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**Beulah Bible School Church**

**Shacklefords, Va.**

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## OFFICIAL DIRECTORY

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DISTRICT SUPERINTENDENT :

Rev. R. G. Flexon, Shacklefords, Va.

ASSISTANT DISTRICT SUPERINTENDENT :

Rev. W. H. Biller, Cootes Store, Va.

SECRETARY-TREASURER :

Rev. B. B. Bulla, East Radford, Va.

ADDITIONAL MEMBERS OF THE DISTRICT COUNCIL :

Rev. J. V. Roberts,

Rev. J. W. Covington,

Rev. W. F. Jones,

Rev. Mrs. W. H. Biller.

HOME AND FOREIGN MISSIONARY BOARD :

Rev. W. H. Biller,

Rev. R. G. Flexon,

Rev. J. V. Roberts, Sec'y-Treas., Box 425, Staunton, Va.

BOARD OF EDUCATION AND EXAMINATION :

Rev. R. G. Flexon,

Rev. J. W. Covington,

Rev. B. B. Bulla.

BOARD OF DISTRICT TRUSTEES :

Rev. R. G. Flexon,

R. T. Wilson,

J. H. Milby,

Rev. J. W. Covington,

Rev. W. H. Biller.

BOARD OF DISTRICT CAMP MEETING :

Rev. R. G. Flexon,  
Rev. J. W. Covington,  
Rev. J. V. Roberts,  
Rev. B. B. Bulla,  
C. L. Poff.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF BEULAH BIBLE SCHOOL :

Rev. R. G. Flexon,  
Rev. B. B. Bulla,  
R. T. Wilson,  
Rev. J. W. Covington.

STEERING COMMITTEE OF CHURCH EXTENSION WORK :

Rev. R. G. Flexon,  
Rev. J. W. Covington.  
Rev. J. V. Roberts.

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**DIRECTORY**

**Ordained Ministers.**

W. H. Biller, ..... R. F. D. No. 1, Cootes' Store, Va.  
Mrs. W. H. Biller, ..... R. F. D. No. 1, Cootes' Store, Va.  
B. B. Bulla, ..... East Radford, Va.  
Ruth T. Cooper, ..... Surry, Va..  
J. W. Covington, ..... 1232 5th Ave, N. W., Roanoke, Va.  
R. G. Flexon, ..... Shacklefords, Va.  
J. N. Hall, ..... Simpson, Va.  
W. C. Kirkman, ..... Brandywine, Va.  
W. F. Jones, ..... Samos, Va.  
J. Herbert Norton, ..... 700 N. 26th St., Richmond, Va.  
J. V. Roberts, ..... 811 Sudbury St., Staunton, Va.

**Licensed Ministers**

Mrs. B. B. Bulla, ..... East Radford, Va.  
Mrs. W. C. Kirkman, ..... Brandywine, Va.  
Mrs. J. Herbert Norton, ..... 700 N. 26th St., Richmond, Va.  
Mrs. J. F. Short, ..... 1629 Melrose Ave., N. W., Roanoke, Va.  
Theodore York, ..... Shacklefords, Va.  
Edna L. Scott, ..... Hull Street, South Richmond, Va.

**Licensed Deaconesses**

Miss Lottie Gibson, ..... 601½ Albemarle St., Richmond, Va.

**Local Preachers**

Otway Fary ..... Cologne, Va.  
W. E. Fitchett, ..... Streets, Va.  
Rotheric Wilson, ..... Shacklefords, Va.  
W. N. Fort, ..... Danville, Va.

## PROCEEDINGS

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Representatives from the various Pilgrim Holiness Churches within the bounds of the State of Virginia, which formerly belonged to the Southern District, met at the Beulah Bible School Church, on the 19th day of December, 1922, and organized a separate District, to be known as The Virginia District of the Pilgrim Holiness Church.

The meeting chose Rev. S. M. Stikeleather, Chairman, and B. B. Bulla, Secretary,

The following enrollment was made :

### MINISTERIAL.

S. M. Stikeleather, Kingswood, Ky.  
J. V. Roberts, Staunton, Va.  
R. G. Flexon, Shackelfords, Va.  
W. H. Biller, Cootes' Store, Va.  
B. B. Bulla, East Radford, Va.  
W. F. Jones, Samos, Va.  
Mrs. W. H. Biller, Cootes' Store, Va.  
Mrs. Lottie Gibson, Richmond, Va.  
J. W. Covington, Roanoke, Va.  
W. C. Kirkman, Streets, Va.  
Edna L. Scott, Richmond, Va.

### LAY DELEGATES.

Miss Mattie Mullenax, Staunton, Va.  
Mrs. F. W. Montgomery, Staunton, Va.  
J. H. Milby, Shackelfords, Va.  
R. T. Wilson, Shackelfords, Va.  
Mrs. W. C. Kirkman, Streets, Va.  
L. C. Bohon, Roanoke, Va.  
J. S. Harlow, Mineral, Va.  
C. J. Knapp, Mineral, Va.

The following committees were appointed :

*Resolution.*—R. G. Flexon, J. W. Covington, J. V. Roberts, W. H. Biller and B. B. Bulla.

*Publication.*—W. F. Jones, Mattie Mullenax and J. H. Milby.

*Beulah Bible School.*—R. G. Flexon, J. W. Covington and B. B. Bulla,

*Nomination.*—J. V. Roberts, W. H. Biller and B. B. Bulla.

A motion carried to have the election of officers the first matter of business at the next session.

Motion carried to adjourn until 8:30 Wednesday morning.

### **Tuesday Night.**

A Home Mission service was held Tuesday night, at which time Sister Biller told of their work in the mountains of Northern Virginia. An offering was taken for this work, amounting to \$67.10.

### **Wednesday Morning.**

Devotional services conducted by Brother Roberts.

Roll called and minutes of preceding meeting read and approved.

Then followed the election of District Officers. For officers elected see Official Directory on second page.

Motion carried to adjourn until 1:30 P. M.

### **Wednesday Afternoon.**

Devotional services conducted by Brother Jones. Sister Milby sang "The Old Prophetic Mantle," to the edification of all.

Roll called and minutes of preceding meeting read and approved.

Motion carried to make Miss Edna L. Scott, of Richmond, a member of the Assembly.

Motion carried to make Rev. C. H. Flexon, of Shacklefords, Va., an honorary member of the Assembly.

### **Report of Committees.**

As Chairman of the Beulah Bible School Committee, Brother Flexon recommended that the District accept the proposition of the Board of Directors of Beulah Bible School; said proposition being, to turn over to the District Assembly the above named Bible School property, consisting of a tract of land containing twenty-one and one-half acres, more or less, two large substantial commodious wooden buildings, used for school purposes; a broom factory, barn and other out-houses, some live stock, tools, implements, etc., valuation, estimated at \$20,000.00, on the conditions that the District Assembly elect a board of directors consisting of five members, one of which is to be the District Superintendent, two to be chosen from the membership of the local church, and two

to be chosen from the district at large; and on condition, further, that the District Assembly assume obligation for \$3,000.00 indebtedness on above said Bible School property, the indebtedness being cared for at present by two deeds of trust, one for \$1000.00 and one for \$2000.00, both demanding 4 per cent interest. After due deliberation the Assembly voted unanimously to accept the above stated proposition.

Resolution Committee reported. For resolutions adopted, see "Resolutions."

By motion, a recess of one hour was called at 4 o'clock to give the various committees opportunity to finish work preparatory to reporting.

Session resumed work at 5 P. M.

A motion to the effect that the Assembly should have minutes of proceedings printed, was carried, and arrangements were made for same.

Motion carried to have included in minutes a list of churches, valuation of property and present membership.

Meeting adjourned until 7:30 P. M.

### **Wednesday Night.**

Session opened by song and prayer and a solo by Sister Milby.

Valuation of church property and membership tabulated.

Motion carried to have our next Annual Assembly convene at 2:30 P. M. on Tuesday after the first Sunday in October, 1923, at Staunton, Va.

Motion carried that the Assembly give a rising vote of thanks to the Beulah Bible School and Church for their very hospitable entertainment.

Brother Stikeleather expressed his appreciation for the fellowship of the churches while serving them as Superintendent, and offered words of encouragement.

In response the Assembly gave to Brother Stikeleather the right hand of fellowship and christian love, and at the suggestion of Brother Flexon, an offering was taken for him, amounting to \$13.45.

Motion carried to adjourn. The Assembly stood and sang "Blessed be the Tie that Binds." Brother Flexon pronounced the benediction.

REV. S. M. STIKELEATHER, Chairman,  
B. B. BULLA, Secretary-Treasurer.



## PASTORAL APPOINTMENTS

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Cootes' Store, Va., W. H. Biller and wife.  
Beulah, Va., R. G. Flexon.  
Christo, Va., J. W. Covington.  
East Radford, Va., B. B. Bulla and wife.  
Roanoke, Va., J. W. Covington.  
Streets, Va., to be supplied.  
Staunton, Va., J. V. Roberts.  
Mineral, Va., to be supplied.  
Walton Mission, Va., Mrs. B. B. Bulla.  
Cross Roads, Va., Jesse Hall.  
Cohoke, Va., R. G. Flexon.  
Hemlock, Va., to be supplied.  
Brandywine, Va., W. C. Kirkman and wife.  
South Richmond, Va., Edna L. Scott.

### EVANGELISTS

W. F. Jones, Samos, Va.  
J. Herbert Norton and wife, 700 N. 26th St., Richmond, Va.  
Miss Lottie Gibson, 601½ Albemarle St., Richmond, Va.  
W. E. Fitchett, Warner, Va.

## CHURCHES, PROPERTY VALUATION AND MEMBERSHIP

CHURCH	VALUATION	MEMBERSHIP
Beulah .....	\$ 2,500.00	31
Billers Crest .....	2,000.00	17
Brandywine .....	1,500.00	14
Christo .....	2,000.00	60
East Radford .....	4,500.00	16
Hemlock .....	800.00	15
Mineral .....	3,200.00	12
Roanoke .....	25,000.00	70
Streets .....	1,500.00	17
Staunton .....	4,000.00	50
Southside Richmond Mission	4,000.00	302
Walton Mission .....	1,200.00	
Beulah Bible School .....	20,000.00	

## RESOLUTIONS

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*Resolved,* That the District Superintendent visit each Church at least twice during the Assembly year, and when possible, hold evangelistic services during at least one of his visits.

*Resolved,* That the District Superintendent refuse to accept a minister from any other District without a written recommendation from his or her Superintendent and a thorough investigation of the recommendation by the District Council.

*Resolved,* That the District Superintendent represent the different interests of our General Church as he visits the churches.

*Resolved,* That one-tenth of all offerings, except those for building purposes, be sent to the District Treasurer; 50 per cent. of this amount to be used for District expenses, and of the remaining 50 per cent, 40 per cent. goes to Home Missions; 12½ per cent. to Foreign Missions; 12½ per cent. to Orphanage work; 12½ per cent. to Rescue work; 12½ per cent. to Bible Schools; 5 per cent. to General Superintendents' support, and 5 per cent. to Publication interest.

*Resolved,* That no Minister of this District shall enter the field of another Minister of the same for the purpose of holding any meeting or meetings until he has consulted the Minister on that field, and if said Minister objects, the Minister can only enter said field by consent of the District Superintendent.