

Minutes of the First Quarterly Conference
For Forest Grove and Cornelius Circuit
Portland District Oregon Annual Conference
of the Methodist Episcopal Church held in Cor-
nelius Meeting house September the 10th 1882

The Presiding Elder A. C. Fairchild in the
Chair The session was opened with prayer by
the Presiding Elder

Call of the Conference Roll. Present:— V. J. Cooper
P. C., Wm Roberts D. D. T. R. Cornelius, David
Wilcox, W. L. Curtis, William Watters

On motion W. L. Curtis was appointed
secretary.

1. Who are approved as Trustees? J. L. Smith, T. R.
Cornelius, G. W. Shaw, D. Wilcox W. E. Davis.
2. Who are approved as Sunday School Superintend-
ants? T. R. Cornelius, W. L. Curtis.
3. Are there any Complaints? None.
4. Are there any Appeals? None.
5. Are there any Reports? Yes.

1. From Pastor, First Quarterly Report to the first
Quarterly Conference Forest Grove Grove & Cornelius
Charge September 10 1882. As I have but just
entered upon this work, having spent but
two Sundays in the Charge I can only make
a brief report without details. I find good
congregations giving devout and reverent
attention to the preaching of the word. The
prayer meetings are well attended and spiritual

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The Sunday Schools, especially the one at Cornelius is a live school, largely attended and well conducted and is doing a good work.

My predecessor, Bro. Roberts during his three years, of wise and faithful labors has secured the cooperation of the membership and has done an excellent work.

The incoming Pastor and his family were met with a hearty welcome, with good words of cheer and also with the encouragement of material aid.

The work appears to be in a prosperous condition and the outlook very hopeful.

Respectfully submitted

W. L. Gosper, P. C.

(2.) Any Reports from Local Preachers? None

(3.) From Sunday School Superintendants?

W. L. Curtis reported verbally for Forest Grove Sunday School

(4.) From the Class Officers? D. Wilcox gave a verbal report

(5.) From Committees? Ans. For Pastors Salary Six hundred and Fifty Dollars, \$650. including \$50.⁰⁰ to be received from Mission Funds

6. What amounts have been apportioned to this charge this year for the support of the Ministry

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- (1.) For Pastor? \$6.50.
 - (3.) For Presiding Elder 60.
 - (5.)
 - (6.)
 - (7.) For Traveling and moving expenses? None
7. What amounts have been received for the support of the Ministry this quarter and how have they been applied

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| Received | | | |
| From F. Grove Class | \$25.75 | | |
| including pub. Collection in one's | | | |
| " " " " | 47.10 | | |
| including pub. Collection | | | |
| From Mission Fund | 12.50 | | |
| | <u>\$85.35</u> | | |
| Applied | | | |
| To Pastor | 78.25 | | |
| " P. Elder | 7.10 | | |
| | | <u>85.35</u> | |
| | | | <u>85.35</u> |

- 9. Are the Sunday schools organized into Missionary Societies? Ans. Are not
- 10. Is any change desired in the Board of Stewards? On motion Robt Patten was added.
- 11. Are there any recommendations for license to preach? Ans. None.

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12. Have the Rules respecting the instruction of children been observed? Ans. Yes.
13. Are the Church Records properly kept? Ans. Yes.
14. Where and when shall the next Quarterly Conf. be held? On motion, at Forest Grove.

Appropriation of amount for Sallaries

To Forest Grove \$300.

To Cornelius 300.

To Patton Valley 75.

\$675.

15. Is there any other business? Ans. None.
Minutes were read and approved and on motion Conference adjourned.
W. L. Curtis Sec. A. C. Fairchild Chairman

I hereby certify the foregoing minutes to be a correct copy of the original minutes.
W. L. Curtis, Recording Secretary

Minutes of the 2d. Gr. Conf. January 20, 1883.

The Second Quarterly Conference for Forest Grove and Cornelius Charge was held in the Methodist Epis. Church at Forest Grove January 20 1883. W. J. Cooper Preacher in Charge in the Chair. Conference preceded by religious services. Present Wm Roberts D. D. J. L. Smith W. L. Curtis D. Long, D. Smith, Ann Smith, Geo. W. Coplan, Sarah E. Coplan, Wm Keew, Wm Roberts Elected Secretary. No Complaints. No Appeals. Pastors Report as follows.

S. Schools:— There are three S. Schools on the Charge. All well attended and well supplied with S. S. papers, Journals, and Lesson Books. Average attendance. At Cornelius about 75, at Forest Grove, 50, at Pallen Valley 25.

Ch. Membership:— Three have joined on probation this Quarter. Sabbath Congregations large and attentive. Pastoral Labor bestowed:— I have preached 39 sermons, made 120 pastoral calls visits— have met Sabbath Schools prayer and Class meetings once or twice each week. Respectfully submitted,
W. J. Cooper, P. C.

What amounts have been received for the support of the ministry this quarter and how have they been applied? (See over)

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Amounts Rec'd
First Year Class 92.83
Public Cal. at F. G. 11.55

Cornelius Class 75.75

Patten Valley " 12.50
\$192.63

Paid Pastor 192.63
Paid P. Elder none

Bro. G. W. Coplen was appointed Steward
and Wilson Boulby appointed Trustee
The next Quarterly Conf. to be held at
Cornelius

Minutes read and approved and on
motion Conference adjourned

Wm Roberts, Sec. W. S. Casper, Chairman

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copy of the original minutes

W. L. Curtis R. S.

Minutes of the 3d. Gen. Conf. March 10 1883.

Minutes of the Third Quarterly Conference of Forest Grove and Cornelius Circuit Oregon Annual Conference of the M. E. Church was held in Cornelius meeting house March tenth A. D. 1883.

A. C. Fairchild Presiding Elder in the Chair. Meeting was preceded by religious exercises

Members present: W. J. Casper P. C. J. R. Cornelius, D. Wilcox, Wm Waters W. L. Curtis.

W. L. Curtis was in motion appointed sec.

Are there any complaints? Ans. None.

Are there any Appeals? Ans. None.

Any Reports? Posters Report as follows:— The Sabbath school work in the Charge is in a prosperous state. We have good S. Schools at Cornelius at Forest Grove and at Patten Valley well conducted and well supplied with S. School requisites. Our Congregations at each of the appointments are good and the prayer meetings quite well attended. There is great need of more preaching in connection with this Charge than one man can do. There are Gaston and Dilly that have no preaching at either place. There should be weekly preaching and good Sabbath Schools. Then there is Greenville five miles north of the Grove where there is a large Congregation which meets on week day evenings to which I preach

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once a month. At this place there should be preaching every Sunday and also a large S. School could be maintained if a proper Superintendent could be secured.

The harvest truly is great but the laborers are few; pray ye therefore that the Lord of the harvest would send forth laborers into his harvest.

Respectfully submitted

W. J. Cospur P. C.

Reports of Sunday schools of Cornelius and Forest Grove were given verbally by Superintendants of the same which were favorable.

Report of Cornelius Class given verbally by its leader D. Wilcox which also was favorable and Bro. Cospur gave a favorable report also of the Class at Forest Grove.

What amounts have been received this quarter for the support of the Ministry and how have they been applied?

Received from
Forest Grove Class \$25.60

Cornelius Class 52.00
Public Collec'n at Cornels 7.00

Patton Valley 1.00
From Mission Fund 25.00

Applied \$110.60

Paul Paster 85.50
" R. Elder 25.10
\$110.60

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- 10 Have the Rules respecting the instruction of children been complied with? Ans. Yes.
- 11 Are the Church Records properly kept? A. Yes.
- When shall the next Q. Meeting be held?

On motion Forest Green was moved the place
Minutes read and approved and on
motion Conference adjourned.

Signed W. L. Curtis Sec. & A. B. Fairchild Chairman

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W. L. Curtis R. Steward

Minutes of the Fourth Quarterly
Conference Forest Grove and Cornelius
Circuit Portland District Oregon
Annual Conference held in Forest
Grove May fifth 1883.

A. C. Fairchild P. Elder in the Chair
The session was opened by prayer by the Pre-
siding Elder

Call of the Conf. Roll. W. J. Cesper P. E.
Wm Roberts, D. D. T. R. Cornelius, D. Milcox
A. E. Davis Ann Smith, Sarah E. Copley,
Caroline B. Showers, M. A. Cornelius, Wm Waters
W. L. Curtis. Present

On motion Wm Roberts was appointed
Secretary.

3. What committees shall be appointed?

(1.) On Missions? T. R. Cornelius, Hellen W. Jackson
R. Patten,

(2.) On Sunday Schools?

Superintendants W. L. Curtis, T. R. Cornelius
Robert Patten.

(3.) On Temperance? Bro. Milner Ann Smith
Wm. Waters.

(4.) On Tracts?— Sisters Anna P. Roberts,
and Misses A. Cornelius.

(5.) On Education? Roberts and Curtis.

(6.) On Church Extension, Mrs. Copley, Davis, Milner,

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(7) On Church Records? Recording Steward and Pastor.

(8.) On Passonage and Furniture?
Sisters, Shivers, Copley and Jackson.

(10.) On Estimating Preachers' Salaries?

Bros, Cornelius, Davis and Boultby.

4 Are there any complaints? None.

5 Are there any Appeals? None.

6 Are there any Reports

(1.) Pastor's Report as follows:— S. S. At present there are four Sunday schools on the charge with an average attendance of 170 scholars. One of these with 25 scholars was organized this Quarter. Next week I expect to organize one more. The schools are well supplied with all S. S. requisites except S. S. Libraries. There is no library on the charge. We are doing all we can for the religious instruction of the children in connection with the Sunday schools.

There has been some conversions and additions to the Church making a small increase during the year thus far. The attendance and attention to the preaching of the word has been good. At this place we have held no revival meetings owing to the unfavorable condition and location of the old Church; but this embarrassment we expect will soon be removed as the

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Contract is now let for the building of
a. new ^{+ commodious} Church to be ready for use by the 1st
of Sept next at a cost of \$2500, -
\$1900, has been subscribed towards
meeting the building expenses.

This Church matter has required much
time and perplexing thought, but the
point is now reached that insures suc-
cess which gives our cause a better
outlook than ever before.

I have done the usual amount
of Church or pastoral work filling all
my appointments, meeting all the prayer
meetings and most of the Sunday
Schools. Periodicals taken: N. Y. Adv.
2 P. C. Advs 18. Sunday School adv
36. S. S. Journals 16 Bazaar Leav 150

Respectfully submitted:

W. J. Gosper, P. C.

(2) From Local Preachers? none

3. 2 None

4. Reports from Bros Wilcox & Curtis verbally

5. From Trustees verbal from Amelias

From Forest Grove as follows

Annual Report of Trustees of the
M. E. Church in Forest Grove Oregon
May 5 1883

The acre lot upon which stand the

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Church, Parsonage and Barn is enclosed with a substantial board fence with cedar posts built three years ago. The Parsonage barn 18 x 38 was built two years ago. There has been added to the parsonage in improvements during the year \$25. The labor of which was mostly done by Pastor - Bro. Cooper. The meeting house has become old especially the roof which is very leaky and should have been renewed years ago.

Some two years ago a thorough examination of the Church building was made and at a called meeting by Bro. Roberts the Trustees made a careful estimate of the value of what could be got out of it as materials for a new church, and also the estimate was made of the feasibility of moving it on to our new church lot in Block number 21 and the cost of reconstructing the same so as to give a respectable appearance on the outside and comfort and convenience on the inside and both estimates were adverse to doing anything with it except to sell it on the ground for what it would bring and put the avails into a new church. And to this end a sale of said building has been ^{made} a few days since at \$150.⁰⁰ exclusive of ground, the Bell and inside furniture & pictures. Within the past quarter steps have been taken to raise means and build

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as a new church, and by the diligence and faithful work of Bro. Cooper an amount of Dollars has been subscribed, which together with the avails of the old Church money now in the hands of the Society of our faithful Lady Workers makes \$1900.00 and on the 21 day of April a contract was made with John Elly of Hubbard Oregon to build and complete a meeting house of wood according to plans of Church Extension No. 5. B. (50 x 30 with transoms on either side 9 x 16) on our new lot in Block No. 21 in the Town of Forest Grove Or. by the first day of Sept. next for the sum of \$2500.00 Our new Lot 136 x 408 is valued at 400.00 Our old Church lot from which the old meeting house is to be removed in a few days will then have a comfortable Parsonage of 6 rooms and a good sized and convenient Parsonage Barn and the said ^{lot} and appurtenances thereto belonging is valued at \$1200. and upon which there are no incumbrances. And there is also no incumbrances upon any other property held by in trust by this Board

W. S. Leasty Sec.

William Waters

W. E. Davis

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9 Are the Sunday Schools organized into Training Societies
Answer - Are not

10 Who shall be stewards &c. W. L. Curtis, Ann South
Mrs. Geo. Coplin, M. A. Cornelius, A. K. Milner
R. Patton Thos. & Cornelius

11 W. L. Curtis
12 J. R. Cornelius

13 Trustees J. L. Smith A. E. Davis
W. Boulby ^{W. L. Curtis} for Forest Grove and J. R. Cornelius
D. M. Cox, R. M. Nutt, G. W. Shaw, and A. K. Milner
for Cornelius were elected

14 Ans. None.

15 " None.

20 " Yes.

21 " They are.

23 " At Cornelius

24 Is there any other business?

W. L. Curtis was elected Lay Delegate to the
Annual Conference to meet in Danvers N. H.,
no alternate elected.

For further business Conference adjourned to
meet again in call of the Pastor.

Wm Roberts Sec A. C. Fairchild Pres.

W. L. Curtis R. S.

Adjourned meeting of 4th Quarterly Conf.
met in call of Pastor W. D. Coplin pursuant to
adjournment in Forest Grove August 18 1883

W. D. Coplin in the chair. W. L. Curtis appointed
Secretary.

Adjourned Meeting 4th Q^r Con. Aug 18 1883

Brought forward

Members Present A. E. Davis, Sister Daniel
Smith Sister Showers J. L. Smith W. Bouley
A. K. Milner and W. L. Curtis.

Financial Reports called for
Forest Grove Class 125.00 in all \$325.⁰⁰/₁₀₀
Cornelius " 33.00 - 236.⁰⁰/₁₀₀ " " 236.00
Patten Valley 9 in all 25.00
Mission Fund 12.50
598.50

Disbursed

Paid P Elder this Q^r 17.40

" " previous 32.20
49.60

" Bro. Cooper 192.52

" " " previous 356.38
\$548.90

" Total

598.50 . 598.50