

**PILGRIM HOLINESS CHURCH
SOUTH CENTRAL DISTRICT**

**FIRST ANNUAL CONFERENCE
JOURNAL**



Held at
Jonesboro, Arkansas
JULY 25-26, 1951



Presiding Officer—Rev. L. W. Sturk, D.D., General Superintendent
Camp Evangelist—Rev. R. A. Beltz, General Secretary Church Extension
Singers—Rev. O. E. Fields and Mrs. Dorothy Cromartie
Foreign Missionary Representative—Miss Flora Belle Slater
Church Extension Representative—Rev. R. A. Beltz

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Assistant District Superintendent

Rev. W. T. Johnson, 312 Carson St., Jonesboro, Ark.

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Rev. O. E. Fields, 212 N. Bridge Street, Jonesboro, Ark.

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- Bradley, Grace, 1003 Belle Avenue, Caruthersville, Mo.
- Garrison, Gladys, Springfield, Mo.
- Gish, Effie, Route 3, N. Little Rock, Ark.
- Klassen, Peter, Route 2, Rogersville, Mo.
- Martin, C. C., Box 18, Hot Springs, Ark.
- Roberts, Lois, Garrison, Mo.
- Rommell, Dale, 830 N. Jefferson, Springfield, Mo.
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- Smith, Chester, 2217 Ramsey Street, Springfield, Mo., Phone 3578
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Caruthersville, Mo.	Mrs. Ed Franks
Farmington, Mo.	No Delegate
Garrison, Mo.	Miss Ina Jones
Hot Springs, Ark.	Mrs. Elza Dickson
Jonesboro, Ark.	Mrs. Eva Johnson
Paragould, Ark.	Mrs. L. A. Braden
Poplar Bluff, Mo.	Mrs. Jesse Beatty
Springfield, Mo.	B. O. Black and Chester Murray
Stanley, Mo.	Mrs. James
Steele, Mo.	No Delegate

MINUTES OF THE FIRST ANNUAL CONFERENCE
OF THE PILGRIM HOLINESS CHURCH,
SOUTH CENTRAL DISTRICT

FIRST SITTING—Thursday, 10:00 A. M., July 26, 1951

The first annual conference of the South Central District, Pilgrim Holiness Church, convened at 10:00 A. M., Thursday, July 26, 1951, at the Jonesboro, Arkansas, Pilgrim Holiness Church.

The first session opened with Mrs. O. E. Fields at the piano and Rev. O. E. Fields leading the songs "Revive Us Again," and "Love Lifted Me". C. A. Murray of Springfield, Missouri, offered prayer. Special song was given by Rev. O. E. Fields.

Rev. W. Lloyd Smith, the district superintendent, presented Dr. L. W. Sturk, general superintendent of the Pilgrim Holiness Church, to the conference. Rev. Sturk gave greetings to the conference and then spoke from the text, "Revive us again, that thy people may rejoice in thee, (Psalms 85:6), using as a subject, "Revival in the Pilgrim Holiness Church." After this effective message the congregation stood and again sang "Revive Us Again."

Brother Sturk asked that the conference bar be set. Motion made and seconded that the first four seats in the center and south sections of the tabernacle and the platform constitute the bar. Carried.

Brother Sturk asked that we set the times of conference meetings. Motion made and seconded that the schedule be 10:00 A. M. to 12 noon, and 2:30 P. M. to 5:00 P. M. Carried.

At this time Rev. W. Loyd Smith appointed Mrs. O. E. Fields and Mrs. Eva Johnson as reception committee and Mrs. Orlin Rose and Mrs. W. L. Smith as memorial committee.

Rev. W. Lloyd Smith, district superintendent, gave his report. Motion made and seconded that it be accepted. Carried.

Rev. W. T. Johnson, assistant district superintendent, gave a verbal report. Moved and seconded that it be accepted. Carried.

An auditing committee was appointed at this time by Brother Smith to consist of Rev. K. H. Ladman and Rev. W. T. Johnson.

Motion made and seconded that this conference be known as the first annual conference of the South Central District. Carried.

Motion made and seconded that Rev. R. A. Beltz, camp evangelist, and general secretary of church extension be granted a seat on the platform and a voice in the conference. Carried.

Mr. C. A. Murray, district statistician, gave his report. Moved and seconded that this report be accepted. Carried. Rev. R. A. Beltz called attention to gains in the district over last year.

Mrs. O. E. Fields of the reception committee at this time presented Mrs. Dorothy Cromartie, one of the camp singers.

Motion made and seconded that we adjourn due to expiration of time. Carried.

Dismissed by Rev. Chester Smith.

SECOND SITTING—Thursday, 2:30 P. M., July 26, 1951

Second sitting convened at 2:30 P. M., with Rev. O. E. Fields leading the songs, "Leaning on the Everlasting Arms" and "On Christ the Solid Rock I Stand." Prayer by Rev. Chester Smith.

At the request of Brother Sturk, several quotations of Scripture were given from the congregation.

Rev. Sturk sang a solo called, "The Unclouded Day." After considerable shouting from the congregation a stanza of "Amazing Grace" was sung.

Minutes of the first sitting were read by the secretary. After minor corrections they were approved.

A partial report of the resolution committee was given. Each item of the report was approved separately.

Motion made and seconded that the secretary write to each licensed minister and each licensed deaconess calling their attention to resolution number thirteen. Carried.

Ways and Means committee gave their report. Each item was separately approved.

The auditing committee gave their report. Moved and seconded that this report be accepted. Carried.

The report of the treasurer was given. Motion made and seconded that it be accepted. Carried.

The report of the memorial committee was given. Moved and seconded that it be accepted. Carried. The song, "In the Sweet By and By" was then sung and in honor of those named in the report of the memorial committee.

Mrs. Eva Johnson of the reception committee presented Rev. Harold Penny and Rev. C. C. Martin to the conference.

Brother Sturk spoke briefly regarding advancement of the church.

Motion made and seconded that this sitting be adjourned. Carried.

Dismissed by Rev. W. Lloyd Smith.

THIRD SITTING—Friday, 10:00 A. M., July 27, 1951

Third sitting of the conference convened at 10:00 A. M. with Sister O. E. Fields at the piano and with Brother C. A. Murray leading the song, "Wonderful Story of Love." Rev. C. A. Wall led the conference in prayer.

Motion made and seconded to omit the reading of the conference roll. Carried.

Minutes of the second sitting were read and approved.

Motion made and seconded that Brother H. T. Nutter of the Jonesboro Church be given a special seat in the conference bar. Carried.

Mrs. O. E. Fields of the reception committee presented Rev. Effie Gish to the conference.

The report of the examining board was read. Motion made and seconded that it be accepted. Carried.

Partial report of the resolution committee was read. Moved and seconded that it be accepted. Carried.

Being ready for the election of district officers, the conference knelt in prayer, led by Rev. R. A. Beltz, to seek God's guidance.

The district superintendent appointed Mrs. Audrey B. Smith, Mrs. Charles Burnett, Mrs. Ray Benefield, and Mrs. Chester Murray as tellers for the election.

The election proceeded with the following officers being elected:

District Superintendent—Rev. W. Lloyd Smith
Assistant District Superintendent—Rev. W. T. Johnson
District Secretary—Rev. O. E. Fields
District Treasurer—Rev. F. Paul Bittick.

Additional Members of the Council—
Rev. L. A. Braden
Rev. Harold Penny
Rev. L. A. Crews

Motion made and seconded that the district council appoint the examining board and the educational board. Carried.

The district superintendent made the appointments of the various district committees for the next year.

Motion made and seconded that the ordination service be at 2:30 P. M. Carried.

Motion made and seconded that this sitting of the conference be adjourned. Carried. Dismissed by Brother H. T. Nutter.

FOURTH SITTING—Thursday, 2:30 P. M., July 27, 1951

The fourth sitting convened with Mrs. O. E. Fields at the piano and Rev. O. E. Fields leading the songs, "Must Jesus Bear the Cross Alone" and "A Charge to Keep I Have."

Rev. L. W. Sturk, Rev. R. A. Beltz, Rev. W. Lloyd Smith, Rev. W. T. Johnson, Rev. O. E. Fields, and Rev. L. A. Braden were appointed as an ordination council; after which Rev. Harold Penny was ordained as minister and Mrs. Audrey B. Smith was ordained as deaconess.

The final report of the resolution committee was read. Motion made and seconded that it be accepted. Carried.

Motion made and seconded that any unfinished business that may have been overlooked be handled by the district council. Carried.

Brother Dwight Gish and Mrs. Dorothy Cromartie sang a song entitled, "My Ivory Palace Home."

Motion made and seconded that inasmuch as the business of this conference has been completed, that we adjourn. Carried.

Dismissed by Rev. L. W. Sturk.

(Signed) Rev. L. A. BRADEN,
District Secretary.

DISTRICT SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

To the first annual conference of the South Central District of the Pilgrim Holiness Church, Greetings in the precious Name of Jesus:

In the kind providence of God we have been permitted to meet in our first camp meeting and conference. We are living in days of materialism. The world is seemingly confused and disillusioned. The church world has apparently discarded realism for idealism. With cold, dead materialism on the one hand and idealism on the other, we of the holiness churches need to be very careful lest we are caught in the drag-net of nominalism, and drift into practicing and teaching a popular holiness that is even at the threshold of the holiness movement.

This past year we have been very conscious of the hand of God upon us, as a District, in many ways. Only once has the grim reaper thrust in his sickle amongst our ministry. Rev. C. C. Anderson, of West Fork, Arkansas, was called to his Eternal reward on May 14th at Fayetteville, Arkansas. Brother Anderson suffered much, but amidst his sufferings always was seeking to help lost humanity to the Saviour he loved so well. He will be greatly missed by our people.

Many of our churches have enjoyed good revivals and have made spiritual advancement, this of course, is the all important thing.

Our numbers have been increased with new members being added to our rolls, and several ministers having joined our ranks.

All but three of our churches have paid their budgets in full for the year. One of the three lacked but a few dollars paying theirs in full. Our beginning, financially, was very small, but God has helped us, and to Him we feel a deep sense of gratitude.

Some of the churches have made improvements on their property. Springfield remodeled their parsonage, building on a much needed room, and modernizing some of the other rooms. This has increased the value of their property several hundred dollars. Much work was done on the tabernacle at Jonesboro, thus providing us a splendid place in which to hold our camp meeting. The Stanley Church has been trying to negotiate for the land next to the church, and if they are able to purchase this ground, plan to build a fine modern parsonage. Minor improvements have been made in most all of the church property over the District.

Several of our pastors have labored faithfully with very small salaries. But not once have I heard one word of complaint. Right now, I would like to urge the churches to do their very best for their pastors, financially. A praying church is a paying church.

We have one new church to present to the Conference. The mission at Farmington, built and established by Rev. H. K. Ladman came to us shortly after the conference at Warrenton, last year. Rev. F. Paul Bittick has been pastoring there. We have a fine basement church, well located in that great industrial area, known as the Lead-belt. This property is easily worth several thousand dollars.

During the past year I have visited at the churches no less than 20 times. Called on some of our ministers homes that do not live near any of our churches. I held a tent meeting at Aurora, Missouri, driving from Springfield each night. I attended the Superintendent's Conference at Indianapolis in January. Conducted a revival meeting in Milton, Pennsylvania. Attended three council meetings, one zone rally at Hot Springs, presided over the Ministerial Convention of our District at our Springfield Church. Was away from my pastorate only three full Sundays. I have traveled approximately 9,860 miles and received \$131.19 for traveling expenses. My salary of \$600.00 is paid to date.

I wish to express my appreciation to the pastors and laymen of our District who have so willingly and beautifully cooperated to make this year a year of happy service. I also want to thank the Spring-

field Church for their unselfish attitude while I have been away over the District.

We have many good prospects that we should take advantage of in the near future. We have two Pilgrim families in Little Rock--this is one of the finest cities found anywhere, and we should, and must have, a Pilgrim Holiness Church in this place.

In Joplin, Missouri, we have at least one Pilgrim family and others who are interested in becoming Pilgrims. We have had property offered to us and we want to take advantage of it but our finances are limited and workers are scarce. "Pray ye the Lord of the harvest, to send forth laborers."

I wish to report that at this time the love of God burns brightly in my soul, and my only desire is to work diligently for my Saviour and our beloved Zion. I have been rocked in the cradle of the Pilgrim Holiness Church, and believe that she has been raised up to preach TRUE holiness to a lost world.

This report I submit with gratitude to God and deep appreciation for our Church, her leaders, and our fine District.

Respectfully submitted,

W. LLOYD SMITH.

REPORT OF THE WAYS AND MEANS COMMITTEE

We, the Ways and Means Committee, present the following recommendations:

1. That each member of voting age pay \$12.00 per year budget. This amount to be paid at the rate of \$1.00 per member per month and to be sent to the district treasurer the first of each month.

2. We recommend that newly organized churches be assessed but one-fourth of their budget for the first year following their organization; one-half the second year; three-fourths the third year; and after the third year shall be assessed their full quota.

3. The district superintendent shall visit each church at least four times during the next year. There shall be preaching services at each of these visits. At each visit shall be an offering taken to apply on his traveling expenses. This amount shall be above the budget and shall be sent by the local treasurer to the district treasurer.

4. The district superintendent shall be paid a salary of \$60.00 per month. He shall be allowed mileage for district work at the rate of five cents per mile with a limit of 8,000 miles for the next year. His necessary telephone and office expense shall be paid by the district.

5. The district treasurer shall set aside \$75.00 this year for general conference expense.

6. Inasmuch as the Pension Plan for preachers has been passed by the general conference, therefore, be it resolved that we encourage all of our pastors and evangelists to cooperate with the plan.

7. We recommend that district home mission calendars be distributed for the purpose of accumulating a penny a day per calendar for district home missions. This money shall be turned over to the local treasurer the first of each month and he shall forward it immediately to the district treasurer.

Respectfully submitted,

Rev. W. T. Johnson

Rev. F. Paul Bittick

Rev. K. H. Ladman

Ways and Means Committee.

REPORT OF THE RESOLUTION COMMITTEE

1. Be it resolved that each of our resolutions remain in effect year to year except when revoked by the district conference.
2. Be it resolved that each church pay its offerings to deputational workers of the Owosso Bible College, Foreign Missions, Church Extension and the Pilgrim Youth Project through the district treasurer, so that the district will receive credit for the same.
3. Be it resolved that each pastor be permitted to conduct two revival meetings away from his own charge during each conference year if it can be planned so as not to conflict with the local church work.
4. Be it resolved that the conference year close June 30th. All church and ministers reports shall be sent immediately to the district statistician so he may compile his report before the conference. The district treasurer shall close his books on July 10th. Money therefore must be mailed to the district treasurer by July 1st to be included in the annual report. By action of the conference all churches who pay their district and general budgets in full will be counted star churches.
5. Be it resolved that the district superintendent shall appoint all committees. All the above appointments shall be announced at the conference and their names be printed in the minutes.
6. Be it resolved that we have a Sunday School rally as was provided in the previous general conference and two sacred pictures or banners be provided by the district and given, one for largest gain in attendance over the previous quarter, and the other for the largest percentage gain over the previous quarter.
7. Be it resolved that the telephone numbers of all ministers be included in the conference roll of the minutes.
8. Be it resolved that no church or evangelist arrange his revival so as to conflict with the district camp and conference.
9. Be it resolved that the district secretary shall issue credentials to those entitled to them while they are at this conference; and, if not present, they shall be mailed within a week.
10. Be it resolved that each pastor shall give one day's work in preparing for annual camp and conference, or send \$5.00 to the district treasurer not later than 10 days prior to the opening service to pay for labor needed.
11. Be it resolved that no church call an evangelist who is not a Pilgrim minister without consulting the district superintendent.
12. Be it resolved that the district provide an educational board as provided by the manual for the benefit of those who cannot take the course of study through the school.
13. Be it resolved that we be firmer in enforcing Section 149 Paragraph 1, requiring licensed ministers to complete at least two subjects of the course of study each year.
14. Be it resolved that each pastor try to secure as many subscriptions to the "Advocate" in his church as he has members.
15. Be it resolved that we express our appreciation to the following by standing and singing "Blest Be the Tie That Binds."
 - a. Rev. L. W. Sturk, our general superintendent, for the efficient way in which he conducted this conference.
 - b. Rev. R. A. Beltz, our camp evangelist, for his great messages during this camp and for the burden he showed for the camp. Also for representing the Department of Church Extension of which he is general secretary.
 - c. Rev. W. Lloyd Smith, our district superintendent, for his labors on the district both during the past year and during the camp.
 - d. Rev. W. T. Johnson, our assistant superintendent, for assisting Brother Smith during the past year.

e. Rev. L. A. Braden, our district secretary, for his faithfulness in his duties during the year and at this camp.

f. Rev. F. Paul Bittick, our assistant treasurer, for looking after the financial part of the district during the year.

g. Mr. C. A. Murray, our statistician, for compiling the statistics for the conference.

h. Rev. Flora Belle Slater, for representing foreign missions at this conference.

i. Rev. L. A. Crews and Rev. F. Paul Bittrick for handling the book stand during the camp.

j. The Jonesboro Church and their efficient pastors, Rev. and Mrs. O. E. Fields, for everything they have done to entertain the camp and conference.

k. Mrs. C. B. Widner and Mr. and Mrs. R. T. Ray and to all who have assisted with the cooking and in the dining room.

l. To all who have donated food for the camp.

m. To the Fisher Street Methodist Church for their excellent spirit in helping and giving us access to their lovely dining hall and kitchen. Also to Rev. Womack, pastor of the church, for his thoughtfulness in helping secure the facilities for us. Be it further resolved that we instruct our district secretary to send them a copy of this resolution.

n. To the L & L Laundry for the fine linen service to our dining room. Be it further resolved that we instruct our district secretary to send them a copy of this resolution.

Respectfully submitted,

Rev. O. E. Fields

Rev. L. A. Crews

Rev. L. A. Braden

Resolution Committee

REPORT OF THE MEMORIAL COMMITTEE

The First Annual Conference of the South Central District of the Pilgrim Holiness Church wishes to honor the memory of those, whose deaths have occurred in our district.

Sister Mary Williams of the Jonesboro, Arkansas, Church, departed this life to be with Jesus after several months of pain and suffering. She was a faithful member and lived a victorious life unto the end.

Sister Mary Ellen Penny met an untimely death due to a tragic automobile accident at Sacramento, California, June 18, 1950. Sister Penny was an active Saint of God, willing to sacrifice to see God's Kingdom promoted. The great loss to the family and church is Heaven's gain.

Little Mary Florence, 8 year old daughter of Rev. and Mrs. Harold Penny, who was accidently injured in the accident and suffered internally, left this life to dwell with her mother and Jesus, on November 20, 1950.

Brother Jim Withereil, a member of the First Pilgrim Holiness Church at Hot Springs, Arkansas, went to be with Jesus, in February, 1950. Being saved only a few years, yet loyal and faithful, dying believing God was able to heal him, if not in this world, he would be healed when he got to Heaven. He was a blessing to all who visited him.

Rev. C. C. Anderson, a faithful servant of God, departed this life May 14, 1951. He was a member of the Springfield, Missouri, Church, an ordained minister of God. He served five preaching points in and around West Fork, Arkansas. He was a kind and loving husband and father, always helping others. He lived true to the Lord and labored faithfully for Him unto the end.

Respectfully submitted,

Mrs. Mary Rose
Mrs. Audrey B. Smith

REPORT OF THE AUDITING COMMITTEE

We, your auditing committee, have carefully examined the treasurer's books and have found them to be in a very fine business like way and to be correct in every respect.

Humbly submitted,

Rev. K. H. Ladman
Rev. W. T. Johnson
Auditing Committee

REPORT OF THE TREASURER

July 25, 1950 to July 20, 1951

Note: There were no balances on hand July 25, 1950.

DISTRICT BUDGET ACCOUNT

Receipts:

Caruthersville Church	\$456.00
Farmington Church	22.00
Garrison Church	5.00
Hot Springs Church	62.00
Jonesboro Church	348.00
Paragould Church	96.00
Poplar Bluff Church	144.00
Springfield Church	732.00
Stanley Church	180.00
Steele Church	68.00
Springfield Ministerial Convention	21.58
Total Receipts	<u>\$2,134.58</u>

Expenditures:

Superintendent's Salary	\$600.00
Phone	92.18
Office Expense	69.08
Council Expense	3.85
Ministerial Convention Expense	15.00
Ministerial Convention Speaker	75.00
Superintendent's Conference Expense	45.00
Total Expenditures	<u>\$ 900.11</u>
Balance in District Budget Account	\$1,234.47

General Budget Account

Receipts:

For Foreign Missions	
Caruthersville Church	\$53.74
Garrison Church	20.00
Hot Springs Church	15.00
Jonesboro Church	4.40
Paragould Church	10.50
Springfield Church	129.19
Stanley Church	27.85

Total for Foreign Missions	\$260.68
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For Church Extension:

Caruthersville Church	7.50
Jenesboro Church	7.06
Paragould Church	10.00
Poplar Bluff Church	7.20
Springfield Church	41.80
Stanley Church	17.85
Harmony Church	6.90

Total for Church Extension	\$ 97.84
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For General S. S. Dep't:

Paragould Church	4.80
Stanley Church	9.10

Total for Gen'l S. S. Dept.	\$ 13.90
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Total General Budget Receipts	\$ 372.42
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Expenditures:

To Rev. E. V. Halt, Gen'l Treas. for:

Foreign Missions	\$260.68
Church Extension	97.84
Gen'l S. S. Dept.	13.90

Total Expenditures	\$372.42
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Account Balanced.

District Home Missions Account**Receipts:**

Division of Central District Account	\$432.50	
Total Receipts		\$432.50

Expenditures:

Aurora Home Mission Project	\$50.00	
Total Expenditures		\$ 50.00
Balance		\$382.50

Pension Account

Receipts:

Paragould Church	\$48.00	
Rev. L. A. Braden	24.00	
Total Receipts		\$ 72.00

Expenditures:

Rev. E. V. Halt, Gen'l Treas.	\$72.00	
Total Expenditures		\$ 72.00

Pilgrim Youth Project:

Receipts:

Caruthersville Church	\$12.26	
Poplar Bluff Church	22.86	
Total Receipts		35.12

Expenditures:
 Rev. E. V. Halt, Gen'l Treas. \$35.12
 Total Expenditures \$ 35.12
 Account Balanced

Camp and Conference Fund
Receipts
 Division of Central District Account \$13.85
 Rev. Effie Gish 5.00

Total Receipts \$ 18.85

Expenditures:
 Meals for workers on Camp Tabernacle \$30.00
 Total Expenditures \$ 30.00
 Deficit in Account \$ 11.15

Special Interest Account

Receipts:
 Poplar Bluff Church for Rev. Harold Penny's Hospital Bill \$6.00
 Total Receipts \$ 6.00

Expenditures:
 Rev. Harold Penney 6.00
 Total Expenditures \$ 6.00
 Account Balanced

Summary of Totals

Account	Receipts	Expend.	Balance
District Budget	\$2,134.58	\$ 900.11	\$1,234.47
General Budget	372.42	372.42	0,000.00
District Missions	432.50	50.00	382.50
Pension	72.00	72.00	000.00
Youth Project	35.12	35.12	000.00
Camp and Conference	18.85	30.00	Deficit 11.15
Special Interests	6.00	6.00	00.00
Grand Totals	\$3,071.47	\$1,465.65	\$1,605.82

Remarks: The district superintendent's salary is paid until July 18, 1951. All bills except general budget, are paid in full.

Respectfully submitted,
 Rev. F. Paul Bittick, Treas.

REPORT OF THE EXAMINING BOARD

We recommend the following to receive first year license:

H. Ray Benefield
 Gladys Garrison
 Effie Gish
 C. C. Martin
 Orlin A. Rose

To be retained in the class of the first year:

Peter Klassen
 Lois Roberts
 C. A. Wall
 Mrs. C. A. Wall

To be advanced to the class of the second year:

Grace Bradley
Dale Rommell

To be retained in the class of the second year:

Jesse Beatty

To be advanced to the class of the third year:

Chester Smith

To be ordained as a minister:

Harold Penny

To be ordained as a deaconess:

Audrey B. Smith

For evangelist's certificate:

Effie Gish

For song evangelist's certificate:

Dorothy Cromartie

Respectfully submitted,

Rev. W. T. Johnson
Rev. F. Paul Bittick
Rev. L. A. Braden
Examining Board

CHURCH STATISTICAL REPORT

Churches	Members on Last Report	Dropped From Roll	Transferred	Deaths	Total Removals	Added By Letter	Added By Faith	Total Additions	Total Membership	Gain	Loss	Preaching Services	Church Prayer Meetings	Misc. Services	Total Services	No. Advocate Subscriptions
Caruthersville, Mo.	38	19			19		6	6	25		13	104	50	50	204	
Farmington, Mo.							16	16	16	16		100	38	2	140	2
Garrison, Mo.								3								
Hot Springs, Ark.	14			1	1	1	6	7	20	6		104	52	42	198	10
Jonesboro, Ark.	29	7	1	1	9		2	2	22		7	111	52		163	9
Poplar Bluff, Mo.	12	3			3		2	2	11		1	96	48	19	163	
Paragould, Ark.	8	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	8			92	25	11	128	2
Springfield, Mo.	67	3	2	1	6	11	12	23	84	17		126	40	10	176	48
Stanley, Mo.	15		2		2	2	2	4	17	2		114	32	2	148	
Steele, Mo.	7	2			2				5		2	72	12		84	1
Totals	193	34	5	3	42	14	46	60	218	41	23	919	349	136	1304	72

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PASTORS' REPORT

CHURCHES	Time on Present Field Years Months	Licensed Or dained	Number Sermons Preached	No. Prayer Services Conducted	Total Pastoral Calls	Revivals Conducted	Seeking Regeneration	Seeking Sanctification	Prayed With For Healing	Dealt With in Personal Work	Baptisms	Communion Services	Children Dedicated	Marriages	Funerals	Parsonage Supplied	Cash Support	Donations and Gifts	Total Support
Caruthersville, Mo.			100	60	175	1	29	5	3	33		2	2		1	Yes	780.00	235.94	1,015.94
Farmington, Mo.			110	38	150						9	2	3	1	1	Yes	726.00	100.00	826.00
Garrison, Mo.																			
Hot Springs, Ark.	8	✓	30		70	1	60	40	25	60		1	14			No	292.50		292.50
Jonesboro, Ark.	4	2	✓	138	50	436	1	22	11	43	47	5			5	Yes	1,300.00	200.00	1,500.00
Poplar Bluff, Mo.	10	✓	79	33	200	3	5	10	7		5	3	4	1	1	Yes	600.00	25.00	625.00
Paragould, Ark.	2	6	✓	98	25		15	5	10	25	0	0	0	0	3	No	270.00		270.00
Springfield, Mo.	4	1	✓	130	30		4	30	20	10	7	4	1			Yes	2,600.00	100.00	2,700.00
Stanley, Mo.	9	✓	88	36	276		9		1	9		1	1			No	670.00	40.80	710.80
Steele, Mo.	1		72	8	95	1	4	1	4	16					1	No	203.95		203.95
Totals			855	280	1402	11	174	92	123	190	21	18	25	2	12		7,442.45	701.74	8,144.19

CHURCH TREASURER'S REPORT

CHURCH	Total Receipts	Pastor's Support	Rent and Interest	Improvements and paid on Debts	Incidentals	Budgets	Missions	Evangelists	Total Expenditures	Cash on Hand
Caruthersville, Mo.	2,216.17	1,015.94			472.91	458.00	88.50	140.00	2,175.35	40.82
Farmington, Mo.	1,738.88	750.00	209.00	286.00	269.53	22.00			1,736.53	2.35
Garrison, Mo.										
Hot Springs, Ark.	2,095.58	292.50	292.00	662.34	669.45	62.00	15.00	98.13	2,091.42	4.16
Jonesboro, Ark.	2,564.50	1,500.00		134.86	274.92	348.00	11.46		2,269.24	295.26
Poplar Bluff, Mo.	2,046.00	625.00	108.00	335.00	553.94	144.00	30.06	250.00	2,046.00	
Paragould, Ark.	748.84	270.00		82.30	261.12	102.23	25.30		740.95	7.89
Springfield, Mo.	5,715.81	2,700.00	250.00	904.85	517.00	873.94	41.80	328.00	5,615.59	100.22
Stanley, Mo.	1,960.90	710.80	79.20	99.78	334.59	180.00	45.66	108.00	1,558.03	402.87
Steele, Mo.	234.95	203.95		31.00					234.95	
Totals	19,321.63	8,068.19	938.20	2,536.13	3,253.46	2,189.17	257.78	924.13	18,468.06	853.57

SUNDAY SCHOOL REPORT

CHURCH	Teachers and Officers		Net Enrollment	Total Enrollment	Average Attendance	Average year ago	Cradle Roll	Seniors	Gain Attendance	Loss Attendance	Cash Forwarded	Regular Offerings	Birthday Offerings	Special Offerings	Total Receipts	Paid for Literature	Paid for Incidentals	Total Expenditures	Cash on Hand
Caruthersville, Mo.	7	75	82	62	66	13	52		4	5.45		256.82	6.63		268.90	52.91	194.14	247.05	21.85
Farmington, Mo.	5	35	40	26				26				127.50			127.50	55.80	71.70	127.50	
Garrison, Mo.																			
Hot Springs, Ark.	5	77	82	30		7						298.63			298.63	28.78	269.85	298.63	
Jonesboro, Ark.	10	52	62	43	50		52		7			190.38	12.28	54.22	256.88	76.74	180.14	250.88	
Poplar Bluff, Mo.	7	57	64	44	38			6				154.19	9.28		163.47	37.71	125.76	163.47	
Paragould, Ark.	5	10	15	12	16		40		4			38.67			38.67	38.67		38.67	
Springfield, Mo.	13	160	173	93	100	18	52		7	24.88		679.34			704.22		661.52	661.52	42.76
Stanley, Mo.	7	69	76	50		6	52					380.87			380.87	56.09	303.97	360.87	20.00
Steele, Mo.	4	30	34	19	27		52		8	.55		111.43			111.98	19.30	92.68	111.98	
Totals	63	565	628	379		44	300	32	30	30.88		2,237.83	28.19	54.22	2,351.12	366.81	1,899.76	2,366.57	84.55

YOUNG PEOPLE'S SOCIETY REPORT

CHURCH	Membership Last Report	Present Membership	No. Meetings Held	Average Attendance	Cash Brought Fwd	Offerings Received	Total Receipts	Expenditures	Cash on Hand
Caruthersville, Mo.	13		52	12		44.35	44.35	37.46	6.89
Farmington, Mo.									
Garrison, Mo.									
Hot Springs, Ark.			4			6.91	6.91	6.91	
Jonesboro, Ark.	26		50	20	38.46	46.42	84.88	14.00	70.88
Poplar Bluff, Mo.			52	30		25.00	25.00	25.00	
Paragould, Ark.	None								
Springfield, Mo.	25		48	20	21.20	51.06	72.26	64.00	8.26
Stanley, Mo.	None								
Steele, Mo.	None								
Totals	64		206	82	\$59.66	\$173.74	\$233.40	\$147.37	\$86.03

UNSTATIONED MINISTER'S REPORT

Name	Member of P. H. Church Located at	Sermons Preached	Songs Sung	Calls Made	Revivals Held	Week-end Meetings	Seeking Regeneration	Seeking Sanctification	Children Dedicated	Prayed With For Healing	Marriages	Funerals	Amount Received For Support
* Anderson, Chester C.	Springfield, Mo.	104	30	250						6			
Bradshaw, Athie	Hot Springs, Ark.			10	1		10	2		8			17.23
Payne, Fannie V.	Springfield, Mo.	4	3	40		6	12						20.00
Penny, Harold	Jonesboro, Ark.	24		5	1		10	8		1			86.60
Smith, Chester	Springfield, Mo.	46		37	3		13			3		3	522.48
Smith, Audrey B.	Springfield, Mo.	2	30	200	1					5			
Totals		180	63	542	6	6	45	10		23		5	646.31

* Went to his reward May 14, '51

PROPERTY STATISTICS

CHURCHES	Church Value	Parsonage Value	Total Value	Parsonage Debt	Church Debt	Total Debt	Church Equity	Parsonage Equity	Total Equity
Caruthersville, Mo.	5,000.00	2,000.00	7,000.00				5,000.00	2,000.00	7,000.00
Farmington, Mo.									
Garrison, Mo.									
Hot Springs, Ark.	9,000.00		9,000.00		3,382.91	3,382.91	5,617.09		5,617.09
Jonesboro, Ark.	4,500.00	4,500.00	9,000.00				4,500.00	4,500.00	9,000.00
Poplar Bluff, Mo.	10,000.00	5,000.00	15,000.00		1,500.00	1,500.00	8,500.00	5,000.00	13,500.00
Paragould, Ark.	4,000.00	4,000.00	8,000.00	1,250.00	1,250.00	2,500.00	2,750.00	2,750.00	5,500.00
Springfield, Mo.	10,000.00	4,500.00	14,500.00				10,000.00	4,500.00	14,500.00
Stanley, Mo.	5,000.00		5,000.00				5,000.00		5,000.00
Steele, Mo.	2,000.00		2,000.00				2,000.00		2,000.00
Totals	49,500.00	20,000.00	69,500.00	1,250.00	6,132.91	7,382.91	43,367.09	18,750.00	62,117.09

SUMMARY OF TOTALS BY DEPARTMENTS

CHURCHES	Receipts Regular Church	Receipts Sunday School	Receipts Young Peoples Society	Grand Total Receipts	Expenditures Regular Church	Expenditures Sunday School	Expenditures Young Peoples Society	Grand Total Expenditures	Cash on Hands All Departments
Caruthersville, Mo.	2,216.17	268.90	44.35	2,529.42	2,175.35	247.05	37.46	2,459.86	69.56
Farmington, Mo.	1,667.18	127.50		1,794.68	1,664.83	127.50		1,664.83	2.35
Garrison, Mo.									
Hot Springs, Ark.	1,790.04	298.63	6.91	2,095.58	1,785.88	298.63	6.91	2,091.42	4.16
Jonesboro, Ark.	2,307.62	256.88	84.88	2,649.38	2,012.36	256.88	14.00	2,283.24	366.14
Poplar Bluff, Mo.	1,857.53	163.47	25.00	2,046.00	1,867.53	163.47	25.00	2,046.00	
Paragould, Ark.	710.17	38.67		748.84	702.28	386.67		740.95	7.89
Springfield, Mo.	5,715.81	704.22	95.28	6,515.31	5,615.59	661.52	64.00	6,341.11	174.20
Stanley, Mo.	1,656.92	380.87		2,037.79	1,254.05	360.87		1,661.92	422.87
Steele, Mo.	234.95	111.98		346.93	234.95	111.98		346.93	
Totals	18,194.10	2,351.12	256.42	20,773.93	17,312.82	2,266.57	147.37	19,599.26	1,047.17