISTRICT TREASURER TO BE USED FOR SECRETARY AND TREASURER SUPPLIES, DISTRICT STATIONERY AND INCIDENTALS.
8. WE RECOMMEND THAT NO PASTOR OR EVANGELIST BE ALLOWED TO CONTACT THEIR FORMER CHURCH AFTER THEY HAVE RESIGNED OR MOVED TO OTHER FIELDS ONLY THROUGH THE DISTRICT SUPERINTENDENT.