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Next Session to be held with Mt. Zion Church, near  
Kedron, Cleveland County, Ark., on Saturday, at  
10 a. m., before the Third Sunday in  
September, 1897.

# Proceedings.

The regular annual convocation of the Friendship Association convened with Mt. Moriah Church, in Desha County, Ark., on Saturday before the second Sunday of October, 1896, that being the 10th day.

The assembly was called together by singing. By request, Eld. W. H. Cash conducted the opening devotional exercise by reading the 103d Psalm and by prayer.

The former Moderator not being present, Eld. D. E. Gambrell was selected as temporary Moderator, and proceeded with the organization by appointing Bros. R. H. Lucas and A. C. Miller to read the Letters, and the Letters from the following Churches were read and the names of their respective Messengers enrolled:

Bethel No. 1—E. D. Tate, W. L. Moody and G. F. Hall.

Bethel No. 2—Letter; no Messengers.

Bethlehem—J. W. Fish, H. G. Thomason, J. F. Grumbles, L. T. Grumbles, A. J. Owen.

Center—Letter; no Messengers.

Enon—Z. T. Moore, R. P. Owen.

Friendship—W. J. Cope, J. H. Cope.

Holly Springs—D. W. Campbell, G. G. Vick, James Keahey.

Hickory Grove—J. S. Fish, F. H. Baldwin, M. M. West.

Lone Grove—Not represented.

Mt. Moriah—W. J. Cook, W. A. Mosby, J. J. Lee.

Mount Zion—H. B. Taylor, J. A. Preston.

Macedonia—D. Y. May.

New Hope—John Clark.

New Home—S. A. Ward, W. Hankins, W. M. Willis.

Oak Grove—Letter; no Messengers.

Pleasant Springs—J. W. McPherson, J. P. Rogers, E. Y. A. Rogers.



Pleasant Hill—M. A. Littlejohn, J. J. Thompson, H. C. Brockman.

Pleasant Ridge—J. B. Wilson, W. T. Orton, D. H. Gill.

Pleasant Home—D. Foley.

Rison—Irving Quinn, E. A. McMurtry.

Star City—D. E. Gambrell, E. V. Helms, H. R. Lucas.

Spring Hill No. 1—O. A. Jordan, M. E. Hanley, J. E. Paden.

Spring Hill No. 2—J. T. Watts, J. T. Gathright.

Tyro—A. A. Collins, B. F. McGraw, R. J. Irwin.

Zion—J. H. W. Overton, W. H. Cash.

Pine Bluff—Charles Haycock, W. Price.

At 11 a. m., the hour for the introductory sermon, neither of the appointees being present, E. Y. A. Rogers was selected and discoursed interestingly from Matr. 7: 21, 22, 23, after which a recess was taken for dinner, which was served bountifully on the grounds.

Assembled by singing at 1:30 p. m. Finished reading the Letters and then went into permanent organization, with the following results: J. H. W. Overton was elected Moderator and J. W. McPherson, Clerk and Treasurer.

Called for Petitionary Letters and Silem Baptist Church (located at Garrettsen Landing, Jefferson county, Ark., which was organized August 7, 1896, by Elds. A. C. Miller and D. H. Gill) responded, and was regularly admitted to membership and the names of her Messengers enrolled.

An invitation to Corresponding Messengers was responded to by Eld. W. W. Gardner and Bro. A. L. Oslin, from Bartholomew Association.

Called for Respondent Messengers, and D. H. Gill, W. H. Cash, J. T. Gathright, E. Y. A. Rogers, A. C. Miller, D. E. Gambrell and R. J. Irwin volunteered to go to Bartholomew association, and A. A. Collins and B. F. Moody to go to Pine Bluff association.

The following brothers were elected to go to the State Convention: D. E. Gambrell, H. R. Lucas, W. H. Cash, E. Y. A. Rogers and H. B. Taylor.

Southern Baptist Convention: Bro. D. E. Gambrell was

elected Messenger and Bro. D. H. Gill as alternate.

Committee on Divine Service: Pastor and deacons of Mt. Moriah church.

Another call for Petitionary Letters, to which White Sulphur Springs Baptist church (organized at White Sulphur Springs, Jefferson county, Ark., December 15, 1895) responded, and was regularly admitted to membership and the names of her Messengers enrolled.

Welcomed Rev. A. G. McManaway, representing Ouachita College and the Home Mission Board, who made an address on education.

Committee on Divine Service made their report. Saturday, 7:30 p. m., J. H. W. Overton to preach at church. Sunday, 9:30 a. m., Sunday School mass meeting. Speeches by Bros. W. H. Cash, D. H. Gill, Harris, Thomason and J. W. Fish, after which we took a recess until 7:30 p. m., at which hour Bro. J. H. W. Overton filled the stand very acceptably, using Col. 3:11.

The following committees were then appointed:

Nominations—J. S. Fish, E. D. Tate, J. P. Rogers.

Obituaries—J. T. Gathright, John Grumbles, H. B. Taylor.

Publication—H. G. Thomason, W. L. Moody, W. M. Willis.

Education—D. H. Gill, R. J. Irwin, W. Price.

Sunday Schools—H. R. Lucas, J. M. Henley, A. Littlejohn.

Temperance—A. A. Collins, R. P. Owen, Taylor Moore.

Orphans' Home—D. E. Gambrell, E. V. Helms, D. W. Campbell.

Foreign Missions—E. Y. A. Rogers, J. A. Preston, Thos. Orton.

Home Missions—M. S. Moore, A. M. Sawyers, B. F. McGraw.

State Missions—W. H. Cash, E. A. McMurry, Green Hall.

Associational Missions—A. C. Miller, S. A. Ward, M. M. West.



## MINUTES OF THE

Finance—Charles Haycock, J. W. Cook, J. J. Lee.  
Dismissed to meet Monday at 8 a. m.

## SUNDAY, 10 A. M.

Called together by singing. Prayer by Bro. M. S. Moore.  
Sunday school addresses made by Bros. W. H. Cash and D. H. Gill.

Sunday, 11 a. m., the hour for the Missionary sermon. Eld. A. G. McManaway filled the stand and delivered a very fine sermon from Numbers 12: 3, after which a collection was taken for Associational Missions; then we dismissed for dinner, which was bountifully furnished on the grounds.

At 3 p. m., called a mass meeting in the interest of the Orphans' Home. That committee read their report. Able speeches were made by Elds. D. E. Gambrell and W. W. Gardner. A collection was taken—cash, \$26; pledges, \$17. Report approved. (See report A.)

Sunday night, 7:30, Eld. D. E. Gambrell delivered a splendid discourse from II. Peter 2: 4.

## MONDAY, 8 A. M.

After devotional services, a motion to elect Bro. E. V. Helmes treasurer of Executive Board, and for him to receive all moneys due that board and settle with our missionary. Carried.

A motion prevailed to hear the report on Associational Missions at 10 a. m.

Committee on Obituaries being ready, made their report which was read and approved. (See report B.)

Committee on Education read their report by Chairman D. H. Gill. Pleasantly discussed and Bro. D. H. Gill was elected secretary of Ministerial Education.

Pending discussion, a collection was taken for Ministerial Education: Cash, \$2. Pledges: D. H. Gill, \$10; E. Y. A. Rogers, \$10; H. G. Thomason, \$2; J. S. Fish, \$7; Pleasant Ridge church, \$2.50; total, \$31.50.

Approved. (See report C.)

Committee on Temperance; report read by their chairman, discussed and approved. (See report D.)

At 10 a. m. report of Associational Missions read by Chairman A. C. Miller; and missionary and assistant missionaries' report all read discussed and approved. (See report E.)

Committee on Foreign Missions made their report; read by their chairman, E. Y. A. Rogers, discussed and approved. (See report F.)

Committee on Sunday Schools; report read by their chairman, H. R. Lucas, and approved. (See report G.)

Committee on State Missions; report read by their chairman, E. A. McMurty. Approved. (See report H.)

Committee on Nominations made their report, read by their chairman, J. S. Fish, discussed and approved. (See report I.)

Committee on Home Missions; report by their chairman, M. S. Moore, approved. (See report J.)

Recess until 2 p. m.

Called together by singing. Prayer by S. A. Ward. A motion prevailed to have the moderator appoint a chairman on Foreign, Home, and State Missions to report at the next session of this body: E. Y. A. Rogers, on Foreign Missions; J. W. Fish, on Home Missions and A. C. Miller on State Missions.

A motion prevailed to take pledges for Associational Missions, with the following result:

#### PLEDGES BY CHURCHES.

|                       |          |                        |          |
|-----------------------|----------|------------------------|----------|
| Bethel No. 1.....     | \$10 00  | Brought forward.....   | \$120 00 |
| Bethlehem.....        | 20 00    | Pleasant Hill.....     | 5 00     |
| Enon.....             | 10 00    | Pine Bluff.....        | 20 00    |
| Friendship.....       | 5 00     | Rison.....             | 5 00     |
| Holly Springs.....    | 5 00     | Spring Hill No. 1..... | 5 00     |
| Hickory Grove.....    | 25 00    | Spring Hill No. 2..... | 5 00     |
| Mt. Moriah.....       | 10 00    | Star City.....         | 10 00    |
| New Hope.....         | 5 00     | Tyro.....              | 10 00    |
| Pleasant Springs..... | 15 00    | Zion.....              | 15 00    |
| Pleasant Ridge.....   | 15 00    |                        |          |
| Carried forward.....  | \$120 00 | Total.....             | \$195 00 |

#### PLEDGES BY INDIVIDUALS.

|                          |         |                              |           |
|--------------------------|---------|------------------------------|-----------|
| A. A. Collins.....       | \$10 00 | Brought forward.....         | \$42 50   |
| D. W. Campbell.....      | 5 00    | A. C. Miller.....            | 15 00     |
| W. Price.....            | 5 00    | Mrs. T. L. Batchelor.....    | 2 00      |
| J. A. Preston.....       | 2 00    | D. H. Gill.....              | 10 00     |
| W. B. Nelms.....         | 2 50    | J. L. Hunter.....            | 10 00     |
| Mrs. H. G. Thomason..... | 2 00    | Mrs M. L. Childs.....        | 5 00      |
| J. S. Conrad.....        | 12 00   | Star City Sunday School..... | 2 50      |
| M. M. West.....          | 1 50    | R. J. Irwin.....             | 2 50      |
| S. E. Leek.....          | 2 50    |                              |           |
| Carried forward.....     | \$42 50 | Total.....                   | \$89 50   |
| Grand total.....         |         |                              | \$284 50. |



## RESOLUTIONS.

1. Resolved, That the Friendship Association disapproves and condemns the course of Dr. Whitsitt in the publication of his historical researches, and that this Association will in no manner encourage or patronize the Southern Baptist Seminary while it employs as president or teachers such erroneous instructors.

D. E. GAMBRELL.

2. Resolved, That we tender our thanks to this church and community for their kindness and hospitality during our stay with them.

3. Resolved, That the Clerk of this Association receive the sum of \$10 for his services, and that the remainder of the money sent for Minutes be expended in printing and distributing said Minutes to the different churches, in proportion to the amount sent for the same. and that the Arkansas Baptist be given the work.

J. T. GATHRIGHT.

A motion to adjourn. After singing a song and extending the parting hand, we adjourned to meet with Mt. Zion church near Kedron, Cleveland county, Ark., on Saturday 10 a. m., before the third Sunday in September, 1897, and was adopted-

J. H. W. OVERTON, Moderator.

J. W. McPHERSON, Clerk and Treas.



## Reports of Committees.

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(A.) You Committee on Orphans' Home would respectfully submit the following report:

It is often said that a prophet is without honor in his own country. It is equally true that our home people do not fully appreciate the significance of one of their grandest institutions, an institution which will give us a State reputation for benevolence and enterprise. Such an institution we have in the Orphans' Home, under the control of the State Baptist Association of Arkansas. Situated on an elevation gently sloping in all directions, with a park of magnificent oaks to the south, "far from the madding crowd's ignoble strife," it presents to the observer an air of calm repose. Here the homeless and the orphan, weary of the buffeting of a cruel world, may find rest and support, near to nature's heart. Although the present building is not commensurate with the plans of its founders, it is yet a good beginning. It is a two-story brick, 20x60 feet, with six large rooms. This building is now completed and there is an amount of only \$40 due on the same, which ought to be raised right away. This building the Board intends to be an "L" of the main building, which they hope to build later. Eighty acres of land were donated to the Home by Miss Hannah Hyatt, of this city. Not content with this display of liberality, Miss Hyatt has traveled over this state from one end to the other in the interest of the Home. Besides giving her time and property to this enterprise, Miss Hyatt is now installed Matron of the Home, not at a lucrative salary, but without money and without price. She receives no pay, save the prayers of the orphans and the gratitude of thankful hearts. Such devotion to the homeless waifs should put to blush the man with soul so dead as to discourage an enterprise of this kind, and should inspire to renewed exertions those responsive to ill and calamities to which humanity falls heir.

There are two orphans in the Home at present and more are expected soon. Just as soon as the rooms are furnished the Home will doubtless be full. The Board wishes it to be distinctly understood that while the Home is under the control of the Arkansas Baptist Association, yet its doors are open to all orphans in the state. No questions are asked as to whether they are Methodists, Presbyterians, Baptists, or whether they belong to any church or no church.

All sects and creeds are welcome here. The two orphans in the Home at present are not of Baptist parents. The present building has cost about \$1,800. The Home is under the control of the following Board of Trustees: Rev. W. W. Gardner, Rev. W. C. Denson, Rev. W. K. Penrod, Rev. Hogan Allen, R. F. Hyatt, D. T. Hyatt, Z. F. Wood, L. E. Morgan, J. A. Cason. If you have not yet gone out to see the Home, go at your earliest opportunity, and Miss Hyatt will give you a cordial welcome.

Respectfully submitted.

D. E. GAMBRELL, Chm'n.

(B.) Your Committee on Obituaries would respectfully submit the following:

We find from the letters of the churches that in the providence of God it has pleased him to remove about 1 1-2 per cent. of our number. One of these we think deserves special notice, Bro. I. R. Vick, who labored 35 or 36 years in the Gospel ministry, and was faithful to his calling. He was, in our judgment, a sound Bible preacher. During his ministry he baptized over 1,000. We extend sympathy and condolence to the bereaved ones. We humbly submit to the Master's will, consoled by the thought that our loss is his eternal gain. This brings to our mind the shortness of life and certainty of death, and teaches us to be prayerful and watchful, that we may be found ready when we are called to our reward.

J. T. GATHRIGHT, Chm'n.

(C.) We, your Committee on Education, beg leave to report the following: This is an age of advancement. Success in calling in life is assured only to those who are made proficient by a liberal education. The time is near at hand when ignorance will mean financial failure. But education serves a higher purpose than to qualify one for business. It prepares us for the great battles of life. But education is a power which if improper, or imperfect, may lead to a thousand untold ills. The only true education is that which develops all the faculties, physical, intellectual and moral. The only education which meets this requirement is Christian education, which gives us a correct idea of our relation to God and man, and fits us for a life of usefulness and duty. We therefore recommend that all Baptists patronize our denominational institutions, and urgently request that all members of the association patronize one of our state schools—Ouachita, Central, or Mountain Home, whose interests are so closely connected with ours, and which offer advantages inferior to none. We further recognize the importance of an educated ministry. Every profession is calling for educated men, and, while it is no profession, the ministry has to contend with, and watch over, all professions. Realizing the work of Ouachita Baptist College in this line, we indorse its present able management, commend it to our rising ministry, recommend it to all interested in education, and pray that God may ever bless it. In order to promote the interest of ministerial education, we recommend further that a collection in cash and pledges may be taken up to assist the struggling young ministers, and that a secretary of ministerial education be elected, whose duty it shall be to take up collections in all the churches of the association; and that he be allowed, to defray necessary expenses, five per cent. of all money collected.

Respectfully,

D. H. GILL, Chairman.

(D.) We, your Committee on Temperance, beg to submit the following report: When we consider the vast importance of the subject of temperance, we at once realize its worth and what it brings us, and how much depends upon our efforts as Christians in regard to putting it down. The prince of darkness would have no better or greater power to invade our state and government, home and fireside, and at last even the churches of the living God. It's use does not only degrade but uncivilizes; intemperance sows to the flesh; therefore, it reaps corruption, it brings sorrow and poverty to every home where it is used. Observation shows us three-fourths of the crimes committed in our country grows out of intemperance. It does not only disturb peace in this



life, but destroys peace with God. Therefore, let us go to our heavenly Father in humble prayer to assist us in putting down this great man destroyer; let us not only pray but watch and work as well. Let our pastors and members take a firm stand against it and show to their respective churches their wills therein. Brethren, for Christ's sake, when you go to the polls, cast your vote against the sale of intoxicating liquors, and thereby help to lift a fallen brother and save the boys, and may God help us to do more for the cause of temperance the coming year than ever before.

Respectfully submitted,

A. A. COLLINS, Chm'n.

(E.) Your Committee on Associational Missions would report as follows: There is great destitution in the bounds of our association, and especially in the eastern part of it; nearly half of our geographical territory has only three churches, with a membership, two of which are very weak and must be sustained or come to naught. Quite a number of people desire and ought to have the gospel preached to them, but are not sufficiently enthused to make much effort to sustain the gospel in their midst; other people are sustaining their preachers on this territory. Unless we do so, they must go without a whole gospel. Brethren, shall we allow such destitution to remain under the shadow of our own influence, or shall we occupy 'till the Master-calls us from labor to reward? Yes, yes! "Let us go up and possess the land, for we are well able to overcome." Brethren, the work is a great one, but let us go, relying upon Israel's God for strength and the Holy Spirit for direction. We therefore recommend that we give our duty to this territory earnest and prayerful consideration, and that we make as our motto the language of the poet, "Where he leads me I will follow," remembering to "Sow in the morning thy seed and at evening to withhold not thy hand," and he that soweth sparingly shall also reap sparingly.

Respectfully submitted,

A. C. MILLER, Chairman.

Report of mission work done by A. C. Miller, missionary of Friendship Baptist Association, for the year ending October 10, 1896, employed for one-half of his time: Days labored, 180; miles traveled, 1,500; sermons preached, 140; addresses made, 2; regenerations confessed, 32; churches organized, 2; additions, 38; baptisms administered, 23; prayer-meetings attended, 29; families visited, 450; points reached, 6; meetings held, 4; money collected, independent pledges, \$85.65; books sold, 40; tracts donated and sold, 400 pages. The above is a summary of active work done. We have learned to "labor and wait," fully trusting that the year's work has been a time of seed sowing that will produce a harvest in the "By and by," realizing that we are rewarded for faithfulness and for earnest effort. We are willing to leave results with the Lord. With humble submission, I am your servant and brother,

A. C. MILLER.

(F.) We, your Committee on Foreign Missions, beg leave to report as follows: We deem it useless to speak of the necessity of this God-given mission, but will confine the report to the work now being done by the Southern Baptist Convention. China, Canton Mission begun in 1845, 15 missionaries, 40 native helpers, 8 churches, 907 members, 91 baptism, 13 schools, \$1,087.81 contributions; Shanghai Mission (1847), 8 missionaries, 3 native helpers, 3 churches, 108 members, 5 baptisms, 4 schools, \$87 contributions; Chinkiang Mission



(1880), 6 missionaries, 2 churches, 19 members, 3 baptisms, 2 schools, \$16.97 contributions; North China Mission (1860), 12 missionaries, 1 native helper, 6 churches, 232 members, 53 baptisms, \$998.57 contributions. Total for China, 41 missionaries, 44 native helpers, 19 churches, 1,266 members, 152 baptisms. African missions (1850), Lagos and interior, 6 missionaries, 8 native helpers, 6 churches, 247 members, 51 baptisms, \$457.40 contributions. Italian mission (1870), Rome, Florence and other towns, 3 missionaries from United States, 28 native preachers and colporters, 21 churches, 450 members, 79 baptisms, \$643.45 contributions. Brazilian mission, Bahia and vicinity (1882), 3 missionaries, 3 native helpers, 4 churches, 278 members, 71 baptisms, 3 schools, \$330 contributions. Rio and vicinity (1884), 4 missionaries, 4 native helpers, 5 churches, 187 members, 59 baptisms, \$1,212 contributions. Permambuco (1889), 2 missionaries, 1 native helper, 4 churches, 248 members, 126 baptisms, \$700 contributions. Total for Brazil, 11 missionaries, 8 native helpers, 14 churches, 783 members, 273 baptisms. Mexican missions (1880), 19 missionaries, 18 native helpers, 37 churches, 1035 members, 177 baptisms, 3 schools. Japanese missions (1889), 6 missionaries 4 native helpers, 1 church, 40 members, 3 baptisms, \$20 contributions. Totals: Missionaries, 85; native helpers, 110; churches, 98; members, 3,108; baptisms, 735; contributions, \$5,553.20.

All these fields above mentioned are in need, and asking for reinforcements. Brethren, increase your contributions to Foreign Missions.

Respectfully submitted,

E. Y. A. ROGERS, Chairman.

(G.) We, your Committee on Sunday Schools, would respectfully submit the following as their report: Realizing the great necessity and importance of the Sunday school work, we would earnestly request and urge the importance of each church in the bounds of our association to sustain a Sunday school. Our children especially should be taught the great truths as set forth in the divine word, and we believe that through the Sunday school this result can best be accomplished. We therefore recommend that each church send representatives to our Sunday School Convention, thereby aiding and strengthening the cause of Christ. We have 28 churches represented in our association; of these only 14, or half, report a Sunday school in their church, an increase of one over last year.

Respectfully submitted,

H. R. LUCAS, Chairman.

(H.) Your Committee on State Missions report, that from the information gathered from the letters of the various churches, that State Missions are being carelessly neglected and that we do not realize the importance of this field of enterprise. Our collections for State Missions have fallen off amazingly far below our expectations. We have destitute fields throughout our state that need the gospel, and the cause is bleeding for want of help. Therefore, your committee recommend that the pastors make it impressive that each member of their churches pay at least ten cents each per annum to the State Mission fund. We further recommend that our delegates to the State Convention be instructed to favor the appointment of a state financial secretary.

Respectfully submitted,

W. H. CASH, Ch'mn.

Read by E. A. McMURTRY.

We, your Committee on Publications report: The Bible, from which alone

we can learn our Master's will and his plan of salvation, is the book of books. We therefore recommend that all Baptists carefully study it. We further recommend that the Arkansas Baptist, our state paper, be taken by every Baptist family, and read by every Baptist in the state. We recommend for our Sunday schools, the Southern Baptist Conventional Series. We recommend for our church music, the "Harvest Bells."

Respectfully submitted,

H. G. THOMASSON, Chairman.

(I.) We, your Committee on Nominations, report as follows: We nominate as the Associational Board, D. W. Campbell, H. R. Lucas, E. V. Helms, J. L. Hunter and H. G. Thomasson. Finding there are quite a number of petitions of churches for our Body to hold our next meeting with them, and there are three in the district to which it of right belongs, we nominate Mt. Zion as the place for holding our next session. We nominate Bro. J. H. W. Overton to preach the introductory sermon; D. H. Gill, the Missionary sermon.

Respectfully submitted,

J. S. FISH, Chairman.

(J.) We, your Committee on Home Missions, report as follows: That we are not posted in regard to our Home Mission work or its jurisdiction, but as regards the work in the land of Cuba, we would think in present conditions of that land, that our missionaries could do but little in the work of saving souls. We would recommend that while things are thus in Cuba, that we try to do more work in our own association; for there are plenty of waste places in Arkansas that need the gospel preached to them, that our church lose not its influence in the good work.

Respectfully submitted,

M. S. MOORE, Chairman.



## MINUTES OF THE

## FINANCIAL REPORT.

|                                                   |          |
|---------------------------------------------------|----------|
| To amount Association pledges (Missions).....     | \$381 30 |
| Cash collected from churches and individuals..... | 293 06   |
| Cash report to Treasurer.                         |          |
| For printing Minutes.....                         | \$35 05  |
| For State Missions.....                           | 8 50     |
| For Home Missions.....                            | 5 00     |
| For Foreign Missions.....                         | 8 00     |
| For Orphans' Home.....                            | 1 00     |
| Total.....                                        | \$57 55  |

CHAS. HAYCOCK, Chm'n.

REPORT OF TREASURER PRO TEM. OF EXECUTIVE BOARD TO  
FRIENDSHIP ASSOCIATION.

|                                                             |                |
|-------------------------------------------------------------|----------------|
| To balance on hand per Treasurer's report.....              | \$14 55        |
| To amount received from Finance Committee and churches..... | 105 40         |
| Sunday's collection.....                                    | 20 10          |
| On individual pledges.....                                  | 9 00           |
| Amount collected by Bro. A. C. Miller.....                  | 56 01          |
| Amount paid Bro. Miller by H. C. Fox.....                   | 73 45 \$278 51 |

## CREDITS.

|                                             |                |
|---------------------------------------------|----------------|
| By cash paid A. C. Miller.....              | \$134 50       |
| By cash collected by A. C. Miller.....      | 56 01          |
| By cash paid A. C. Miller by H. C. Fox..... | 73 45 \$263 96 |

Balance on hand..... \$14 55

E. V. HELSUMS, Treasurer Pro Tem. Executive Board.

## TREASURER'S REPORT.

|                              |         |
|------------------------------|---------|
| Paid in by the churches..... | \$57 55 |
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## DISBURSEMENTS.

|                           |               |
|---------------------------|---------------|
| For State Missions.....   | \$8 50        |
| For Home Missions.....    | 5 00          |
| For Foreign Missions..... | 8 00          |
| For Orphans' Home.....    | 1 00          |
| For Clerk's fee.....      | 15 00         |
| For Stationery.....       | 1 00          |
| For printing Minutes..... | 19 05 \$57 55 |



Statistical Table.

| CHURCHES.         | PASTORS.         | POST-OFFICES. | CLERKS.         | POST-OFFICES. | Rec. by Baptism. | Rec. by Letter. | Restored. | Dis. by Letter. | Excluded. | Died. | Present Membership. | Pastor's Salary. | Ministerial Education. | Foreign Missions. | Home Missions. | State Missions. | Associational Missions. | Building Churches. | Other Purposes. | Minute Fund. | Total Contribution. |
|-------------------|------------------|---------------|-----------------|---------------|------------------|-----------------|-----------|-----------------|-----------|-------|---------------------|------------------|------------------------|-------------------|----------------|-----------------|-------------------------|--------------------|-----------------|--------------|---------------------|
| Bethel No. 1...   | E. F. Appling... | Brooks        | D. J. Tate      | Rison         | 5                | 1               | 3         |                 | 4         |       | 72                  | \$39 00          |                        | \$1 00            | \$2 00         |                 | \$15 00                 |                    |                 | \$1 50       | \$58 50             |
| Bethel No. 2      | J. W. Fish       | Palmyra       | J. E. Hunter    | McKinney      | 2                | 5               |           | 10              | 2         |       | 57                  | 27 75            |                        |                   |                |                 |                         |                    |                 | 50           | 28 25               |
| Bethlehem         | D. E. Gambrell   | Star City     | J. A. Owen      | Palmyra       | 33               | 2               | 1         | 7               | 6         |       | 185                 | 45 25            |                        |                   | 1 00           | \$1 00          | 10 00                   |                    | \$18 72         | 2 50         | 78 47               |
| Center            | H. B. Taylor     | White Oak     | J. W. Johnson   | Rowell        | 6                |                 |           |                 |           |       | 31                  |                  | \$0 50                 |                   |                |                 |                         |                    |                 | 50           | 1 00                |
| Enon              | E. Y. A. Rogers  | Bodman        | S. A. Berry     | Annover       | 14               | 2               |           | 6               | 2         |       | 79                  | 67 00            |                        | 5 00              |                |                 | 10 00                   |                    |                 | 1 50         | 83 50               |
| Friendship        | J. H. W. Overton | Toledo        | W. T. Harris    | Randall       | 5                | 1               | 10        |                 |           |       | 79                  | 45 50            |                        |                   |                |                 | 5 00                    |                    | 1 00            | 1 00         | 151 55              |
| Florence          | A. C. Miller     | Florence      | M. R. Lord      | Florence      | 19               | 7               | 2         | 4               |           |       | 49                  |                  |                        | 1 00              | 1 00           | 1 00            | 10 00                   | \$37 50            |                 | 1 50         | 380 50              |
| Holly Springs     | E. Y. A. Rogers  | Bodman        | D. W. Campbell  | Garnett       | 5                | 4               | 4         | 3               | 1         | 1     | 70                  | 18 00            |                        | 50                |                |                 | 7 50                    | 18                 |                 | 1 00         | 45 50               |
| Hickory Grove     | J. H. W. Overton | Toledo        | M. M. West      | Res           | 2                | 2               |           | 1               | 2         | 3     | 71                  | 62 00            |                        |                   | 2 35           |                 | 10 00                   |                    | 5 50            | 2 00         | 81 85               |
| Lone Grove        |                  |               |                 |               |                  |                 |           |                 |           |       | 38                  |                  |                        |                   |                |                 |                         |                    |                 |              |                     |
| Mt. Moriah        | A. C. Miller     | Florence      | A. R. McGraw    | Winchest      | 13               | 3               | 3         | 7               | 2         | 1     | 51                  | 64 75            |                        | 1 00              | 1 00           | 1 00            | 10 00                   |                    |                 | 1 50         | 85 25               |
| Mt. Zion          | H. B. Taylor     | White Oak     | P. J. Taylor    | Kedron        | 1                | 3               | 1         | 2               |           |       | 48                  |                  |                        |                   |                |                 | 5 00                    |                    |                 | 1 50         | 6 50                |
| Macedonia         | B. F. Barnes     | Toledo        | D. Y. May       | Toledo        | 1                |                 |           | 1               | 2         | 2     | 23                  |                  |                        |                   |                |                 | 1 85                    |                    |                 | 75           | 2 80                |
| New Hope          | J. T. Gathright  |               | J. D. Cash      |               | 12               | 2               | 3         | 2               | 3         | 4     | 66                  |                  |                        |                   |                |                 | 5 00                    |                    |                 | 1 00         | 6 00                |
| New Home          | B. F. Barnes     | Randall       | W. M. Willis    | Glendale      | 3                |                 | 5         |                 | 3         |       | 51                  |                  |                        |                   |                |                 | 5 00                    |                    |                 | 90           | 5 90                |
| Oak Grove         | E. F. Appling    | Brooks        | L. J. Reed      | Calmer        | 7                | 1               |           |                 |           |       | 42                  | 50 00            |                        |                   | 1 50           |                 | 10 00                   |                    | 2 50            | 1 50         | 65 50               |
| Pleasant Springs  | E. Y. A. Rogers  | Bodman        | J. W. McPherson | Coleman       | 19               |                 | 1         | 6               | 2         | 1     | 120                 | 80 00            |                        | 5 00              | 5 00           | 2 50            | 15 00                   | 20                 | 16 00           | 2 00         | 145 60              |
| Pleasant Ridge    | W. H. Cash       | Toledo        | W. R. Ross      | Randall       | 10               | 4               |           | 3               | 3         | 1     | 73                  | 50 00            |                        |                   |                |                 | 15 00                   |                    | 13 08           | 2 25         | 80 33               |
| Pleasant Home     |                  |               | A. B. Craig     | Double Wells  |                  |                 |           |                 |           |       | 13                  |                  |                        |                   |                |                 |                         |                    |                 | 50           | 50                  |
| Pleasant Hill     | J. W. Fish       | Palmyra       | B. W. Robertson | Garnett       | 35               |                 | 1         | 4               | 1         | 2     | 79                  |                  |                        |                   |                |                 | 5 00                    |                    |                 | 1 05         | 6 05                |
| Pine Bluff        |                  |               | H. C. Fox       | Pine Bluff    | 26               | 12              |           | 15              |           | 2     | 364                 | 1200 00          |                        |                   |                |                 | 10 00                   |                    | 900 00          | 2 00         | 2112 00             |
| Rison             | E. A. McMurtrey  |               | E. A. McMurtrey | Rison         | 5                | 8               | 2         | 4               |           |       | 47                  | 160 50           |                        |                   |                |                 | 10 00                   |                    | 37 00           | 1 00         | 210 50              |
| Spring Hill No. 1 | D. E. Gambrell   | Star City     | J. J. Rainer    |               |                  | 3               | 2         | 6               | 2         | 1     | 43                  | 100 00           |                        | 1 00              |                |                 |                         |                    |                 | 1 50         | 102 50              |
| Spring Hill No. 2 | W. H. Cash       | Toledo        | J. F. West      | Brooks        |                  | 3               | 2         | 6               | 4         |       | 43                  | 35 00            |                        | 1 50              |                |                 | 5 00                    | 1                  |                 | 1 00         | 43 60               |
| Star City         | D. E. Gambrell   | Star City     | J. G. Atkinson  | Star City     | 1                | 7               |           | 6               |           |       | 82                  | 275 00           |                        | 2 25              | 2 70           | 2 00            | 24 00                   |                    | 422 30          | 2 00         | 331 55              |
| Sulphur Spring    | F. P. Davis      | Redfield      | H. G. Hanna     | Pine Bluff    | 8                | 2               |           |                 |           |       | 24                  | 50 00            |                        |                   |                |                 |                         |                    | 5 00            | 50           | 55 50               |
| Salem             | A. C. Miller     | Florence      | James Conrad    | Garnett       |                  |                 |           |                 |           |       | 4                   |                  |                        |                   | 1 00           |                 |                         |                    |                 | 50           | 1 50                |
| Tyro              | A. C. Miller     | Florence      | R. H. Todd      | Tyro          | 18               | 4               |           | 1               |           |       | 63                  | 50 00            |                        | 1 00              | 1 00           | 1 00            | 10 00                   |                    |                 | 1 50         | 64 50               |
| Zion              | J. H. W. Overton | Toledo        | W. L. Overton   | Toledo        | 9                | 1               |           | 7               | 1         | 2     | 48                  |                  | 3 00                   | 1 25              |                |                 | 18 85                   |                    | 20 00           | 1 60         | 25 70               |
| Totals            |                  |               |                 |               | 259              | 76              | 30        | 114             | 38        | 25    | 2015                | \$2421 75        | \$3 50                 | \$20 50           | \$18 05        | \$9 50          | \$218 20                | \$414              | \$1465 27       | \$35 55      | \$4348 60           |

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| CHURCHES<br>That Maintain Sunday<br>Schools. | Officers<br>and Teachers | Scholars. | Average<br>Attendance. | Expenses. | Kind of<br>Literature. | SUPERIN-<br>TENDENT. | POSTOF-<br>FICES. |
|----------------------------------------------|--------------------------|-----------|------------------------|-----------|------------------------|----------------------|-------------------|
| Bethel No. 1.....                            | 5                        | 34        | 20                     | \$3 50    | S. B. C. S.            | B. T. Moody.....     | Rison.            |
| Bethlehem.....                               | 7                        | 87        | 30                     | 2 10      | S. B. C. S.            | H. G. Thomason..     | Palmyra           |
| Hickory Grove.....                           | 6                        | 30        | 20                     | 5 25      | S. B. C. S.            | J. S. Fish.....      | Rest.             |
| New Home.....                                | 3                        | ...       | 20                     | 2 40      | S. B. C. S.            | W. M. Willis.....    | Glendale.         |
| Oak Grove.....                               | 5                        | 39        | 25                     | 3 60      | S. B. C. S.            | J. D. Norton.....    | Calmer.           |
| Pleasant Ridge.....                          | 8                        | 40        | ...                    | ...       | ...                    | R. M. Wardlow....    | Randall.          |
| Pine Bluff.....                              | 18                       | 205       | 126                    | 126 22    | ...                    | ...                  | ...               |
| Rison.....                                   | 9                        | 50        | 30                     | 6 54      | S. B. C. S.            | W. J. May.....       | Rison.            |
| Star City.....                               | 7                        | 64        | 38                     | 27 10     | S. B. C. S.            | E. J. Atkinson....   | Star City.        |
| Sulphur Springs.....                         | 5                        | 20        | 15                     | 1 00      | ...                    | H. G. Hanna.....     | Pine Bluff.       |
| Pleasant Hill.....                           | 9                        | 63        | 45                     | 5 50      | S. B. C. S.            | H. C. Brockman..     | Edill             |
| Enon.....                                    | 4                        | 36        | ...                    | 1 95      | S. B. C. S.            | C. B. Ables.....     | Annover.          |
| Zion.....                                    | 8                        | 56        | 30                     | 10 00     | ...                    | J. H. Overton....    | Toledo.           |
| Friendship.....                              | 3                        | 30        | 20                     | 1 40      | S. B. C. S.            | W. J. Cope.....      | Randall.          |
| Totals.....                                  | 97                       | 754       | 414                    | \$194 56  |                        |                      |                   |

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