BOOK OF REPORTS
THE THIRTY-SEVENTH ANNUAL SESSION
of the
EVANGELINE BAPTIST ASSOCIATION
ABBEVILLE BAPTIST CHURCH
Abbeville, La.
October 18, 19, 1976

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ANNUAL ASSOCIATIONAL MEETING
MONDAY, OCTOBER 18, 1976

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Scripture and Prayer................................................... John Reynaud
Organization of Association........................................... David Staton
Welcome ................................................................. Dr. Travis
Recognition of new Pastors and Staff Members....................... David Staton
Miscellaneous Business.................................................
Baptist Women's Report................................................ Mrs. Dan Dufrene
Encampment Report.................................................... W. H. Efferson
Nominating Committee Report.......................................... Mrs. E. R. Carruth
Committee on Committees Report..................................... James Wynn
Treasurer's Report (Budget)........................................... Noah Langley
La. Moral and Civic Foundation Report................................ Leon Terrell
B-Hi-U Report............................................................ Ronnie Laughlin
Moderator's Remarks................................................... David Staton

Break for Refreshment

Associational Missions Report......................................... W. H. Efferson
Worship in Song....................................................... Joe Wallace
Annual Sermon ........................................................ James Wynn
Benediction .............................................................. C. J. Langton
In terms of dollars spent per lives influenced in the Christian life, Acadian Baptist Center is the most economical mission investment we can make. In 1976 there were 563 people attending summer church camps of which 518 were campers, with 59 professions of faith, 2 surrendering for full time Christian service and 59 rededications reported. Truly Acadian Baptist Center will aid in making more fruitful churches in the South Louisiana area.

There have been 46 churches in our six associations who have contributed to Acadian Baptist Center. A total of 95 churches have used the centers facilities in some way; 78 churches availed themselves of the benefit of summer camps. This includes a total of 2300 people attending ABC as of September 1976.

The camp is available every week-end for churches and other groups to use for activities. Whatever else is planned, each church should participate in the programmed activities at ABC and otherwise use the camp as a tool in its ministry. Every church in South Louisiana should support ABC with faithful prayers as well as increased financial aid as ABC must be able to hold fees at a level which will allow a maximum number of people to attend. This can be done as each church assumes responsibility to underwrite the cost involved.

At present ABC has 72 acres of land with two dormitories (capacity of 270) with private room type accommodations, a beautiful dining hall, chapel, gymnasium, small game room, many conference rooms, canteen, good storage area, library and four nice homes. ABC also has good recreational facilities with two tennis courts, archery area, softball diamond, foot-ball field, volleyball courts, tract, etc.

The following items of improvement have been made at ABC this year: Both dormitories have been carpeted, 40 tons of central air-conditioning and heating installed, new single type bunk beds in every room, and several new drapes have been made and hung. Six vacuum cleaners have also been purchased. The roof on Westberry Hall has been replaced. Cafeteria equipment has been secured and 15 tons of A/C installed. A 10 space trailer park has been constructed behind the gymnasium and a dump station built near the warehouse. A beautiful 60'X 400' canoeing lake has been built with six pirogues purchased. ABC now has completed one of the nicest swimming pools in all of South Louisiana. It is 2½' to 12' deep, having over 3,275 square feet of surface.

The overall facilities of ABC is valued around one million dollars. Approximately $105,000 has already been spent in 1976 for improvements and $87,000 borrowed to date. Plans are made to A/C the chapel, recreation room, do needed painting along with other improvements. To complete all the things the Acadian Baptist Center Board has planned to do will incur a debt for ABC of around $120,000.
The Acadian Baptist Encampment had its annual camp meeting at the Fountainbleu State Park near Mandeville, La., July 5 - 9 this summer. A Youth Camp and a Children's Camp were held at the same time, with a joint preaching service each night. Brother Leon Hyatt was the camp preacher and Randy Curtis our Song Leader. God blessed the camp with twenty (20) professions of Faith, eighteen (18) rededications and three (3) who surrendered for special service.

Plans are being made for another camp next year. Just where the camp will be held has not been decided as yet. The Acadian Baptist Center near Eunice is being considered. We rejoice over the success of the ABC under the direction of Brother Joe Backus. Praise our God from whom all blessings flow.

Respectfully submitted,
W. H. Efferson
ANNUAL ASSOCIATIONAL MEETING
TUESDAY, OCTOBER 19, 1976

Worship in Song .................................................... Joe Wallace
Scripture and Prayer ............................................. David Stakes
Time, Place, and Preacher Report ............................... Eugene Hardy
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In Memorium .......................................................... Mrs. Elie Woerner
Louisiana Baptist Convention Report ......................... Grady Welch
Baptist Student Union Report
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Area Mission Services Director Report ..................... Wallace Primeaux
Evangelism Committee Report ................................... Bob Irman
Sunday School Report ............................................. Bill Taylor
Church Training Report ........................................... Elmer Mundy

Break for Refreshments

Miscellaneous Business ...........................................
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Prairie Ronde
FBC Sunset
Port Barre

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Emmanuel Lafayette
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FBC Krotz Springs
FBC New Iberia
FBC Thibodaux
Jenkins Memorial
LeJeune Memorial
FBC Opelousas
FBC Ville Platte

Lydia Mission
Little Caillou Mission
Miller French
Northside Lafayette
Parkerson Avenue
Scott Mission
St. Landry
Westside Lafayette
Trinity New Iberia
Elizabeth Memorial

POSSIBLE A.B.C. DATES

Jan. 8
March
May 6-7
May 13-14
May 28
June 6-10
June 13-17
June 27-July 1
June 20-24

Camp Plannine Meeting
ABC Rally Day
A.Y.A. Retreat
A.B.C. Youth Retreat
G.A. - R.A. Day Camp
R.A. - CRUSADER - PIONEER CAMP
YOUTH CAMP
G.A. - ACTEEN CAMP
PRE-TEEN CAMP

July 4-8
July 11-15
July 18-22
July 25-29
Aug. 1-5
Aug. 1-3
Aug. 8-12
Aug. 15-19
Aug. 12-13

ACADIAN ENCAMPMENT
I.A. ASSOCIATION CAMP
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WMU Houseparty and
Pastor-Deacon Retreat

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In this report you note that my official title has been changed from Field Secretary to Area Mission Services Director. This is a result of an organizational restructure at Baptist Building in Alexandria. My responsibilities will remain the same, but I will now be under the Mission Ministries Division. The Director of that Division has yet to be named.

The Lord has blessed our churches this past year. In most of the reports, results for the Lord in reaching people for Christ and discipling the Christians have been the greatest ever.

The most exciting experience in the area was the World Missions Conference. Forty plus churches and missions participated in the Conference. Our 20 visiting missionaries spoke to 16,352 people in some 200 services. This was an average attendance of 82 in each service. Reported were 7 conversions, 6 mission volunteers, 5 by letter, and 127 rededications. Our people became aware of world-wide mission needs and also a need to be a missionary where we live. We paid all the travel expenses of the missionaries and then were able to give each of them a love offering of $248.00.

Let's consider next year:

1. One worthwhile project that each church should consider is to be a part of the Church Training Growth Campaigns Feb. 26 - March 2, 1977.

2. Each church should consider the Sunday School "Action" Program. If you do not use Action, by all means adopt the philosophy of open S.S. enrollment--"Anyone, Anywhere, Anytime, if they Agree".

3. I encourage each association to use the Associational Council in planning, promoting and evaluation the associational program. Adolphe Stagg Association under the leadership of Moderator, Floyd Cooper is doing an excellent job using the Associational Council.

4. Let's increase our efforts in world-wide missions by giving more through the Cooperative Program.

Thank you, each associational officer, pastor, and church for being so gracious and cooperative as we work together. God has blessed us by giving us a great place to live and a marvelous opportunity to serve.

Respectfully submitted

Wallace Primeaux, Jr.
The Baptist High School Union is an organization of Baptist Youth in both their junior and senior high school years. The local organization is all that the church does with youth plus the State B-Hi-U Convention (fall), the State Spring Assembly (spring), and all state wide athletic events.

The Evangeline Association conducted a B-Hi-U retreat at the newly developed Acadian Baptist Center (formerly Acadia Baptist Academy) at Eunice, Louisiana. Nine churches in the Association attended the overnight program. One guest church from Houma, Louisiana, attended. There were a total of 202 participants and the weekend was very successful.

The First Baptist Church of Carencro began a B-Hi-U Program in their church this year. Stan Pate, a Senior at Lafayette High and a member of First Baptist Church of Lafayette was elected State B-Hi-U Vice-President for 1976-77.

Respectfully Submitted,
Ronnie Laughline,
Evangeline Associational
B-Hi-U Director
The Baptist Student Union is truly a multi-faceted ministry.

It is first of all, an evangelistic ministry. Activities such as Bible distribution, Spiritual Emphasis Week, Share seminars, Outreach seminars and personal witnessing, are some of the evangelistic activities in which the B. S. U. is involved. Six professions of faith were recorded last year at Nicholls, but many more recorded on the campuses across the state.

It is a missions ministry. Twenty-nine students from Baptist Student Unions across the state were involved in missions this summer in Rhodesia. The Nicholls B. S. U. contributed $1,300.00 to the Rhodesia Mission projects. The money came from projects conducted by the students. Local mission efforts planned for this year include services for Senior citizens, retarded children and mission churches.

E. S. U. is a service ministry. E. S. U. members are involved in painting churches and nursing homes, distributing Bibles to hospitals and nursing homes, and holding services in Baptist churches.

E. S. U. is a Bible study ministry. Bible studies are held in the various E. S. U. centers, dormitories, and other places across the state. The Nicholls B. S. U. has a dormitory Bible study and one held at the center each week. We also have a week of Bible study each year.

E. S. U. is a Fellowship ministry. Activities such as banquets, parties, after game fellowships, and basketball tournaments, are held in a spiritual context.

E. S. U. is a church-oriented ministry. The Baptist Student Union does not compete with the church but, compliments it. Students living on campus are encouraged to join a church in the area. Students who commute are encouraged to actively support the local church. Churches in the campus community are called upon to assist us in various E. S. U. projects.

The Baptist Student Union touches many lives in many ways. As your church contributes to the association and Co-operative Program it contributes to the multi-faceted ministry of Baptist Student Union.

Thank you for your faithful support.

Respectfully submitted,

Gerald T. Stovall
Director,
This year our officers were elected to a new year during the Spring Semester and at an evening service of Emmanuel Baptist Church. The offices encompass the areas of President, Vice-President, Records-Finance, Communications, Enlistment-Involvement, Missions, Study-Witness, International Students, Worship, Music, Fellowship, Athletics, Social Action, and State Representative. Added this year will be a Newsletter staff.

There is again an increase in participation and enthusiasm. There are many indications that this is the year with a great deal of quality in more areas than since this Director has been here. The Open House broke last year's record attendance of 110 by 40 additional students not including the church personnel here to welcome them to the respective churches. The Fall Retreat was fine and the Share Seminar faithfully attended. The Seminar on Human Sexuality which zeroes in on dating and marriage as well as relationships has been exceptionally successful in an area where there is a great need and multifarious questions in the mind of the college student.

International Students has quadrupled in the past two years and is now up to a count of nearly 800. This presents a challenge as never before. We contact them primarily by a picnic in November, a Conference during the Thanksgiving Holidays, A Friendship House in Natchitoches on the Christmas Holidays, and a Spring Banquet. This is other than the individual contacts.

Miss Ava Carter from New Iberia went to Rhodesia this past summer as the USL representative along with the other Louisiana BSU Summer Missionaries. Her report and slide presentation would be of a great asset to any church program. Miss Sherry Cockrell from Lafayette and Emmanuel Baptist Church went to Illinois and served with the HMB.

The Director is currently teaching a credit course for the Philosophy Dept. of USL in Introduction of the Old Testament. This is a success and as of the present semester there seems to be every sign of its continuance for an indefinite period. The Director led the Northeast Univ. BSU in their Fall Retreat with apparently successful results. It is with a great deal of enthusiasm that we are going to attempt a Faculty Fellowship late this fall or early in the Spring Semester.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED,

Dale Horton
"Where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is liberty", was a very timely watchword for Woman's Missionary Union during this Bicentennial year. Certainly the Spirit of the Lord brought liberty to many of our churches as new missionary organizations were begun and even some old ones revived.

Baptist Young Women were spotlighted this year and two new groups formed. Liberated or not, they found liberty in serving our Lord through this mission organization.

The greatest activity in our association this year took place in late March when many of our people were privileged to hear and fellowship with the missionaries from all over the world, through the World Mission Conference. The ladies of Evangeline Association had a great part in entertaining these guests with a reception, a cajun dinner when they arrived, noon luncheons each day and the presentation of a "tote bag" filled with goodies from our area, as well as some handmade items.

Nothing gives one as much liberty as does a Prayer Retreat where the Spirit of the Lord is... This was also experienced by a large group from Evangeline and Gulf Coast Associations in April. Led by Mrs. E. R. Carruth, and directed by the Holy Spirit, the retreat filled and fulfilled our lives. Our leader was recognized for her outstanding leadership over the past years and we give thanks for this sweet spirit of dedication.

Many of our Woman's Missionary Union groups either led in or at least participated in some Bicentennial activity in their Church or community during this historic year.

Most all of the churches, through the help of the WMU promotion, met or exceeded all offering goals for Home, State, and Foreign Missions. Also there was a very worthy gift for the Guatemala victims of the earthquake taken at the Prayer Retreat which amounted to $208.52. Again this year the BSU was helped by our offering for the International Students Retreat.

In all four of our Associational WMU Meetings and Pastor's Conferences combined we had an average attendance of 140. The fellowship and inspiration was great at each of these!

May this be only a challenge to let the Holy Spirit liberate us to do even greater things in the future for His Honor and Glory is my prayer.

Mrs. Daniel, Director
# EVANGELINE BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

**PROPOSED BUDGET**

**1976-1977**

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## TOTAL

$19,410.00

Respectfully submitted,
Noah Langley
EVANGELINE ASSOCIATIONAL CALENDAR - 1977

JANUARY
10 - Executive Committee Meeting, Jeanerette, 7p.m.
10-14 - "Action" Enrollment Evangelism Preparation Rallies (Regional)
20 - W.M.U. Quarterly Meeting and Pastor's Conference, Lafayette, Emmanuel, 9:30
24-26 - Evangelism Conference

FEBRUARY
1 - Pastor's Workshop, "Counseling With Families", Scott
14 - Executive Committee Meeting, Lafayette, Emmanuel, 6:30p.m.
21-22 - V.B.S. Clinic, Baptist Building
26 - March 2 - Church Training Growth Campaigns in local churches

MARCH
1 - Pastor's Conference, Carencro, 10 a.m.
6-13 - Week of Prayer - Home Missions
7 - Executive Committee Meeting, Erath, 7p.m.
22 - Associational Bible Teaching Learning Workshops

APRIL
3 - Suggested - local church Drill, Youth, Children Bible Drill
4 - Associational Vacation Bible School Clinic
5 - Pastor's Conference and Doctrinal Training, New Iberia, Highland, 10:00 a.m.
11 - Executive Committee Meeting, Kaplan, 6:30 p.m.
11 - Semi-Annual Meeting - Kaplan, 7 p.m.
12-13 - W.M.U. Annual Meeting, Baton Rouge
17-20 - Baptist Doctrinal Week
21 - Prayer Retreat - St. Martinville, 10:00 - 2:00 p.m.
22-24 - B.S.U. Spring Assembly, Dry Creek
29-30 - B.Hi.U. Spring Assembly, Dry Creek
24 - Asco - Youth, Children Bible Drill, Youth Speaker's Tournament, Westside Baptist, Lafayette, 2:30p.m.

MAY
1 - Christian Home Week
3 - Pastor's Conference, Abbeville, 10a.m.
3 - Day of Prayer and Hannah Reynolds Offering
6 -7 - W.M.U. Prayer Retreat, Tall Timbers
9 - Executive Committee Meeting, Lafayette, East Bayou, 7p.m.
19-20 - Associational Leadership, La College
31 - Associational Calendar Planning Meeting, Erath, 10a.m.

JUNE
7 - Pastor's Conference, Milton, 10a.m.
12-13 - Southern Baptist Pastor's Conference, Kansas City
14-16 - Southern Baptist Convention, Kansas City

JULY
11-15 - Acadian Baptist Encampment
15 - W.M.U. Quarterly Night Meeting, Abbeville, 7:30p.m.
22 - Pastor and Staff Fellowship, St. Martinville
AUGUST
2 - Pastor's Conference, Lafayette, East Bayou, 10 a.m.
23 - Pastor's - S.S. Director Workshop, Kaplan

SEPTEMBER
1 - W.M.U. Council Meeting, Jeanerette, 9:30 a.m.
6 - Pastor's Conference, New Iberia, Trinity, 10 a.m.
12 - Executive Committee Meeting, Abbeville, 7 p.m.
25 - October 2 - S.S. Preparation Week

OCTOBER
17 - 18 - Associational Annual Meeting, 38th.
20 - W.M.U. Quarterly Meeting, Lafayette, First, 9:30 a.m.

NOVEMBER
1 - 2 - January Bible Study Clinic, Alexandria
1 - Pastor's Conference, Erath, 10 a.m.
6 - T.U. High Attendance Night
7 - Day of Prayer
7 - Executive Committee Meeting, Lafayette, Northside, 6:30 p.m.
7 - "M" Night, Lafayette, Northside, 7 p.m.
14 - 16 - La. Baptist Convention, La. College, Pineville
23 - 25 - International Student Conference
24 - Thanksgiving Day

DECEMBER
4 - 11 - Week of Prayer for Foreign Missions
5 - January Bible Study, Lafayette, Westside
9 - Pastor's and Staff Christmas Party, BSU
25 - Christmas Day
STANDING COMMITTEES

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Mrs. Dan Dufrene
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David Martin *
James M. Wynn
H. D. Stakes

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James M. Wynn: Chairman
Lynn Curry
Joe Wallace
The milestone for French Radio in 1976 is the erection of a new home for the production and direction of the French Baptist Hour. From a bedroom in the Woerner's residence to a 22' X 25' brick-veneer studio with a sound-proof recording room at 602 Victory Drive in New Iberia.

This marks another step forward in the business for the Master.

At the cost of over $15,000.00, the French Baptist Hour Studio represents an investment of over $10,000.00 on the part of Louisiana WMU through the 1975 Georgia Barnette Offering, $4,000.00 from the Cooperative Program through the Direct Missions Department, $1,137.00 from the Missions Investors Plan of the Evangeline Association, a 10 year renewable free lease of a corner of Highland Baptist Church property in New Iberia where the building is located, and several gifts of concerned individuals for this project.

We can undoubtedly foresee many dividends to be added to this principal of Missions Investment as the response continues to be very encouraging.

At a time when South Louisiana French-speaking people are endeavoring to keep alive their cultural heritage and preserve their language, French Radio is well received and appreciated; and through this seed-sowing venture, Louisiana Baptists are crossing some of the last remaining barriers with the gospel in the "language of the heart" of still some 900,000 people.

The French Baptist Hour is still heard on 13 radio stations throughout South Louisiana. In Evangeline Association, the French Baptist Hour is heard on:

- KROF, Abbeville-------- 960 AM----Sun. 6:45-7:15 a.m.
- KPEL, Lafayette--------1420 AM----Sun. 7:30-8:00 a.m.
- KANE, New Iberia--------1240 AM----Sun. 7:35-8:05 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Elie Woerner
During the Bicentennial year Southern Baptists have been concerned with helping our nation to experience repentance, revival, and renewal. Our churches baptized 283 this past year.

During the next year the emphasis will be, "Growing an Evangelistic Church." A "Spiritual Life Conference" is suggested for each church, using the book, An Evangelistic Church by John Havlik. Pastors have received evangelism plan books with suggestions about C.A.R.E. revivals and other evangelistic emphases.

In the Louisiana Baptist Convention our emphasis is on Bold Evangelism. This program includes the emphasis on "Growing an Evangelistic Church", Church revivals, weekend revivals, Lay Evangelism Schools, Renewal Weekends, and perennial evangelistic emphases.

It is suggested that each church use the church council as the evangelism committee and we will try in our association to use the associational council to help us in our evangelism planning.

I am happy to serve as your Associational Chairman of Evangelism and covet your prayers as we work together.

Respectfully submitted,

Bob Irmen
Mark Tullos became Executive Director of the Foundation on September 1, 1976 after the retirement of Dr. Mark A. Lower, who completed twenty-five years of service.

The Foundation has two Divisions to carry on its programs: the Educational Division and the Legal and Legislative Division. The Educational Division presented programs that attempt to offer "Christian Solutions for the Moral Problems of the Day." These programs were presented in over 255 schools, 72 churches, and 62 civic groups with an estimated total attendance of 233,000 persons.

The Legal and Legislative Division, directed by Ken Ward, is your voice in the State Legislature. It also serves churches and communities by providing legal counsel and research. Some of the goals for the coming year are:

1. Stronger influence in the legislative process by offering positive legislation in the area of local option laws, obscenity, and other areas related to moral issues.
2. To involve more Christians in the political process.
3. To extend our program to the U. S. Congress.
4. To publish research findings in the area of morals and to evaluate and rate elected officials on moral issues.
5. To encourage better leadership in the area of Crime Prevention and Control.
6. To guard the special "Tax-Status" of churches.
7. To continue to respond to local churches and communities for legal guidance.
8. To better inform you of issues and to seek information from you how we can more effectively serve.

It is the Foundation's desire to become more effective in these areas. Through your support and God's help it will be.

Respectfully submitted,
Leon Terrell
1976 was the year of Action for Louisiana Sunday Schools as the Andy Anderson plan of enrolling anyone, anytime, anywhere who will agree, was initiated. The result has been an upswing in enrolment throughout the state and two churches in the Evangeline Association let the way, First Baptist Church of Lafayette and First Baptist Church of Broussard, respectively.

Sunday School enrolment increased in 1976 with 6,706 which represents 862 over the 1975 increase of 235. Another growing part of the Sunday School was the Vacation Bible School with an enrolment of 4117 as compared to 4050 in 1975.

The Louisiana Sunday School Church Training Convention was conducted at the First Baptist Church of Lafayette September 13-14. The Convention enjoyed the best attendance of any state-wide program in Southwest Louisiana in several years and was well supported by the churches in Evangeline Association.

New teaching books are scheduled for 1977 and corresponding training schools have been planned.

Respectfully submitted,
Bill Taylor
Sunday School Director
Church Training is coming back. In Evangeline Association, we have 14 churches and 5 missions which have some form of Church Training; 3 churches and 3 missions do not have Church Training. A team from this assoc. went to Alexandria in Feb. and took training for Baptist Doctrine Week. Your director attended Church Training Leadership Week at Ridgecrest. Plans are to have associational Children and Youth Bible Drills, and Youth Speaker's Tournament in April. We hope to have representatives from Evangeline Association at the state tournaments in May. We want to get this going again like it was 25 years ago. We recommend that each church have Baptist Doctrine Week in April. Also, that each church participate in the movement to enroll 100,000 in church training between January and April. Training is sadly lacking among our church members. Church Training has much to offer. Without it, we deprive our members of that which is much needed.

While the report in our association is good, a maximum effort should be made to have a functioning church training in every church and more enrolled in making CHURCH THE SUNDAY NIGHT PLACE.

Elmer Mundy
Assoc. Church Training director
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**Designated:**

- MIP-Erath: 801.00
- MIP-French Radio: 1,142.00
- BSU Expansion: 2,293.87
- Pecan Island Note: 1,500.00
- Acadian Baptist C.: 594.98
- Leslie Keyes: 180.50
- R.H.U.: 120.30
- Keizer Island: 25.00
- Mr. George Schultz: 2.26

**Refunded:**

- Rev. Walter Fox: 25.00
- Mr. George Schultz: 2.26

**TOTAL:** $22,655.76

**TOTAL CASH AVAILABLE:**

- Cash on hand, October 10, 1975: $8,204.61
- Receipts: 24,483.82
- **TOTAL CASH:** $32,688.43
- Less Disbursements: 26,293.17
- Balance, October 13, 1976: $6,395.26

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### ANALYSIS OF BALANCE:

- Budget: $3,528.73
- Revolving Loan Fund: $2,736.53
- Missionary House: $130.00
- **Total Funds**: $6,395.26

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**Effective October 25, 1976**

**FROM**: Rev. Noah Langley  
Assoc. Treasurer

**TO**: Pastors and Treasurers of Baptist Churches in Evangeline Baptist Association.

Please make checks out to Evangeline Baptist Association.

**NEW MAILING ADDRESS**: Evangeline Baptist Association  
% Rev. Noah Langley  
401 N. Foote  
Kaplan, La. 70548
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