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MINUTES OF THE
CAPITAL DISTRICT CONFERENCE
OF THE
PILGRIM HOLINESS CHURCH
WASHINGTON, D. C.

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Secretary of Church Extension ----- Rev. R. C. Hawkins

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District Superintendent ----- Rev. T. M. Weir
District Secretary ----- Rev. W. R. Dudley
District Treasurer ----- Mr. E. L. Howard
Advisory Member ----- Rev. C. W. Beach
Advisory Member ----- Rev. J. W. Kraus

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Rev. T. M. Weir ----- 3 years
Rev. R. Lewis Adams ----- 2 years
Rev. W. H. Schaffner, Chairman ----- 1 year

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Mr. E. L. Howard ----- 2 years
Rev. C. W. Beach ----- 1 year

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DISTRICT CALANDER FOR 1956-57

Ministerial Meeting	September 18th
District Conference	May 28th, 29th & 30th
District Camp	July 19th thru 28th
District Youth Camp	August 5th thru 10th

CHURCHES
Alexandria, Va.

First Pilgrim Church ----- Monroe & DeWitt Aves.
R. Lewis Adams, Pastor

Temple (Unorganized) ----- Temple Trailor Court
C. W. Beach, Pastor

Arlington, Va.

Clark Floor Memorial Pilgrim Church -----, 27th & Harrison Sts.
W. R. Dudley, Pastor

College Park, Md.

Edgewood Pilgrim Church ----- Rhode Island Ave. &
J. D. Pence, Pastor Edgewood Rd.

Franconia, Va.

Foster Pilgrim Chapel ----- Franconia Rd. at Ward's
John Foster, Pastor Corner

Lanham, Md.

Lanham Pilgrim Chapel (Unorganized) ----- Lanham & Telegraph Rd.
Fred Young, Pastor

Washington, D. C.

Woodridge Pilgrim Church ----- 24th & Franklin Sts. N.E.
J. W. Kraus, Pastor

Yorkshire Acres, Va.

Yorkshire Pilgrim Church ----- Yorkshire Acres
W. H. Schaffner, Pastor

1956 CONFERENCE ROLL

The 1956 Conference Roll included all persons listed in the above directory
With the exception of Mr. Fred Young.

The Roll included the following lay delegates:

Alexandria, Mrs. Anne Purdy	Foster Chapel, Mrs. Foster
Clark Floor, Mr. R. L. Campbell	Woodridge, Mrs. L. Pickett
Edgewood, Mrs. Carolyn Pence	Yorkshire, Mrs. Booth

JOURNAL OF PROCEEDINGS

The Fourth Annual Conference of the Capital District convened at Yorkshire Acres, Va., 8:30 P.M. on May 15, 1956.

Rev. J. D. Pence led the Conference in singing of "All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name". Rev. W. R. Dudley led the Conference in prayer.

The District Superintendent, Rev. T. M. Weir, welcomed the members of the Conference stating that it was his desire that the Conference discuss freely and at length all matters coming to the Conference floor. The desire of our hearts should be that all that is done- be done to the glory of God. Rev. Weir then introduced the President of the Conference, Rev. R. C. Hawkins, Secretary of Church Extension. Rev. Weir commended this fine man of God for his sound leadership.

The President of the Conference addressed the Conference on the subject of the Forward Movement of the Pilgrim Church. The goals for organized districts are too small for Foreign Mission and Church Extension fields, we have to go faster. The General Board has inaugurated an eleven point program of which Rev. Hawkins stressed four points. (1) Deepening Devotional Life. (2) Branch Sunday Schools. (3) Bringing Converts Into the Church. (4) Organizing New Churches. Rev. Hawkins read a Scripture lesson - Acts 16:5. He impressed us with the fact that the early church was confronted with many problems. They were a determined people and would not be turned aside nor defeated. When the human element is expounded, division always sets in. The Church at Antioch began to bog down in the maze of the human element. They held a Council at Jerusalem over the matter and under God, took steps to heal the breach. This resulted in a new spiritual endeavor and the church was established in the faith and grew. New people were added to the church daily. May God help us to lift up the motto of the Forward Movement, "Lighting the Way to a Brighter Day", accept the challenge and under God,- Go Forward.

The Conference was called to order by Rev. R. C. Hawkins. The District Secretary proceeded to call the roll. There were six ordained ministers, three licensed ministers, one ordained deaconess and six lay delegates present.

The motion prevailed that the first five rows of seats on the left side of the church constitute the Conference Bar.

The motion prevailed that the order of the sittings of the Conference be as follows: Wednesday- May 16th, second sitting 9:00 A.M. to 11:00 A.M.; third sitting 1:00 P.M. to 5:00 P.M.; fourth sitting at 8:00 P.M. to benediction.

The motion prevailed that the order of the day, May 16th in the 9:00 A.M. to 11:00 A.M. sitting of the Conference be set aside to hear Rev. A. D. Piesker, Editor of the Sunday School literature and at the conclusion of his message, the Conference to be adjourned to allow the Committees to meet and complete their work.

The motion prevailed that the District Superintendent appoint a Committee on Memoirs.

Rev. T. M. Weir, District Superintendent, read his report. The report was received with a rising vote of appreciation.

The District Superintendent presented the Edgewood Church to the Conference. Rev. J. D. Pence, pastor and Mrs. Carolyn Pence, lay delegate, represented the new church. The Edgewood Church was received into the Conference with a hearty Amen.

The motion prevailed to adjourn. Rev. R. Lewis Adams pronounced the benediction.

SECOND SITTING

The second sitting of the Conference convened at 10:00 A.M. May 16th. Rev. J. D. Pence led the Conference in the singing of "Spirit of the Living God".

The Conference was led in prayer by Rev. John Foster.

The minutes of the first sitting were read and approved.

Rev. R. C. Hawkins introduced Rev. A.D. Piesker, Editor of Sunday School literature, to the Conference.

Rev. Piesker addressed the Conference in regards to the new Sunday School literature. He made a presentation of the materials and a brief discussion of the methods to best teach the lesson as presented in the new quarterlies. It is the purpose of the Editorial Department of Sunday School literature to teach the Bible, salvation and holiness and to demonstrate it in the method that the children are accustomed to in secular schools, and secondly, to meet the needs of the Pilgrim Holiness Church in Sunday School literature. Posters of the various materials in each age group were presented.

The meeting adjourned by expiration of time. Rev. A. D. Piesker pronounced the benediction.

THIRD SITTING

The third sitting of the Conference convened at 1:00 P.M. May 16th. Rev. J. W. Kraus led the Conference in the singing of "We Have An Anchor".

We were led in prayer by Rev. C. W. Beach.

A special number in song was rendered by Rev. J. W. Kraus.

The Conference granted Rev. A. D. Piesker an honorary seat within the bar.

By general consent, the roll call was dispensed with.

The report of the auditor was given and accepted.

The District Treasurer's report was given and accepted with gratitude to God for His goodness. Appreciation was expressed by the Conference to the District Treasurer for the splendid and efficient way with which he handled the district finances.

The statistician's report was read and accepted with an expression of appreciation to God for the progress made in all departments. Appreciation was expressed to the statistician for the accuracy of the report.

Rev. T. M. Weir read the committee appointments for 1956-57 (Page 1)

The Sunday School Promotional Secretary gave his report and it was accepted.

Rev. J. D. Pence read the Young People's Executive Secretary's report. It was accepted.

The report of the Resolutions Committee was read.

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| Resolution I | | Adopted (Journal #I)
Standing Resolution |
| Resolution II | | Adopted (Journal #I)
General Resolutions |
| Resolution III | | Adopted (Journal #III) |
| Resolution IV | | Referred to District Council
(Journal #IV) |

The Ways and Means Committee report was read.

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| Resolution I | | Adopted (Journal #II) |
| Resolution II | | Adopted as amended
(Journal #III) |
| Resolution III | | Adopted (Journal #IV) |

The report of the Examining and Educational Board was read. The following recommendations were made:

Third Year District License	----	John Foster
Second Year District License	----	C. W. Beach
		J. D. Pence

The recommendation of John York and George R. Orme was given pending their appearance before the Examining and Educational Board.

The President of the Conference read the Council appointments for the fiscal year 1956-57.

District Superintendent	-----	Rev. T. M. Weir
District Secretary	-----	Rev. W. R. Dudley
District Treasurer	-----	Mr. E. L. Howard

The President of the Conference instructed the Conference that our district membership has reached the 200 level thus giving the Conference the privilege of electing two advisory members to the Council.

Advisory members were elected as follows:

Rev. J. W. Kraus
Rev. C. W. Beach

The motion prevailed that Mr. Raymond Campbell be accepted as District Trustee by acclamation.

The Treasurer read a report on funds sent directly to Eastern Pilgrim College Building Fund.

Motion prevailed to adjourn.

PERSONAL REPORT OF DISTRICT SUPERINTENDENT
Thomas M. Weir
1956

General Secretary, R. C. Hawkins, the Clergy, Delegates and Friends of the Fourth Annual Conference of the Pilgrim Church of the Capital District.

Greetings in the Name of our Lord, Jesus Christ, Saviour and Coming King.

The past year has been a year of consolidation. The gains made in 1955 have been made secure. Our present position was not achieved by accident nor by the personal acumen of any individual. In the minds and hearts of our men, there has been solid planning, coupled with hard work and faith. The spirit of "Move Forward" is felt in the prayers and planning of each church and pastor. Our people are determined that we shall see twenty churches in the Capital District in ten years, all for the glory of God and the building of His kingdom.

The Edgewood (College Park) church, in spite of the fact that it has been hampered by lack of a church building, and only holding one service a Sunday, has purchased a lovely, adequate brick parsonage near the location of the site for the proposed Edgewood Pilgrim Church. The pastor has been moved and is making good use of his new location. Plans for the future include a first section of the new church to be started immediately.

Woodridge has improved its parsonage, refinanced its mortgage, had its entire property surveyed, and has purchased enough fencing to enclose the whole area. The Woodridge Church has shown steady growth after suffering a severe set-back during the change of pastors at the beginning of the year.

Yorkshire has completed a beautiful parsonage and the first section of the new church is finished. The pastor and people are to be complimented on a job well done. The entire debt will not exceed \$7,500.

The Alexandria and Arlington churches are in better condition financially than at any time since they were first started.

Franconia has assumed full support of its pastor. The church is feeling the impact of this ideal set-up and is going forward along every line.

Rev. Beach has been pastoring the independent church at the Capitol Temple Traylor Court. He has the distinction of having had the largest number present at any one service during the past year.

A new work has been started by Brother A. Cook of West Virginia. Brother Cook, along with Brother Young, has been holding services in a Community Hall in Lanham, Md. This work has met with some degree of success. Brother Young will assume control when Brother Cook returns to West Virginia in August. I have greatly appreciated the fine christian attitude manifested by Brother Cook at all times. His labors of love in this part of the Lord's vineyard have not gone unnoticed.

The District has purchased a new district parsonage, located at 2305 Lewisdale Drive, Hyattsville, Md. In so doing, it has stopped the payment of rent which had been going on since the District was first organized. We feel that the lovely brick, three bedroom rambler, located one block off University Lane at 24th Street, will meet all future needs of the District. Plans are under way to convert one-half of the basement into a District office. This office will have an outside entrance and will be available for District leader' meetings, etc.

We welcome the Pilgrim Laymen's Fellowship into the District program. Under the able direction of Brother Howard, this group should prove to be a blessing in more ways than one.

The District Bulletin "Pilgrim Action" edited by Brother Kraus, has made a deep impression. We are grateful for this promotional arm of the District and know that it will continue to be a great blessing.

It is worthy of note that our progress as a district, has been so ordered that there has always been the conscious realization of the Divine Presence and a conviction that what is being done is for the glory of God.

My Personal Report Is As Follows:

I have preached 168 times. I have officiated at 16 weddings and held nine funerals. I have visited each church and have held five annual meetings. I have organized one new church. I have been responsible for our Youth Camp and as a member of the Eastern Pilgrim College Board of Directors, I have attended three meetings. At the request of Doctor Elliot, I assisted in three regional Sunday School Institutes and spoke a total of 13 times. I also had a part in promoting the "Forward Movement" program. I travelled with Doctor Gunsalus in Michigan, Indiana and Ohio. I spoke a total of 9 times. Due to the kind consideration of the Department of Church Extension, I was permitted to do deputational work in the interest of the Capital District and covered a part of the North Carolina and New York Districts. I have held 3 revivals and have had the privilege of attending the District Superintendent's meeting in Indianapolis, Indiana. I have travelled over 60,000 miles in the performance of these duties. I have received \$1,980. in cash for my services. The District parsonage has been supplied by the Department of Church Extension. The parsonage utilities were supplied by the Capital District.

Respectfully submitted,

T. M. Weir

YOUTH CAMP REPORT

Twenty-eight young people, instructors and cooks enjoyed the fellowship of the District Youth Camp last August 1-6, located at Lake Sherando in the Blue Ridge Mountains of Virginia. The campers were the first to use the five new tents 12' x 14' in size.

The rising call sounded at 7:00 A.M. and breakfast was served at 8:00 A.M. All meals were served in the new District camp tent. After a period of devotion, Bible classes were conducted on the subjects of Redemption, Living a Christian Life and Church History and Doctrine. Rev. Dudley, Rev. Kraus and Rev. York were the instructors. All classes ended at 10:30 A.M. and the rest of the day was devoted to a strong sports program. Softball, volley ball, horseshoes, etc. were enjoyed by all. During the hot afternoons, there was swimming and boating, time for writing letters, reading and meditation or enjoying the deep luxury of just "loafing". Toward the end of each day, spiritual preparation was made for the Campfire Service. The results of prayer and preparation were felt in the wonderful singing and spirit-honored messages. At the close of a wonderful week, there was not one unsaved person in the encampment.

Our young people were made to realize that spirituality is the essence of good, wholesome fellowship. May God continue to bless our young people.

Respectfully submitted,

John York.

TREASURER'S ANNUAL REPORT FOR PERIOD ENDING 10 MAY 1956

Cash Balance brought forward:

District Revolving Fund -----	\$281.69	
District Administration Fund -----	102.55	
District Camp Fund -----	<u>116.87</u>	
Total		\$501.11

Receipts from churches:

District Revolving Fund -----	450.61	
District Admin. Fund -----	1151.07	
District Camp Fund -----	861.92	
Special designated funds:		
Church Extension -----	217.61	
Sunday School & Youth Dept. ---	15.67	
Eastern Pilgrim College -----	14.00	
Pilgrim Pension Plan -----	144.00	
Foreign Missions -----	<u>411.23</u>	
Total		\$3266.11

Payments on Revolving Fund loans	400.00
Borrowed for Camp Tent	500.00

Cash received for record purposes only:

Cash from Headquarters for disbursement -	\$5390.00	
Cash from Edgewood for disbursement ----	82.50	
Cash interest on loan to Alexandria ----	22.44	
Cash EPC Bldg. Fund offering (Capital District) -----	<u>479.25</u>	
Total		\$5974.19

Total Cash Available \$10641.41

EXPENDITURES 1955-56

District Expenditures:

Missions (to PHC, Hdq.) -----	\$411.23
Church Extension (to PHC, Hdq.) -----	217.61
Sunday School & Youth Work (to PHC, Hdq.) -----	15.67
Eastern Pilgrim College -----	14.00
Pilgrim Pension Plan Payments -----	144.00
District Camp expenses -----	313.25
Payments on District Camp Grounds --	520.00
District Camp Tents, Shipping charges -----	837.78
Office expenses & Printing -----	412.56
Utilities -----	645.81
Prorated travel expenses (Supt.)	61.86
Settlement Charges for District Parsonage -----	392.02
Miscellaneous -----	<u>91.55</u>

Total \$4077.34

Loans Made From Revolving Fund		
Rev. T. M. Weir (for Edgewood parsonage)	200.00	
Edgewood P.C. -----	100.00	
		<u>300.00</u>
	Total	\$300.00

Funds Paid Out For Record Purposes Only		
Rent (parsonage for Dist. Supt. & Edgewood pastor) -----	2520.00	
Support of ministers -----	2952.50	
Building Fund pledges for E.P.C.	479.25	
Interest on loan (Alex. P.C.) -----	22.44	

TOTAL PAYMENTS FOR RECORD	<u>5974.19</u>
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Total Expenditures	10351.53
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CASH BALANCE:

District Revolving Fund -----	240.28
District Admin. Fund -----	41.84
District Camp Fund -----	<u>7.76</u>

Total Cash Balance	289.88
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DISTRICT REVOLVING FUND REPORT

Cash Balance 1 May 1955	281.69
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Loans outstanding 1 May 1955:		
Edgewood Pilgrim Church -----	200.00	
District Gen. Admin. Fund -----	289.03	<u>489.03</u>

Assets	770.72
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Receipts during year from District Budget	<u>450.61</u>
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Total Assets	1221.33
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Paid Out (Settlement Charges for District Parsonage)	<u>392.02</u>
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Net Assets	<u>829.31</u>
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New Loans made:

District Camp Fund -----	200.00
Rev. T. M. Weir -----	200.00
Edgewood Pilgrim Church -----	<u>100.00</u>

	500.00
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Previous Loans	<u>489.03</u>
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Total Loans	<u>989.03</u>
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Payments on Loans:		
Edgewood Pilgrim Church -----	\$200.00	
Rev. T. M. Weir -----	200.00	
		\$ 400.00

Loans Outstanding:		
District Admin. Fund -----	289.03	
District Camp Fund -----	200.00	
Edgewood Pilgrim Church -----	<u>100.00</u>	
		589.03
CASH BALANCE ON HAND		240.28

REPORT ON DISTRICT CAMP FUND

Cash Balance in Dist. Camp Fund 1 May 1955		116.87
Receipts during the year:		
District Camp Offerings -----	463.44	
Pledges -----	334.86	
Sale of song books -----	9.00	
Balance from Dist. Youth Camp -----	<u>54.62</u>	
TOTAL RECEIPTS		861.92

Loan from T. M. Weir	500.00	
Loan from Revolving Fund	<u>200.00</u>	
		700.00
TOTAL RECEIPTS		<u>\$1678.79</u>

Expenditures during year:		
Payments on note -----	520.00	
Dist. Camp expenses -----	313.25	
Camp tents -----	782.68	
Shipping & Storage charges for tents -----	<u>55.10</u>	
TOTAL EXPENDITURES		<u>\$1671.03</u>

CASH BALANCE		\$ 7.76
Balance due on camp note @ 5% interest (May 1955)		\$2320.75
Payments on principal during year		<u>372.48</u>
Balance due 10 May 1956		\$1948.27

Other Debts:		
Loan from Rev. T. M. Weir -----	500.00	
Loan from Revolving Fund -----	<u>200.00</u>	
TOTAL DEBTS		\$2648.27

REPORT ON DISTRICT YOUTH CAMP 1955

Receipts:

Cash received from registrations -----	\$345.00
Sale of candy and soda -----	33.95
Sale of excess groceries -----	<u>18.10</u>

TOTAL RECEIPTS

\$397.05

Expenditures:

Camp fee -----	45.75
New equipment -----	44.38
Fuel (cooking & transportation) -----	31.71
Supplies -----	<u>220.89</u>

TOTAL EXPENDITURES

342.73

Balance transferred to Dist. Camp Fund

54.62

Fees cancelled

30.00

Fees outstanding

35.00

DISTRICT BUDGET RECEIPTS DURING CONFERENCE YEAR

10 May 1956

Church:	Woodridge	Alex.	Floor Mem.	Foster	Yorkshire	Edgewood	Temple
Mo. due							
May 1955	\$30.42		14.37	34.21	12.48		
June	38.10		26.75	10.95	11.02	12.27	
July	30.45	10.00	23.24		8.08		
August	27.41	10.00	29.56	18.83	9.97	23.61	
Sept.	24.79		20.19		10.77	7.86	
Oct.	23.65		18.61	19.00	7.25	8.58	
Nov.	30.61		21.97	10.00		17.12	25.00
Dec.	33.66		22.02	10.00	19.80	14.53	
Jan.	34.92		16.68	10.80	13.69	14.27	
Feb.	29.29		20.84	13.61	14.68	16.21	
March	24.94		16.64	11.12	11.24	9.10	50.00
April	29.79		16.02	11.81	9.75	11.14	50.00
May	<u>31.78</u>		<u>30.00</u>	<u>13.65</u>	<u>15.14</u>	<u>14.64</u>	
Totals	\$389.81	20.00	276.89	163.98	143.87	149.33	125.00

Total District Budget Receipts ----- \$1268.88

Edwin Lee Howard
District Treasurer.

EASTERN PILGRIM COLLEGE

Building Fund Totals

Woodridge	Alexandria	Floor Mem.	Edgewood	Yorkshire	Foster	Temple
\$112.50	\$86.00	\$177.25	\$47.00	\$17.50	\$35.00	\$4.00

REPORT OF THE SUNDAY SCHOOL PROMOTIONAL SECRETARY

The Lord is to be praised for the over all gain of our Sunday School in the entire District for the year 1956. There was an actual net gain of 56 in average attendance over the year 1955. The figures and break-down for each church is as follows:

AVERAGES

	Year 1954-55	Gain -	Loss	Percentage of Enrollment
Alexandria	90 87		3	75%
Arlington	58 52		6	72%
Edgewood	63 85	22		64%
Franconia	47 44		3	78%
Lanham		9		47%
Temple	61 102	41		85%
Woodridge	83 73		10	75%
Yorkshire	76 82	6		97%
		<u>78</u>	<u>22</u>	

TOTAL NET GAIN 56

During the year, a District wide Sunday School Teacher's Training program was conducted. It was considered successful as 37 teachers, superintendents and pastors registered for the course. Rev. J. E. Kraus of Vinton, Virginia was the instructor. The course extended for one week at the close of which a diploma was given.

Our Goal: INCREASE FOR NEXT YEAR!!!

Respectfully,

James W. Kraus.

C O N F E R E N C E R U L E S

Ways and Means Resolutions

I

Be it resolved that the District Budget for 1955-56 be raised as follows:

1. Each church in the District shall pay to the District Treasurer 5% of all offerings received by the church except those offerings designated for a specific purpose or activity (other than the local church) such as: missions, Church Extension, Sunday School Extension (Rally Day), colleges, and District projects.
2. All regular offerings of the church such as: tithes, building fund, Sunday School and Young People's offerings shall be subject to this assessment.
3. Two per cent (2%) or 2/5 of this budget shall be credited by the District Treasurer to the District Revolving Fund.
4. The remainder of the budget shall be credited to the District General Fund for use as required for District Administration.
5. All offerings received at District rallies, conferences and other meetings shall be credited to the District General Fund unless otherwise specifically designated or directed by the District Council.
6. The District budget shall be paid to the District Treasurer by the 10th day of the following month.

II

Be it resolved that all loans made to individual churches from the District Revolving Fund shall be repaid with interest at the rate of 6% per annum. The interest shall be due and payable annually on the anniversary date of the loan.

III

Whereas the Manual of the Pilgrim Holiness Church provides for bi-annual visits by the District Superintendent to each church, be it resolved that at these visits to the churches, a plate offering shall be taken and given to the District Superintendent as a love offering. (Carried as amended).

IV

Be it resolved that all Pilgrim ministers ordained or holding licenses in the Capital District who are not stationed, or whose church is not subject to the District Budget, shall send fifty per cent (50%) of their tithe to the District Treasurer each month for application to the District administration expenses. (Carried).

STANDING RULES

1. TIME OF DISTRICT CAMP

Be it resolved:

- a. That the annual District Camp Meeting be held over a ten day period including the third and fourth Sundays of July.
- b. That the date of the District Camp for 1956 be July 13th thru 22nd. This exception to hold for 1956 only.

2. PASTOR'S VACATION

Each church is encouraged to give their pastor a two weeks' vacation.

3. WORK PROGRAM FOR DISTRICT CAMP GROUNDS

The District Council shall determine the number of man hours required to prepare the grounds for camp meeting and that each year the Council request each church to supply an equal share of man hours to complete the work.

GENERAL RESOLUTIONS

1. TIME OF DISTRICT YOUTH MEETINGS

The third Friday of each month shall be reserved for District Youth rallies and functions. This is subject to change if conflicts should arise.

2.

DISTRICT MINUTES: - Be it resolved: That the Editing Committee meet and have its work complete by June 30th of each year.

3. EDUCATIONAL & EXAMINING BOARD: - Be it resolved: That the third year appointee of said Board be and hereby is appointed chairman of said Board,

4. NATIONAL SUNDAY SCHOOL CONVENTION: - Be it resolved: That the Capital District S.S. Board be sent to the National S.S. Association Conf. to be held in Chicago during October, be it further resolved that each local church be urged to send a delegate to the Convention if possible. (This resolution included in the journal for District Council reference only).

5. PILGRIM PENSION PLAN, INC.; - Whereas, the General Board of the Pilgrim Holiness Church has authorized the Pilgrim Pension Plan, Inc. to make loans of pension funds to local P.H. Churches under such conditions as require active participation on the part of P.H. Districts, THEREFORE, be it resolved by the Annual Conference of this District that the District Council, District Trustees and all District officials be, and they are hereby, authorized to do and perform any and all acts required of them in the consumation of authorized loans to local P.H. Churches of this District, subject, however, to the limitations and conditions set out in said Resolution of the General Board of the P. H. Church authorizing said loans. (Adopted).

CHURCH ANNUAL FINANCIAL REPORT
May 1, 1955 - April 30, 1956

<u>RECEIPTS</u>	Alexandria	Arlington	Edgewood	Franconia	Lanham	Woodridge	Yorkshire	Total
Cash bro't forward	1.86	135.90	237.60	7.12		95.41	64.30	542.19
Total offerings	6,512.26	5700.03	2302.95	2163.42	153.71	6020.80	2188.81	25,041.98
Other income			390.00	374.80		29.72	266.28	1,060.80
Receipts by loan	500.00		1700.00			3500.00		5,700.00
Transfers	66.66					716.06		782.72
Total cash available	7,080.78	5,835.93	4630.55	2545.34	153.71	10,361.99	2519.39	33,127.69
Local expenditures								
Pastor's salary	2,680.00	1,325.00	155.00	1575.00		2,965.00	780.00	9,450.00
Rents			687.50			53.00	770.00	1,510.50
Interest	1,369.20				56.00	1,031.11		2,456.31
Indebtedness (notes & mortgages)	1,446.91	1,860.00	2723.73	384.53		894.14		7,309.31
Improvements	560.30			8.55	15.00	1,330.00		1,913.85
Maintenance	718.66	721.74				1,151.14	656.64	3,248.18
Evangelists & other workers	15.00	180.00	35.00	110.00		202.05		542.05
Advertising		9.30	25.48					34.78
Promotional activities	77.37							77.37
Miscellaneous items	22.35	1,159.87	969.39	161.05	19.85	1,962.83	52.00	4,347.34
Sunday School supplies								
Total local expenditures	6,859.79	5,255.91	4596.10	2239.13	90.85	9,589.27	2258.64	30,889.69
Transfers								
District expenditures								
District budget	20.00	222.82	113.71	173.98		329.67	143.87	1,004.05
District Home Missions		6.00						6.00
District Camp								
Pastor's assessment								
Eastern Pilgrim College			21.51					21.51
Total District expenditures	20.00	228.82	135.22	173.98		329.67	143.87	1,031.56

CHURCH ANNUAL FINANCIAL REPORT CONTINUED.

	Alexandria	Arlington	Edgewood	Franconia	Lanham	Woodridge	Yorkshire	Total
General expenditures								
General budget								
Church Extension(Special)					20.00	30.00		50.00
Church Extension Loan Fund								
Foreign Mission(Special)		192.40						192.40
Youth & Sunday School(Special)								
Senior College Fund(Special)								
Pilgrim Pension Plan by church	106.00							106.00
Pilgrim Pension Plan by pastor	53.00							53.00
Total general expenditures	159.00	192.40			20.00	30.00		401.40
Grand total all expenditures	7,038.79	5677.13	4731.32	2413.11	110.85	9948.94	2402.51	32,322.65
Balance on hand	41.99	158.80	100.77	132.23	42.86	413.05	116.88	805.04

MISSIONARY ANNUAL FINANCIAL REPORT
May 1, 1955 - April 30, 1956

Total offerings	284.35					36.26	86.16	406.77
Transfers	22.90							22.90
Total cash available	307.25					36.26	86.16	429.67
Miscellaneous items	37.00					5.00		42.00
Total local expenses	37.00					5.00		42.00
Church Extension Special	35.00							35.00
Foreign Missions Special	189.43					31.26	86.16	306.85
Total general expenditures	224.43					31.26		255.69
Grand total all expenditures	261.43					36.26	86.16	383.85
Balance on hand	45.82							45.82

SUNDAY SCHOOL FINANCIAL REPORT

	Alexandria	Arlington	Edgewood	Franconia	Lenham	Woodridge	Yorkshire	Total
<u>RECEIPTS</u>								
Cash bro't forward	12.72	47.41	2.62	52.16		10.35	68.25	188.27
Total offerings	1,204.83	455.77	712.78	334.42	30.83	1,176.87	351.53	4,267.03
Other income				26.00			99.28	125.28
Receipts by loan								
Transfers								
Total cash available	1,217.55	503.18	710.16	412.58	30.83	1,187.22	519.06	4,580.58
Local expenditures								
Pastor's salary								
Rent								
Interest								
Indebtedness(Notes & Mortgages)								
Improvements				31.00			51.03	82.03
Maintenance	541.28			50.91			113.00	735.19
Advertising			6.35					6.35
Promotional activities	52.17	11.88	41.73					105.78
Miscellaneous items	39.40	221.71	115.23	201.75		140.67	34.50	753.26
Sunday School Supplies	561.13	128.69	339.55	42.65	14.55	273.53	208.51	1,568.61
Total local expenditures	1,193.98	362.28	502.86	326.31	14.55	414.20	437.04	3,251.22
Transfers						716.06		
District expenditures								
District budget		21.81	35.62			27.36		84.79
District Home Missions				31.00				31.00
District Camp								
Pastor's assessment								
Eastern Pilgrim College								
Total District Expenditures		21.81	35.62			27.36		84.79
General expenditures								
General budget								

SUNDAY SCHOOL FINANCIAL REPORT CONTINUED

	Alexandria	Arlington	Edgewood	Franconia	Lanham	Woodridge	Yorkshire	Total
Church Extension								
Special			30.00					30.00
Church Extension								
Loan Fund Special			10.00					10.00
Foreign Missions								
Special		17.86					31.08	48.94
Youth & S. S.								
Special		10.67				5.00		15.67
Senior College Fund								
Special								
Pilgrim Pension Plan								
by church								
Pilgrim Pension Plan								
by pastor								
Total General expenditures		28.53	40.00			5.00	31.08	104.61
Grand Total Expenditures	1,193.98	412.62	578.48	357.31	14.55	1,162.62	468.84	4,188.40
Balance on hand	23.57	90.56	131.68	5527	16.28	24.60	50.22	392.18

YOUNG PEOPLE'S SOCIETY REPORT

Membership last report	20	22						42
Present membership								
Active	8	11						19
Associate	7	13						20
Honorary	9	8						17
Total membership	24	32						56
Gain	4	10						14
Loss								
Number meetings held	50	48						98
Average attendance	12	35						47

Unorganized

YOUNG PEOPLE'S FINANCIAL REPORT
May 1, 1955 - April 30, 1956

<u>RECEIPTS</u>	Alexandria	Arlington	Edgewood	Franconia	Lanham	Woodridge	Yorkshire	Total
Cash bro't forward	4.22	45.60						49.82
Total offerings	241.64	45.10				1.00		287.74
Other income								
Receipts by loan								
Transfers								
Total cash available	245.86	90.70				1.00		337.56
Local expenditures								
Pastor's salary								
Rents								
Interest								
Indebtedness								
Improvements	74.43							74.43
Maintenance								
Evangelists & other workers	8.89							8.89
Advertising								
Promotional activities	44.52							44.52
Miscellaneous items	104.18	68.48						172.66
Sunday School Supplies								
Total local expenditures	232.02	68.48						300.50
Transfers								
District expenditures								
District budget		1.06				1.00		2.06
District Home Missions								
District Camp								
Pastor's assessment								
Eastern Pilgrim College								
Total District expenditures		1.06				1.00		2.06
General expenditures								
General budget								

YOUNG PEOPLE'S FINANCIAL REPORT CONTINUED

	Alexandria	Arlington	Edgewood	Franconia	Lanham	Woodridge	Yorkshire	Total
Church Extension								
Special	6.57							6.57
Church Extension								
Loan Fund Special								
Foreign Missions								
Special	6.57							6.57
Senior College Fund								
Special								
Pilgrim Pension Plan								
by church								
Pilgrim Pension Plan								
by pastor								
Total General expenditures	13.14	1.06				1.00		15.20
Grand Total all expenditures	245.16	69.54				1.00		315.70
Balance on hand	.70	21.16						21.86
Total cash available								

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SUNDAY SCHOOL STATISTICAL REPORT

	Alexandria	Arlington	Edgewood	Franconia	Lanham	Woodridge	Yorkshire	Total	Temple
Teachers & officers	11	11	14	5	3	11	9	77	13
Active enrollment	115	72	96	60	19	104	82	471	120
Cradle Roll	6			6				24	12
Home Department	28							56	28
Av. wk. att. last report	90	58	63	44		92	76	484	61
Av. wk. att. this report	87	52	85	47	9	73	73	528	102
Gain			22	3	9			41	41
Loss	3	6				19	3	31	
Number sessions	52	52	52	52		48	52	339	31
Number converted		2						2	
Number joined church		2						2	
Number books in library		50						50	
D.V.B.S.	10					10		20	
Enrollment	70					96		166	
Av. attendance	57					73		130	

PROPERTY STATEMENT

		VALUE	DEBT	EQUITY
Alexandria	Church	\$40,000.00		
	Parsonage	30,000.00		
	Total	70,000.00	40,965.26	29,034.74
Arlington	Church	50,000.00	17,500.00	32,500.00
	Total	50,000.00	17,500.00	32,500.00
Edgewood	Parsonage	12,500.00	11,000.00	1,500.00
	Lots	4,500.00	1,000.00	3,500.00
	Total	17,000.00	12,000.00	5,000.00
Franconia	Church	8,000.00	250.00	7,744.52
	Total	8,000.00	250.00	7,744.52
Woodridge	Church	45,000.00	20,900.00	
	Parsonage	20,000.00		44,100.00
	Total	65,000.00	20,900.00	44,100.00
Yorkshire	Church	5,000.00		5,000.00
	Parsonage	12,000.00	7,500.00	
	Total	17,000.00	7,500.00	9,500.00
Camp Grounds	Land	5,000.00	2,000.00	3,000.00
	Total			
District Parsonage		18,500.00	13,000.00	5,500.00
Grand Total		250,500.00	114,120.74	136,379.26

PASTOR'S REPORT MAY 1, 1955 to April 30, 1956

CHURCH PASTOR	Alexandria R.L.Adams	Floor Mem. W.R.Dudley	Edgewood J.D.Pence	Franconia J.Foster	Lanham A.Cook	Woodridge J.W.Kraus	Yorkshire W.H.Schaffner	Temple C,W.Beach	Total
Time on present field	Yr. 2	3	1	4			2		12
	Mo 9	9	5		5	10	8	7	53
Licensed			x	x	x			x	4
Ordained	x	x				x	x		4
No. sermons preached	120	100	45	94	20	102	150	58	689
No. prayer services	57	50	26	25		41	45		244
No. Communion services	2	10	4	1		10	2	2	31
No. Funeral services	2	2		2		1	2		9
Total services	181	162	75	122	20	154	199	60	973
Pastoral calls on members		135	12	55		462	191		
Pastoral calls on non-members	350	113	758	79	111	264	52	126	1853
Total pastoral calls	350	248	770	134	111	726	243	126	2708
Revivals preached on field						2			2
Revivals preached elsewhere						2			2
No. Seeking re-generation		10	14	11		51			86
No. Seeking sanctification		3	1	1		22			27
No. Decisions by personal work						2			2
Total Decisions	30	13	15	12		75			145
No. baptised		2				2			4
No. children dedicated	4	1	9	4		2			20
No. marriages	5	1							6

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PASTOR'S REPORT CONTINUED

	Alexandria	Floor.Mem.	Edgewood	Franconia	Lanham	Woodridge	Yorkshire	Temple	Total
<u>Pastor's support</u>									
Cash support from church	\$2,650.00	1,300.00	1,100.00	1,575.00		2,660.00	780.00		10,065.00
Estimated donations				20.00		37.00			57.00
Total support	2,650.00	1,300.00	1,100.00	1,595.00		2,697.00	780.00		10,122.00
Parsonage supplied	yes	yes	yes	637.00		yes	yes		637.00
Total utilities supplied	yes	yes	yes	493.00		yes	yes		493.00
Auto expense supplied								360.00	360.00

CHURCH STATISTICAL REPORT

Members on roll last report	65	28		17		52	21		183
Additions by profession of faith	5	5				5			15
Additions by transfer				3		12			15
Total additions	5	5	8	3		17			38
Removals by letter	1	4				7			12
Removals by transfer	4	2				6			12
Removals by death		1							1
Total removals	5	7				13			25
Ordained ministers	1	2				2	1		6
Licensed ministers		3	1	1					5
Local ministers		2							2
Deaconesses						1			1
Non-assessable	6								
Other members in full standing	58	19	7	19		54	20		177

CHURCH STATISTICAL REPORT CONTINUED

	Alexandria	Floor Mem.	Edgewood	Franconia	Lanham	Woodridge	Yorkshire	Temple	Total
Total membership	65	26	8	20		56	21		196
Gain	5		8	3		4			20
Loss	5	2							7

SERVICES

Preaching services	110	122	52	104	22	95	104	51	660
Prayer meetings	50	51		52		48	52		253
Cottage prayer meetings	40		26						66
Other services	4			1				4	9
Total services	204	173	78	157	22	143	156	55	988
No. of revivals		2		1		2			5
No. Advocate subscriptions	5	3	5						13

SUMMARY OF TOTALS BY DEPARTMENTS

RECEIPTS

Regular church	\$7,080.78	5,835.93	4,630.55	2,545.34	153.71	10,361.99	2,519.39		33,127.69
Sunday School	1,217.55	503.18	710.16	412.58	30.83	1,187.22	519.06		4,580.58
Y. P. S.	245.86	90.70				0.00			337.56
Missions	307.25					36.26	86.16		429.67
Grand total	8,851.44	6,429.81	5,340.71	2,957.92	184.54	11,586.47	3,124.61		38,475.50

EXPENDITURES

Regular church	7,038.79	5,677.13	4,731.32	2,413.11	110.85	9,948.94	2,402.51		32,322.65
Sunday School	1,193.98	412.62	578.48	357.31	14.55	1,162.62	468.84		4,188.40
Y. P. S.	245.16	69.54				1.00			315.70
Missions	261.43					36.26	86.16		383.85
Grand total	8,739.36	6,159.29	5,309.90	2,770.42	125.40	11,148.82	2,957.51		37,210.60
Cash on hand all depts.	112.08	270.52	30.91	187.50	59.14	437.65	167.10		1,264.90