

MINUTES

OF THE

Thirty Sixth Annual Session

OF THE

Grand Prairie Baptist Association

HELD WITH

Pleasant Ridge Church, Prairie Co., Ark.,

OCTOBER 17, 18 and 19, 1910

OFFICERS.

H. B. DUDLEY, Moderator, DeWitt, Ark.

A. H. SOEKLAND, Vice-Moderator, Stuttgart, Ark.

L. E. BUCHANAN, Clerk, Des Arc, Ark.

C. W. FOX, Treasurer, DeWitt, Ark.

Next Session to be held with Big LaGrue Church, seven miles east of DeWitt, Ark., on Friday before third Sunday in October, 1911, 7:30 P. M.

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Grand Prairie Baptist Association.

PROCEEDINGS.

Thursday Evening, October 17, 1910.

The thirty-sixth annual session of the Grand Prairie Baptist Association met this day with the Pleasant Ridge church and was called to order at 7:30 p. m., with Moderator, R. H. Parker, presiding. Song, "Nearer My God to Thee." Prayer by Rev. T. V. Shoemaker. Song, "Redeemed." Prayer by Rev. A. T. Coleman. Rev. W. J. Johnson selected to preach the Introductory Sermon, and Rev. J. H. Bracewell who was selected as alternate, being absent, Rev. H. Y. Morris of Beebe was chosen by Association to preach the Introductory sermon, who, after reading 2nd chapter 1st Corinthians, preached a very strong sermon from text: "How shall we escape if we neglect so great salvation.?" Prayer by Rev. L. H. Dodson.

Moved and carried that same rules of business that governed this body last year be observed at this sitting, to-wit:

1. Introductory Sermon.
2. Visiting Brethren introduced.
3. Reading church letters.
4. Report Executive Board.
5. Election of Officers.
6. Corresponding messengers
7. Time and place of next meeting.
8. Electing preachers, next year.
9. Appointing committees on:
 1. Resolutions.
 2. Education.
 3. Sunday Schools.
 4. Foreign Missions.
 5. Temperance.
 6. Publications.
 7. Finance.
 8. State Missions.
 9. Orphanage.
 10. Obituary.

Visiting brethren were then called for. Rev. H. Y. Morris,

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W. H. Fortney and W. H. Pharr of Caroline Association, responded. On motion, adjourned to 9 o'clock, Friday morning. Dismissed by Rev. D. D. Willis.

Friday, 9:30 A. M.

Moderator in chair. Song, "All Hail the Power." Prayer by Bro. A. H. Soekland. Bros. A. T. Coleman and T. V. Shoemaker were appointed reading clerks. Letters from the churches were called for resulting in the following responses and messengers enrolled, to-wit:

Almyra—By letter.

Big LaGrue—G. W. Gardner, B. K. D. Adams.

Center Point—D. B. Scott, D. D. Willis, C. C. Kerr.

Cross Roads—Arthur Mask.

DeWitt—T. V. Shoemaker.

New Bethel—J. N. Lee, J. G. Glass.

New Hope—By letter

New Salem—By letter.

New Home—A. J. Frost, Sister M. J. Wallace.

Oak Grove—J. B. Webb, C. L. Boyette, J. H. Benson.

Prairie Chapel—R. R. Owen.

Prairie Grove—By letter.

Pleasant Ridge—L. E. Buchanan, W. W. Lienesay, J. R. Ricks.

Pt. DeLuce—J. K. Ellenberg.

Rising Sun—By letter.

Stuttgart—A. T. Coleman.

Hazen—W. H. Rust, Sister W. H. Rust.

Moderator appointed as Committee on Devotional exercises: Pastor and Deacons of this church and Bro. Geo. Gardner. Moved and carried that on petition from Macedonia Baptist church the same be received into full membership of the Association with Bro. Gus Holt enrolled as messenger and welcomed into the Association by the Moderator.

Moved that where no specifications are made by churches in their letters as to division of amount sent up for minutes and Clerk's fee, that one-third amount be used as Clerk's hire and two-thirds for printing minutes, and that if one-third amount is not sufficient for clerk's hire that warrant be drawn on Treasurer to make the amount \$10.00. Collection taken up for debt due Bro. H. Y. Morris as Missionary, amounting to \$19.60 and paid to him.

Treasurer C. W. Fox's report read and adopted. (See report 7.) Adjourned to 2 o'clock p. m.

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Friday, 2 o'clock Service.

Song, "We will Work 'till Jesus Comes." Prayer by Rev. A. T. Coleman.

Election of Officers.

On motion that we now go into the election of officers; carried. The following were elected as officers for the coming year to-wit:

- H. B. Dudley—Moderator.
- A. H. Soekland—Vice-Moderator.
- L. E. Buchanan—Clerk.
- C. W. Fox—Treasurer.

The Moderator then called for visitors or letters from churches not already present.

Sweet home presented a letter with the following messengers: Sweet Home—R. A. Jackson, W. A. Jones.

Corresponding messengers were called for; none enrolled.

Time and Place for Holding Next Meeting.

After a lively contest between Big LaGrue and DeWitt, the former was chosen as the place for holding next Association and time for holding same was set (by motion) Friday night before 3rd Sunday in October, 1911.

Rev. T. V. Shoemaker was selected to preach the Introductory sermon with Rev. J. E. Bogard as alternate. Rev. L. H. Dodson to preach Missionary Sermon and Rev. W. J. Johnson as alternate.

Moved and carried to have preaching to-night.

Committee on Devotional Exercises selected Rev. T. V. Shoemaker to preach at 7.30 Friday evening, Rev. H. Y. Morris Saturday at 11:00 o'clock and Rev. A. T. Coleman at 7:30 Saturday evening.

The Moderator called again for letters from other churches of this Association. Harmony responded with J. N. Buffalo and S. W. Carson as messengers.

The Moderator appointed the following committees:

1. Resolutions—G. W. Carson, R. H. Parker.
2. Education—J. B. Webb, R. R. Owen, L. H. Dodson.
3. Sunday Schools—R. H. Parker, T. V. Shoemaker.
4. Foreign Missions—A. T. Coleman, A. J. Frost.
5. Temperance—R. H. Parker, T. V. Shoemaker.
6. Publications—W. J. Johnson, Arthur Mask.
7. Finance—B. K. D. Adams, J. R. Ricks, Geo. Gardner.
8. State Missions—A. H. Soekland, J. K. Ellenberg.
9. Orphanage—D. B. Scott, J. N. Lee, A. T. Coleman.
10. Obituary—D. D. Willis, C. C. Kerr.

Adjourned till 7:30 p. m.

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Friday Evening, 7:30 o'clock.

Association convened by singing, "Just Over in the Glory Land." Prayers by Rev. L. H. Dodson, H. Y. Morris and A. T. Coleman. Rev. T. V. Shoemaker read a selection of scripture and preached an inspiring sermon from 7th verse, 2nd chapter of Luke, after which prayer was offered by Rev. J. E. Bogard.

Moved that Association proceed with the reports of the different Committees.

Executive Board.

We your Executive Committee beg to make the following report:

A few members only have met at the several Quarterly Fifth Sunday meetings, and at our last meeting we found that it is nearly impossible to engage a Missionary because of the indebtedness of the board; but decided to pay the debt, and come to this meeting out of debt. This we have accomplished and are happy to say that all is paid and no debt on our hands.

Respectfully submitted,

Adopted.

R. H. PARKER.

State Missions.

We, your Committee to make this report, feel that to a great extent the very question of our State work is one of such vital importance to all the Baptists of Arkansas, that we earnestly recommend and pray God to inspire all of our Brethren with a spirit of brotherly love and kindness to the extent that harmony may prevail within our borders. Believing that only in perfect unity and a Christ-like spirit will it be possible for our Baptist hosts to go forward and conquer the State for Christ. So we recommend that not only our churches but each individual look earnestly and prayerfully into the methods of our State work by reading the Baptist Advance and the Arkansas Baptist, and that they ask God to lead us into the light of the truth as it is in Christ our Lord.

A. H. SOEKLAND,
J. K. ELLENBERG.

Adopted as read.

On motion, Bro. A. H. Soekland was elected member of the State Board from Grand Prairie Association.

Education.

Your Committee on Education would report as follows:

We feel the need of placing strong emphasis on the importance of this subject. The prosperity and progress of our churches depend largely upon the enlightenment of the membership. Educated men and women give standing and power to membership. But we should be very careful that our young people should not be educated away from Christian work. Therefore we recommend that parents should be very careful to place their children in Baptist schools and colleges. Let us aid our Baptist schools of this state, not only with our

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patronage but with our money.

Respectfully submitted,

L. H. DODSON,
R. R. OWEN,
J. B. WEBB.

Adopted as read.

Sunday Schools

We, your Committee on Sunday Schools submit the following report:

Of the thirty-three churches in this Association only eleven report a Sunday School; while last year there were seventeen Sunday Schools reported. However of the churches not represented at this Association there are six which last year reported a Sunday School, and if they still have Sunday Schools there are now seventeen out of our thirty-three churches which are enlisted in this work. These Sunday Schools report 627 members, 45 teachers and 25 conversions. This means that less than 33½ per cent of our members are in the Sunday School, and yet more than one-half of this year's baptisms come from the Sunday School. We recommend that those churches having no Sunday Schools organize one at once and that every member of the church not only join the Sunday School, but do what they can to advance its interests.

Respectfully submitted,

R. H. PARKER,
T. V. SHOEMAKER.

Interesting discussions were made on the Sunday School work by Revs. H. Y. Morris, A. T. Coleman, T. V. Shoemaker and Bro. A. H. Soekland. Adopted as read.

Association adjourned till Saturday morning.

Saturday Morning, 9 o'clock.

Convened by singing, "Am I a Soldier of the Cross?" Prayer by A. J. Frost. Report on Temperance read and adopted as follows:

Report on Temperance.

The temperance question with us is understood to be the question of our attitude toward the liquor traffic. The saloon is evil, only evil and that continually. Therefore we cannot show any spirit of friendliness or compromise or even indifference toward it and be blameless. Recognizing the liquor traffic as an instrument of God's greatest enemy and man's most deadly foe, we hereby pledge ourselves to an uncompromizing effort against it in all of its forms.—To this end we recommend that it is our duty first, to educate public sentiment on the subject as a necessary means to this end. Second, that we advocate and support all legislation that looks to the complete suppression of the liquor traffic in our state and nation.

Submitted,

R. H. PARKER,
J. N. BUFFALO.

Discussed by Rev. A. T. Coleman. Adopted.

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Report of Orphans' Home.

Your committee to report on Orphan's Home find some work done and reported and add a word of exhortation.

At last year's Association meeting fourteen churches made pledges to one or both of the Orphans' Homes, amounting in all to \$35. Only three of these churches have reported collections for this cause; but these three and three others together have paid \$167.16, more than four times the total amount pledged.

It is with pleasure and great commendation that we note the above reports. But we regret that eleven of those which pledged have reported nothing done. We would remind the brethren of the combined duty and privilege we have toward these homes. In God's word we are commanded "to show mercy and help the needy." We all appreciate this, but we should rejoice with thanksgiving that our demonination has taken hold of this work of mercy and that it is providing, not only for the physical needs of the fatherless and motherless, but is seeking to make for them an ideal christain home, where God's word is taught and where minds and hearts and hands are trained for the service of God and humanity. It is a joyous privilege to have a part in so noble a work, and we trust that each delinquent pledge shall be made good in the near future and that each church will lay itself out for a more noble part in it by making a generous offering to one or both of the homes.

Respectfully submitted,

J. N. LEE,
A. T. COLEMAN.

Adopted as read.

Treasurer's Report.

To Grand Prairie Association, I hereby submit my report:

To amount from last Association for Ass'n. missions and tent	\$68.87
" " " " " " " " old pledges	42.75
" " " " " " " " collection	20.50
" " " " " " State	1.26
" " " " " " Foreign	4.50
" " " " " " Clerk and minutes	33.38

Total amount received.....\$171.26

By amount paid H. Y. Morris	\$112.48
" " " on Tent	22.50
" " " T. T. Thompson, State and Foreign Mission	5.76
" " " Printing minutes	20.00
" " " Paid clerk	10.00
	<u>\$170.74</u>

To Balance due Association......52

From above will be seen I have paid Bro. Morris and tent	\$134.98
And have received only	<u>\$132.12</u>

leaving balance due me from that fund of.....\$2.86

which I give to Association.

From statement of minutes and clerk fund amt. to	\$33.38
I have paid out	<u>30.00</u>

Leaving balance in my hand from this source of which I here-
with send you.....\$3.38

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Amount due Bro. Morris at close of last Association.....		\$55.57
Amt. received at Board meeting on this amount and paid Bro. Morris.		
H. B. Dudley.....	\$5.00	
W. B. Word.....	2.50	
Rising Sun church.....	1.00	
R. H. Parker.....	5.00	
Big LaGrue.....	2.00	
Bal. left for tent.....	5.95	
Stuttgart.....	14 55	
	<u>\$36 00</u>	<u>\$36.00</u>

Leaving balance due Bro. H. Y. Morris of..... \$19.57
 All of which I Respt. submit.

C. W. FOX, Treasurer.

Adopted.

Finance Report.

We your Committee report the following:

Associational Missions.....	\$32.45
Minutes.....	17.64
Clerk's fee.....	9.22
Old pledge associational missions.....	
State Missions.....	2.50
Foreign Missions.....	
Orphanage.....	<u>7.85</u>
Total sent up.....	69.66
Collection for Bro. Morris.....	19.60
	<u>\$89.26</u>

Above delivered C. W. Fox, Treasurer.

G. W. GARDNER,
 B. K. D. ADAMS,
 J. R. RICKS.

Publications.

We, your Committee on Publications beg leave to submit the following report. We earnestly urge that our members read the bible more. "Search the Scriptures, for in them ye think ye have eternal life." But whereas there are some men who are spending their time in the study of God's word and where- as we get their ideas through the medium of literature, therefore we urge our members to read good, sound literature. We recommend the reading of such papers as the Arkansas Baptist and the Baptist Advance, which are our state papers and should receive our hearty support, As we live in the south, we re- commend the use of the Southern Baptist Convention series of literature in our Sunday Schools.

W. J. JOHNSON,
 ARTHUR MASK,

Discussed by A. H. Shoekland and A. T. Coleman. Adopted.
 Bro. J. G. Harris of Brinkley, Ark., was welcomed to the Asso- ciation.

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Foreign Missions.

We your Committee on Foreign Missions would submit the following report. Up to the present time two churches of this Association have reported a contribution of \$39.18 to this cause. We would remind the brethren and the church that since Foreign Missions are carried on within the limits of the territory specified by our Lord in his last great commission, that they are therefore the obedience to a part of that great commission. They are only a part but are by no means made as important a part as any other missions. We are to love the uttermost ends of the earth as well as we love our next neighbor. We as Baptists aim to stand by the Bible in its entirety as the word of God. Since it teaches of missions we are by our claim, pledged to Foreign Missions. Your committee would therefore urge that each pastor and messenger here present make it his business to see that the Bible doctrine of world-wide missions is preached in every church and community in this Association and that some systematic plan be adopted to secure a contribution from each church and each member. We further urge that we all be much in prayer to God that we may do our duty in this great part of His work, and that he may honor our efforts in this behalf by speedily bringing every nation to the foot of the cross.

Respectfully submitted,

A. J. FROST,
A. T. COLEMAN.

Discussed by Revs. A. T. Coleman, T. V. Shoemaker, D. D. Willis and J. G. Harris. Adopted.

Obituary.

We, your Committee on Obituaries beg to submit the following:

That whereas, there have been twelve (12) deaths within the bounds of this Association since we last convened. Be it resolved, that we extend to the bereaved, our heart-felt sympathy and say to them as did one of old, "That God's grace is sufficient for them in all trials and tribulations."

Respect. submitted,

C. C. KERR,
D. D. WILLIS.

Adopted. The Moderator then called for the churches or messengers to select members of the Executive Board. The following were appointed:

Almyra—
Big LaGrue—B. K. D. Adams
Center Point—J. H. Rounsaville
Cross Roads—B. Robinson
DeWitt—T. C. Wilkerson
DeVall's Bluff—George Westrope
Hazen—H. G. Miller
Harmony—S. W. Carson.
Hebron—Jack Simpson.
Fairmount—J. W. Robinson
Corinth—M. L. Hodges.
Gum Pond—Robt. Woods.
Pleasant Ridge—C. L. Stanley
Ulm—F. E. Linstaedt.
New Bethel—H. W. Birdsong.

New Salem—Ollie Stone.
New Home—A. J. Frost.
New Hope—John Scott.
Oak Grove—J. B. Webb.
Point DeLuce—H. E. Adams.
Prairie Chapel—R. R. Owen.
Roe—J. H. Crutchfield.
Stuttgart—M. D. L. Webb.
Bell View—Henry Turner.
New Zion—Pat Donovan.
Rising Sun—Ben Word
Forks LaGrue—F. Ray.
Sweet Home—R. Jackson.
Macedonia—Gus Holt.

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Bro. A. H. Soekland was appointed by Moderator of Association, as chairman of Executive Board.

Saturday Morning.

The following resolution was offered by Rev. T. V. Shoemaker and discussed by Brethren A. H. Soekland, W. J. Johnson, L. H. Dodson, D. D. Willis, A. T. Coleman and H. W. Birdsong.

Resolved, that it is the sense of this body that we should have an Associational Missionary in the field for full time, therefore we instruct our Executive Board to employ said Missionary and secure the funds from whatever source obtainable.

T. V. SHOEMAKER.

Unanimously adopted. Song, "Oh Happy Day." Adjourned till 2:00 o'clock.

At 11 o'clock Saturday the congregation listened to a very impressive sermon delivered by Rev. J. G. Harris from text, "For I determined not to know anything among you, save Jesus Christ and him crucified." Dismissed by A. T. Coleman.

2:00 o'clock Service.

Association convened by singing "Trusting."

The following resolution was offered and adopted:

Resolved, that we hereafter have an annual report on the Memorial Hospital of Memphis, Tennessee, which is being erected by the Baptists of Arkansas, Tennessee and Mississippi, for the treatment of suffering humanity.

T. V. SHOEMAKER.

Thoroughly discussed by H. Y. Morris, John W. Edwards and T. V. Shoemaker.

Paid by DeWitt Baptist church to Baptist Memorial Hospital during this Associational year, \$89.50.

At 3 o'clock Bro. L. H. Dodson delivered the annual Missionary sermon from Heb. 10th chapter 9th verse, after which the following resolution was offered and adopted;

Resolved, that we instruct the clerk to have the constitution and rules of decorum of this Association printed in this year's minutes.

D. D. WILLIS,
A. T. COLEMAN.

The Clerk was instructed to have 500 copies of the minutes

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printed and distribute them among the differant churches of the Association.

By motion adjourned till 7:30.

Saturday Evening.

Association called to order by Moderator. Prayer by Rev. H. Y. Morris. Moved and carried that we dispense with the reading of the minutes and leave the matter with Moderator and Clerk.

Resolution of thanks was offered and adopted as follows:

Be it resolved, that we extend our heartfelt thanks to Pleasant Ridge church and community for their generous hospitality and kind attention to our comfort while in their midst; and that we pray God's richest blessings upon them in all their undertakings.

Respectfully submitted,

S. W. CARSON,
R. H. PARKER.

At 8 o'clock Rev. A. T. Coleman read several passages of God's word and preached from text, "The Lord God omnipotent reigneth," after which prayer was offered by Rev. J. G. Harris.

By request of Moderator, Bro. H. Y. Morris called for pledges for associational mission work with the following responses.

H. Y. Morris.....	\$5.00	L. E. Buchanan.....	2.50
J. H. Rounsaville.....	5.00	C. L. Stanley.....	1.00
Dr. T. E. D. Birkhead.....	5.00	J. G. Harris, paid.....	1.00
Sister J. H. Pharr.....	5.00	DeWitt church.....	45.00
C. C. Kerr.....	2.50	Stuttgart church.....	50.00
J. N. Buffalo, paid.....	2.50	New Bethel church.....	5.00
M. L. Ferguson.....	2.50	Collection.....	2.86
J. E. Bogard.....	2.50	Total.....	\$139.86
A. J. Frost.....	2.50		

After some remarks were made by several of the Brethren, the congregation engaged in the usual hand shake while singing that grand old matchless hymn, "God be With You till We Meet Again," and the Association adjourned to meet with the Big La-Grue church, 7 miles east of DeWitt, on Friday night before the 3rd Sunday in October, 1911.

H. B. DUDLEY, Moderator.

L. E. BUCHANAN, Clerk.

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Ordained Ministers.

A. J. Frost, Des Arc,
J. H. Bracewell, Almyra,
M. B. Hurt, Morrilton, Okla.
T. V. Shoemaker, DeWitt,
D. D. Willis, Hazen,
A. T. Coleman, Stuttgart,
L. H. Dodson, Hazen.

Jno. R. Davenport, Almyra.
B. F. House, Hazen.
J. D. Fry, DeWitt.
W. J. Johnson, Hazen.
C. C. Kerr, Carlisle.
J. P. Burroughs, Stuttgart.

CONSTITUTION.

Article 1. This body shall be known by the name of the Grand Prairie Baptist Association, and composed of members chosen by the different churches in the union, who, on producing letters, shall be entitled to seats; also the ordained ministers in good standing, retiring moderator and all committees appointed at one session to report the next.

Art. 2. The motto of this Association shall be: "The truth in its purity, preached in every section of our bounds."

Art. 3. The letters from the churches must state the number of members baptized, received by letter, restored, dismissed by letter, excluded, the name and postoffice of pastor and clerk.

Art. 4. The members thus chosen and convened, shall have no power to infringe on any of the rights of the churches, but may act as an advisory council for the common good of all the churches and advancement of the Redeemer's Kingdom, and have power to exclude any church from her fellowship which may depart from the gospel of Christ, either in faith or practice.

Art. 5. Every church composing this Association shall be entitled to three delegates.

Art. 6. Should any church fail to represent herself for two consecutive years, she may be dropped from the list of churches, should a satisfactory reason not be given.

Art. 7. New church may be admitted into this body who petition by letter and delegates, if found to be sound in faith and in good order, the reception to be manifested by the moderator giving the right hand of fellowship to the messengers.

Art. 8. This Association shall annually elect a moderator from among themselves whose duty it shall be to see that the Rules of Decorum are observ-

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ed, and take the voice of the Association on all questions properly brought before it; also, a vice Moderator, and a Clerk, whose duty it shall be to keep a correct record of all the business of the Association; also, a treasurer, to receive and disburse the funds sent up to the Association, as directed by the body, or churches sending the same

Art. 9. It shall be the duty of the Clerk of this Association to retain on the Minutes the names of all churches admitted to membership, until such are dropped by action of the Association; and in cases of non representation, it shall be his duty to write: "Not represented" in the proper place opposite their names in the statistical table.

Art. 10. This Association shall in all cases be governed by a majority of the members present, except in the reception and dismissal of a church, which shall be unanimous.

Art. 11. This Association may correspond with other Associations and Conventions as may be agreed upon while in session.

Art. 12. It shall be the duty of the Association to appoint a minister to preach an Introductory sermon, with an alternate; also one, with an alternate to preach a Missionary sermon at each succeeding session; and to fix the time and place for the next meeting of the body.

Art. 13. The Moderator shall appoint, at each annual session, an Executive board, consisting of at least one member from each church whose duty it shall be to elect and employ a Missionary or Missionaries, in our bounds; to solicit and collect money, or issue orders on the Treasurer of the Association to pay the same, which orders the Treasurer is hereby authorized to pay out of any money that he may have for this purpose; also to change, during vacation, the time or place, or both, for next meeting of the Association, whenever in the providence of God, it may be necessary. The officers of the Association shall be considered members of the board.

Art. 14. This Constitution may be altered or amended at any time, by a two-third vote of the members present, except that clause in the fourth article which prohibits interference with the internal rights of the churches; which shall forever remain in tact.

Art. 15. The Minutes shall be signed by the Moderator and clerk.

RULES OF DECORUM.

Art. 1. The Association shall be opened by singing and prayer.

Art. 2. The Moderator, vice-Moderator, Clerk and Treasurer shall be elected by ballot by the members present.

Art. 3. The Moderator shall be considered the judge of order, but any

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member not satisfied with his decision may appeal to the body.

Art. 4. The moderator shall be entitled to the privilege of speaking as other members, but not to vote, unless it is a tie.

Art. 5. All questions shall be introduced by motion, and if seconded, shall be open for discussion, unless withdrawn by the mover or his second. When a subject has been discussed a reasonable time, the Moderator shall, when the question is called for, proceed to take it by calling for the yeas and nays, and if a call for a division is made, he shall call for a standing vote.

Art. 6. Any member wishing to speak, shall rise and address the Moderator. Only one shall speak at the same time, and shall not be interrupted while speaking, unless he depart from the subject or make personal reflections.

Art. 7. No person shall speak more than once upon any subject, until all who wish to speak have had an opportunity, nor more than twice without permission.

Art. 8. Every subject introduced for discussion shall be decided before another is offered, unless it be laid over by motion, with the consent of the mover and the Association.

Art. 9. The names of Messengers shall be called whenever the Association shall direct, and absentees marked. Any member wishing to retire shall obtain permission from the Moderator.

Art. 10. The appellation of "brother" shall be used in addressing each other.

Art. 11. Any member violating the rules, shall be subject to reproof by the Moderator.

Art. 12. Amendments or alterations may be made to these rules when a majority may deem it necessary.

Art. 13. Any case coming before the Association not provided for in these rules shall be governed by general parliamentary rules.

S T A T I S T I C A L T A B L E

NAMES OF CHURCHES	IN- CREASE		DE- CREASE		Total Membership	Sunday Schools	Minutes and Clerk's Fees	Pastor's Salary	Associational Missions	State Missions	Home Missions	Foreign Missions	Value of Church Property	Orphans' Home	Women's Work	S. S. and B. Y. P. U. Work	NAMES OF PASTORS AND P. O. ADDRESS		NAMES OF CLERKS AND P. O. ADDRESS		
	By Baptism	By Letter	By Restored	By Letter													By Expulsion	By Death			
Almyra	2	3	3	1	39	1	\$1.75	\$125.00						\$32.50		\$18.00	J. H. Bracewell	Almyra	Mrs. Bessie Gere	Almyra	
Big LaGrue	3	1	3	2	65	1	2.00	92.50	\$2.70				\$700			4.00		Mrs. Lee Woods	Van		
Bellview					*43																
Center Point	16	7	1	4	2	126	1	1.90	5.00				600				W. J. Johnson	Hazen	Miss Lizzie Rounsaville	Hazen	
East Roads	1	1	1		53		1.00		3.00				500	3.35				Sam Stone	Hickory Plains		
Carinth					*43																
Crooked Creek					*38																
DeWitt	20	17		7	1	128	1	2.61	628.24	29.00	\$165.00	\$7.50	\$17.50	3000	31.50	\$231.82	84	63	T. V. Shoemaker	DeWitt	
DeVall's Bluff					*120																
Edgemount					*11																
Edna LaGrue					*59																
Edna Woods					*22																
Hazen	1	3	1	2	134	1	1.00	160.33	2.50	10.00	6.95		1200	30.65	25.00	41.64		R. H. Hazen	Hazen		
Harmony	7			3	47	1	1.00		3.00								W. J. Johnson	Hazen	S. W. Carson	Carlisle	
Hebron					*48																
Hill Bayou					*20																
Macedonia	2				33		1.50	30.60										L. H. Dodson	Hazen		
New Bethel	5	1	10	2	25	1	.50	25.00					300	2.00		4.00	J. E. Bogard	Hazen	Geo. Gerrier	Carlisle	
New Salem	4	2	1	3	29		1.00	32.00								8.00	L. H. Dodson	Hazen	Minnie Stone	Casscoe	
New Hope		6	2		61		1.60										J. R. Davenport	Almyra	Emma Walters	Almyra	
New Home					38		1.00										C. C. Kerr	Carlisle	L. F. Harrison	Des Arc	
New Zion					*44														J. H. Benson	Carlisle	
Oak Grove	1	1	9		60		1.00										C. C. Kerr	Carlisle	R. R. Owens	Hazen	
Prairie Chapel		3	2		18		1.25										B. F. House	Hazen	Mrs. L. E. Thomas	Gillett	
Prairie Grove					21	1	1.00	40.00					35			5.00			J. R. Ricks	Carlisle	
Prairie Ridge	1		8		47	1	.60	50.00	.50				1000			5.00	J. E. Bogard	Hazen	Eula Moncrief	DeWitt	
St. DeLuce					63		1.00						600								
Staring Sun	2	2	1	1	68	1	.65		1.75					.50			J. H. Bracewell	Almyra	W. B. Word	Crockett's Bluff	
Stuttgart					*138																
Stuttgart	2	9	4	1	145	1	5.00	401.60	19.55		41.73	21.68	1200	72.16	223.65	305	75	A. T. Coleman	Stuttgart	W. J. Stillwell	Stuttgart
St. Charles					*41																
West Home			3		25		.50										L. H. Dodson	Hazen	W. A. Jones	Hazen	
Union					*11																
Total	64	51	442	24	12	1753	11	\$27.86	\$1585.27	\$67.00	\$175.00	\$56.18	\$39.18	\$9135	\$242.16	\$480.47	\$476.02				