

*Thirty Fourth Annual*  
**Conference Journal**

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**Pilgrim Holiness Church**  
(Ontario District)



Proton, Ontario  
*July 10-11, 1959*

PILGRIM HOLINESS CHURCH  
(ONTARIO DISTRICT)

OFFICIAL DIRECTORY

General Superintendent	Rev. M.H. Snyder, 230 E. Ohio St., Indianapolis, Ind.
General Secretary	Rev. R.A. Beltz, 230 E. Ohio St., Indianapolis, Ind.
District Superintendent	Rev. J. P. Keith, 312 Oakwood Ave., Toronto 10, Ont.
Assist. Dist. Supt.	Rev. R.T. Holton, Strathroy, Ont.
District Secretary	Rev. Frank Hobbs, Massey, Ontario.
District Treasurer	Rev. J.T. Austin, Lion's Head, Ontario.
Advisory Members of District Council	Rev. J.W. Bray, Rev. Fred Henschen, Rev. Gladys White.

Educational and Examining Board	Rev. J.W. Bray, 1 year Rev. F. White, 1 year Rev. H. W. Hobbs, 2 years Rev. F. A. Hobbs, 3 years
Committee on Resolutions	District Council
Ways and Means	District Council
District Editor	Rev. J. P. Keith
Church Extension Loan Fund	Executive Council
District Youth Director	Rev. Fred Henschen, Box 194, Durham, Ontario.
District Sunday School Secretary	Rev. J. P. Keith

MINISTERIAL DIRECTORY

Ordained

Austin, J. T.	Lion's Head, Ontario.
Beltz, R. A.	Indianapolis, Indiana.
Bray, J. W.	Owen Sound, Ontario.
Hobbs, F. A.	Massey, Ontario.
Hobbs, H. W.	Durham, Ontario.
Holton, R. T.	Strathroy, Ontario.
Keith, J. P.	Toronto, Ontario.
Lashbrook, J. W.	Barbados, B.W.I.
Snyder, M.H.	Indianapolis, Indiana.
White, F.	Bruce Mines, Ontario.
White, G.	Bruce Mines, Ontario.

Ordained Deaconesses

Baker, Eileen	Toronto, Ontario.
Bray, June	Toronto, Ontario.
Cornfield, Mae	Oshawa, Ontario.
Hobbs, Mrs. F.	Massey, Ontario.
Hobbs, Mrs. H.	Durham, Ontario.
Lashbrook, Mrs. J. W.	Barbados, B.W.I.
McMillan, Mrs. M.	Proton, Ontario.
Shaw, Gertie	Lion's Head, Ontario.
Short, Annie	Massey, Ontario.

Licensed Deaconesses

✓ Dunleavy, Anne	Lion's Head, Ontario.
✓ Cole, Audrey	Toronto, Ontario.

Licensed Ministers

Henschen, Fred	Sault Ste. Marie, Ont.
✓ Jackson, Chas.	Massey, Ontario.
✓ Richard, W. J.	Bruce Mines, Ontario.

CHURCH DIRECTORY

Bruce Mines	W. Main Street
Pastor	Rev. G. White
Delegate	None
Durham	Mill Street
Pastor	Rev. H. W. Hobbs
Delegate	Mrs. Wilda Watson
Dyer's Bay	Rural
Pastor	Rev. J. T. Austin
Delegate	None
Lion's Head	Ferndale
Pastor	Rev. J. T. Austin
Delegate	James Shaw
Massey	Castle Street
Pastor	Rev. F. A. Hobbs,
Delegate	Miss Gwen Short
Proton	Proton Station
Pastor	Rev. H. W. Hobbs
Delegate	Mrs. Mae McNally
Strathroy	
Pastor	Rev. R. T. Holton
Delegate	None
Toronto	312 Oakwood Ave.
Pastor	Rev. J. P. Keith
Delegate	Mrs. N. McKay

CONFERENCE PROCEEDINGS

First Sitting

The Thirty-Fourth Annual Conference of the Ontario District of the Pilgrim Holiness Church of Canada convened on Friday, July 10, 1959, in the Camp Tabernacle at Proton, Ontario.

Rev. F. Henschen led in the singing of "How Firm a Foundation", and Rev. R. T. Holton led in prayer. Rev. H. W. Hobbs, the District Superintendent, introduced Rev. Melvin Snyder, General Superintendent, to the Conference.

Rev. Snyder brought a message from the fourth chapter of the Revelation.

The Conference Secretary was requested to come forward and call the roll. Eleven ordained and licensed ministers and deaconesses and six lay delegates answered to their names.

On motion the bar of the Conference was fixed at the first five rows of seats, and the platform in the middle of the tabernacle.

On motion the time of next sitting was set to begin at 2:00 pm. and adjourn if possible at 5:00 p.m.

The District Superintendent appointed Rev. R. T. Holton and Rev. F. A. Hobbs to act as the reception committee. Rev. and Mrs. Alvin Jackson were introduced to the Conference, and a motion was carried to grant them honorary seats within the Conference bar.

The District Superintendent H. W. Hobbs read his report for the year, and on motion the report was accepted with appreciation.

The Assistant Superintendent J. W. Bray gave a verbal report, and on motion this report was received.

The District Treasurer, J.P. Keith, brought the financial report, and on motion it was gratefully received.

The Sunday School Promotional report was given by Rev. Keith. Ontario Sunday Schools showed a gain of 24% over a year ago. The report was received.

The Resolutions Committee then made their report, they recommended and moved the following:

Whereas we recognize the great contribution this camp has made to our Ontario District and whereas the camp dorm has been damaged by frost and is no longer safe; therefore be it resolved that we raze the dorm as soon as help can be rallied, and that a referendum be held in the district to determine further action in the development of the Proton Camp.

Be it further resolved that in the meantime we explore the possibilities of renting the facilities of either Clarksburg, Stayner, or Severn Bridge camps for the coming year.

Be it resolved that we delete numbers 4, 9, 10, and 13 from the standing resolutions.

The resolutions were voted upon separately and they were all adopted.

The Ways and Means Committee recommended the following resolution:

Be it resolved that the pastor's tithe plus the tithe of the local church income, with the exception of monies given to Foreign Missions, constitute the local giving to General Church interests, district interests and to School interests.

This was moved and seconded and much discussion followed. Due to the lateness of the hour the Chairman advised the Conference to give further thought to the motion before them.

Conference recessed through expiration of time.

#### Second Sitting

Conference re-convened Saturday morning with the General Superintendent, Rev. M.H. Snyder in the Chair. He asked for several different ones to volunteer a verse of Scripture that had been of special blessing to them.

The motion before the floor from the Ways and Means Committee failed to receive the necessary vote. The Ways and Means then presented a substitute motion which read:

Be it resolved that the Pastor's tithe be no longer paid into the District, but that he be required to pay it into the local church. Be it further resolved that the total income of the church be tithed to the district and that from these funds the district treasurer pay the total General and Eastern . Pilgrim College Budgets.

This resolution carried.



The reception committee presented Rev. and Mrs. Byrd, Rev. Evans, and Mr. & Mrs. Hile to the Conference. Upon motion they were granted honorary seats within the conference bar.

The Chairman then called for the report of the Statistician. Mrs. Austin gave a very fine report. It was received by the Conference with a vote of thanks.

Rev. Gladys White reported for the Committee on Memoirs. Rev. Snyder commented on the fine way that it was written and read. On motion it was received with appreciation.

Rev. Frank Hobbs reported for the Educational and Examining Board and recommended the following: That Audrey Cole and Anne Dunleavy be granted renewal of their Deaconess License; that Charles Jackson be granted third year District Ministerial License; that Fred Henschen's third year license be renewed with recommendation that he pursue our ministerial course of study; that W. J. Richard be granted a second year District license, and that J. T. Austin be ordained.

This resolution was adopted.

Rev. H.W. Hobbs presented his resignation. Rev. Snyder expressed his appreciation for the Christian experience of Brother Hobbs and for his service to the church.

The Chairman then called for the election of Officers. F. A. Hobbs and J. T. Austin were appointed tellers.

Rev. J. P. Keith was elected District Superintendent. Rev. R. T. Holton was elected Assistant Superintendent. Rev. F. A. Hobbs was elected District Secretary and Rev. J.T. Austin was elected District Treasurer. Rev. J. W. Bray, Rev. G. White, and Rev. Fred Henschen, were elected as advisory members of the Council.

The Conference authorized the District Council to appoint the Educational and Examining Board.

The Conference then moved that the District Council be authorized to take care of any unfinished business, or any business that may arise before the next annual Conference, and that the secretary be ordered to read the minutes of the Conference to the Council for correction and approval.

The Conference was dismissed by prayer.

REPORTS

District Superintendent's Report

To another annual Conference now beginning, to our beloved General Superintendent, Bro. Snyder, to fellow ministers, delegates and friends -- Greetings.

The words of the great Apostle seems to express so well our thoughts today. I thank God upon every remembrance of you, always in every prayer of mine, for you all making request with joy. For your fellowship in the Gospel from the first day until now. Being confident of this very thing that he which hath begun a good work will perform it until the day of Jesus Christ.

We shall give in this brief report with a few of the highlights of the year.

A thrilling experience began the year on September 5th when we organized our church at Strathroy with 12 members. Brother and Sister Holton were released by the Ferndale Pilgrim Church. Two lots were purchased with a fine frontage and construction began several weeks later. An unusually severe winter handicapped and slowed the work but at this hour a beautiful edifice nears completion. It is bricked with a dusky rose and grey brick and many have commented on its attractiveness. Brother and Sister Holton and the Strathroy folk have laboured hard to have made this possible. We as a district have sought through available sources and borrowed funds to carry the load of this new venture. We have invested \$10,500.00 to this hour and this has been

acknowledged as a loan by our Strathroy Church. The terms of repayment are to be worked out between them and the District. Membership at Strathroy now stands at 17 and a real future is opening to the Church, and to us through it, into a new area of Western Ontario.

Toronto have under the capable leadership of Brother Keith gone into a unique venture in Sunday School extension work in the opening of an afternoon Sunday School with the use of two T. T. C. buses. The effort has revealed tremendous opportunities to both Sunday School and adult evangelism. We predict the full import of this opening door will be reflected even more in the coming year than in the past.

Massey has completed, with the exception of their new pews now on order, their auditorium. It is beautiful and useful indeed. Brother David Keith has recently held a Missionary Convention with Massey Pilgrims and their pastor, Brother F. Hobbs. Over a thousand dollars was raised or pledged.

A brief look at the Statistical Report indicates a 9.5% gain in membership, a 24% gain in Sunday School attendance, and a splendid gain in finances.

In conclusion we submit this brief personal report. We have travelled 14,800 miles approximately, held annual meetings, 11 business meetings, preached 135 times, received as salary \$50. per month from the District plus travelling expenses at 5¢ per mile.

There has been joy in service for the church and District. We are glad for lessons learned in the School of Christ. Due to physical limitations, we find in our effort to superintend and pastor the two churches, we must decline further responsibilities and so with this report we submit our resignation to take place at this Conference conclusion. May God bless and prosper and lead you on in victory and progress.

Respectfully submitted,

H. W. Hobbs.

Standing Resolutions

1. That each local church assist, or pay the equivalent of two days labor for the preparation for the District Camp and Conference when called by the District Superintendent.

2. That each local church supply the parsonage with adequate heating and cooking equipment.

3. That each pastor and the District Superintendent be granted a two week vacation including two Sundays with pay. Pastors who are not on stated salaries shall receive their vacation pay and Camp meeting Sunday offerings equal to their average weekly offering.

4. That fifty copies of the Journal be printed and distributed, cost of same to be met from District Administration.

5. In as much as several of our schools have correspondence courses to meet the requirements of our ministerial candidates, be it resolved that we urge our licensed ministers to make use of the same in pursuing the course of study.

6. That the District Council act as a District Church Extension Committee and have full authority to appoint Home Missionary pastors, select and build on new locations.

7. Be it resolved that the District Superintendent shall appoint the committees that are to function during the ensuing year.

8. Whereas Dominion and Provincial laws require us to have a head office in order to

operate under our charter, be it resolved that such office be located at 312 Oakwood Avenue, Toronto, Ontario, and that the District Superintendent act as manager of such office.

9. That the District Treasurer shall close his books for the year as of June 30, and that pastors and local treasurers shall have a grace period of five days in which to ensure that all monies received in the Conference year shall be in the Treasurer's hands to be credited as receivable at that date.

DISTRICT TREASURER'S REPORT

	BALANCE FWD.	RECEIPTS	EXPENDI- TURES	BALANCE ON HAND
District Administration	385.52	7,763.44	7,709.49	439.47
District Church Extension	-192.79	355.79	163.00	NIL
Foreign Missions	190.50	4,232.61	4,237.55	185.56
Camp Fund	80.03	170.00	269.78	-19.75
Eastern Pilgrim College	NIL	120.00	120.00	NIL
General Budget	NIL	506.49	444.49	62.00
General Sunday School	NIL	55.16	55.16	NIL
General Home Missions	NIL	87.50	87.50	NIL
	463.26	13,290.99	13,086.97	667.28



CHURCH TREASURER'S REPORT

	CASH BROUGHT FORWARD	TOTAL RECEIPTS	TOTAL PAID TO DISTRICT TREAS.	TOTAL EXPEND- ITURES	BANANCE ON HAND
BRUCE MINES	.81	1,028.91	25.25	1,086.21	1.50
DURHAM	5.36	1,328.24	56.00	1,332.94	-4.70
DYER'S BAY	29.32	407.99		356.45	51.54
LION'S HEAD	33.33	3,461.73	216.72	3,260.17	327.56
MASSEY	1,089.76	11,379.65	604.21	11,037.95	341.70
PROTON	50.15	3,976.47	333.49	4,012.16	97.58
SAULT STE. MARIE	--	211.00		236.45	1.50
STRATHROY	--	2,643.45		2,846.55	--
TORONTO	355.93	10,320.19	541.13	9,855.56	464.63
TOTALS	1,564.66	34,757.63	1,776.80	34,024.44	1,281.31

PASTOR'S REPORT

	TOTAL SERVICES CONDUCTED	TOTAL PASTORAL CALLS	TOTAL SEEKERS	TOTAL SUPPORT
BRUCE MINES	170	262	6	883.00
DURHAM	90	45	9	779.33
DYER'S BAY	49	82		292.20
LION'S HEAD	122	184	3	1,846.25
MASSEY	155	120	3	1,950.95
PROTON	117	117	11	2,233.50
SAULT STE. MARIE	55	223	2	800.00
STRATHROY	127	132	10	2,049.00
TORONTO	168		27	2,600.00
TOTALS	993	1165	71	13,434.23

CHURCH STATISTICAL REPORT

	MEMBERS LAST REPORT	MEMBERS THIS REPORT	MEMBERS TRANS- FERRED	ADDITIONS BY FAITH	DEATHS
BRUCE MINES	10	12		2	
DURHAM	19	18	1		
DYER'S BAY	6	7		1	
LION'S HEAD	23	21	2		
MASSEY	19	22	out - 2 in - 5		
PROTON	47	42	5		
SAULT STE. MARIE	8	5	3		
STRATHROY	--	18	in - 4	14	
TORONTO	39	43	1	5	
TOTALS	171	188	5	22	

SUNDAY SCHOOL REPORT

	NUMBER OF OFFICERS	AVERAGE WEEKLY ATTENDANCE		TOTAL RECEIPTS	TOTAL EXPENDITURES
		LAST REPORT	THIS REPORT		
BRUCE MINES	5	18	25	210.38	199.30
DURHAM	4	17	12	91.74	52.77
DYER'S BAY	6	23	24	147.21	85.10
LION'S HEAD	9	73	66	573.20	471.53
MASSEY	10	65	77	451.10	317.52
PROTON	9	48	54	363.61	316.18
SAULT STE. MARIE	3	23	19	106.15	96.15
STRATHROY	7	--	21	90.21	58.16
TORONTO	14	62	110	672.99	582.67
TOTALS	67	329	408	2,706.59	2,179.38

YOUNG PEOPLE'S REPORT

	MEMBERS LAST REPORT	MEMBERS THIS REPORT	MEETINGS HELD	TOTAL RECEIPTS	TOTAL EXPENDITURES
BRUCE MINES	--	--	42	--	--
DURHAM	--	--	--	--	--
DYER'S BAY	--	--	--	--	--
LION'S HEAD	--	--	--	--	--
MASSEY	--	--	--	--	--
PROTON	35	35	--	85.24	51.35
STRATHROY	--	13	27	14.20	--
SAULT STE. MARIE	--	--	--	--	--
TORONTO	--	--	--	43.21	35.87
TOTALS	35	48	69	142.65	87.22

PROPERTY STATEMENT

	CHURCH VALUE	CHURCH DEBT	PARSONAGE VALUE	PARSONAGE DEBT	TOTAL EQUITY
BRUCE MINES	3,750.00	-----	2,000.00	-----	5,750.00
DURHAM	6,000.00	500.00	-----	-----	5,500.00
DYER'S BAY	2,000.00	-----	-----	-----	2,000.00
LION'S HEAD	2,500.00	-----	3,500.00	-----	6,000.00
MASSEY	12,000.00	4,000.00	2,000.00	-----	10,000.00
PROTON	3,500.00	-----	3,000.00	-----	6,500.00
STRATHROY	35,000.00	35,000.00	-----	-----	-----
SAULT STE.MARIE	6,000.00	-----	6,900.00	3,700.00	9,200.00
TORONTO	32,735.00	5,181.90	8,250.00	-----	35,803.10
TOTALS	103,485.00	44,681.90	25,650.00	3,700.00	80,753.10

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*Camp Meeting*

**July 1 - 10, 1960**

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*District Conference*

**July 8, 1960**

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