

The First Quarterly Conference for the Waldo Circuit Florida Convened at Providence, Feb. 12, 1876. Opened with prayer, by Rev. F. Pasco, P. E. Members present: Rev. R. D. Gentry, preacher in charge, W. J. Jolly, Local preacher, Thurlow Bishop, Exhorter, F. A. Bell, C.L. McCollum Phifer, I. Shearhouse, W. D. Dickinson, Stewards J. N. Ormand, Trustee.

W. D. Dickinson was elected Secretary.

Question 1- Are there any appeals?

Answer - None

Ques. 2 - Are there any complaints?

Ans. - None

Ques. 3 - Is there a written report from the preacher in charge of the number and state of the Sunday Schools, and of the Pastoral Instruction of children?

Ans. - No report, as the Pastor has not been long enough on the work to furnish one.

Ques. 4 - Is there a written report from the Preacher in charge on the general state of the church?

Ans. - No report for the same reason.

Ques. 5 - What amount has been estimated by the Board of Stewards for the support of the Preacher in charge for the year?

Ans. - Five Hundred Dollars. \$500.00

Ques. 6. - What amount has been raised the present quarter for the support of Ministry, and how has it been applied?

Ans.	- Providence	\$19.00	Applied as follows	
	Orange Creek	18.00	To Preacher in charge	\$37.00
	Waldo	3.50	To Presiding Elder	11.65
	Pub. Coll at Prov.	8.15		<u>\$48.65</u>
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Ques. 7 - Who are elected stewards for the ensuing year?

Ans. - Brother Alex Goodson, Orange Creek

Ques 8 - Are ther any applications for license to preach of exhort?

Ans. - License to preach granted to Thurlow Bishop.

Ques 9 - Is there any miscellaneous business ?

Ans. - Bro. J. R. Pearson elected Superintendent of Orange Creek Sabbath School, Bro. F.A. Bell elected Supt. of Providence Sabbath School. The district steward, Bro. B. Haynes and Bro. I. Shearhouse were elected delegates to the District Conference

Ques. 10- Where shall the next session of the Quarterly conference be held?

Ans. - At Orange Creek

F. Pasco, P. E.
W. D. Dickinson, Sec.

SECOND FOR 1876

The second quarterly meeting for Waldo Circuit convened at Orange Creek May 13, 1876. Rev. F. Pasco, Presiding Elder, Presiding, opened with prayer by Rev. Pasco. Present: Rev. R. D. Gentry, preacher in charge, Rev. Thurlow Bishop, Local preacher, Bro Wm. G. Curtis, Exhorter, Bros. F.A. Bell W, D. Tillman and A. Morrison, Class Leaders. Bros.

Bros. I. Shearhouse, McCollum Phifer, B. Haynes, A. Goodson, W.E. Pace, and W. D. Dickinson, Stewards. Bro. J. R. Pearson Supt. S. School. W. D. Dickinson was chosen Secretary.

Qes. 1 -Are There any appeals?

Ans. - None

Ques.2 - Are there any complaints?

Ans. - None

Ques. 3- Is there a written report from the preacher in charge of the number and state of the Sunday Schools, and of the Pastoral Instruction of children?

Ans. - There are three Sabbath Schools in the charge.

One at a school house near Bro. Kennedy's which has about 20 scholars. One of the ^{same} joined the church at my last appointment. Three teachers. This Sabbath School promises much good to church. Another is at Orange Creek, this also promises good to the church, and is well supplied with books and periodicals. The other is at a school house near Providence church. It is a good Sabbath School. The Pastoral Instruction of children has been attended to in private and public.

Quest. 4- The general state of the church.

Ans. - The church is in a growing condition, congregations large and increasing at nearly every appointment. The good Lord is with us, pressing home his Holy word, which is causing many professors to seek a deeper work of grace and sinners to reflect on their ways.

I have established severa; prayer meetings, which are working well. These prayer meetings, we trust, are the forerunners of a revival. Three have been removed by letter. John and Mary Woods and Mary Kinnard. Three have added to the church, Mary Gambel, John Baxley and John Ergles.

Ques. 6-What amounts have been apportioned to this charge by District Stewards?

Ans.	- For Presiding Elder	\$77.00
	For Bishops	3.00
	For conference claims	40.00
	For domestic Missions	26.00
	For foreign "	15.00
	For Education	2.00
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		\$163.00

Ques. 7- What amount has been raised the present quarter for the support of the ministry and how applied?

Ans.	Providence	\$17.00
	Orange Creek	10-25
	Waldo	11.00
	Emanuel	9.15
	Zion	2.00
	Antioch	85
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		\$50.25
	Public collection at Orange Creek	\$4.89
	Applied as follows;	
	To preacher in charge	\$44.50
	To Presiding Elder	10-64

Ques.8- What has been raised the presnt quarter for other objects?

Ans. - Raised for Sabbath Schools \$21.75

Ques 9- Who are elected to fill vacancies in Boards of Trustees?

Ans. - John W. Phifer -- Providence
 John and Henry Saxon-- Emanuel
 M. A. Toaler - Waldo
 J. & D. Tompkins and A, Morrison- Antioch

Ques. 10- Are there any applications for license to preach or exhort?

Ans. - W.G.Curtis granted license ro preach.

Ques. 11- Have the general rules been read?

Ans. - Not yet.

Ques. 12- What is doing for the cause of Missions?

Ans. - No definite report

Ques. 13- What is doing for the cause of education?

Ans. - Have raised \$2.20

Ques. 14- Is there any miscellaneous business?

Ans. - Permissions granted Trustees of Orange Creek Church to sell church property at old Orange Creek church and proceeds of sale to be invested in parsonage property.

Ques. 15-Where shall the next session of the Quarterly Conference be held?

Ans. At Antioch

Conference adjourned with the benediction by Presiding Elder.

F. Pasco, P.E.
W. D. Dickinson, Sec.

1877

The first quarterly Conference for Waldo Circuit, Florida Conference was held at Emanuel Church Feb. 17, 1877. Opened with prayer by Rev. O Eady. #members present , J. D. Rodgers, P. E. Israel Shearhouse and B. Haynes Stewards; E.G. Webb, C.L. B. Haynes chosen Secretary.

Que. 1- Are there any appeals?

Ans. - None

Que. 2- Are there any complaints?

Ans. - None

Que. 3 - Is there a written report from the P.E. of the number and state of Sabbath Schools and of the pastoral instruction of children?

Ans. - There is not

Que. 4 - Is there a written report from the P. E. on the general state of the church?

Ans. - There is not

Que. 5 - What amount has been estimated by the board of Stewards for the support of P. E. for the year?

Ans. - Postponed the Stewards meet at Waldo 10th month.

Que. 6 - What amounts have been apportioned to this charge by the District Stewards?

1st for P. Elder? 2nd for Bishops/ For Conference?

Ans. - No report

Que. 8, -What amount has been raised the present quarter and how has it been applied?

Ans. - Emanuel paid \$5.85-- \$3.00 to P. E. and \$2.80 to P. C.

Que. 9 - What has been raised the present quarter for other purposes?

Ans. - Nothing

Que. 10 - Who are elected Stewards for the ensuing year?

Ans. - M. A. Tolar-- Thos R. Kennedy-- and I. N. Wylie elected to fill vacancies.

Que. 11- Are there any applications for license to preach?

Ans. - None

Que. 12- Have the local preachers and exhorters passed in examinations of character and have their license been renewed?

Ans. - They have

Que. 13- Have the general rules been read?

Ans. - Not yet

Que. 14- What is doing for the cause of missions?

Ans. - Nothing yet

Que. 15- Is there any miscellaneous business?

Ans. Brethren B. Haynes and Israel Shearhouse were elected delegates to District Conference.

Que. 16- When shall the next session of the Quarterly Conference be held?

Ans. - At Orange Creek Church

Conference was dismissed with benediction by the P. E.

O. Eady P. E.
B. Haynes, Sec.

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Second Quarterly Conference held at Orange Creek June 1877.

Rev. O. Eady P. E.- Members present: J. D. Rogers P. C.--

W. J. Curtis L.P.-- Stewards, Israel Shearhouse, Mc C. Phifer, J. N.

J. N. Wylie-- Wm. De. V. Dickinson. Class leaders: F. A. Bell--

J. C. Brown-- Trustees: J. N. Ormand-- W. D. Tillman-- Alex Goodson--

R. B. Smith. R. M. Martin chosen Sec.

J. D. Rogers, P. C. reported that there were three Sabbath Schools and they were doing well.

Elected Sabbath School Superintendents: F. A. Bell-- D. L.

Branning-- J. A. Kennedy.

New members: By letter, M. A. Tolar, Mary A. Tolar, Minnie

F. Zetrouer, M. M. Baldwin. Restored H. A. Crumpton.

Died during quarter: Sister Josephine V. Dickinson and
Mary C. Hunter, Removed with letter Nellie White and M.A. S.
Colvin. Nine infants baptized.

Money apportioned thus:

For presiding elder	\$60.00
For Bishops	5.00
For Conference claims	30.00
For domestic missions	22.00
For foreign missions	10.00
For educations	5.00
For support of minister	
Orange Creek	51.30
Waldo	18.25
Providence	24.33
Emanuel	-----
Indian Bay	-----
Zion	-----
Presiding elder	5.00
Preacher in charge	88.88

Raised present quarter;

For parsonage purposes	9.45
Relief of Publ house	10.15
Sunday Schools	2.25
Building Church at Waldo	323.65

Next Quarterly meeting to be held at Waldo

E. Eady P.E.
R.M. Martin, Sec.

Third Quarterly Conference at Waldo July 21, 1877.

Presiding Elder-- O. Eady

Members - J. D. Rogers- preacher in charge-- D.L. Branning
Israel Shearhouse- McCollum Phifer- M. A. Tolar- B. Haynes-

Preacher in charge reported 3 Sunday Schools- (Teachers-
60 Scholars- Condition of charge only medium and Pastoral
instruction only partial.

Baptized infants; James M. A. Crumpton- Edna M, Rains Middleton,
Sidney Tillman, Sarah and Mary F. Morrison.
Removed Rev. W. Curtis and Wife by letter

Amounts apportioned to different churches. L. J. Kennedy
was added to the building committee at Waldo.

Next session to be at Providence.

O. Eady, P.E.

Fourth Quarterly Conference, Waldo Circuit, Gainesville
District, Florida Conference at Providence Oct. 6, 1877,
Preacher in charge- J. D. Rogers
Stewards- Israel Shearhouse, McCollum Phifer, J.N.Wylie,
J.R.Kennedy, W. D. Dickinson,
Trustees- John N. Ormand, John W. Phifer
Sec. W. D. Dickinson

Preacher in charge reported:
One Sabbath School at Waldo
The one at Orange Creek died of Measles
One at Indian Bay, number of scholars unknown

Died Mary D, Ormand
withdrawn- L.J.Kennard
Received by letter- Bro. Burton and Wife, Reb. H. T. Alexander

Stewards elected for the conference year:
Emanuel-- B. Haynes
Waldo- M.A.Tolar
Providence- W. D. Dickinson
Orange Creek-- Isarel Shearhouse
Indian Bay-- J.R.Kennedy
Circuit Steward-- J.N.Wylie
Recording Steward-- W. De V. Dickinson

Report from trustees of church property at Indian Bay of
Land deeded to the Methodist Episcopal Church South by
Rev. J. A. Kennedy and recorded in Deed Book J on paged
127 and 128. Also tiths secured to Parsonage and church
property at Orange Creek and will be recorded by the first
quarterly conference.

License granted to F.R.Bridges to preach.

Miscellaneous business:
A.C.Beckham was appointed on the committee alone to complete
the church at Waldo. The following tribute of respect to the
memory of Rev. O. Eady was drawn up and adopted by Conference.

"Whereas our Heavenly Father in his unerring wisdom has seen
good to call from labour to rest, from the church militant to the
church Triumphant, our beloved and efficient Presiding Elder
the R. v. Eady, who died at his home in Sumter Co. Fla. Sept. 5, 1877.

Therefore, while we deeply deplore the untimely death of so
good, so devoted, so humbel and so worthy a minister of
Christ, our loss is his eternal gain.

Resolved, that in the death of Bro. Eady, the church he loved
so well and served so faithfully, has been deprived of one
of her most useful ministers, his family a kind and affectionate
husband and father.

Resolved, that we tender our warmest sympathies to the family of the deceased brother, and we would console them with the precious truth he so faithfully endeavoured to impress upon the minds of all who attended his ministry.

Resolved, that a copy of the foregoing resolution be forwarded to the bereaved family and a copy be furnished the Southern Christian Advocate for publication,""

T.R.Kennedy and J. N. Wylie, Com.

Next conference to be held at Indian Bay.

1878

First Quarterly Conference for Waldo Circuit, Gainesville District, held at Indian Bay Dec. 29, 1877 for the year 1878.

Presiding Elder-- S.E. Phillips

Rev. J. A. Kennedy L. E.

Rev. R. J. Phillips Preacher in charge

Rev. F.R. Bridges local preacher

I. Shearhouse, J.N.Wylie, F.R.Kennedy Circuit stewards

Henry Crumpton, Class leader

McCollum Phifer, A. Goulter Trustees

W. De. V. Dickinson, Secretary

Sabbath Schools at Waldo and Indian Bay.

Sister Vaught died

I Shearhouse, J.N.Wylie elected delegates to the District Conference and J.W.Phifer, Alternate

Authorized collection to be made for the Presiding Elders house rent and transportation of same.

Next session to be held at Orange Creek

S.E. Phillips, Presiding Elder
W. D. Dickinson, Sec.

The Second Quarterly Conference for Waldo Circuit, Gainesville District, Florida Conference held at Waldo Mar. 23, 1878.

Presiding Elder- Rev. S.E. Phillips

Preacher in charge- Rev. T.J. Phillips

Local Exhorter- D.L.Branning

Local Exhorter- visiting from S.C.- J.P. Smith

Stewards- J.W.Phifer, B. Haynes, I Shearhouse, M.A.Tolar, J.N.Wylie

Class leaders- H.A.H.Crumpton, E.G.Webb

Secretary- D.L.Branning

The Third Quarterly Conference convened at Orange Creek June 23, 1878.

Same officers

Reported three Sabbath Schools and trying to establish one at Melrose.

Reported two revivals, Orange Creek and Trinity. "I am glad to state, ~~xmas~~ the church has taken on new life, backsliders were reclaimed, the lukewarm stirred up and sinners converted to God, Great good accomplished we trust. God is on the giving hand, let us trust Him and he is ready to Bless."

Converts; J.S. Sparkman, Rebecca Mc Glenan, Isabella Aston, Edward F. Zetrouer, Mary I. Zetrouer, Milton E. Alexander, Children;

William McIntosh, Thomas Zetrouer, Martha Wylie, Ella Tillman, Ella Bell, Nancy Rains, Isabel Brown, Catherine Rains.
T.J. Phillips, P. E.

Henry A. H. Crumpton granted license to preach.
H. T. Alexandria recognized as a local preacher from the Missionary Baptist Church and granted license to preach.

The Fourth Quarterly Conference was held at Waldo Sept. 1878
Preacher in charge reported protracted meeting at Waldo, converts were: Elizabeth Boulware, Caroline Raulerson, Lula Finger, Mrs. D. Moore, S. Paschal, Mrs. Finger, Sidney Cheeves, John Moore, Wm. E. Bouring, Isabel Finger, Thomas White, D.W. Merritt, Levi Branning, Joseph Bouring, R.W. Campbell.

Children: Mary E. Bouring, Sarah S. Bouring, Ella Bell, Willie Bell Cheves, M. Jessie Cheves, J. Alexander Bouren, J. Means Bouren, Arthur W. Bouren, Margaret L. Bouren.

License granted to Wm. M. McIntosh to preach.

Hereafter each year will be reviewed briefly and all four meetings will be treated as one.

1879

Dec. 7, 1878

Whereas, The great Head of the Church in infinite wisdom has seen fit to remove from earth to Heaven from this church militant to His church triumphant our beloved brother and father in Israel Rev. J. A. Kennedy.

Resolved 1st that we deeply deplore the loss of father Kennedy to the church and community, but knowing that the Lord doeth all things well and that our loss is his eternal gain, we would bow submission to Gods most Holy will.

Resolved 2nd that we tender to the bereaved family our heartfelt christian sympathy, praying that God will not forget his promise to be a father to the fatherless.

T.J. Phillips
W. D. Dickinson

Miscellaneous business;

Certificate of Rev. D.A. Falkenberry was presented and recognized as a member by this conference.

Anguish Morrison was elected as steward at Antioch in place of W.E. Pace who asked to be relieved.

W.J. Jolly and M.A. Tolar added to the building committee at Waldo.

Oct. 1879 meeting held at Melrose.

Stewards:

Trinity- Thomas W. Zetrouer and Thomas R. Kennedy

Providence- John W. Phifer, W. De V. Dickinson

Orange Creek- Israel Sheahouse, Isaac N. Wylie

Melrose- John McRae, Allen Price

Waldo- J. W. Jolly

Zion- Robert Martin

1880

First quarterly Conference meet at Orange Creek Fe. 7, 1880.

Rev. James P. DePass P. E.- J.N. Wylie, Sec.- Rev. McK. F.

McCook P. C.- Rev. Henry A. H. Crumpton L.P.-

Stewards- J.N. Wylie, Israel Sherouse, J. W. McRae,

Class Leaders- W. D. Dickinson, J. C. Brown, F. A. Bell

Trustees- W. D. Tillman, J. N. Ormand, L. J. Kennedy

Some churches in the conference; Orange Creek, Providence,

Melrose, Antioch, Zion, Trinity

H. A. H. Crumpton's license to preach renewed.

1881

Some officers.

The following were elected a committee to receive DEED to

church property at Hawthorn. Alex Morrison, J. F. McRae,

H. A. H. Crumpton, Francis A. Bell, Israel Sherouse

John W. Phifer and W. A. Porter elected to District

conference as delegates to represent Hawthorn Circuit.

July, the preacher reported four Sabbath Schools; Trinity,

Providence, Orange Creek, Hawthorn.

Received into the church: Sarah L. Louisiana, Joseph

De Vanna ~~Hilli~~, Hill Dickinson.

Miss Nannie Rains has died.

In Sept. 1881; Mrs. Eugenia Gornto was received into the church. The following infants were baptised: Margaret B. McKay, David Marion Morrison, William Frazier Morrison, Rebecca Kennedy Zetrouer.