Pilgrim Holiness Church

Minutes of the Annual Assembly of the Idaho - Washington District

Coeur d'Alene, Idaho
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OFFICIAL DIRECTORY
and
ROLL CALL OF ASSEMBLY MEMBERS
DISTRICT COUNCIL
District Superintendent
W. J. Webster.........................................................Coeur d'Alene, Idaho
Assistant District Superintendent
E. E. Bates..............................................................Coeur d'Alene, Idaho
Secretary
Lelia Scott.............................................................W. 201 Third St., Spokane, Wash.
Treasurer
Ruble Gault............................................................1701 Seventh St., Coeur d'Alene, Idaho
Advisory Members
O. F. Gault..............................................................1701 Seventh St., Coeur d'Alene, Idaho
R. A. Fullerton.........................................................Spokane, Wash.
Paul Hires..............................................................Harrison, Idaho
Ordained Ministers
W. J. Webster..........................................................Coeur d'Alene, Idaho
E. E. Bates..............................................................Coeur d'Alene, Idaho
Lelia T. Scott.........................................................Spokane, Wash.
Ida G. Garner.........................................................Valleyford, Wash.
Bertha Deaderick....................................................San Francisco, Calif.
C. A. Stults..............................................................Portland, Oregon
C. C. Calhoon.........................................................Hermiston, Oregon
O. F. Gault..............................................................Coeur d'Alene, Idaho
J. E. Henry............................................................Pasadena, Calif.
Licensed Preachers
J. B. Busch..................Kent, Wash.
Mrs. C. C. Calhoun...............Hermiston, Oregon
Paul Hires................Harrison, Idaho

Local Preachers

Deaconesses
Mrs. W. J. Webster.......................Coeur d'Alene, Idaho

Lay Members
Bessie Stanfield...Coeur d'Alene, Idaho
John Nelson..................Coeur d'Alene, Idaho
J. S. Gault..................Athol, Idaho
Margaret Thomas........Spokane, Wash.
John Keimig........Post Falls, Idaho
R. A. Fullerton...............Spokane, Wash.
Oliver Simmons........Coeur d'Alene, Idaho
Eugene Rouse................Harrison, Idaho
Laura Tolford...................Spirit Lake, Idaho
Eddie Madson................Liberty Lake, Wash.
Iona Hutchins........Springdale, Wash.

FIRST SESSION
The Annual Assembly of the Pilgrim Holiness Church of the Idaho-Washington District convened at the Coeur d'Alene Church on Dec. 29, 1927. Brother O. F. Gault called the Assembly to order at 10 o'clock.

All joined in singing "I'm a Child of the King." A scripture lesson was read and prayers for God's blessings on the work of the Assembly was offered by Brothers Bates and Webster.

Roll Call
The roll of the Assembly members was prepared. Those present responded to the call. We then proceeded to the business of the Assembly.

Minutes
It was decided to omit the reading of the minutes of the last District Assembly.

Additional Assembly Members
Brother and Sister Webster were admitted to the Assembly Bar and given full privileges of Assembly members; also it was decided that any member of the church of this district who would attend the sessions of the Assembly regularly should be granted a seat in the Assembly Bar.

Hours of Sessions
Moved and supported that the morning sessions be held from 9:30 to 11:30 o'clock and the afternoon sessions be from 1:30 to 4:00 o'clock. Carried.

Adjournment
It being 11:30 o'clock it was decided to adjourn until 1:30 P. M.

SECOND SESSION
The second session of the Annual Assembly was called to order at 1:30 P. M. A hymn, "I Feel Like Traveling On" was sung and Sister Scott offered prayer.

Reports of Churches
Moved and supported that the reports be read by churches, at this time. Carried.
Coeur d'Alene Church

Pastor—E. E. Bates, Ordained Minister.
Delegate—Bessie Standfield.
Sunday School Superintendent—John Nelson.

Brother Bates reports that the Lord has given gracious victory throughout the year. While battles have been numerous, yet God's promises have proven true and He has given them victory. To God be the praise.

Sister Standfield read the church and Sunday School reports. Reports accepted.

Athol Church

Pastor—C. C. Calhoun, Ordained Minister.
Delegates—J. S. Gault.
Sunday School Superintendent—Mrs. C. C. Calhoun.

The work of the Sunday School in this place is very encouraging considering conditions. Sister Calhoun has been very faithful in carrying on this work and God has blessed her efforts. It is hoped that the Sunday School may offset some of the evil influences of lodge and public dances. Brother Gault urges the ministers and lay members to use every opportunity to speak against these menaces of the spiritual and moral welfare of the young people.

Reports Accepted.

Spirit Lake Church

Pastor—C. C. Calhoun.
Delegate—Brother Kothke
Sunday School Superintendent—Laura Tolford.

The delegate being absent, the reports were read by the Secretary. Brother Calhoun reports a good Sunday School at this place. A tent meeting was held there during the summer.

Reports Accepted.

Harrison Church

Delegate—Paul Hires.

Brother Gault gave a verbal report of the work here. As District Superintendent he has given this place services one Sunday a month since July. Brother and Sister Webs'er held a tent meeting there last summer with good results. A wonderful spirit of love and victory is manifested among the Pilgrims there. They are praying for a revival soon.

Brother Paul C. Hires and wife have recently come into the work there and have been a great blessing to the work. The church has called him as pastor this coming year. The work looks encouraging.

Reports Accepted.

Happy Hill Church

Delegate—Iona Hutchins.

Brother Gault gave a verbal report of the church. The members have been so scattered that it was impossible to continue services at the old place; however, two new appointments have been opened, one at Long Lake and another at Springdale. The interest is good in both places.

Report Accepted

McGuire Church

Pastor—Lelia Scott, Ordained Minister.
Delegate—Margaret Thomas.
Sunday School Superintendent—R. A. Fullerton.
Local Preacher—C. R. Simmons.

There is a sweet spirit of unity among the Pilgrims at McGuire. God has showered many blessings upon the little faithful band. Some have been brought through severe illnesses but God has proved a Deliverer. Two revivals were held and the church encouraged. Interest in the Sunday School has been well sustained.

C. R. Simmons

Brother Simmons gave a verbal report of his work. He has been busy helping in whatever capacity opportunity presented. He has preached several times and assisted in three or four revivals. God has made him a blessing to the work.

Report Accepted.

Sister Calhoon

Sister Calhoon reports a good year in the Lord.

Report Accepted.

J. B. Busch

Brother Busch has been laboring faithfully at Kent, Wash. He is looking forward to a revival and hopes to organize a church there.

Report Accepted.

Brother and Sister Webster

Brother and Sister Webster told of their work the past year; of their desire to do Home Mission work and how God has led them to come to this district at a sacrifice, in response to the call for help in this part of the work.

Vote of Appreciation

A vote of appreciation was tendered to Brother and Sister Webster for coming to us at this time.

Report Accepted.

Report of District Treasurer

Foreign Missions Fund

Received for Foreign Missions
From pledges and individual offerings .................................................. $167.00
From churches and Sunday Schools ...................................................... 228.57
From cash offering at Camp ................................................................. 130.74

Total received ................................................................. $526.31

Paid to General Treasurer of Foreign Missions .................................. 526.31

District and Home Missions Fund

Total Receipts ................................................................. $748.71

Disbursements—
District Minutes and stationery ...................................................... $ 20.50
Camp Meeting Expense ............................................................... 221.28
Camp Meeting Evangelist .............................................................. 170.00
Advocate Offering ........................................................................... 12.50
General Superintendent's Support ..................................................... 7.00
District Superintendent's House Rent ............................................. 135.00
Church Orphanage ........................................................................... 11.75
Incidentals .......................................................................................... 33.40

Total ......................................................................................... $611.43

Balance in Treasury ........................................................................ 137.28
Report Accepted.

Appointment of Committees

Moved and supported that the District Superintendent appoint the committees. Carried.

A recess of five minutes was declared in order to make arrangements for committees. After recess the following committees were appointed.

Auditing Committee
C. C. Calhoon
John Kelmig
Oliver Simmons

Resolution Committee
E. E. Bates
W. J. Webster
Ida G. Garner
J. S. Gault
R. A. Fullerton

Statistical Committee
Lelia Scott
Mrs. Hires
Rubie Gault

Time for Election of Officers

Moved and supported that the following afternoon be set aside for the election of officers. Carried.

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned until the Friday morning session.

THIRD SESSION

The third session of the Assembly was opened on the morning of the 30th. Brother Bates conducted the devotional service, reading a scripture lesson from the eleventh chapter of Hebrews. Prayer was offered by Brother Hires.

Roll Call

The roll was called and the minutes were read and approved. A letter from Brother Busch was read at this time telling of his work and prospects at Kent, Washington.

Report of Auditing Committee

The Auditing Committee report the Treasurer's books in good condition with no corrections to be made. Report Accepted.

Superintendent's Report

We humbly submit the following brief report of our work for the past year. In the course of our labors we have encountered some new experiences, some trials, and some real battles, but in all these God has helped us; therefore, we are glad to report also some real victories. We give God the praise.

The co-operation of the ministers, the fellowship of the saints, and the loyal support which has been given us through your prayers as well as your offerings, has been encouraging and deeply appreciated.

We realize that our efforts have been poor indeed and we regret that we have accomplished so little this year. We have tried to do our best and follow the leadings of the Holy Ghost in all things.

We have visited each church at least three times and some of them more than that. We conducted one revival and helped in two others. We have also had charge of several preaching points that are without regular pastors, going to Springdale and Long Lake one Sunday of each month; also to Garwood once each month and have filled the appointment at Harrison once each month since July. We have preached
eighty-six times, made fifty-one calls and have seen a number of souls saved and sanctified. We have received for our support, $628.95.
O. F. GAULT.

Report Accepted.

Adjournment
Moved and supported that the meeting adjourn until the afternoon session in order to give the committees time to meet. Carried.

FOURTH SESSION
The session was opened by singing "Abiding in Jesus" and prayer was offered by Brother Fullerton.

Roll Call
Roll was called and the minutes were read and approved.

Sister Garner's Report
Moved and supported that Sister Garner's report be read before proceeding with the election of officers. Carried.
Sister Garner's report was read and accepted.

Election of Officers
The Assembly proceeded to elect officers by secret ballot. Brother Fullerton and Brother Calhoon were appointed as tellers.
The election resulted as follows:

District Council
District Superintendent ........................................ O. F. Gault
Assistant District Superintendent ............................. E. E. Bates
Secretary .............................................................. Lelia Scott
Treasurer ............................................................... Rubie Gault
Advisory Member ..................................................... R. A. Fullerton
Advisory Member ..................................................... W. J. Webster
Advisory Member ..................................................... Paul Hires

Examining Board
Sister Garner was re-elected. The Board now stands as follows:
Ida G. Garner ............................................................. 3 years
E. E. Bates .............................................................. 2 years
Lelia Scott ............................................................... 1 year

District Trustees
Brother O. F. Gault was re-elected. The Board now stands:
O. F. Gault ............................................................... 3 years
C. C. Calhoon ........................................................... 2 years
Cyrus Bittleson ........................................................ 1 year

District Council Powers
Moved and supported that the District Council be granted power to appoint a Camp Meeting Committee. Carried.

Report of Resolutions Committee
Resolution Number 1:
Resolved that this district adopt the financial system recommended in our Manual, page 50, section 109. Rejected.

Adjournment
Moved and supported that the remaining resolutions be considered at the next session and that the present session adjourn. Carried.
FIFTH SESSION

The song, "Call for Reapers" was sung and Brother Simmons led in prayer. The roll was called and the minutes of the previous session read and approved.

Report of Resolution Committee Concluded

Resolution Number 2:
Resolved that resolutions numbers 1, 2, 3, 4, and 5 which were passed last Assembly be readopted. Adopted.
The resolutions appear on the former minutes as follows:
1. Resolved that each local church of the district be assessed to the minimum amount of $3.00 per adult member to finance the Home Missions' Department of our work. Adopted.
2. Resolved that all ministers pay their tithe to the support of the District Superintendent. Adopted.
3. Resolved that a copy of these resolutions be placed in the hands of each member and minister of the district. Adopted.
4. Resolved that the District Superintendent pay 2/3 of his tithe into the District Treasury. Adopted.
5. Resolved that the sum of fifty dollars ($50.00) a year be paid the District Superintendent for the upkeep of his card. Adopted.

Resolution Number 3:
Resolved that the District Superintendent make two visits yearly to each local church having a pastor unless conditions require more. Adopted.

Resolution Number 4:
Resolved that District stationery be printed at the District's expense and be supplied to the District officers and ministers. Adopted.

Resolution Number 5:
Resolved that the Coeur d'Alene Church be tendered a rising vote of thanks for their royal entertainment. Adopted.

Resolution Number 6:
Resolved that the pastors, superintendents of Sunday Schools, and teachers be urged to use every legitimate means to increase the attendance of the Sunday Schools.

Resolution Number 7:
Resolved that a standing vote of appreciation be given to our District Superintendent for his faithful service. Adopted.
Moved and supported that a rising vote of thanks be given to the Assistant District Superintendent. Carried.
Moved and supported that a rising vote of thanks be given to the Secretary and Treasurer. Carried.

Resolution Number 8:
Resolved that in as much as the All Wise Father has seen best to call from our midst our beloved Sisters, Kate Ervin and Elizabeth Egbers, we extend our heartfelt sympathy to the bereaved members of their families. Be it also resolved that this resolution appear in the minutes of the District Assembly and that a copy be sent to the families of the deceased. Adopted.

Superintendent's Resignation
Brother Gault at this time humbly begged the Assembly to consider
his resignation as District Superintendent. Feeling his gifts and callings are not along the line of Home Missions and Evangelistic work, which is the great need in our District at this time, and as the District is not financially able to support both a Superintendent and Home Missionary, he wishes to resign, believing there is someone else in our midst who is more capable of doing evangelistic work in connection with the Superintendency.

The Assembly went to prayer in regard to the matter that the will of God might be made known.

**Resignation Accepted**

Deeming it to be in Divine order, motion was made and supported that Brother Gault's resignation be accepted. Carried.

**New Superintendent**

It now became necessary to elect a new Superintendent. Ballots were prepared, votes were cast with the result that Brother W. J. Webster was unanimously elected.

**Report of Examining Board**

Sister C. C. Calhoon, J. B. Busch and C. R. Simmons are recommended to receive renewal of credentials.

Paul C. Hires is recommended to receive minister's license.

Sister W. J. Webster is recommended to receive renewal of credentials as licensed deaconess.

Moved and supported that the credentials of Mrs. C. C. Calhoon, J. B. Busch and C. R. Simmons be renewed. Carried.

Moved and supported that Paul C. Hires be granted minister's license. Carried.

Moved and supported that Sister Webster's credentials as licensed deaconess be recognized and that her name appear on the minutes as licensed deaconess. Carried.

**District Evangelists**

Moved and supported that Brother and Sister W. J. Webster be appointed as Home Missionary Evangelists in connection with the District work. Carried.

**Statistical Report**

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Amount paid Old Folks Home.............................................. 5.00
Amount paid Church Orphanage ....................................... 39.90
Amount paid Evangelists ................................................ 155.56
Amount paid Incidents .................................................... 471.30
Amount paid Special Donations ....................................... 9.89
Amount paid on Indebtedness ......................................... 200.00
Total Amount Raised .................................................... 4457.13
Value of Church Property .............................................. 9000.00

Sunday School Statistics
Number of Sunday Schools .............................................. 6
Number of Pupils Enrolled ............................................. 260
Number of Gain for Year .............................................. 56
Total Offerings ................................................................ $647.92

Report Accepted.

Next Annual Assembly
Moved and supported that the District Council be given power to determine time and place for the next Annual Assembly.
Carried.

New Advisory Member
Moved and supported that Brother Gault be placed on the District Council as an Advisory member to fill the vacancy among the Advisory members caused by Bro. Webster being elected District Superintendent.
Carried.

Publication of Minutes
Moved and supported that the Secretary and Brother Gault be appointed to edit and publish the minutes and that the expense connected therewith be paid from the District Treasury.
Carried.

Free Will Offering for Minutes
Moved and supported that a free will offering be taken at each local church at the time the minutes are distributed; this offering to go toward defraying the expenses of publication.
Carried.

Adjournment.
Moved and supported that we adjourn until the next Annual Assembly.
Carried.

No Assembly has been held in this District in which there has been manifested a sweeter spirit of brotherly love, sacrifice and humility. We recognize the presence of God in our midst. Under His guidance we hopefully face the future.

LELIA SCOTT, Secretary.