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The Dardenelle Baptist Association met with the Baptist Church in Paris, Logan county, Arkansas, September 15th, 1888, at 10 o'clock A. M. Spent three-quarters of an hour in devotional exercises. Recess, fifteen minutes. At 11 A. M., Elder John Young preached the introductory sermon from the 133d. Psalm, 1st verse. Adjourned until 2:30 P. M. Benediction by the Clerk.

At 2:30 P. M., the Association re-assembled, and after devotional exercises was called to order by Elder J. S. Gray, the Moderator. Read the letters from the different churches and enrolled the names of their messengers. Read petitionary letters from Unity and Bethlehem (No. 2.) Churches, and seated their messengers. Elected Elders J. S. Gray, Moderator, and J. R. G. W. N. Adams, Clerk and Treasurer. Appointed the pastors and deacons of Paris Church, A. R. Hill and W. R. Blair, a committee on devotional exercises. Adjourned until Monday, 8 o'clock A. M. Benediction by the Moderator.

NIGHT SERVICES.

At 7:30 P. M., a sermon by Elder N. H. Harley, from Heb. 7:25. Benediction by the Moderator.

In the interim appointed the following committees:

Deceased Ministers.—G. L. Smith, M. Davis.

Domestic Missions.—W. N. Womack, I. W. Sanders, James Little.

Foreign Missions.—T. P. Manning, I. W. Sanders, D. D. Swindall.

Education.—I. A. Huckaby, J. F. Brice, G. W. Woodson.

Documents.—W. A. Hall, Y. K. Light.

Sabbath Schools.—C. C. Hogan, S. M. Burrell, J. B. Smith.

Temperance.—J. H. Blaylock, J. C. Shepherd, E. B. Thompson.

Finance.—J. A. Gray, J. R. Raper, W. R. Blair.

Nominations.—M. P. Blair, A. R. Hill, T. Henderson.

Publications.—D. D. Swindall, J. Young, F. Freeman.

Sabbath 10 o'clock A. M., devotional exercises conducted by Elder C. C. Hogan. At 11 A. M., the missionary sermon was preached by Elder J. H. Milburn, (editor of the Arkansas Baptist,) from John 4. 35:36. Collection, \$23.75. Elder T. J. Woodward preached at the Methodist Church, at the same hour. Collection, \$3.90.

At 2:30 P. M., a sermon by Elder D. D. Swindall from 1. Cor. 10th and part of 4th verse.

At 7:30 P. M., Elder J. H. Milburn discussed the subject of communion at the Baptist Church. At the same hour, Elder J. H. Blaylock preached at the Methodist Church.

Monday, 8 o'clock A. M., the Association re-assembled, and after devotional exercises, was called to order by the Moderator. Called the roll and read the minutes. Elders E. H. Gray and Q. M. Merchant took seats as visiting brethren. Received Elder T. J. Woodward, and Brethren S. W. Craig and W. L. Puckett, correspondents from the Russellville Association. Received Elder R. M. Small and Brother A. J. Norton, correspondents from the Clear Creek Association. Appointed the Moderator and Clerk, and Bros. A. Ward and J. A. Skinner, correspondents to the

Russellville Association. To Clear Creek Association, Elders T. P. Manning, C. C. Hogan, J. Young, and Brethren A. R. Hill and J. R. Raper. To Arkansas Baptist State Convention, J. R. G. W. N. Adams, and D. D. Swindall, Messengers. Agreed to divide the Sabbath collection between Domestic, State and Foreign Missions.

Recess five minutes.

10:30 A. M. Elder D. D. Swindall discussed the questions: "When and by whom was the Church established." Adjourned until 2 p. m. Benediction by the Moderator.

2 P. M. After devotional exercises the Association was called to order by the Moderator. Read, discussed and adopted the Report on Temperance. See G.

Read, discussed and adopted the Report on Sabbath Schools. See F.

On motion the following reports were read and adopted without discussion:

Deceased Ministers. See A.
Domestic Missions. See B.
Foreign Missions. See C.
Education. See D.

Documents. See E.
Finance. See H.
Nominations. See I.
Publications. See J.

Agreed to publish our "Articles of Faith" in this Minute.

Agreed to publish 600 copies of our minutes, and that the Clerk do the best he can financially, and be allowed \$20.00 for his services.

Appointed I. A. Huckaby, J. F. Brice, T. Henderson, E. B. Thompson, D. D. Swindall, W. R. Veazey and E. E. Sloan on Executive Committee.

Agreed to hold the next session of this body with the Church at Revilee, eight miles south of Paris, Logan county, Ark., on Saturday before the Third Sabbath in September, 1889, commencing at 10 o'clock, a. m.

Resolved: That the thanks of this association be tendered to the churches, citizens and denominations of Paris, for

their liberality and kindness in entertaining the messengers during its session, and to the Moderator and Clerk for their efficient services.

Adjourned to the time and place above named.

After taking the parting hand, Elder D. D. Swindall led in prayer.

ELDER J. S. GRAY, Moderator.

ELDER J. R. G. W. N. ADAMS, Clerk & Treasurer.

REPORT A. ON DECEASED MINISTERS.

We are very grateful that our ministers have all been spared through the past year. Respectfully submitted,

G. L. SMITH, Chairman.

REPORT B. ON DOMESTIC MISSIONS.

The crying demand for earnest effort on the part of all our Churches, seems to be inadequately appreciated. We are missionary in spirit, and without stopping to inquire into the cause of our apparent inefficiency in this work, we should strive to rise up, and put forth an honest, earnest effort to meet the demands of the day. "Behold the fields already white unto the harvest." We have great need of mission work in our bounds and throughout our State. We recommend that an Executive Committee be appointed to take the oversight of this work in our association: that the Churches adopt the Mission Book, and appoint special committees to raise funds in a systematic method. We further recommend that this subject be made one of special prayer and consideration by pastors and Churches on every fifth Sabbath in the next associational year. Respectfully submitted,

W. N. WOMACK, Chairman.

REPORT C. ON FOREIGN MISSIONS.

Whereas, The Foreign Mission cause is the cause of Christ; and the "Macedonian" cry comes to us from China, Burma,

Italy, Cuba, Mexico, Africa, South America and the isles of the sea; therefore be it

Resolved: That we encourage Foreign Missions by our prayers and our contributions; that we advise our ministers and Churches to co-operate with Brother J. B. Searcy of Hope, Ark., Secretary of the Foreign Mission Board, in our State, in advancing and promoting this glorious work of the Master. Respectfully submitted,

T. P. MANNING, Chairman.

REPORT D. ON EDUCATION.

This important subject demands our consideration as parents, citizens and Christians. The most important part of this subject is home training. "Train up a child in the way he should go." We should furnish our children pure, religious literature, and endeavor to instill into their minds a love for it. We should, by patronizing our public schools, utilize the means provided by our State. We would recommend, for a finished education, Ouachita College, located at Arkadelphia. It is well furnished with able professors. The college building is nearing completion, and will, probably, be occupied this session. We hope the brethren of this Association will give this institution their patronage and means, to pay for the building.

Respectfully submitted,

IRA A. HUCKABY, Chairman.

REPORT E. ON DOCUMENTS.

We find that Spring Creek Church requests that our "Articles of Faith" be printed in our Minutes.

Respectfully submitted,

W. A. HALL, Chairman.

REPORT F. ON SABBATH SCHOOLS.

We believe that every Baptist Church ought to maintain an evergreen Sabbath School. One in which the members,

with their children, can meet, each Sabbath, and read the precious Word of God. We would recommend that our Sabbath Schools be supplied with sound Baptist literature, in which our distinctive doctrines are fully taught.

Respectfully submitted,

C. C. HOGAN, Chairman.

REPORT G. ON TEMPERANCE.

We find that Temperance is plainly taught in the Word of God, and that Intemperance is forbidden. Experience and observation teach that the use of intoxicating liquors is injurious to man, morally, physically and mentally. It destroys conjugal, parental and filial affections. It makes poverty stricken orphans and widows. It brings the well supplied mothers and children to beggary and want. It changes the kind husband and father almost to a demon. Shall we, as Christians, vote for the manufacture and sale of an article so corrupting? Can we vote for the man who favors it's manufacture and sale? *No! Never!!!* Let us as a denomination, *vote, write, speak and labor*, until the manufacture and sale of intoxicating liquors may be numbered with the things that are past. May God speed this day.

Respectfully submitted,

J. H. BLAYLOCK, Chairman.

REPORT H. ON FINANCE.

Cash on hand from last year.....	\$22 00
Domestic Missions	12 05
Foreign Missions	17 85
State Missions.....	12 05
Sabbath Collection	28 00
Minute Fund.....	50 65
Total.....	<u>\$142 80</u>

Respectfully submitted,

J. A. GRAY, Chairman.

REPORT I. ON NOMINATIONS.

We would nominate Elder T. P. Manning to preach the Introductory Sermon; Elder E. H. Stafford, alternate. Elder D. D. Swindall, the Missionary Sermon, and Elder W. N. Womack, alternate.

Respectfully submitted, M. P. BLAIR, Chairman.

REPORT J. ON PUBLICATIONS.

The grand utility of the printing press, consecrated to the work of the Master, will never, perhaps, be fully understood and appreciated. We need Denominational Literature—indeed it is indispensable to the full development, and to the proper accomplishment of our Master's work. Too much can not be said for this department of our work. We have, at last, a Denominational paper, surpassed by no paper on the continent, for finish, scholarship, and soundness of doctrine. Therefore:

Resolved: That the Dardenelle Association heartily and unqualifiedly indorse and recommend the "Arkansas Baptist," as in every respect, worthy of confidence and support by Baptists throughout the land.

Resolved: That we will support it by our patronage and our prayers: We recommend for Sunday Schools, "Kind Words."

Respectfully submitted, T. P. MANNING.

Note by the Clerk.

Paid Elder J. B. Searcy for Foreign Missions.....	\$27 20
" Elder M. D. Early for State Missions.....	21 40

ARTICLES OF FAITH.

1. We believe in one only true and living God, the Father, Son and Holy Spirit.
2. We believe that the Scriptures of the Old and New Testaments are a revelation from God, and that the New Testament is our only rule of faith and practice.

3. We believe in the doctrine of election as founded in the foreknowledge of God, through sanctification of the Spirit unto obedience, and sprinkling of the blood of Jesus Christ.
4. We believe in original sin by the fall of Adam.
5. We believe in man's incapacity, by his own free will and ability, to rescue himself from a fallen state in which he is by nature.
6. We believe that the saints are justified in the sight of God, by the imputed righteousness of Christ only.
7. We believe that the saints will be preserved in grace, and never fall finally away.
8. We believe that Baptism and the Lord's Supper are ordinances of Jesus Christ; that believers are the only proper subjects of Baptism; and that immersion is the apostolic mode.
9. We believe in the resurrection of the dead, and a general judgment; and that the felicity of the righteous and the punishment of the wicked will be eternal.
10. We believe no minister has a right to administer the ordinances of the Gospel but one who has been regularly immersed, and that is called and comes under the imposition of the hands of a Scriptural Presbytery.
11. We believe that none but regularly immersed believers have a right to come to the Lord's Supper.
12. We believe that the Lord's Day should be kept as a day of rest and devotional exercise.

STATISTICAL TABLE.

CHURCHES.	POST OFFICE.	COUNTY.	PASTORS.	CLERKS.	MESSENGERS.	Baptized.	Received by Letter.	Dismissed by Letter.	Restored.	Excluded.	Dead.	Total.	Sabbath Schools, Scholars.	Domestic Missions.	Foreign Missions.	State Missions.	Minutes.	Preaching.
Antioch	Corley	Logan	John Young	E. H. Gray	C. C. Hogan, S. M. Burrell, J. S. Smith	2	0	1	0	0	0	46					1 00	1
Bethel No. 1	Dardanelle	Yell	J. R. G. W. N. Adams	E. B. Thompson	J. R. G. W. N. Adams, E. B. Thompson, I	2	0	0	0	0	0	20		6 85	00	0	1 00	2
Bethel No. 2	Magazine	Logan	J. Young	S. A. Ribelin	B. T. Davis, S. A. Ribelin	2	0	0	0	0	0	9	30				1 50	1
Bethlehem No. 1	Berta	Yell	H. J. Scruggs	W. H. George	James George, S. A. Stevens	14	2	0	0	0	0	74					1 50	3
Bethlehem No. 2	Rover	Yell	H. J. Scruggs	J. L. Parker	W. R. Cornelius	0	0	0	0	0	0	14					1 25	2
Baker's Creek	Riley	Yell	J. H. Blaylock	N. H. Grist	N. H. Grist	0	0	0	0	0	0	18					1 35	2
Brier Creek	Magazine	Logan	J. H. Blaylock	J. W. Walker	T. Wright, R. T. Lile, J. W. Walker	3	3	5	10	0	0	72	99				1 35	2
Cane Creek	Prairie View	Logan	J. S. Gray	T. C. Gray	J. S. Gray, M. Daws, J. A. Gray, M. P. Blair, G. W. Wallace,	3	3	2	0	0	0	105	99				1 50	3
Cedar Creek	Southern Home	Yell	J. H. Blaylock	L. G. Henry	J. H. Blaylock	3	3	2	0	0	0	41			7 70	5 00	1 50	2
Chalybeate Spring	Walnut Tree	Yell	J. H. Blaylock	W. W. Scott	J. A. Horn	6	20	17	0	0	0	37					1 50	2
Centreville	Kenzie	Yell	H. J. Scruggs	T. J. Ballenger	W. H. Nelson	7	14	0	0	0	0	57	99				1 00	3
Concord	Dardanelle	Yell	W. N. Dodd	J. M. Ashley	M. B. Hale	0	8	6	0	0	0	17	99				2 00	2
Dardanelle	Dardanelle	Yell	D. D. Swindall	George Veazey	D. D. Swindall	0	0	0	0	0	0	07					2 25	3
Landmark	Chismville	Logan	A. H. Gray	D. T. Nowlin	D. T. Nowlin, J. I. Russell, W. W. Howard	0	0	0	0	0	0	17					1 15	3
Liberty Spring	Bellville	Yell	W. E. Logan	W. R. Kennington	W. J. Martin, J. J. Rogers, J. A. Rains	0	0	0	4	0	0	33	99				1 45	3
Lick Creek	Booneville	Logan	T. M. Merchant	E. T. Wilkinson	G. A. Moore, A. R. Hill, J. J. Lee	0	0	0	0	0	0	10					00	0
Little Star	Nebraska	Scott	W. N. Womack	W. S. Jones	No. from 1887	2	0	5	1	1	0	30					1 00	1
Macedonia	Morrison's Bluff	Logan	W. N. Womack	W. R. Blair	W. N. Womack, J. T. Raper, W. R. Blair	0	0	0	0	0	0	45					1 00	1
Magazine	Magazine	Logan	W. T. Berry	No. from 1887	W. R. Pollard, J. Coney	5	0	14	1	7	0	42					1 50	1
Mount Carmel	Rover	Yell	J. R. Jones	J. R. Jones	J. F. Sloan, G. T. organ	0	0	12	0	0	0	40					1 00	4
Mount Tabor	Dardanelle	Yell	W. Logan	J. W. Gantt	W. A. Rhodes, J. Hunnicutt	0	0	0	0	0	0	16					75	1
Mount Vernon	Gravelly Hill	Yell	G. W. Hunnicutt	J. M. E. Hunnicutt	W. H. Hatch	0	0	4	0	0	0	18					85	2
Mountain Spring	Milan	Yell	J. H. Dilday	J. E. Garner	No. from 1887	0	0	0	0	0	0	30					1 00	4
Monta Valley	Marvinville	Yell	J. H. Dilday	J. E. Watkins	J. H. Walden, J. F. Wilkerson	0	0	0	0	0	0	27					1 05	2
Mount Zion No. 1	Briggsville	Yell	G. W. Hunnicutt	W. R. Wilkerson	A. L. Walker, J. R. Heath, T. L. Heath	0	0	3	1	0	0	110					2 50	1
Mount Zion No. 2	Marvinville	Yell	D. D. Swindall	Ira A. Huckaby	Ira A. Huckaby, Hey Gateley	1	1	13	0	0	0	14					1 00	3
New Hope No. 1	Dardanelle	Yell	T. N. Watkins	G. W. Holley	G. W. Holley, P. Bd.	0	0	0	0	0	0	35					1 65	4
New Hope No. 2	Nebraska	Scott	No. from 1886	Y. K. Light	T. P. Manning, F. E. man, I. W. Sanders	8	8	0	0	0	0	76	S.S.	10 00			1 50	3 & 4
New Hope No. 3	Waldron	Yell	W. L. Smith	Preston C. Moss	E. A. Hall, A. Wa	1	0	0	0	0	0	77					50	4
New Bethel	Gilkey	Logan	T. P. Manning	A. T. Fitzgerald	J. W. Oliver, J. G. Imer, J. Little	2	10	0	0	0	0	35					2 50	3
Paris	Paris	Logan	W. N. Womack	E. B. Tyler	G. W. Weatherall, J. Robinson, W. N. Valentine	2	10	0	0	0	0	19					1 00	4
Pleasant Grove	Dublin	Logan	W. W. Walker	G. C. Little	No. from 1887	0	3	7	0	0	0	68					2 20	3
Pleasant Hill	Spellerville	Logan	J. H. Dilday	J. H. Howard	John Young, G. L. Stih, W. H. Oliver	0	3	7	0	0	0	19					2 00	3
Pleasant Valley	Marvinville	Yell	J. H. Dilday	L. D. Pitts	No. from 1887	2	0	2	0	1	0	9					1 00	1
Prairie Grove	Reville	Logan	J. H. Dilday	A. A. Cherry	Letter but no Messieurs.	2	11	0	0	0	0	48			3 00		1 80	3
Rehoboth	Hobart	Yell	J. F. Brice	G. W. Woodson	J. F. Brice, G. W. Woodson, E. B. Collum	2	0	0	0	0	0	25					1 00	3
Rose Creek	Ada	Perry	J. R. G. W. N. Adams	J. J. Sandlin	Letter but no Messieurs.	1	0	0	0	0	0	9					1 00	3
Spring Creek	Bellville	Yell	W. F. Smith	P. K. Rogers	J. A. Ford, G. W. Gett	0	0	0	0	0	0	25					1 00	3
Siloam	Ola	Yell	W. E. Logan	J. Gibbs	No. from 1887	1	0	0	0	0	0	9					1 00	3
Salem No. 1	Balloon	Yell	T. M. Merchant	A. Loyd	J. Loyd, A. D. Mart	5	16	2	0	1	1	65			4 35		2 00	3
Salem No. 2	Bellville	Yell	J. S. Gray	P. L. Roquemore	J. J. Quick, H. T. Iam, B. W. Robinson	5	16	2	0	1	1	65					2 00	3
Shiloh	Boyce	Logan	No. from 1886	Thomas Henderson	M. V. Carden	30	12	0	0	0	0	47			5 00		1 50	4
Union Grove	Clarksville	Johnson	E. H. Stafford	A. Christy	J. C. Shepherd, T. Griffin	0	0	0	0	0	0	34					1 00	2
Union	Dardanelle	Yell	J. H. Scruggs	W. Hughes		0	0	0	0	0	0	34					1 00	2
Unity	Jennings Falls	Yell	W. E. Logan	W. B. Tharp		0	3	4	0	4	3	40					1 00	2
Zion	Alpha	Yell																
Zion Hill																		
Total						113	139	138	8	43	30	1975						