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3 yrs Rev. Reggie Smith
4 yrs Rev. Mrs. Maxine Jenkins

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Dianne Reid
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Pulpit Supply.....	Bobby Thornhill
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CONFERENCE MINUTES

Wednesday, June 22, 2022, 10:00 A. M.

The Mississippi Annual Conference was called into the One Hundred Eighty-First Session by President Rev. Carlos Dawson II.

Prayer: Rev. Matt Lambert

President Rev. Carlos Dawson II presented the program to the Conference for consideration. Motion to adopt the program by John Weston, seconded by Rev. Reggie Smith. The program was adopted.

Group I Committees were appointed.

President Carlos Dawson II spoke briefly about the Conference Theme and how God is working. He also presented several prayer requests and called for a time of prayer at the altar led by Rev. Bobby Dawson.

Piano: Darlene Dawson

Song Service led by Larry Graham.

Song: *He Leadeth Me*

Recessed for committee work in prayer by Rev. James Roy Killingsworth.

Wednesday, 11:00 A. M. Worship Service

The Communion Committee was called to serve Communion.

Piano: Darlene Dawson

Song Service led by Larry Graham

Song: *What A Friend We Have in Jesus*

Song: *My Jesus, I Love Thee*

Introduction of Speaker by President Rev. Carlos Dawson II

Speaker: Rev. Bernie Gerald, General Conference President of the Congregational Methodist Church

Prayer: Rev. Carlos Dawson II

Topic: The Open Door

Scripture: Revelation 3:7-13

When God opens a door, no one can shut it. When God closes a door, no one can open it.

Sometimes we must walk in faith toward the door waiting for God to open it.

Do you have the courage to walk through the door that God has opened?

You can trust God even when it looks as though every door is closed.

God's strength (Power) is evident in our weakness.

We don't have great strength, but we can trust God.

God puts conditions on the open door: 1) You must keep His Word and 2) You do not deny His Name.

Don't be embarrassed about Jesus.

When you're tempted to be quiet about Jesus, remember: every person who opposes you will one day fall before you—Revelation 3:10.

Don't throw in the towel—God will help you overcome.

Overcomers are everyday Christians who say, "I will honor God's Word and not deny Jesus today but I will do the next right thing."

Jesus says, "I will strengthen you. I will honor you. I will keep you."

What is the Spirit of God speaking to you today? Have you kept His Word? Have you honored His name? Or have you denied Him?

Someone once said that "Revival begins when God points His finger at you."

Gypsy Smith said, "If you want revival. Go inside your room. Close the door. Draw a circle and get in it. Then pray that God will grant revival to everyone in that circle."

Prayer: Rev. Bernie Gerald

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Recessed in prayer and the blessing for the noon meal by Rev. Bennie Crawford.

Wednesday, 1:30 P. M. Business Session

Prayer: Jason Cameron

Piano: Darlene Dawson

Song Service led by Larry Graham

Song: *More, More, About Jesus*

Devotion Speaker: Rev. Marc Williams, General Conference President

Topic: We Will Not Bow

Scripture: Daniel 3:12-18

We need to stand for God no matter what happens.

The Methodist Protestant Church still stands for the doctrines passed down to us.

The Doctrine of Holiness is worth standing for.

What are you standing for?

Prayer: Rev. Marc Williams, General Conference President

Called to order by President Rev. Carlos Dawson II.

Rev. Bobby Dawson presented the report from the Committee on Rules of Order. Rev.

Bobby Dawson moved its adoption. Seconded by John Weston. The report was adopted.

Angel Hosey presented the report from the Credentials Committee. Angel Hosey moved its acceptance. Seconded by Donis Chatham. The report was accepted.

All members of the Conference were called within the bar at this time.

Roll Call

Ministers	11
Unstationed Ministers	0
Superannuates	0
Undergraduates	5
Deaconess	1
Lay Delegates.....	14

Floor turned over to the Secretary for the President's Report.

The President's Report was given by President Rev. Carlos Dawson II. Motion to accept by Rev. Marc Williams, seconded by Larry Graham. Report was accepted.

Floor returned to the President

The Treasurer's Report was presented by Rev. Carlos Dawson II in the absence of the Treasurer. Rev. Marc Williams moved it be accepted as given. Seconded by John Weston. Report was accepted.

Recessed for Credentials Committee to meet.

Called to order by President Rev. Carlos Dawson II.

Rev. Dan Henry III presented a partial report from the Ministerial Educations Committee. Rev. Dan Henry III moved its acceptance. Seconded by Rev. Marc Williams. The report was accepted.

Rev. Dan Henry III presented the report from the District Committee which was the reading of two resolutions that were submitted for consideration. These will be taken up at a later time according to the Rules of Order.

Angel Hosey presented an amended report from the Credentials committee. Angel Hosey moved the report be accepted. Rev. Reggie Smith seconded the motion. The report was accepted.

The Elections Committee were called to hold elections.

Rev. Reggie Smith led the Conference in prayer for the elections.

Rev. Bobby Dawson was nominated for President.

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Rev. Carlos Dawson II was nominated for President.

Rev. Dan Henry III was nominated for President.

Rev. James Roy Killingsworth moved the nominations be closed. Seconded by Rev. Matt Lambert. The nominations were closed.

Rev. Bobby Dawson was nominated for secretary.

Rev. Wayne Sellers moved the nominations be closed. Robert Johnson seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Henry Carmichael was nominated for Treasurer. Rev. Mike Tullis moved the nominations be closed. Larry Graham seconded the motion. The nominations were closed.

Ballot from the Nominating Committee was presented at this time.

Rev. Reggie Smith was nominated for the 3rd Year on the Camp Meeting Committee.

Ballots were collected to be counted by the Elections committee. The results will be reported at morning session on Thursday.

Floor returned to the President.

Group II Committees were appointed at this time.

Recessed in prayer by Rev. Newton Pertuit.

Wednesday, 7:00 P. M. Ordination Service

Welcome by Rev. Carlos Dawson II President.

Prayer: Rev. Bobby Dawson

Piano: Rosa Burge

Song Service led by Larry Graham

Song: *Are You Washed in the Blood?*

Song: *I Love to Tell the Story*

Special Music: *Great Are You Lord*, Rev. Carlos Dawson II and Rosa Burge

Special Music: *I Speak Jesus*, Gina Martin

Speaker: Rev. Marc Williams, General Conference President

Topic: Called to the Work

Scripture: Acts 13:1-3

Shared a little of God's call on Bro. Billy.

Prayer: Rev. Marc Williams

Billy has a heart for young people.

Advice given to Rev. Williams, "Bloom where you're planted."

We have a ministry.

This service is important as ministers will lay hands on Bro. Billy in ordination and dedication to service.

Verse three, "Then, having fasted and prayed, and laid hands on them, they sent them away."

Before we can preach Jesus, we must fall in love with Jesus more every day.

"Preach the Word!"

Ordination of Rev. William (Billy) Randall Martin was conducted by the Ordination Committee.

Prayer: Rev. Marc Williams

Thursday, 8:30 A. M. Business Session

Prayer: Rev. Billy Martin

Piano: Rosa Burge

Song Service led by Larry Graham

Song: *I Surrender All*

Introduction of devotion speaker by President Rev. Carlos Dawson II.

Devotion Speaker: Rev. Wayne Sellers

Topic: The Birthday of the Church

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Scripture: Acts 2:36-47

Those who had faith, accepted Christ, and were baptized, were added to their number. God initiates and completes our salvation through justification and regeneration.

Could God trust the church today with 3,000 new converts?

The early church thrived with new people being added daily.

1. They devoted themselves to the Apostles' teaching. Authority is in God's Word.
2. They devoted themselves to fellowship. What characterizes our fellowship?
3. They devoted themselves to the breaking of bread—worship. It was an act of bringing the people together in an intimate relationship with God.
4. They devoted themselves to prayer (the prayers).

God is at work in the Methodist Protestant Church.

Open the door to allow the Holy Spirit the freedom to work in our hearts today.

Can God say, "I can trust this church, my little ones?"

It's time for us to get the nursery ready for occupancy.

Prayer: Rev. Wayne Sellers

Called to order by President Rev. Carlos Dawson II.

All members called to the bar at this time.

Roll Call

Ministers.....	12
Unstationed Ministers.....	0
Superannuates.....	0
Undergraduates.....	3
Deaconess.....	1
Lay Delegates	13

Minutes were read by the Secretary. Motion to accept as corrected by Rev. Matt Lambert. Rev. James Roy Killingsworth seconded the motion. The minutes were accepted as corrected.

Rev. Mike Tullis presented the report from the Audit Committee. Rev. Mike Tullis moved it be adopted. Seconded by John Weston.

Elections Committee was called to report the results of the elections. These are noted in the Conference Officials and Committee listings of the Minutes.

Rev. Marc Williams presented a partial report from the Fraternal Relations Committee. Rev. Marc Williams moved the report be accepted. Rev. Matt Lambert seconded the motion. The report was accepted.

Recessed for committee work in prayer by Vernon Murray.

Thursday, 11:00 A. M. Seminar

Prayer: Luke Williams

Introduction of speaker by President Rev. Carlos Dawson II.

Speaker: Rev. Bernie Gerald, General Conference President of the Congregational Methodist Church

Prayers from a Prayer Book were read by Rev. Wayne Sellers at Rev. Gerald's prompting.

Topic: The New Testament Church: Engaged and Engaging

Scripture: Acts 2:42-47a

Prayer: Rev. Bernie Gerald

68% of evangelical churches in America have congregation less than 100. Half of those have fewer than 50. Half of those have fewer than 35.

Before Covid, 62% were declining. Since Covid, 94% churches have fewer attendance and less money than before Covid.

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More than 30% of church goers say they have never felt God's presence within the four walls of the church.

More than half church goers believe that their church is not spiritually vital.

The Church in Acts was engaged in 11 activities.

1. The Disciple's Teaching
2. Fellowship
3. The Breaking of Bread
4. Prayer
5. Actions that Produce Unity
6. Generosity
7. Tradition
8. Loving One Another
9. Joy and Transparency
10. Engaged in Praising and Honoring God
11. Engaged in Lifestyle, Attitude and Good Works that produce favor.

Engaged people are passionate people.

Your church will be like you in three years.

Five passionate church members can do more than fifty pew warmers.

Five Steps to Engage People in Ministry:

1. Challenge people to have the heart of a servant, to be engaged and engaging.
2. Draw a Map—and keep it simple
3. Make Service the Expected Thing
4. Preach for Engagement and Action
5. Make your mission, your call to action easy to remember.

Your mission should permeate everything you do. It should not be about the church but about loving God and loving others through serving them.

When is the last time your church served the community to the point that it cost you?

God desires all people to be saved and come to the knowledge of Truth!

82% of people who don't attend church regularly say they would go if a friend invited them.

One reason churches grow is invite-ability—give the people something to talk about.

Let people know that you care about them.

Recessed in prayer and the blessing for the noon meal by Jason Cameron.

Thursday, 1:30 P. M. Memorial Service

Rev. Carlos Dawson II called the conference to order.

Rev. Mike Tullis presented a partial report from the Ministerial Education and Relations Committee. Rev. Mike Tullis moved that the report be accepted. Rev. Marc Williams seconded the motion. The report was accepted.

Rev. James Roy Killingsworth presented the report from the Superannuate Fund Board. Rev. James Roy Killingsworth moved the report be accepted. Rev. Newton Pertuit seconded the motion. The report was accepted.

Rev. Wayne Sellers presented the report from the Committee on Evangelism. Rev. Wayne Sellers moved the report be accepted. Rev. Matt Lambert seconded the motion. The report was accepted.

Rev./Mrs. Maxine Jenkins presented the report from the Deaconess Board. Rev./Mrs. Maxine Jenkins moved the report be adopted. Seconded by Rev. Marc Williams. The report was adopted.

The report from the Memorials Committee was presented by Rev. Marc Williams.

Opportunities to speak were given for anyone to speak about these memorials.

The list of Memorials will be found in the reports section of the Minutes.

Recessed for Council of Religious Education Committee Meeting.

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Floor returned to the President.

President Rev. Carlos Dawson II called session to order and turned the floor over to the

General Conference President for the Presentation of General Conference Work.

Floor returned to the President.

Recessed for ten minutes.

President Rev. Carlos Dawson II called the conference back into session.

Rev./Mrs. Maxine Jenkins presented the report from the Committee on Thanks. Rev./

Mrs. Maxine Jenkins moved the report be adopted. Seconded by Rev. Marc Williams. The report was adopted.

Recessed for committee work in prayer by Rev. Newton Pertuit.

Thursday, 7:00 P. M. Worship Service

Welcome by Rev. Carlos Dawson II, President

Prayer: Rev. Jimmy Williams, President of the Louisiana Conference

Piano: Rosa Burge

Song Service led by: Larry Graham

Song: *Love Lifted Me*

Special Song: *When We All Get to Heaven*, Men's Quartet

Special Song: *He Touched Me*, Men's Quartet

Introduction of speaker by President Rev. Carlos Dawson II.

Speaker: Rev. Bernie Gerald, General Conference President of the Congregational Methodist Church

Topic: The Holy Spirit, Our Helper

Scripture: John 14:15-17

John 13:34—a new command I give you. Love one another.

Jesus will not ask you to do anything He has not already done.

If you want to keep the commandments of Jesus, you must be born again. It's the only way that the Love of God can be poured out on you so you can share it with others.

If you're going to do this, you need the Holy Spirit.

The Holy Spirit is the Gift of God to the People of God.

To be spiritual is to know the Truth, have the Truth, and have the Truth living in you.

The Truth is wrapped up in a Person.

When you want the truth, whom do you ask?

Jesus is the Word of God. He is the Truth.

The darkness never overcomes the Light.

God desires that Truth and Light be a blessing to His creation.

If you believe in Jesus Christ, the Spirit of Jesus walks with you, talks with you, and lives within you.

The Holy Spirit's job is to reveal Truth. When you reject Truth, it leads to death.

When you receive the Truth from the Holy Spirit, there is Life!

The Holy Spirit comes along beside us to help us.

He comes along beside us to argue with us. He is the Advocate for Truth and Righteousness.

When we're wrong, the Holy Spirit argues the Truth back into our lives.

Where does He get the Truth? In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God.

John 16:7—it is to your advantage that I go away; for if I do not go away, the Helper will not come to you; but if I depart, I will send Him to you.

Pray that the Holy Spirit convicts of sin.

The foundational need of anyone is Jesus Christ.

The Holy Spirit convicts of the Righteousness of God.

There is power in a righteous life.

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The victory is already won when the Holy Spirit comes along side of us.

The Holy Spirit helps us understand what Truth is.

When the Holy Spirit helps you see a truth for someone else, be faithful to that truth.

We minister grace into the lives of other people because the Spirit of God lives in us and works through us.

Galatians 5:25

Sometimes we don't listen to the Holy Spirit when we should because we have practiced not listening to Him.

Sometimes the Holy Spirit shows up as a great passion in us.

If the Holy Spirit is speaking to you—obey Him.

Prayer around the altar by Rev. Wayne Sellers.

Recessed in prayer by Dr. Rev. Ronnie Morgan.

Friday, 8:30 A. M. Business Session

Welcome by Rev. Carlos Dawson II, President

Prayer: Rev. Reggie Smith

Piano: Rosa Burge

Song Service led by Larry Graham

Song: *There Is a Fountain*

Introduction of Speaker by President Rev. Carlos Dawson II

Devotion Speaker: Rev. Bobby Dawson

Topic: I Know the Thoughts

Scripture: Jeremiah 29:1-14

Have you ever found yourself in a situation that you weren't sure what to do?

Have you been in a situation where you were confused and couldn't see or have any hope?

Jeremiah wrote that God knows the plans He has for us. Plans for good and not for evil, to give us a future and a hope.

The context is important. Jeremiah is writing to the Exiles and telling them to settle down and be satisfied where they are because they will be there for seventy years.

This is true for us as well. God has plans for us.

God's promises are conditional. If we do what God asks of us, then He will give us His promise.

Here the requirement is that when we seek God "wholeheartedly" then He will "let us find Him".

When we put our plans and desires aside and seek God's will with all our heart, then He will show us His plans for us.

Prayer: Rev. Bobby Dawson

Called to order by President Rev. Carlos Dawson II.

All members called to the bar at this time.

Roll Call

Ministers	12
Unstationed Ministers	0
Superannuates	0
Undergraduates	9
Deaconess	0
Lay Delegates	2

Minutes were read by the Secretary. Motion to accept by Rev. Reggie Smith. Rev. Marc Williams seconded the motion. The minutes were accepted as corrected.

Resolutions were presented for consideration at this time by President Rev. Carlos Dawson II.

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Rev. Reggie Smith moved that the Conference provide an ID card stipulating that ministers are Elders in the Methodist Protestant Church. Seconded by Rev. Marc Williams. The motion carried.

Rev. Marc Williams moved that Resolution 2 be accepted. Rev. Reggie Smith seconded the motion. The motion carried by a vote of 21 for and 0 against.

Rev. Reggie Smith moved that the District Committee look into the dissolution of the Camp Meeting Committee. Rev. Marc Williams seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Rev. James Roy Killingsworth presented a partial report from the Superannuate Fund Board. Rev. James Roy Killingsworth moved it be adopted. Seconded by Rev. Newton Pertuit. The report was adopted.

Rev. Michael Tullis presented a partial report from the Ministerial Education and Relations Committee. Rev. Michael Tullis moved the report be adopted. Seconded by Rev. Marc Williams. The report was adopted.

Recessed until 10:00 in prayer by Rev. Marc Williams.

Called to order by President Rev. Carlos Dawson II.

President Rev. Carlos Dawson II announced that the Supreme Court just announced the ruling in the Dobbs Case regarding abortion.

Time of prayer for our nation led by Rev. Bernie Gerald.

Rev. Matt Lambert presented the Finance Committee Report. Rev. Matt Lambert moved that it be adopted. Seconded by Rev. Newton Pertuit. The motion was adopted.

Rev. Michael Tullis presented the final report from the Ministerial Education and Relations Committee. Rev. Michael Tullis moved the report be adopted. Seconded by Rev. Marc Williams. The report was adopted.

Rev. Marc Williams presented the final report from the Fraternal Relations Committee. Rev. Reggie Smith moved it be adopted. Seconded by John Weston. The report was adopted.

Recessed until the 11:00 A.M. Worship Service.

Friday, 11:00 A. M. Worship Service

Called to order by Rev. Carlos Dawson II, President

Rev. Marc Williams presented a need to the conference to purchase a new piano for the Tabernacle in memory of Mrs. Lessie Carmichael. Donations are requested.

Rev. Carlos Dawson II presented the need for funds to purchase a new truck for the work in Belize. Pledges were made and offering received totaling \$1,800.00.

Prayer: Rev. Michael Tullis

Piano: Rosa Burge

Song Service led by Larry Graham

Song: *Onward, Christian Soldiers*

Introduction of Speaker by President Rev. Carlos Dawson II

Speaker: Rev. Bernie Gerald, General Conference President of the Congregational Methodist Church

Topic: Why Are You Here?

Scripture: Acts 17:26 and 26:17-18

It's important for us to share the Gospel through our lives.

If we do not win the hearts of others relationally, we will never be able to win them to Christ. This is done through acts of service.

There comes a time when the Gospel must be spoken.

Share the story of the Gospel and how the Gospel has changed your life.

Why are we here? What is God's purpose in your present circumstance.

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God chose you to be here in this moment in history and this geographical location because He has purpose in your habitation.

We are here because we live among people who live in darkness.

We are here because God has called you to vanquish the darkness.

Paul was in such deep spiritual darkness that he thought he was doing good when he was persecuting the people of Jesus Christ.

God wants you to do for others what He has already done for you. You are here to vanquish darkness.

Your job is to be sent out to those walking in darkness to turn their darkness into light.

How are we going to do that?

When we walk into darkness, we begin to tell people that we were in darkness with them.

We tell them how God got our attention.

“I found Christ because my wife grieved with hope.”

Talk about the way God has changed your life.

There is no blessing God has given you that He does not intend for you to share with others.

The Gospel is all about helping people turn from darkness to the light.

The Gospel is all about a changed life.

The Gospel is about Jesus Christ—our salvation and how it was prophesied.

Talk about what God is doing in your life today.

“When he came there was no light. When he left, there was no darkness.” Epitaph on the headstone for Peter Milne

“Preach the Gospel at all times. When necessary, use words.” St. Francis of Assisi

Prayer around the altar led by Rev. Marc Williams.

Rev. James Roy Killingsworth was anointed with oil and prayed for by the Elders of the Church and led by Rev. Marc Williams

Called to order by President Rev. Carlos Dawson II.

President Rev. Carlos Dawson II read the Plan of Appointments.

Rev. Newton Pertuit reported that there were no appeals. Seconded by Rev. Marc Williams. Report was accepted.

Rev. Marc Williams moved that we dispense with the reading of the minutes. Seconded by Rev. Reggie Smith. The motion carried.

Motion to adjourn by Rev. Reggie Smith

The One Hundred Eighty-First Session of the Mississippi Annual Conference adjourned with prayer at the altar for President Carlos Dawson II by Rev. Bobby Dawson. The next Regular Session convenes at 10:00 A.M. on June 21, 2023, at the Mississippi Headquarters and Campground of the Methodist Protestant Church, five miles west of Collins, Mississippi.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Greetings to the One Hundred and Eighty First Session of the Mississippi Conference of the Methodist Protestant Church.

The Stationing Committee was able to assign a minister to most of our churches. There were five churches this past Conference year “left in the hands of the President”.

- New Hope and Coxburg Churches were not assigned a pastor. Mr. Tracy Eldridge has been at Coxburg, and Mr. Carl Grice has been at New Hope. Pray for these two Churches as they haven't sent a delegate to Conference in several years and I was not able to get any response from Tracy or Carl to any of the things we have done during this conference year.
- Newton Church was also “left in the hands of the President” and Rev. Wayne Sellers has graciously filled the pulpit for this entire conference year while his Caribbean Resource Ministry has been slowed down due to Covid restrictions in Belize.
- Schamberville and Golden Grove Churches were also “left in the hands of the President” and from Conference until November 17th we were sending a rotation of preachers to Golden Grove Church and Schamberville had a minister filling the pulpit during that same timeframe that didn't work out.

On November 17th I assigned Jason Cameron to Schamberville and Golden Grove Churches. He is currently doing an excellent job pastoring these charges.

Our conference property is in decline and really needs some attention.

- We did have some storm damage and have contacted some contractors about repairing roof damage. A big thanks to Richie Little and Mr. Jeff Little for repairing the roofs temporarily to stop any water leakage and Rev. Marc Williams for lining up the contractors who will be doing the work.
- Thanks to Henry Carmichael who came out by himself and replaced 8 of the leaking faucets on the showers in the girl's dorm leaving only 2 that still need to be repaired.
- Thanks to Butch and Gloria McConnell for helping to keep the grass cut during this past conference year.
- As you can see, we have replaced the pews that were falling apart in the center section of the tabernacle, and we are praying that these new chairs will serve us for an even longer time than those pews. A super huge thanks goes out to Ryan Hamilton, Billy Martin and Kelsey Hall, Michael Tullis, Jason Cameron and family, Taurus and Freedom Hutchinson, 7 boys from the Youth Challenge Program at Camp Shelby and their escort, Butch and Gloria McConnell, Marc and Joy Williams, and the Dawson family for help getting those pews cut up and removed and the chairs put in place in the tabernacle and also for the huge cleanup of all the properties that weekend preparing the property for the group that was coming to use the camp.
- We also have some rotting and termite damage in the girl's dorm. We realize that work needs to be done there but no plan has been made to start that project.

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- We have had several workdays where many volunteered and came out and gave of themselves to help keep up the property. Special thanks go out to Billy and little Jacob Martin, and big Jacob Martin, Jason and Krista Cameron, Marc & Joy Williams, Brody Varnell, Jeff and Richie Little, Matt Lambert, Trey Faust, Butch and Gloria McConnell, Henry Carmichael, and my family for their work on the cottage and keeping the grounds cut and looking good.
- Thanks also to the Dawson family for coming out last weekend to get the property ready for conference by cutting grass, weed eating, setting up video/audio equipment, fixing broken swings, spraying for bugs, and cleaning the property.
- I found out yesterday that one of the A/C units in the tabernacle has gone out and because it was the old type of unit it had to be replaced completely. A huge thanks to Phillip Wells for coming at the last minute to take care of our needs of being cool during conference.

I know that I have probably missed some that helped during all the workdays we have had but it wasn't intentional, and I could not have done all that has been done without the help of all the volunteers that came and worked.

I have been honored to speak at a couple of our churches as the MS Conference President. I have also spoke at a Homecoming service at Forest Grove and made other presidential visits. If your church desires to have the Conference President, whoever it may be, come to your church, call them, and set up a Sunday that works for your congregation.

I have been having Pastor retreats consistently this year and I believe these retreats have helped us tremendously in alignment and partnership and in knowing more about the issues we are each facing.

For one of the Pastor retreats we invited all the other conferences to attend and had Dr. Chris Lohrstorfer speaking to the pastor's and lay leaders in attendance and Mrs. Beth Neihof speaking to the Pastor's wives and Lay women who attended. Also, Gloria McConnell did a personality test and we each discussed the strengths and weaknesses of our personality types. It was a wonderful event and I believe everyone who attended really enjoyed the event.

It has also helped me to have a better vision for a future for our denomination. I, without reservation, believe God has a purpose for the Methodist Protestant Church. I pray that we will continue to be a movement that will convict, inspire, and incline people towards the heart of God. I pray that through us people will hear and know the message of holiness of heart and life and that they would experience the overcoming power of a sanctified life and through these things that revival would come to our nation starting right here in Mississippi.

Marc said this in one of his previous Presidential reports and I feel the same way and wanted to share it with you for this conference: "I pray that we can go forward in the words of Wesley: "Do all the good you can, By all the means you can, In all the ways you can, In all the places you can, At all the times you can, To all the people you can, As long as ever you can."

I appreciate each of you, Pastor's, Pastor's wives, Church Leaders, and the congregations of the Mississippi Methodist Protestant Conference.

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I hold each of you and your churches in my prayers. I pray that you have found over this past year that I have been available and compassionate to your needs and concerns. I want you to know that no matter what happens during elections this year, if you need me, I will always be available to my friends and family in Jesus. I want you to feel free to call me anytime.

In Christ's Service

Rev. Carlos Dawson II

President, The MS Conference of The Methodist Protestant Church

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Mississippi Annual Conference

Treasurer's Report 2021-2022

Respectfully Submitted by:
Henry Carmichael, Treasurer



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Deposits
Annual Conference Debits
Superannuate Payments
Bible Camp Debits
General Conference Payments
CORE Payments
Not Yet Deposited
Checks Cleared Through Bank

2021-2022	Date	Items	Check #	Debits	Credits	Balance
Balance Brought Forward						\$ 141,000.72
Golden Grove	13-Jun	CC 1162.95/Conf. Exp 150.00/Camp 150.00			\$ 1,462.95	
Shiloh	21-Jun	Camp			\$ 150.00	
Shiloh	21-Jun	Conf. Exp			\$ 150.00	
Shamberville	23-Jun	Conf. Exp			\$ 300.00	
Shamberville	16-Jun	CC			\$ 419.98	
Bear Creek	22-Jun	Conf. Exp			\$ 150.00	
Bear Creek	22-Jun	Camp			\$ 150.00	
Jan Russell	24-Jun	Conf. Exp			\$ 100.00	
Deposit	1-Jul		52,882.93			\$ 2,882.93
Rev John Jenkins	1-Jul	SA July	6029	\$ 80.00		
Rev Ralph Gerald	1-Jul	SA July	6030	\$ 80.00		
Helen Jenkins	1-Jul	SA July	6025	\$ 50.00		
Wilma Edwards	1-Jul	SA July	6026	\$ 50.00		
Marlene Renfro	1-Jul	SA July	6028	\$ 50.00		
Lessie Carmichael	1-Jul	SA July	6027	\$ 50.00		
Ben Ford	1-Jul	CS July	6031	\$ 100.00		
Rev Ralph Gerald	1-Jul	SA Increase	6042	\$ 20.00		
Rev John Jenkins	1-Jul	SA Increase	6043	\$ 20.00		
Phillips Maint.	27-Jun	Camp Repairs A/C	6040	\$ 715.83		
GC Board of Missions	27-Jun	School	6041	\$ 5,000.00		
Wiggins Sports Hut	23-Jun	3 Plaques	6033	\$ 139.10		
Joy Williams	25-Jun	Cooks for Conf.	6034	\$ 800.00		
Sam's	22-Jun	Conf. Meals	6036	\$ 1,063.16		

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Ramey's	23-Jun	Conf Meals	6035	\$ 988.36		
Neely	5-Jul	Missions			\$ 100.00	
Neely	5-Jul	CC Jan			\$ 601.48	
Monticello	5-Jul	20-21 21-22 Conf. Exp/Camp			\$ 600.00	
Cov Co Supply	5-Jul	Building Materials	6044	\$ 21.21		
Hickory Grove	8-Jul	CC			\$ 105.70	
North Cov. Water	8-Jul	Camp	6045	\$ 3.00		
Southern Pine	10-Jul	28295001/3001/3003	6046	\$ 1,036.34		
Newton	19-Jul	CC Jul			\$ 475.00	
Forest Grove	19-Jul	CC			\$ 540.38	
Glo McConnel	19-Jul	Camp Supplies	6047	\$ 1,003.66		
CCCS	19-Jul	Book & Supplies	6032	\$ 883.03		
General Conf.	21-Jul	Apr-May	6037	\$ 7,984.38		
CORE	21-Jul	Apr-May	6038	\$ 834.09		
Phillips Maint.	21-Jul	A/C Girls #4821	6048	\$ 3,745.00		
Lampton Love	22-Jul	Water Heater	6049	\$ 773.41		
Angela Little	22-Jul	Camp Smoke Detectors	6050	\$ 106.84		
CORE	22-Jul	Electrical Supplies	6051	\$ 227.56		
CORE	22-Jul	Camp Insurance 20-21			\$ 3,000.00	
Helen Jenkins	1-Aug	SA Aug	6052	\$ 50.00		
Rev John Jenkins	1-Aug	SA Aug	6053	\$ 100.00		
Wilma Edwards	1-Aug	SA Aug	6054	\$ 50.00		
Marlene Renfro	1-Aug	SA Aug	6055	\$ 50.00		
Rev Ralph Gerald	1-Aug	SA Aug	6056	\$ 100.00		
Ben Ford	1-Aug	CS Aug	6057	\$ 100.00		
Lessie Carmichael	1-Aug	SA Aug	6058	\$ 50.00		
Monticello	27-Jul	CC Jun			\$ 516.12	
Deposit	30-Jul			\$ 5,938.68		\$ 5,938.68
Office Max	29-Jul	Stamps/Lables/Printer Ink	6059	\$ 135.87		
North Cov. Water	29-Jul	Camp	6060	\$ 9.10		
Cross Point	31-Jul	Loan Payment			\$ 500.00	
Hickory Grove	31-Aug	CC			\$ 42.38	
Newton	1-Aug	CC Aug			\$ 475.00	
Newton	1-Aug	Camp 20-21			\$ 300.00	

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Neely	5-Aug	Missions			\$ 100.00	
Neely	5-Aug	CC			\$ 346.69	
Clear Creek	5-Aug	Building Notes 36-37			\$ 666.12	
Clear Creek	5-Aug	Building Note 38			\$ 333.06	
Clear Creek	5-Aug	Building Note 39			\$ 333.06	
Clear Creek	5-Aug	CC May-Jun			\$ 1,665.49	
Clear Creek	5-Aug	CC Jul			\$ 737.41	
Shiloh	9-Aug	CC Jun \$323.95 Jul \$219.87			\$ 543.84	
Forest Grove	9-Aug	CC			\$ 388.01	
Southern Pine	9-Aug	28293001/3003	6062	\$ 1,634.27		
Cov. Co. Supply	30-Jul	Building Supplies	6061	\$ 756.07		
Brotherhood Mutual	9-Aug	23M0344008	6063	\$ 4,989.50		
Helen Jenkins	12-Aug	SA Sep	6064	\$ 50.00		
Rev John Jenkins	12-Aug	SA Sep	6065	\$ 100.00		
Wilma Edwards	12-Aug	SA Sep	6066	\$ 50.00		
Marlene Renfro	12-Aug	SA Sep	6067	\$ 50.00		
Rev Ralph Gerald	12-Aug	SA Sep	6068	\$ 100.00		
Lessie Carmichael	12-Aug	SA Sep	6069	\$ 50.00		
Ben Ford	12-Aug	CS Sep	6070	\$ 100.00		
MPGC	14-Aug	Jun-Jul CC	6071	\$ 3,187.38		
CORE	14-Aug	Jun-Jul	6072	\$ 389.57		
Monticello	31-Aug	CC Jul #15299			\$ 501.16	
Deposit				\$ 6,932.22		\$ 6,932.22
Nothe Cov. Water	6-Sep	Camp	6073	\$ 19.60		
Southern Pine	7-Sep	28293001/3003/5001	6074	\$ 209.74		
CORE	22-Sep	Reim. Electric Supplies #0967			\$ 153.33	
Laurel	22-Sep	CC Jul-Aug \$709.00 Missions \$240.00			\$ 949.00	
Forest Grove	22-Sep	CC Aug			\$ 548.17	

Helen Jenkins	24-Sep	SA Oct	6075	\$ 50.00		
Rev John Jenkins	24-Sep	SA Oct	6076	\$ 100.00		
Wilma Edwards	24-Sep	SA Oct	6077	\$ 50.00		
Marlene Renfro	24-Sep	SA Oct	6078	\$ 50.00		

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Rev Ralph Gerald	24-Sep	SA Oct	6079	\$	100.00		
Lessie Carmichael	24-Sep	SA Oct	6080	\$	50.00		
Ben Ford	24-Sep	CS Oct	6081	\$	100.00		
Schamberville	29-Aug	CC Jun-Jul #5901				\$	422.64
Schamberville	29-Sep	CC Sep #5902				\$	401.72
Friendship	29-Sep	CC Jul-Sep #3247				\$	272.91
Hickory Grove	3-Oct	CC #1118				\$	137.97
Southern Pine	11-Oct	28293001/3003	6082	\$	231.57		
Southern Pine	11-Oct	28295001	6083	\$	49.46		
Hickory Grove	11-Oct	CC				\$	86.38
Newton	11-Oct	CC Oct				\$	475.00
Deposit				\$3,447.12			\$ 3,447.12
Helen Jenkins	1-Nov	SA Nov	6084	\$	50.00		
Rev John Jenkins	1-Nov	SA Nov	6085	\$	100.00		
Marlene Renfro	1-Nov	SA Nov	6086	\$	50.00		
Rev Ralph Gerald	1-Nov	SA Nov	6087	\$	100.00		
Lessie Carmichael	1-Nov	SA Nov	6088	\$	50.00		
Ben Ford	1-Nov	CS Nov	6089	\$	100.00		
Divide	10-Nov	CC Jun-Sep #1897				\$	7,077.22
Monticello	10-Nov	CC Aug #15317				\$	660.66
Monticello	10-Nov	CC Sep #15318				\$	596.75
Forest Grove	10-Nov	CC Sep #9119				\$	442.20
Neely	10-Nov	CC Aug-Oct #5329				\$	999.58
Neely	10-Nov	Missions Aug-Oct #5330				\$	300.00
Deposit				\$10,076.41			\$ 10,076.41
MPGC	10-Nov	CC Jun-Oct	6090	\$	6,640.36		
CORE	10-Nov	Jun-Oct	6092	\$	811.60		
		VOIDED CHECK.....	6091				
North Cov. Water	10-Nov	Camp	6093	\$	3.00		
Southern Pine	28-Nov	28295001	6094	\$	51.61		
Southern Pine	28-Nov	Capital Credit #502				\$	18.09
Southern Pine	28-Nov	Capital Credit #501				\$	65.70
Newton	6-Sep	CC Sep				\$	475.00
Newton	28-Nov	CC Nov #1014				\$	475.00

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Divide	28-Nov	CC \$2125.19 One Day I Give \$1958.00				\$	4,083.19
Cross Roads	28-Nov	CC				\$	422.90
Hickory Grove	28-Nov	CC				\$	69.27
Southern Pine	28-Nov	3001	6095	\$	160.59		
Monticello	28-Nov	CC \$1181.62 One Day I Give \$325.00				\$	1,506.62
Deposit				\$7,115.77			\$ 7,115.77
Helen Jenkins	1-Dec	SA Dec	6096	\$	50.00		
Rev John Jenkins	1-Dec	SA Dec	6097	\$	100.00		
Marlene Renfro	1-Dec	SA Dec	6098	\$	50.00		
Rev Ralph Gerald	1-Dec	SA Dec	6099	\$	100.00		
Lessie Carmichael	1-Dec	SA Dec	6100	\$	50.00		
Ben Ford	1-Dec	CS Dec	6101	\$	100.00		
Newton	12-Dec	CC Dec				\$	475.00
Hickory Grove	12-Dec	CC				\$	133.10
Shiloh	12-Dec	CC Aug-Nov				\$	1,483.46
Southern Pine	12-Dec	Capital Credit				\$	9.41
Southern Pine	12-Dec	Capital Credit				\$	37.30
Southern Pine	12-Dec	28293001/3003/5001	6102	\$	217.74		
Forest Grove	27-Dec	CC Oct				\$	614.79
Forest Grove	27-Dec	CC Nov				\$	501.16
Clear Creek	27-Dec	5 Bld. Notes #1393				\$	1,665.30
Clear Creek	27-Dec	3 Bld. Notes #2434				\$	999.18
Clear Creek	27-Dec	2 Bld. Notes #2437				\$	666.12
Helen Jenkins	27-Dec	SA Jan	6103	\$	50.00		
Rev John Jenkins	27-Dec	SA Jan	6104	\$	100.00		
Marlene Renfro	27-Dec	SA Jan	6105	\$	50.00		
Rev Ralph Gerald	27-Dec	SA Jan	6106	\$	100.00		
Lessie Carmichael	27-Dec	SA Jan	6107	\$	50.00		
Ben Ford	27-Dec	CS Jan	6108	\$	100.00		
Rev Carlos Dawson	27-Dec	Pastors Banquet	6112	\$	563.05		
Deposit	29-Dec			\$6,584.82			\$ 6,584.82
Southern Pine	10-Jan	28293001/3003/5001	6109	\$	196.86		
Hickory Grove	10-Jan	CC #1146				\$	144.65
Newton	10-Jan	CC Jan #1039				\$	475.00

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Cross Roads	10-Jan	CC #3756			\$ 449.30	
Divide	10-Jan	CC Nov & Dec #8238			\$ 4,006.05	
Monticello	10-Jan	CC Nov #15339			\$ 651.75	
Monticello	10-Jan	CC Dec #15340			\$ 1,043.90	
Deposit	10-Jan		\$5,075.00			\$ 5,075.00
Helen Jenkins	24-Jan	SA Feb	6110	\$ 50.00		
Rev John Jenkins	24-Jan	SA Feb	6111	\$ 100.00		
Marlene Renfro	24-Jan	SA Feb	6113	\$ 50.00		
Rev Ralph Gerald	24-Jan	SA Feb	6114	\$ 100.00		
Lessie Carmichael	24-Jan	SA Feb	6115	\$ 50.00		
Ben Ford	24-Jan	CS Feb	6116	\$ 100.00		
MPGC	24-Jan	Aug-Sep	6117	\$ 5,976.80		
CORE	24-Jan	Aug-Sep	6118	\$ 730.50		
Hickory Grove	8-Feb	CC			\$ 67.76	
Friendship	8-Feb	CC Oct-Jan			\$ 410.43	
Deposit	8-Feb		\$2,173.84			\$ 2,173.84
Rev Carlos Dawson	19-Feb	Reimbursement for Chairs (Camp) 1/2	6119	\$ 3,613.13		
Mrs. Beth Neihoff	19-Feb	Pastors Retreat	6120	\$ 200.00		
Rev Chris Lohrstorfer	19-Feb	Pastors Retreat	6121	\$ 200.00		
Rev Carlos Dawson	19-Feb	Cottage Wire	6122	\$ 908.43		
Clear Creek	19-Feb	Books for Pastors Retreat	6123	\$ 472.93		
Rev Carlos Dawson	19-Feb	Dawson Trailer			\$ 100.00	
Brotherhood Mutual	24-Feb	Camp ins.	6124	\$ 5,370.00		
Clear Creek	24-Feb	CC Jan #2460			\$ 568.37	
Clear Creek	24-Feb	Bld. Note #2457			\$ 333.06	
Clear Creek	24-Feb	Bld. Note #1424			\$ 333.06	
Forest Grove	24-Feb	CC Dec #9154			\$ 329.28	
Forest Grove	24-Feb	CC Jan #9174			\$ 480.48	
Schamberville	24-Feb	CC Sep-Dec # 5932			\$ 1,693.56	
		VOIDED CHECK	6125			
Marlene Renfro	24-Feb	SA Mar	6126	\$ 50.00		
Rev Ralph Gerald	24-Feb	SA Mar	6127	\$ 100.00		
Helen Jenkins	24-Feb	SA Mar	6128	\$ 50.00		
Lessie Carmichael	24-Feb	SA Mar	6129	\$ 50.00		

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Ben Ford	24-Feb	CS Mar	6130	\$ 100.00		
Covington Co Supply	7-Mar	Cottage	6131	\$ 473.19		
Cross Point	7-Mar	CC Jun-Dec #2602			\$ 1,314.64	
Newton	7-Mar	CC Feb			\$ 475.00	
Deposit	7-Mar		\$5,627.45			\$ 5,627.45
Southern Pine	15-Mar	28293001/3003/5001	6132	\$ 1,106.91		
Newton	15-Mar	CC Mar #1059			\$ 475.00	
Friendship	15-Mar	CC Jan #3376			\$ 124.96	
Hickory Grove	15-Mar	CC #1167			\$ 139.51	
Clear Creek	25-Mar	Bld. Note #1440			\$ 333.06	
Clear Creek	25-Mar	Bld. Note #2469			\$ 5,333.06	
Shiloh	25-Mar	CC Dec-Feb #5610			\$ 1,341.78	
Laurel	25-Mar	CC \$1582.00 Missions \$80.00			\$ 2,062.00	
MWMS	25-Mar	Lights for Tabernacle #0346			\$ 700.00	
Glo McConnel	25-Mar	Reim. For pastor Wives Conf.	6133	\$ 179.52		
Marlene Renfro	25-Mar	SA Apr	6134	\$ 50.00		
Rev Ralph Gerald	25-Mar	SA Apr	6135	\$ 100.00		
Helen Jenkins	25-Mar	SA Apr	6136	\$ 50.00		
Ben Ford	25-Mar	CS Apr	6137	\$ 100.00		
Cross Roads	25-Mar	CC			\$ 432.35	
	25-Mar		\$10,509.37			\$ 10,509.37
Deposit	25-Mar		\$432.35			\$ 432.35
Forest Grove	8-Apr	CC Feb #9186			\$ 575.96	
Hickory Grove	8-Apr	CC Mar #1173			\$ 121.65	
Divide	8-Apr	CC Jan-Feb #8288			\$ 3,870.20	
Clear Creek	8-Apr	Bld. Note Payoff ? #2474			\$ 3,288.66	
Clear Creek	8-Apr	Memory of Lessie Carmichael #2473			\$ 500.00	
Charles Sellers	8-Apr	Memory of Lessie Carmichael #2511			\$ 200.00	
Cash	8-Apr	Memory of Lessie Carmichael			\$ 40.00	
Southern Pine	11-Apr	28293001/3003/5001	6138	\$ 1,207.21		
Forest Grove	11-Apr	CC Mar			\$ 399.35	
Newton	11-Apr	CC Apr			\$ 475.00	
Leonard Printing	12-Apr	Minutes 150 Bk	6139	\$ 930.90		
Southern Pine	12-May	28293001/3003/5001	6140	\$ 250.90		

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Friendship	12-May	CC Feb \$88.99 Mar \$84.70 #3389			\$	173.69	
Hickory Grove	12-May	CC Apr			\$	42.79	
Forest Grove	12-May	CC Apr			\$	452.14	
Neely	12-May	CC Apr #5155			\$	493.00	
Neely	12-May	Missions #5156			\$	100.00	
Shiloh	12-May	CC Mar #5939			\$	339.71	
Shiloh	12-May	CC Apr #5640			\$	313.06	
Clear Creek	12-May	CC Mar #2485			\$	700.00	
Clear Creek	12-May	CC Apr #2486			\$	750.00	
Newton	12-May	CC May #1083			\$	475.00	
Clear Creek	12-May	Memory of Lessie Carmichael Bones Breland#2492			\$	100.00	
Brotherhood Mutual	12-May	Claim for Damage #10074640			\$	26,608.19	
Deposit	16-May		40,018.40				\$ 40,018.40
MWMS	18-May	Memory of Lessie Carmichael #0348			\$	500.00	
Ina F. Miller	18-May	Memory of Lessie Carmichael #9373			\$	50.00	
Marlene Renfro	31-May	May SA	6141	\$	50.00		
Rev Ralph Gerald	31-May	May SA	6142	\$	100.00		
Helen Jenkins	31-May	May SA	6143	\$	50.00		
Ben Ford	31-May	May CS	6144	\$	100.00		
Diane Reid	31-May	Memory of Lessie Carmichael #1511			\$	250.00	
Neely	31-May	CC			\$	624.00	
Fay Gerald	31-May	Memory of Lessie Carmichael #1547			\$	2,000.00	
Pineville	31-May	CC			\$	339.78	
Pineville	31-May	Conf & delegate Expense			\$	300.00	
Pineville	31-May	Pastor Maxine Jenkins Camper			\$	150.00	
Monticello	31-May	CC Jan-Mar			\$	1,780.13	
Hickory Grove	31-May	CC May			\$	134.86	
Divide	31-May	Mar, Apr, May			\$	7,241.59	
Lessie Carmichael	31-May	Camp Trailer			\$	150.00	
Laurel	31-May	CC, Shares, Conf. Exp, Belize			\$	1,536.00	
Marlene Renfro	31-May	Jun SA	6145	\$	50.00		
Rev Ralph Gerald	31-May	Jun SA	6146	\$	100.00		
Helen Jenkins	31-May	Jun SA	6147	\$	50.00		
Ben Ford	31-May	Jun CS	6148	\$	100.00		

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Southern Pine	1-Jun	28293001, 3003, 5001	6149	\$	211.53		
Rev Carlos Dawson	1-Jun	Reimbursement for Chairs (Camp) 1/2	6150	\$	3,613.12		
	9-Jun	Groceries for Conf.	6151	?			
	9-Jun	Cooks for Conf.	6152	?			
	9-Jun	Evangelist for Conf.	6153	?			
Interest Received	30-Jun				\$	2.54	\$ 2.54
Interest Received	31-Jul				\$	5.74	\$ 5.74
Interest Received	31-Aug				\$	5.48	\$ 5.48
Interest Received	30-Sep				\$	5.27	\$ 5.27
Interest Received	31-Oct				\$	5.46	\$ 5.46
Interest Received	30-Nov				\$	5.47	\$ 5.47
Interest Received	31-Dec				\$	3.56	\$ 3.56
Interest Received	31-Jan				\$	3.77	\$ 3.77
Interest Received	28-Feb				\$	3.31	\$ 3.31
Interest Received	31-Mar				\$	3.60	\$ 3.60
Interest Received	30-Apr				\$	3.62	\$ 3.62
Interest Received	31-May				\$	4.23	\$ 4.23
Deposit	10-Jun	15056.36					\$ 15,056.36
					\$ 76,076.98	\$ 121,922.77	\$ 262,923.49
		BANK BOOK BALANCE TOTAL				5/31/2022	\$ 186,846.51
		BANK STATEMENT BALANCE INCLUDING OUTSTANDING DEBITS/CREDITS				5/31/2022	\$ 195,931.72
		DIFFERENCE OF \$9085.21 IN OUR BOOKS & BANK BALANCE DUE TO AN OVERAGE FROM PREVIOUS TREASURERS					

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MS District of the Methodist Protestant Church					
Statement of Receipts and Disbursements					
ACCOUNTS	2020-2021				2021-2022
	BALANCE FORWARD	RECEIPTS	INTEREST EARNED	DISBUR.	BALANCE
GIRLS DORM	\$28,321.77				\$28,321.77
HOME MISSIONS	\$2,826.98	\$280.43			\$3,107.41
TABERNACLE LIGHTS	\$600.00	\$700.00			\$1,300.00
BIBLE CAMP	\$20,671.54	\$34,342.82		\$29,126.88	\$25,887.48
SUPERANNUATE OPERATING	\$5,035.40	\$4,977.71		\$4,050.00	\$5,963.11
Carmichael Memorial		\$3,640.00			\$3,640.00
CHURCH EXTENSION	\$71,609.83	\$14,783.74			\$86,393.57
CHECKING ACCOUNT					\$41,318.38
				TOTAL	\$195,931.72
CD's:					
BANCORP #1	\$203,295.92		\$508.71		\$203,804.63
BANCORP #2	\$59,150.13		\$88.77		\$59,238.90
SUPERANNUATE - RIVERHILLS	\$26,825.93		\$494.81		\$27,320.74
Totals	\$418,337.50	\$58,724.70	\$1,092.29	\$33,176.88	\$486,295.99

**Note Recoverable - CrossPoint Church
Church Ext Loan**

Date	ITEMS	Interest	Payments	Balance Due
7/30/2021	Balance			\$24,796.11
			\$500.00	
		\$1,457.77		
6/7/2022	Balance			\$25,753.88

Annual Conference Budget				
Date	ITEMS	Debits	Credits	Balance
6/8/2021				\$10,191.64
	Annual Conference Assessments:			
	Jun-21	\$2,990.62	\$1,728.65	
	Jul-21	\$883.03	\$1,035.31	
	Aug-21		\$794.96	
	Sep-21		\$2,971.08	
	Oct-21		\$1,865.89	
	Nov-21		\$591.54	
	Dec-21	\$563.05	\$3,519.63	
	Jan-22		\$824.17	
	Feb-22	\$872.93	\$2,947.09	
	Mar-22	\$179.52	\$1,069.27	
	Apr-22	\$930.90	\$809.96	
	May-22		\$2,279.09	
	Total:	\$6,420.05	\$20,436.64	\$ 14,016.59
	Interest			
6/8/2022	Balance			\$24,208.23
Annual Conference Expense Account				
Date	ITEMS	Debits	Credits	Balance
6/8/2022	Balance Forward			\$5,458.19
	Church Assessments		\$1,300.00	
6/8/2022	Balance			\$6,758.19

Certificate of deposit - Church Extension				
BancorpSouth				
Date	ITEMS	Debits	Credits	Balance
6/8/2021	Certificate of deposit			\$203,295.92
	Interest		\$508.71	
6/8/2022	Balance			203,804.63
Certificate of deposit - Church Extension				
BancorpSouth				
Date	ITEMS	Debits	Credits	Balance
6/8/2021	Certificate of deposit			\$59,150.13
	Interest		\$88.77	
6/8/2022	Balance			\$ 59,238.90

Girls Dorm Building Fund				
Date	ITEMS	Debits	Credits	Balance
5/31/2021	Balance Forward			\$28,321.77
6/7/2022	Balance	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$28,321.77

Superannuate Operating Fund				
2021-2022				
Date	ITEMS	Payments	Credits	Balance
6/1/2021	Balance Forward			\$5,035.40
	MS Conference Assessments			
	Jun-21	\$400.00	\$421.04	
	Jul-21	\$400.00	\$252.17	
	Aug-21	\$400.00	\$193.63	
	Sep-21	\$400.00	\$723.66	
	Oct-21	\$400.00	\$454.47	
	Nov-21	\$350.00	\$144.08	
	Dec-21	\$350.00	\$857.27	
	Jan-22	\$350.00	\$200.74	
	Feb-22	\$350.00	\$717.82	
	Mar-22	\$250.00	\$260.44	
	Apr-22	\$200.00	\$197.28	
	May-22	\$200.00	\$555.11	
	Total:	\$4,050.00	\$4,977.71	
6/1/2022				\$5,963.11
Certificate of deposit - Superannuate Fund Savings				
Riverhills				
Date	ITEMS	Debits	Credits	Balance
5/25/2021	Balance Forward			\$26,825.93
	Interest		\$494.81	
6/7/2022	Balance			\$ 27,320.74

Note Recoverable - Clear Creek Church				
Church Ext Loan				
Date	ITEMS	Interest	Payments	Balance Due
6/8/2021	Balance			\$15,557.35
6/1/2021			\$333.06	
7/1/2021			\$999.18	
10/1/2021			\$999.18	
12/1/2021			\$2,331.42	
2/1/2022			\$666.12	
3/1/2022			\$5,666.12	
4/1/2022			\$3,288.66	
			\$14,283.74	
		\$76.42		
6/7/2022	Balance			\$1,350.03

Bible Camp				
Date	ITEMS	Debits	Credits	Balance
6/18/2021	Balance Forward			\$20,671.54
	MS Conference Assessments:			
	Jun-21		\$495.17	
	Jul-21		\$296.56	
	Aug-21		\$227.72	
	Sep-21		\$851.06	
	Oct-21		\$534.48	
	Nov-21		\$169.44	
	Dec-21		\$1,008.28	
	Jan-22		\$236.08	
	Feb-22		\$844.19	
	Mar-22		\$306.29	
	Apr-22		\$232.01	
	May-22		\$652.85	
	Total Conference Assessments:		\$5,854.13	\$5,854.13
	Church Assessment for upkeep		\$1,350.00	\$1,350.00
	Brotherhood Insurance		\$26,608.19	\$26,608.19
	Southern Pine Credits		\$130.50	\$130.50
	Trailers		\$400.00	\$400.00
	Total Credits		\$34,342.82	\$55,014.36
	Bible Camp Expenses:			
	Jun-21	\$815.83		
	Jul-21	\$6,733.75		
	Aug-21	\$100.00		
	Sep-21	\$100.00		
	Oct-21	\$100.00		
	Nov-21	\$100.00		
	Dec-21	\$100.00		
	Jan-22	\$100.00		
	Feb-22	\$9,991.56		
	Mar-22	\$573.19		
	Apr-22	\$100.00		
	May-22	\$3,713.12		
	Bible Camp Expenses:	\$22,527.45		\$22,527.45
Bible Camp Expenses Continued On Next Page				

Home Missions				
Date	ITEMS	Debits	Credits	Balance
6/18/2021	Balance Forward			\$2,826.98
	MS Conference Assessments		\$280.43	
6/7/2022	Balance			\$3,107.41

	Southern Pine:			
	Jun-21			
	Jul-21	\$1,036.34		
	Aug-21	\$1,634.27		
	Sep-21	\$209.74		
	Oct-21	\$281.03		
	Nov-21	\$212.20		
	Dec-21	\$217.74		
	Jan-22	\$196.86		
	Feb-22	\$1,106.91		
	Mar-22	\$1,207.21		
	Apr-22	\$250.90		
	May-22	\$211.53		
	Southern Pine:	\$6,564.73		\$6,564.73
	North Covington Water:			
	Jun-21			
	Jul-21	\$3.00		
	Aug-21	\$9.10		
	Sep-21	\$19.60		
	Oct-21	\$0.00		
	Nov-21	\$3.00		
	Dec-21	\$0.00		
	Jan-22	\$0.00		
	Feb-22	\$0.00		
	Mar-22	\$0.00		
	Apr-22	\$0.00		
	May-22	\$0.00		
	North Covington Water:	\$34.70		\$34.70
	Total Expenses:			\$29,126.88
6/10/2022	Balance			\$25,887.48

Church	June	July	Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Totals
Bailey's													
Beer Creek													
Castle Chapel													
Clear Creek	\$1,665.49	\$737.41						\$568.37		\$700.00	\$750.00		\$4,421.27
Cordoba													
Cross Point					\$422.90		\$1,314.64		\$432.35				\$1,314.64
Cross Roads					\$449.30		\$4,006.05		\$3,870.20				\$1,304.55
Divide				\$7,077.22	\$2,125.19								\$22,612.75
Forest Grove	\$540.38	\$368.01	\$546.17	\$442.20	\$914.78	\$501.16	\$329.28	\$480.48	\$875.90	\$399.35	\$452.14	\$	\$5,534.09
Friendship				\$272.91				\$410.43	\$124.90	\$173.69			\$581.09
Golden Grove	\$1,162.95												\$1,162.95
Hickory Grove	\$105.70	\$137.97	\$89.38			\$133.10	\$144.65	\$67.70	\$139.51	\$121.65	\$42.79	\$134.80	\$1,114.37
Laurel			\$709.00						\$1,562.00	\$562.65			\$2,853.65
Martinsburg	\$516.12	\$501.18	\$600.66	\$596.75	\$1,181.62	\$951.75	\$1,043.90	\$568.28	\$649.22	\$562.65			\$6,832.09
Neely	\$601.48	\$346.09			\$899.58						\$493.00	\$624.00	\$3,064.75
New Hope													
Newton	\$475.00	\$475.00	\$475.00	\$475.00	\$475.00	\$475.00	\$475.00	\$475.00	\$475.00	\$475.00	\$475.00	\$475.00	\$5,700.00
Pinetree													\$339.78
Schmidsville				\$401.72			\$1,683.59						\$3,517.92
Shiloh	\$323.95	\$219.80					\$1,483.45		\$1,341.78	\$339.71	\$313.00		\$4,021.85
						\$83.79	\$36.71						\$120.50
Total Assemblies	\$5,391.67	\$3,228.77	\$2,478.21	\$9,266.80	\$5,619.08	\$1,844.80	\$10,976.56	\$2,576.30	\$9,190.98	\$3,334.70	\$2,626.99	\$7,197.73	\$63,734.95

APPOINTED COMMITTEE REPORTS

RULES OF ORDER

We, the Committee on Rules of Order, present the following rules to apply to all sessions of the One Hundred Eighty-First Conference:

1. We will be governed by Roberts Rules of Order, and the Constitution and Discipline of the Methodist Protestant Church.
2. The center section of the auditorium to be designated as the conference bar.
3. Rev. Bobby Dawson shall be designated as the parliamentarian.
4. Cell phones shall be silenced while in the auditorium.
5. All new business must be presented at least one session prior to being voted on.

Submitted by,
Rev. Bobby Dawson

AUDIT COMMITTEE

We, the Audit Committee of the Mississippi Annual Conference of the Methodist Protestant Church are unable to review the financial records and accounts of the Annual Conference owing to the fact that the Conference Treasurer is currently out of the country on deployment and the necessary information was not provided to the committee.

We would, however, like to thank the Treasurer for the work that he does on behalf of the Conference and commend him for his efforts in this difficult and sometimes demanding role.

Respectfully submitted,
Rev. Mike Tullis
Rev. Dan Henry III
Robert Johnson
Bobby Halase

EVANGELISM COMMITTEE

We, the Committee on Evangelism, would like to make the following recommendations:

1. That each church involve its members in learning how to give their personal testimony and provide discipleship training that we might not only learn to win the lost to Jesus, but also train them how to live for Him.
2. That “seasoned” Christians in our congregations choose out younger or new believers and mentor them—teaching them to study their Bibles, how to receive the gift of the Holy Spirit, how to pray, how to witness to others, and practical daily living, while enduring the trying of their faith.
3. That each Church schedule revival services in due season, accompanied by periods of fasting and prayer prior to these services.
4. That events of fellowship be scheduled to restore the “koinonia” fellowship of the Church, knowing that Christ said, “By this shall all men know that you are my disciples, if you have love one toward another.”
5. That each Church encourage attendance to our Bible Camp beginning the second Sunday night in July. It has been a primary source to raise up preachers and missionaries for the denomination, and for the countless souls won for the Kingdom.
6. That the Holiness Seminar in January be promoted for a truer understanding of Entire Sanctification. We encourage our churches to schedule evangelists and

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teachers to propagate this great biblical truth, and to teach us to testify to the experience of second-blessing holiness and what it does in the life of the Christian.

The Evangelism Committee
Rev. Wayne Sellers, Chairman

MEMORIALS

Following is a list of persons who were remembered at our Memorial Service on Thursday afternoon:

Ministers:

Rev. John Jenkins
Rev. LaDon Dawson

Cross Roads:

Milton Fleming
Wilma Edwards

Clear Creek:

James Daughdrill
Bobby Cooley
Gordon Cooley
Charles Redmond

Divide Memorial:

Jimmy Boyd
Richard Garrett
Lowery Parkman
Johnny Smith
Lynn Rivere

Forest Grove:

Dewitt Boyd
John (Mackey) Lambert

Golden Grove:

William Sharp

Hickory Grove:

James Deen
Cynthia (Cindy) Deen

Monticello:

Sue Lambert
Mitch Lambert
Virginia Fortenberry

Neely:

Glenn Walley
Viola Backstrom

Newton:

Lessie Carmichael
Christopher & Oree Mulford

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FINANCE COMMITTEE

The Finance Committee submits the following for adoption:

1. That the churches continue to be consistent with their stewardship giving, based on regular receipts into the Annual Conference Treasury, and that this money be prorated as follows:
 - A. Annual Conference.....6.00%
 1. Annual Budget..... 3.50%
 2. Bible Camp..... 1.00%
 3. Home Mission 0.05%
 4. Superannuate 0.85%
 5. Council of Rel. Ed. . 0.60%
 - B. General Conference5.00%
 1. Missions 3.00%
 2. General Budget..... 2.00%
- Total.....11.00%
2. That Special Offerings for all Mission Shares, Bible Camp Funds and other special projects be exempt from the 11% assessment.
3. That all churches remit assessments of 11% on a monthly basis on the forms provided by the Annual Conference.
4. That the Annual Conference President be paid by the churches the prevailing governmental rates of travel for any Presidential visit. Also, that expenses of the President in connection with his official duties, including the prevailing governmental rates for travel not otherwise provided for, be logged and paid out of the budget.
5. That the Secretary of the Annual Conference and the Treasurer be paid actual expenses for any supplies and equipment needed, and for any special activities that they may be called upon to attend.
6. That the incidental expenses of the Conference be paid out of the Annual Conference budget.
7. That each church make a \$150.00 annual contribution for upkeep of the Church Camp and that those with permanent campers/trailers be assessed an annual fee of \$150.00. Other campers or travel trailers will be charged \$25.00/week, to be paid to the Annual Conference Treasurer.
8. That \$360.00 per month be given, as assessed by the General Conference, to the General Conference for the President's salary to be paid from the Annual Conference Budget.
9. That each church be assessed \$150.00 for the expenses of the meeting of the Conference.
10. That Minutes of this conference be printed and that the cost be paid from the Annual Conference budget.
11. That the treasurer be given the authority to manage any excess funds to the best interest of the Conference.
12. That the Conference Treasurer be given permission to use money from the Home Mission account at the request of the conference President for the use of

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home mission work in the Mississippi District Boundaries.

13. That each church be reminded to submit the single form Annual Church Report.
14. That the Conference Speaker be given a total \$1,200.00 for services and travel.

Respectfully Submitted by,
Rev. Matt Lambert

FRATERNAL RELATIONS

We, the Committee on Fraternal Relations wish to acknowledge the presence of the following distinguished guests and accord them an honorary seat in our Conference:

1. Rev. Ben “Bernie” Gerald of Bedford, TX, General Conference President of the Congregational Methodist Church, as our conference evangelist.
2. Rev. and Mrs. Benny Crawford President of the Alabama Conference.
3. Bro. and Mrs. Bobby Thornhill, Pastor of Sandy Hook UMC.
4. Mr. Byron and Florene Carlisle, General Conference Treasurer and President of the Board of Missions.
5. Rev. Dr. Ronnie Morgan and Rev. Darlene Morgan, Congregational Methodist Church.
6. Rev. Jimmy Williams, President of the Louisiana Conference.
7. John Eric Robinson
8. Bro. Jerry Collier
9. Keith Gerald

Sincerely,
Rev. Reggie Smith, Chairman

COMMITTEE ON THANKS

We the Committee on Thanks wish to express our appreciation to all ministers and lay persons for your attendance at this Conference, June 22-25, 2022.

We thank the kitchen personnel for their work and care for our needs.

We thank all speakers and audio/visual technicians.

We appreciate the kind spirit and dedication to the work of the Lord which is the foundation of our common faith.

Sincerely,
The Committee on Thanks

APPEALS COMMITTEE

No appeals were made.

STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS

SUPERANNUATE FUND BOARD

We, the Superannuate Fund Board, wish to make the following recommendations:

The Pastors be paid \$1,200.00 each year, to be paid \$100.00 each month and that the beneficiaries be paid \$600.00 each year at \$50.00 per month.

Rev. Ralph Gerald	\$1,200.00
Mrs. Darlene Dawson	\$600.00
Mrs. Helen Jenkins	\$600.00
Rev./Mrs. Maxine Jenkins	\$600.00
Mrs. Marlene Renfroe	\$600.00

Respectfully Submitted,
Superannuate Fund Board

THE MINISTERIAL EDUCATION AND RELATIONS COMMITTEE REPORT

We, the MEAR Committee of the Mississippi Annual Conference of the Methodist Protestant Church met with candidates for the course of study for ordination and made the following recommendations:

- Billy Martin – has completed the course of study and has been recommended for ordination by the committee
- Cameron Burge - approved to enter the first year of the course of study
- Kelton Lee - approved to enter the first year of the course of study
- Andrew Pearce - approved to enter the first year of the course of study
- Chris Smith - approved to enter the first year of the course of study
- Vernon Murry – recommended that he remain in the first year of the course of study
- Luke Williamson – has completed his Bachelor's degree and is eligible for ordination, which he will let the committee know when he is ready for ordination
- Marlon Seany – recommended that he be admitted to the first year of the course of study pending review of his credentials and the committee will make further recommendations after their review
- Jason Cameron – recommend that he remain in the first year of the course of study and continue to work on completion of the assigned works.

The committee will meet with the candidates who are already in the course of study and make recommendations for each depending upon their progress in the course before the conference concludes.

Dates have been set for the 2022-23 meetings of the MEAR Committee. Those dates are:

September 10th

January 21st

April 15th

June 22nd

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Meetings will be at 9am except for the January meeting, which will take place after the Holiness Summit, and the June meeting which will be at 10am the Thursday of the annual conference.

Humbly Submitted,
Rev. Mike Tullis

CHURCH RELATIONS

No report was given.

DEACONESS BOARD

On June 22, 2022, the Deaconess Board heard the annual report of Deaconess Dianne Reid and recognized her ministry and commitment to the work of the Lord.

The members of this Board desire to see promotion of the calling of Deaconess in the churches and by all pastors. There are ladies who may already be doing this work and we want them to be recognized.

This Board will promote by means of letters and bulletins to the churches.

Submitted by the
Rev. Maxine Jenkins, Secretary

The Deaconess Board Mississippi Conference Methodist Protestant Church

1. The purpose of the Board shall be to create and maintain interest in the Deaconess Work, and to form policies and make recommendations regarding Deaconess work.
2. The duties of the Board shall be: (a) To review, evaluate, and report annually to the Conference District, (b) To study and act upon Credentials received from Quarterly Conferences, (c) To arrange for the licensing and consecration services for those candidates who have completed the necessary requirements of the Deaconess Board, (d) Initiate and develop plans and pamphlets for the promotion of Deaconess work, (e) Determine the Course of Study for qualifications and standards of Deaconess Candidates, (f) To consider complaints and charges against Deaconesses; to act as a trial Court in case of a trial; and to make recommendations to the Annual Conference in regard to this aspect of their duty.
3. To meet annually and elect its officers, including an Executive Committee to act, if needed, during the interim of the Annual Meeting.
4. The Board's Annual report to the Conference shall be printed in the Conference Minutes.

DEACONESS COURSE OF STUDY

First Year:

Foundations of Doctrine, Harry E. Jessop
Life Of Christ, Dr. James Stalker
All About the Bible, Sidney Collett
Knowing Your Old Testament, W. T. Purkiser

Second year:

A Right Conception of Sin, Richard Taylor

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A Plain Account of Christian Perfection, John Wesley

The Methodist Protestant Discipline

A Handbook for Personal Soul Winning, Chester Wilkins

Binney's Theological Compend, Amos Binney and Daniel Steele

DISTRICT COMMITTEE

The following resolutions were presented for consideration:

1. Reinstate the Pastor License for ordained clergy of the MS conference of the Methodist Protestant Church.
2. Proposed bylaw #25 change: The Camp Meeting Committee and the Council of Religious Education of the Mississippi Conference work together in planning and conducting a Camp Meeting and Bible School. All decisions concerning the Camp Meeting and Bible School shall be made in a joint meeting of the two committees including but not limited to the selection of all personnel, programs, plans, schedules, guest speakers, music leaders, and children's workers. All monies collected will be maintained by the Council of Religious Education and the Council will present the financial report with available funds to the joint committee for planning purposes. This joint committee shall select a Director of the Camp Meeting and Bible School who will be charged with contacting and inviting any guest speakers, musicians, or other persons. The President of the Mississippi Conference shall act as Chairman at all joint meetings.

BOARD OF CHURCH EXTENSION

No report was given.

CONFERENCE TRUSTEES

No report was given.

STATEWIDE LAYMAN'S FELLOWSHIP

No report was given.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF BIBLE CAMPGROUND AND HEADQUARTERS and CONFERENCE TRUSTEES

No report was given.

COUNCIL OF RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Minutes of CORE Meeting, June 23, 2022

Rev. Mike Tullis called the meeting to order.

The floor was opened to receive nominations for president. Rev. Marc Williams moved to retain all current officers of the Council. Rev. Mrs. Maxine Jenkins seconded the motion. All were in favor. Motion passed. Retained officers are: President, Rev. Mike Tullis; Vice-President, Hunter Vance; Secretary, Mrs. Donna Rose; Treasurer, Mr. Richie Little.

Rev. Mike Tullis gave camp information from last year's camp and also presented information for the current year's camp meeting. Rev. Mike also presented the finan-

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cial report on behalf of Mr. Richie. Balance was not available due to combined monies from the Council and the Camp-Meeting Committee. Rev. Marc Williams moves to accept the financial report as given. Rev. Billy Martin seconded the motion. All were in favor. Motion passed.

Combined meeting of the CORE and the Camp-Meeting Committee scheduled for Monday, July 11, 2022, at 3:00 p.m. in the General Conference Building.

Meeting was adjourned and the floor was returned to Rev. Carlos Dawson, MS Conference President.

June 19, 2022

To the 119th session of the Mississippi Annual Conference, I would like to present to you the following report:

At Bible Camp 2021 we had a total of \$12,481.00 taken in at registration for campers attending our week long Bible Camp. Through the collection taken on Wednesday night and pledges given throughout the year, we have received 13,570.00 along with Conference assessments totaling 1,931.67.

Bible camp expenses were as follows:

Groceries- \$9,246.17; Cooks- \$600.00; Water Park- 2,900.00; T-Shirts- 2,247.53; Insurance for 2020 and 2021- \$3,000.00; Brochures for Camp- \$50.40; KMBC- 1,200.00

With the Council's approval, we started an online payment option for pledges or any other donations to make it easier for some to donate. All other options are available and will continue to be available. Through this online payment we received \$1101.00 in donations. The cost of this service was only \$22.73. I am hopeful that this will make donating more accessible. Reminders were sent out for pledges in January via mail and email. Some contact information was not obtained at the time the pledge was given and I apologize for that discrepancy.

We spent \$693.63 on the Cottage this past year bringing the total spent by this Council to \$5,812.76. This is the most accurate figure obtainable with the records on hand which are:

1-31-21 Covington County Supply	\$697.02
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1-31-21 Reed's Metals	\$867.55
2-21-21 Maggie Dawson (Lowes reimb)	\$3414.98
3-23-22 RDT Metalworks	\$278.63
4-10-22 Residential Maintenance	\$415.00

If anyone has any additions or corrections please let me know.

Lastly, I would like to thank the following people who have supported our Bible Camp by providing a way for us to continue to keep our camp affordable by pledging and/or donating their money to our camp:

Emily Dean	\$100.00
Donis Chatham	\$100.00
Hannah Little	\$200.00
Schamberville MP Church	\$1000.00
Jeff & Debbie Little	\$1000.00
Kay Pugh	\$100.00
Angel Hosey	\$1200.00

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Kelsey & Rev. Matt Lambert	\$300.00
Frank Dawson	\$100.00
Lene' Dawson	\$100.00
Bro. Jason and Krista Cameron	\$1100.00
Ann Blakeney	\$400.00
John & Carolyn Riggs	\$600.00
Rev. James Killingsworth	\$100.00
Paul & Theresa Williamson	\$700.00
Richie & Angela Little	\$1000.00
Kittrell CM Church	\$300.00
Beverly Hesterman	\$500.00
Jimmy & Barbara Pierce	\$100.00
Dianne Reid	\$250.00
First MP Church of Laurel	\$500.00
Fay Gerald	\$1000.00
Bro. Luke Williamson	\$1000.00
Alicia Daniels	\$100.00
Larry & Donna Williamson	\$100.00

All figures are documented with the information available on June 19, 2022.

Respectfully submitted,
Richie Little, C.O.R.E. Treasurer

MS Council of Religious Education MS Conference, Methodist Protestant Church June 25, 2021 – June 19, 2022			
Balance brought forward:		\$23,701.41	
CAMP RECEIPTS:			OTHER RECEIPTS:
REGISTRATION/CANT EEN/T-SHIRTS/MEALS	\$12,481.00		
CAMP COMMITTEE			
Conference assessments	\$1,931.67		
Pledges/Collections	\$13,570.00		
Reimbursement/repairs	\$227.56		
CAMP RECEIPTS:	\$28,210.23	OTHER RECEIPTS:	\$0.00
	NET TOTAL:	\$51,911.64	
EXPENSES:			
BIBLE CAMP:		SPRING RETREAT:	
GROCERIES	\$9,246.17	SPEAKER	
COOKS	\$600.00	MUSICIANS/SINGERS	
WATER PARK	\$2,900.00	GROCERIES	
T-SHIRTS	\$2,247.53		
Insurance 2020/2021	\$3,000.00		
Brouchures	\$50.40	FALL RETREAT:	
KMBC	\$1,200.00	SPEAKER	
		MUSICIANS/SINGERS	
		GROCERIES	
Online bank fee	\$22.73	WINTER CONCERT:	
Property repair	\$74.23	BAND	
Reimbursement	\$153.33	GROCERIES	
Cottage	\$693.63		
TOTAL EXPENSES:		\$20,188.02	
FINAL BALANCE:		31723.62	

BY-LAWS OF THE CONFERENCE

1. In the course of discussion or debate, no one shall speak more than five minutes at one time, nor more than twice on any subject.
2. No minister or preacher may hold membership in this Conference or be employed as pastor or evangelist, who does not definitely preach the doctrine of sanctification as that instantaneous act of God's grace subsequent to regeneration as taught by the Discipline in Article 10 of the Articles of Religion.
3. No pastor or preacher should accept an invitation to hold revival meetings or fill appointments in another pastoral charge without an invitation from the pastor of the said charge, but this should not apply to a charge not having a regular pastoral service.
4. Be it understood that this Conference condemns all unholy conversation and foolish jesting as it is grievous to the Holy Spirit.
5. All donations made by this conference are contingent upon the applicant for donation showing deed properly recorded and made in the approved form of The Methodist Protestant Church with no reservations. It is also understood that the amount donated is to be paid back to this conference should the same ever be sold as an extinct property of the church, in conformity to previous requirements of this conference.
6. It shall be the duty of each pastor to send the names of his respective delegates to the president sixty days before the assembling of each Annual Conference.
7. The Superannuate Fund shall be apportioned to the Superannuated or his Beneficiary, in proportion to the number of years he has served in active service to The Mississippi Conference of The Methodist Protestant Church.
8. The Conference shall appoint each preacher and minister a specific territory for pastoral service, and require each person so assigned to report to the Annual Conference each year as to the effort put forth in any way of forwarding the interest of The Methodist Protestant Church, said report to include the number of regular preaching places, number of sermons preached, number of churches organized, etc.
9. The legal title of property now owned, and to be acquired by the Mississippi Annual Conference, shall be vested in the Board of Trustees, composed of three members, namely the Conference President, who shall be chairman of said Board, and two members to be elected by said conference for a period of one and two years, respectively; and said title or titles to remain in said trustees and their successors in office until conveyed by them to their successors in office: but no conveyance shall be made unless previously authorized by a majority vote of said conference. The said trustees shall be made the custodians of said property with the same rights, duties and powers as is vested in the trustees of our local churches; and the President is given authority to fill any vacancy that might occur on said Board in vacation, and said appointee shall serve until the said conference meets and fill this place by election.
10. The Stationing Committee of the conference shall be composed of two (2) ministers and two (2) laymen, to be elected by ballot by the conference, and the President of the Conference shall be the Chairman of the committee. The four mem-

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bers so elected shall serve for twelve months only and act in an advisory capacity to the President during the interim of the conference.

11. Ministers and preachers coming from other denominations shall be regarded as probationers for three years, and they shall be required to study and pass examinations on the discipline, history and policy of our church. They shall not be deprived of the rights and privileges of an ordained minister, but their names may be dropped or placed on the itinerant roll at the expiration of their probation.
12. Delegates are allowed the same right of appeal as ministers from the action of the Stationing Committee.
13. The legal title of all land for the purpose of erecting church edifices to be acquired by the Mississippi Annual Conference of The Methodist Protestant Church from the date of this conference (December 1942) shall be vested in the board of trustees chosen of the membership of the local church, and said title or titles to remain in said trustees and their successors in office. The following shall be the only form of deed accepted by this conference: "In consideration of \$_____, we convey and warrant to (Name of local church) Methodist Protestant Church Trustees and their successors in office, the following described land, to wit: (Here describe the land). Said land can be used for the advancement of The Methodist Protestant Church only and can never be transferred to any other purpose than as stated above."
14. The Ministerial Education and Relations Committee shall be a continuous active committee, consisting of four ministers who are high school graduates or equivalent, and four laymen: one minister and one layman to be replaced each year by conference election: the Annual Conference President shall be ex-officio member, the Committee to elect its own chairman and secretary, who shall keep in contact with all undergraduates and who shall keep records.
15. Ordination shall be dependent upon serving a minimum of one year under the supervision of a pastor selected by the Ministerial Education and Relations Committee. Requirement may be waived by the Ministerial Education and Relations Committee based on prior ministerial experience.
16. The time of meeting of the Mississippi Annual Conference shall be Wednesday before the fourth Sunday in June, annually.
17. The President of The Mississippi Annual Conference is required to visit the churches of the district on the basis of need, or by specific request of the pastor and/or laity of the church until such a time as a full-time president shall be elected.
18. The Mississippi Annual Conference Trustees and one other minister and one other layman, elected by the conference to serve two years, the terms of office to expire in alternate years, shall now be elected and hereafter compose the Board of Directors of the Mississippi Methodist Protestant Bible Campground and Headquarters. This Board of Directors are hereby authorized to:
 - A. Approve plans, negotiate contracts, employ personnel, or any other acts necessary to construct, maintain and/or repair facilities at the camp.
 - B. Buy, sell, lease or mortgage camp facilities and any lands appertaining there-

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to, except that in no case shall any camp property be sold or mortgaged without the prior approval of the Mississippi Conference by a majority vote.

- C. Elect its own chairman, secretary and treasurer.
 - D. Minutes shall be printed each year as part of the Mississippi Annual Conference minutes.
19. No minister or layman of the Mississippi Conference shall be eligible to serve on more than two (2) standing committees, with the exception of the Stationing Committee, Nominating Committee and District Committee.
 20. Any minister who gives up his Elder's Credentials for whatever cause, whether voluntarily or by request or requirement of the conference, shall have them restored only on examination by the Ministerial Education and Relations Committee, and after serving a period of three years probation.
 21. The Methodist Protestant Bible School Campground near Collins, Mississippi, is the place of meeting for all major functions of the Mississippi District of the Methodist Protestant Church, and this facility is designated, **MISSISSIPPI HEADQUARTERS OF THE METHODIST PROTESTANT CHURCH**, and any permanent sign affixed thereto for publicity purposes shall bear this title.
 22. The fiscal year of the local churches shall be June 1 — May 31, and the Conference Treasurer shall close the books on June 10.
 23. The President's report shall be the first matter of business after the seating of the delegates to the Mississippi Annual Conference each year, so that the conference may be informed of his activities, along with appointments, etc., and also the recommendations that he may have for the conference. The Treasurer's report and standing committee reports shall be given along with the President's report.
 24. The Superannuate Fund Board is responsible for the management and disbursements of the funds under the by-laws of the conference.
 25. The Camp Meeting Committee and the Council of Religious Education of the Mississippi Conference work together in planning and conducting a Camp Meeting and Bible School. All decisions concerning the Camp Meeting and Bible School shall be made in a joint meeting of the two committees including but not limited to the selection of all personnel, programs, plans, schedules, guest speakers, music leaders, and children's workers. All monies collected will be maintained by the Council of Religious Education and the Council will present the financial report with available funds to the joint committee for planning purposes. This joint committee shall select a Director of the Camp Meeting and Bible School who will be charged with contacting and inviting any guest speakers, musicians, or other persons. The President of the Mississippi Conference shall act as Chairman at all joint meetings.
 26. Each church in the Mississippi District is to send an amount specified by the conference and the Finance Committee to the conference Treasurer to cover the expenses of the meeting of the Mississippi Annual Conference at the campgrounds.
 27. The Treasurer of the Mississippi Conference is authorized to handle only official money of the conference.

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28. The Nominating Committee shall be a permanent standing committee of the Mississippi Annual Conference, comprised of three (3) ministers, three (3) laymen and the President of the Annual Conference, to meet at least two (2) weeks prior to the sitting of the Annual Conference for the purpose of nominating persons to hold office and serve on the standing committees of the Mississippi Annual Conference, with the exception of the offices of President, Secretary, Treasurer, District Committee, Stationing Committee and Committee on Nominations, which are to be elected by secret ballot. This is not to impede the democratic process and every possible means shall be used to insure said process.
29. The District Committee of the Mississippi Conference of the Methodist Protestant Church be authorized to serve as an advisory committee to the president of the Mississippi Conference.
30. All resolutions to be considered at a sitting of the Conference must be submitted to the president at least sixty (60) days prior to the convening of the Conference.

The District Committee shall act as the Resolutions Committee and consider all resolutions submitted and provide each delegate a copy of those considered worthy to be presented to the conference at least thirty (30) days prior to the assembling of the Conference.
31. Members of the Board of Church Extension shall be elected to serve for two years, one lay person and one minister to be elected each year.
32. The Church Relations Committee shall be designated a Standing Committee with staggered terms of two years, consisting of two ministers and two laymen.
33. The final order of business of the Mississippi Annual Conference shall be an installation service conducted by the sitting president at which time the President Elect shall assume all duties and responsibilities of President of the Mississippi Annual Conference. This shall only be effective when a new President is elected by the Conference.

The President Elect shall attend all committee meetings with the sitting President at which time the President Elect will receive a full update regarding the current state of the conference.

ANNUAL CHURCH REPORTS

Asset Stats Church	Value of Buildings	Value of Parsonage	Other Assets
Bear Creek	\$285,000.00	—	—
Castle Chapel	\$100,000.00	\$0.00	\$10,000.00
Clear Creek	\$150,000.00	\$100,000.00	\$150,000.00
Coxburg			
Cross Roads	\$70,000.00	\$75,000.00	—
Cross Point	\$1,500,000.00	\$125,000.00	\$425,000.00
Divide Memorial	\$1,309,000.00	\$131,000.00	\$188,000.00
Forest Grove	\$456,000.00	\$178,000.00	\$30,000.00
Friendship	\$320,500.00	—	—
Golden Grove	\$40,000.00	—	—
Hickory Grove	\$100,000.00	—	—
Laurel	\$111,200.00	\$65,000.00	\$54,000.00
Monticello	\$1,822,000.00	260,000.00	\$231,000.00
Neely	\$350,000.00	\$100,000.00	\$75,000.00
New Hope	\$232,400.00	\$162,400.00	—
Newton	\$300,000.00	\$100,000.00	\$50,000.00
Pineville	\$60,000.00	—	—
Schamberville	\$225,000.00	\$160,000.00	—
Shiloh	\$200,000.00	—	\$50,000.00

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Church	Total Offerings	Total Auxiliaries	Benevolence
Bear Creek			
Castle Chapel	\$28,663.00	—	\$1,683.50
Clear Creek	—	—	—
Coxburg			
Cross Roads	—	—	—
Cross Point			
Divide Memorial	\$221,093.18	\$9764.84	\$300.00
Forest Grove	\$63,243.60	\$879.01	\$4,560.87
Friendship			
Golden Grove	\$10,413.25	\$84.00	—
Hickory Grove	\$15,057.00	—	\$879.80
Laurel	\$29,780.27	\$1,298.27	\$939.10
Monticello	\$76,250.00	\$3,417.78	\$486.44
Neely			
New Hope			
Newton	\$66,079.76	\$930.89	\$1,200.00
Pineville			
Schamberville	\$43,791.14	—	—
Shiloh	\$45,388.35	\$985.00	\$406.53

ANNUAL CHURCH REPORTS

Church	Operational Expenses	Evangelistic Outreach	Conference Tithes	Missions Expenses	Other
Bear Creek					
Castle Chapel	\$3,387.98	—	—	—	\$25,275.02
Clear Creek	\$9,000.00	\$2,000.00	—	\$7,000.00	—
Coxburg					
Cross Roads	—	—	—	—	—
Cross Point					
Divide Memorial	\$75,233.22	\$3,587.02	\$24,320.25	—	—
Forest Grove	\$61,559.97	\$3,756.94	\$4,236.90	—	\$500.00
Friendship					
Golden Grove	\$7,812.38	\$123.04	\$1,041.33	—	\$550.00
Hickory Grove	\$12,553.00	—	\$1,172.13	—	—
Laurel	\$24,251.95	\$1,300.00	\$3,115.00	\$960.00	—
Monticello	\$76,770.61	\$1,376.83	\$6,297.45	\$1,530.00	\$1,400.00
Neely					
New Hope					
Newton	\$45,948.47	\$3,482.55	\$5,700.00	\$500.00	—
Pineville					
Schamberville	—	—	—	—	—
Shiloh	\$40,457.90	—	\$4,450.74	—	—

ANNUAL CHURCH REPORTS

Church	Members Previous Year	Members Current Year	Average Attendance AM/PM	Sunday School Membership	WMS Membership
Bear Creek					
Castle Chapel	46	46	11/—	5	—
Clear Creek	125	137	70/40	30	15
Coxburg					
Cross Roads	—	—	—	—	—
Cross Point					
Divide Memorial	179	173	70/20	40	16
Forest Grove	65	64			10
Friendship					
Golden Grove	15	15	15	—	—
Hickory Grove	7	7	7	4	—
Laurel	84				
Monticello	83	84	42/15	25	5
Neely					
New Hope					
Newton	75	73	35/15	15	6
Pineville					
Schamberville	—	—	—	—	—
Shiloh	79	75	29/20	15	7

ANNUAL CHURCH REPORTS

Church	Laymen's Fellowship	JMS Membership	Youth Ministries	Number Justified	Number Baptized	Number Sanctified
Bear Creek						
Castle Chapel	—	—	—	—	—	—
Clear Creek	—	—	25	2	7	1
Coxburg						
Cross Roads	—	—	—	—	—	—
Cross Point						
Divide Memorial	—	—	30	4	3	—
Forest Grove						
Friendship						
Golden Grove	—	—	—	—	—	—
Hickory Grove	—	—	—	—	—	—
Laurel						
Monticello	—	—	15	1	—	—
Neely						
New Hope						
Newton	—	—	4	—	—	—
Pineville						
Schamberville	—	—	—	—	—	—
Shiloh	6	—	4	—	—	—

