

# MINUTES

Of the Fifty-Ninth Annual Session of the Liberty  
Baptist Association, Held With the El Dorado  
Church, El Dorado, Ark., Sept. 24,  
25, 26, 1904.



THE NEXT SESSION WILL BE HELD WITH THE CHURCH  
AT THREE CREEKS, UNION COUNTY, ARK., BEGINNING  
SATURDAY, BEFORE THE FOURTH SUNDAY IN SEPTEMBER,  
1905. AT 10 A M.    ❧   ❧   ❧   ❧   ❧



## INTRODUCTORY SERMON:

W. S. YOUNG, Elliott,

C. P. KINARD, Tubal.

## OFFICERS:

B. W. Reeves, Moderator, El Dorado, Ark.  
W. F. Dorris, Clerk, Camden, Ark.  
R. A. Faulkner, Treasurer, El Dorado, Ark.



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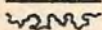
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# ElDorado Baptist Church,

ELDORADO, ARKANSAS.

September 24, 1904.

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## PROCEEDINGS.

The Liberty Baptist Association convened in its Fifty-ninth Annual Session with the El Dorado Church September 24, 1904.

At 10 a. m. the Association engaged in devotional services led by W. S. Young. Several brethren made helpful talks, giving encouraging reports from their fields of labor.

The annual sermon was preached by W. F. Dorris from the following passages:—Hab. 2-15; Is. 33:17; 35:10 and Psalm 126:5, 6.

Adjourning till 2. p. m. Benediction by J. P. Crawford.

## AFTERNOON SESSION.

The Association assembled at the appointed time. N. B. Graves led the devotional service. The clerk called the body to order, and B. W. Reeves was chosen temporary Moderator.

J. T. Hawkins, O. J. Wade and M. P. Muse were appointed to read letters from the churches. Following is a list together with their messengers:

*Camden*—J. R. Rogers, M. C. Williams.

*Cane Creek*—J. L. Torrence, Lawrence Griffin.

*Center Point*—W. G. Simmons, Eugene Duke.

*Champagnolle*—James Armoure, Geo. B. Armoure, O. P. Cravy.

*Ebenezer*—J. R. Leverite, J. A. J. Harrell, J. E. Haney, J. E. Hampton.

*Elliott*—B. F. Rogers, John Jeffus, W. S. Young, L. Mathews.

*Eldorado*—O. J. Wade R. A. Faulkner, B. W. Reeves,  
E. W. Culp, J. P. Kelly, H. W. Goodwin.

*Green Grove*—Jesse Frisby, H. N. Frisby, C. S.  
Wooten.

*Hillsboro*—R. D. Newton, W. T. Hudson, W. R. Mc-  
Math.

*Hopewell No 1*—W. E. Mason, T. T. Shepherd, J. W.  
Hudson.

*Hopewell No. 3*—Tom Hicks, John Creamer.

*Holly Grove*—J. C. Meadows, E. H. Jones.

*Junction City*—N. B. Graves, M. P. Muse, W. A.  
Moore, J. R. Bishop, G. W. Mason.

*Liberty*—R. C. Dummers, Ed. Axum.

*Lisbon*—J. P. Crawford, B. Harrell.

*Lonoke*—L. O. Parks, J. D. Holloway.

*Midway*—W. M. Deason, L. N. Davidson.

*Mt. Hope*—W. D. Brakefield, C. W. Loventhall.

*Mt. Moriah*—J. M. Lyons.

*Mt. Olive*—M. A. Harper.

*Mt. Pleasant*.—Not represented.

*New London*—T. K. Moore.

*New Hope*—C. P. Kinard, Ollie Harper.

*Norphlet*—L. R. Young, N. G. Murphy.

*Philadelphia*—A. Stegall, J. H. Lee. Ed. Willoughby.

*Pleasant Grove*—A. C. Martindale, J. E. Martindale,  
J. E. Ogden.

*Salem*—J. T. Hawkins, W. T. Jemeson, James  
Lewis.

*Spring Hill*—Not represented.

*Three Creeks*—J. D. Crawford, A. C. Jones, John  
John Welch

*Union*—J. L. Pumphrey, D. F. Jackson, G. L. Graves

*Victoria*—I. M. Wheelis, Sr., T. M. Davis, J. S. Gray.

*Zion Hill*—W. D. Ward, H. F. Daniel, C. F. Harrison.

#### ORGANIZATION.

The Moderator announced that the Association was

ready to be organized into its Fifty-ninth Annual Session. B. W. Reeves was elected Moderator by unanimous vote; W. F. Dorris re-elected clerk; and R. A. Faulkner treasurer. The Moderator made a few appropriate remarks thanking the Association for the honor conferred upon him.

The order of business as appears in minutes of 1903 was made the order for this session.

Upon a call for Petitionary Letters the following churches were received and the hand of fellowship was extended by the Moderator to the messengers, in behalf of the Association:

*Antioch*—Frank Smith, John Parker.

*Upland*—S. W. Cobb, F. E. Morgan.

The following visitors were enrolled and invited to seats: Thomas K. Postell, Texas; A. J. Barton, Field Secretary Home Mission Board, Little Rock, Ark.; R. E. Sutton, our Missionary Colporter, was welcomed among us.

There was no response to a call for correspondence.

The Pastor and deacons of ElDorado church with F. E. Morgan, B. F. Rogers and W. A. Moore, were appointed a committee on Divine service, which, after a short conference, made the following report:

N. B. Graves to preach in the Baptist church at 7:30 p. m. Sunday:

11:00 a. m.—A. J. Barton at Baptist church.

W. F. Dorris at M. E. church, South.

W. S. Young at Presbyterian church.

3:00 p. m.—A. J. Barton to negroes.

7:30 p. m.—Thos. K. Postell at Baptist church.

J. P. Crawford at M. E. church, South.

R. E. Sutton at Presbyterian church.

The Association adjourned to 7:30 p. m.

Benediction, Thos. K. Postell.

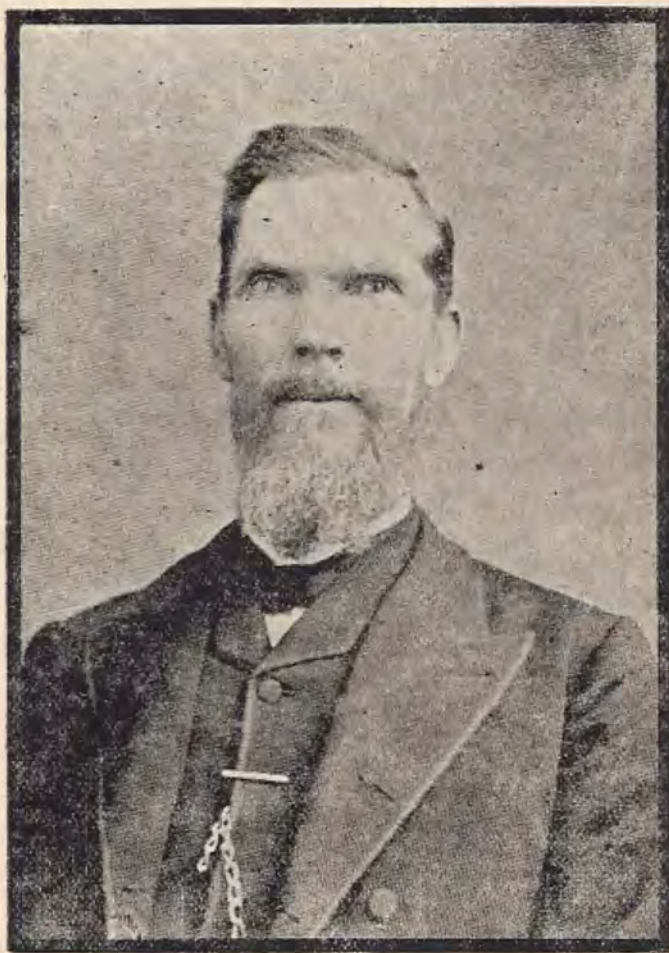
#### EVENING SESSION.

After the sermon preached by N. B. Graves, the Moderator called the Association to order, and the clerk announced the following committees:



1. State and Associational Missions—W. S. Young, R. A. Faulkner, G. W. Mason.
2. Home and Foreign Missions—O. J. Wade, W. D. Barkerfield, T. K. Moore.
3. Education—N. B. Graves, B. B. Hawkins, M. A. Harper.
4. Publications.—O. J. Wade, E. L. McGraw, A. C. Martindale.
5. Temperance—J. D. Crawford. R. C. Summers, Nat Lewis.
6. Sunday Schools and Colportage—F. E. Morgan, C. P. Kinard, J. H. Lee.
7. Orphan's Home—J. P. Crawford, S. W. Cobb, V. T. Jameson.
8. Nominations—J. T. Hawkins, I. M. Wheelis, Sr., T. T. Shepherd, M. C. Williams, A. C. Jones, D. F. Jackson, M. P. Muse.
9. Obituaries—B. F. Rogers, J. W. Hudson, T. M. Bates.
10. Finance—H. W. Goodwin, W. A. Moore.
11. Ministerial Relief—W. G. Simmons, John Jeffus, James Armour.





H. T. HAWKINS.

## IN LOVING MEMORY.

THE FOLLOWING RESOLUTIONS WERE READ AND UNANIMOUSLY ADOPTED:

DEAR BRETHREN:

It is befitting that we as a body give expression to our grief and sorrow over the loss of our honored and loved Moderator, Hon. H. T. Hawkins, who was summoned to his reward and glorious rest with his Lord, Nov. 26, 1903.

With bowed heads and heavy hearts we can only say, "God's will be done." We can say with David as he mourned the loss of Abner, "A Prince and a great man has fallen in Israel."

He was born in Chambers county, Alabama, Nov. 13, 1843; professed faith in Christ and joined the Salem Baptist church in 1859, of which he lived a useful and exemplary member until God called him home.

He attended the academy at Mt. Holly, Ark., and the college at Mt. Lebanon, La., and from these institutions he received a liberal education which he used for the benefit of his country and for the glory of his God. When the call was made for men to go to the front and fight for the principles so dear to every Southern heart, his noble manhood was stirred with patriotism and he left Mt. Lebanon college and laid his life on the altar of his country. He joined the "Memphis Appeal Battery," commanded by Captain Scott, and ranked as Second Lieutenant. His deportment as a Christian was of the highest type as he passed through the crucial tests of war. He was dismissed from service June 22, 1865, at Camden, Ark., and returned to his home to serve his people and his God.

He served his county, Columbia, as Representative in the Lower House in the sessions of 1881, 1885, 1889; and in 1891, 1893 he served as Senatorial Representative from the district composed of Columbia, Miller and Lafayette counties. Loved, trusted, honored by his constituency, he gave his best powers in their service, and thus honored those in whose confidence he reposed.

It was in the Legislative Halls of his State that he acquired such knowledge and proficiency in parliamentary law. Few men possessed the grace, dignity and power to preside over deliberative bodies, equal to H. T. Hawkins. For many years Liberty Association honored herself by choosing him Moderator, and it is needless to say he was always adequate to the needs of the hour.

He was married to Miss Augusta Patterson, Nov. 26, 1868—and received his summons to the "Marriage feast of the Lamb" just thirty-five years, to the hour, from the date of his marriage. His sorrowing companion and several children and relatives mourn his loss. We commend to them the grace of God which is their only source of help and relief, and we ask them to emulate his noble example of Christian worth.

Liberty Association sustains in his departure a loss hard to fill. We are confronted with the serious question, "On whose shoulders shall his mantle fall?" To every member of Liberty Association we commend his noble worth, as a man, patriot, soldier, public servant of state, and servant of Jesus Christ, as an example worthy of emulation.

Resolved: That this obituary be published in our minutes; that his photograph be placed on the opposite page in token of our love and esteem to his memory; and that a copy of these minutes be sent to his sorrowing companion and to each of his surviving children.

W. F. DORRIS  
O. J. WADE.

Adjourned to 3 p. m. Sunday to consider the report on Sunday Schools and Colportage.

Benediction, W. G. Simmons.

#### SUNDAY—SECOND DAY.

Profitable services were held at all the places of appointment. Bro. Sutton's appointment at the Presbyterian church was called in, owing to the small congregation assembling at night.

#### AFTERNOON SESSION.

At 3:00 p. m. the Association assembled to consider the Sunday School and Colportage report.

#### SUNDAY SCHOOL AND COLPORTAGE.

"We state with pleasure that there has been a growth in the number of Sunday Schools; an increase in enrollment and also an increase in the average attendance. Bro. Sutton reports the organization of seven new schools since he begun work in May. He reports a liberal distribution of books, Bibles and Testaments among the people visited.

Inasmuch as the Colportage work is in its infancy we are not in position to speak with much emphasis, but nevertheless we feel much encouraged and therefore recommend the continuance of the same, and that it be pushed with vigor and determination to the end that each church have a Sunday School by which Christ may be preached in every home, and His name honored in every household."

F. E. MORGAN, Chairman,

After discussion the report was adopted.

Adjourned till Monday, 8 a. m.

F. E. Morgan pronounced the Benediction.

#### MONDAY—MORNING SESSION.

At 8:20 a. m. the Association was called to order. B. W. Reeves, Moderator, read Rom., 6 chap. Prayer by C.



P. Kinard. Minutes of the preceding sessions read, corrected and approved.

The regular order of business was suspended to consider the Report on Nominations.

#### NOMINATIONS.

We recommend the next session of Liberty Association be held with the church at Three Creeks, Saturday before the fourth Sunday in Sept., 1905, at 10 a. m.

W. S. Young, annual sermon; C. P. Kinard, alternate. W. F. Dorris, messenger to Southern Baptist Convention in May, 1905; O. J. Wade alternate. R. A. Faulkner, member of State Board.

Executive Board of this Association: O. J. Wade, A. F. Riley, A. C. Jones, W. F. Dorris, J. T. Hawkins.

Respectfully,

J. T. HAWKINS, Chairman.

#### HOME AND FOREIGN MISSIONS.

The glorious blessings that have crowned the efforts of our Home and Foreign Mission Board have fully vindicated the wisdom of our fathers in organizing these agencies for the spread of the Gospel. It is needless to attempt to itemize results. Statistics could not do this should the attempt be made. The effort of the Home Board is to reach the waste places throughout the South, such as may be found in all our large cities and on our frontiers, to assist the various State Boards in this our work, to establish high schools in the mountain regions of the various states, and also to preach the Gospel to the great army of colored people throughout the South.

The reports of the Foreign Mission Board are an inspiration. The last report to the Southern Baptist Convention showed 2076 baptisms and nearly \$250,000.00 in receipts. This year Southern Baptists are asked to increase this offering by twenty-five per cent. The Board wishes to send out this year fifty new missionaries. We already have 170 on the foreign field besides 250 native workers.

Brethren, let us be Missionary Baptists. We pastors have not done our whole duty in this most pressing obligation. With the world before us, and with our unlimited resources, what great things we may do in our Master's name! Let us pray that the spirit of complete consecration come upon our pastors and our churches. And let constant intercession be made that the Lord may send more laborers into His harvest.

Respectfully submitted

O. J. WADE, Chairman.

Discussed and adopted.

#### STATE AND ASSOCIATIONAL MISSIONS.

The greatest problem that confronts the Baptists of Arkansas to-day is our State Missions. Many and varied are our industries. Our resources are unbounded. New enterprises, new railways, new towns are being rapidly built. This material growth demands a greater spiritual growth. If Baptist churches grow up with these new towns we must have more missionaries in the field and more money for these increased demands

We as Baptists have the Gospel in its purity and simplicity. We should feel it our duty and most exalted privilege to carry it to every part of the State. Still many places are totally destitute of this Gospel. More consecration, more workers, more giving must be done or we, as a denomination, will lose grounds.

We are grateful to our brethren and to our God for the increased interest as shown during the past year in money expended, churches built, Sunday schools organized, and the numbers saved. This should encourage us to put forth greater efforts. We must not relax our energies, for a great field is already opened to us, and we must possess it.

We note with satisfaction the following results accomplished through the co-operative efforts of our State Board.

Money raised and expended on the Field, \$24,245.08.

Missionaries employed . . . . . 51.



Places supplied . . . . .	110.
Conversions . . . . .	1,243.
Accessions . . . . .	1,300.
Churches organized . . . . .	11.
Meeting houses built . . . . .	7.
Sunday schools organized . . . . .	27.

The work of Brother R. E. Sutton is quite encouraging and we heartily endorse him as a zealous and consecrated worker in a new field of usefulness to us. His efforts have been crowned with great success for the Lord. We recommend that this work of Associational Missionary and Colportage be continued by the Executive Board in conjunction with the State Sunday School Board.

W. S. YOUNG, Chairman.

Discussed and adopted.

The following collection was taken to pay R. E. Sutton for his services as Missionary Colporter:

B. W. Reeves, .....	\$ 5 00
J. T. Hawkins, paid, .....	2 50
El Dorado Church .....	5 00
Junction City Church, by Muse, paid, .....	5 00
El Dorado, S. S., .....	5 00
G. W. Mason .....	1 90
B. B. Hawkins, paid, .....	1 00
A. C. J., paid, .....	1 00
J. D. Holloway, paid, .....	1 00
C. A. Hawkins, paid, .....	1 00
W. A. Moore, paid, .....	1 00
Miss Lizzie Hawkins, paid, .....	1 00
Mrs. Thompson, paid, .....	50
Three Creeks, paid, .....	4 00
Elliott Church, B. F. R., paid, .....	2 50
Philadelphia S. S., paid, .....	1 00
R. E. Sutton, paid, .....	1 00
J. P. Crawford, paid, .....	1 00
Mrs. A. Feniken, paid, .....	2 00
Camden Church, J. R. Rogers, paid, .....	5 00
W. D. Brakefield, paid, .....	1 00



E. B. Duke, paid,	1 00
Prof. J. S. Green. paid.	1 00
M. C. Williams, paid,	1 00
C. P. Kinard, paid,	1 00
T. T. Jones, paid,	1 00
J J. Craig, paid,	1 00
Nat Lewis, paid,	1 00
Upland Church, S. W. C., paid.	2 50
General Collection, paid,	4 85
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	\$61 85

Adjourned to 1:30 p. m.

Doxology, "Praise God from Whom all Blessings Flow."

Benediction by A. J. Barton.

At 2 p. m. the Association was called to order by the Moderator. N. B. Graves led in prayer. Regular program of business resumed.

#### EDUCATION.

Your Committee on Schools and Colleges rejoice in the continued growth and prosperity of the cause of Baptist Education in our State. We do not have to go back two decades to reach a period when there was not a Baptist College or High School in the State. At the present time we have a splendid system of schools and colleges known as the Ouachita-Central System. At the head of this system we have Ouachita College for boys and girls and Central for girls. Affiliated with these schools we have a number of Baptist Academies. Besides these, there are numerous other Baptist Academies owned and operated by District Associations. Each year there is an average attendance of two or three thousand pupils in these Baptist Schools. There is scarcely a Baptist boy or girl in the State but that has one or more of these schools within easy reach.

We would urge the Churches and Pastors in our

own Association to give unfailing and hearty support to these Baptist Institutions which are centers of intellectual culture and also of spiritual power.

N. B. GRAVES, Chairman.

Discussed and adopted.

The following churches made pledges for Ministerial Education, Ouachita College to be paid at the earliest convenience, in this college year.

Camden Church, W. F. Dorris,.....	\$ 25 00
Champagnolle Church, James Armour, ....	2 50
Elliott Church, W. S. Young .....	10 00
El Dorado Church, O. J. Wade,.....	100 00
Hillsboro Church, J. P. Crawford,.....	5 00
Hopewell No. 1, Dr. Jas. Shepherd .....	5 00
Mt. Hope Church, .....	5 00
C. L. Stocks Norphlet .....	1 00
Philadelphia S. S. and Church, J. H. Lee.	5 00
M. A. Harper .....	1 00
Salem Church, B. B. Hawkins, .....	5 00
Three Creeks Church, A. C. Jones, .....	5 00
Union Church, D. F. Jackson, .....	5 00
Victoria Church, T. M. Davis, .....	5 00
Zion Hill Church, W. D. Ward,.....	3 00
Junction City Church, W. A. Moore, .....	20 00
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Total, .....	\$202 50

#### PUBLICATIONS.

It should be needless to emphasize the value of the patient study of God's word. In it is revealed the course of true conduct, the purpose of God in the life of man, and above all, the person who is the Way, the Truth and the Life. Not only do we commend the Book of books, but let this be said with all possible emphasis, that we should be slow to read any publication that is out of harmony with the spirit, purpose and teaching of the inspired word. It were better to be ignorant of some books than to know



them, to be ignorant of some papers than to read them.

Concerning the denominational paper, we may say that it is here, and here to stay. It is a necessity. The influence of such a paper for good or evil cannot be measured. Its spirit and purpose become in a large measure the spirit and purpose of him who reads it. The editor of a paper moulds public opinion; before God he should see that that opinion is right.

Among our publications we would commend our Home Field and Foreign Mission Journal. Every pastor should read them, and urge his people to subscribe for them. Of course we would recommend the publications of our own Sunday School Board. They are sound in doctrine and excellent in every feature. As Southern Baptists we should take particular pride in the excellency of our own Sunday School publications. Respectfully submitted,

O. J. WADE,  
Chairman.

The report was adopted after discussion.

#### TEMPERANCE.

We are glad to report a growing sentiment in our State in favor of Temperance and Prohibition. At our last election the returns show an increase of counties in the "dry column." We are pleased to note that the officers of our county (Union) are putting forth every effort to enforce the law against "blind tigers" and other violators of the Temperance laws.

We earnestly beg that the entire Baptist brotherhood and lovers of Temperance lend them a helping hand, and never cease their efforts against the license system until the blighting curse of the rum traffic be driven from our homes and country

J. D. CRAWFORD,  
Chairman.

After an enthusiastic discussion the report was unanimously adopted.



# ORPHAN'S HOME.

Our Home for Orphan's at Monticello commends itself to every Baptist in the State. Its just claims and imperative needs demand our prayers, sympathy and means. God has said he will be a "Father to the fatherless." How fitting that His churches should take the place of mother to these little ones bereft of their natural parents. There are about sixty-five of these objects of our tender love and care in the Home, depending upon the Baptists of the State for support. We recommend that our Pastors and Sunday School Superintendents give their churches and schools more frequent opportunities to contribute for their support.

J. P. CRAWFORD, Chairman.

The following pledges were taken for the Orphans' Home to be paid during the Associational year:

Camden,	\$ 50 00
Champagnolle,	2 50
Ebenezer,	2 50
Elliott,	20 00
El Dorado,	100 00
Hopewell No. 1	2 50
Lisbon,	5 00
Midway,	5 00
New Hope,	5 00
Mt. Hope	5 00
Philadelphia,	2 50
Mt. Olive,	2 50
Salem,	10 00
Hillsboro,	5 00
Liberty,..	5 00
New London,	5 00
Three Creeks,	5 00
Union,	5 00
Victoria,	5 00
Zion Hill, H. F. Daniel,	1 00
<b>Total,</b>	<b>\$243 50</b>

## Obituaries.

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IN LOVING MEMORY TO OUR DEPARTED  
LOVED ONES.

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CENTER POINT:—Sisters Brady and Loventhall.

EL DORADO:—J. I. Nelms, W. J. Taylor, J. H.  
Goode, R. A. Burgess, Mrs. Dunn and  
Ruby Murphy.

HOLLY GROVE:—Sister M. J. Griffith.

GREEN GROVE:—Edward Frisby.

HOPEWELL No. 1:—Percy Tatum, Chas.  
Creamer, Lewis Powell, B. F. Daniel.

JUNCTION CITY:—Sisters Langston and Hester.

LISBON:—J. M. Duke, R. Poindexter, and  
Sister Hattie Robertson.

MIDWAY:—Sister Lucy Mason.

SALEM:—Moderator H. T. Hawkins.

THREE CREEKS:—Sister McCloud and  
Frank Jones.

ZION HILL:—Deacon Edward Ward.

B. F. ROGERS, Chairman

## MINISTERIAL RELIEF.

Our worn out and indigent Ministers need our sympathy, prayers and substantial help. It is no less true that their widows appeal to our sympathy. Having labored to advance the Kingdom of our Redeemer, suffering the hardships incident to pioneer work in missions, it is our duty who have entered into their labors to make their declining years happy by ministering to them of our substance.

We appeal to this Association and to the Baptists of the State to remember these old soldiers of the Cross, and their noble companions, who kept the home while their husbands fought the battles of the Lord against sin and Satan.

We recommend that the churches of this Association report to our Committee those of our ministers who are in need, whether aged or young, and that this Committee stir up the churches in their behalf. We further recommend that our churches take quarterly collections for the Ministerial Relief Fund.

W. G. SIMMONS, Chairman.

At this point a brother reported the continued illness of Bro. C. P. McGraw, a beloved minister in our bounds. A collection was taken for him which with \$2.48 appropriated from the treasury of the Association, amounted to \$12.88. The Association was led in prayer for his speedy recovery by W. F. Dorris.



# TREASURER'S REPORT.

To cash on hand (Sept. 1903.) last report	\$ 2 45
“ “ at Association, Sept. 1903	172 70
Total,	<u>\$185 15</u>

Oct. 17, By cash to W. F Dor-	
ris, minutes, etc.	\$55 80
Nov. 9, By cash, State Mis-	
sions, J. F. Love,	51 44
Nov. 9. By cash to Orphans'	
Home, Dr. Gardner,	55 46
Nov. 12, By cash to Home	
Missions, J. F. Love	5 62
Nov. 12, By cash, to Foreign	
Missions, J. F. Love	3 15
Nov. 12, By cash to S. S. and	
Colportage	8 70
Nov. 12, By cash, to minister-	
ial Education	1 00
Nov. 12, By cash, to Min. Re-	
lief	50
Nov. 12, By cash, to Bro. C.	
P. McGraw,	2 48

\$185 15

B. W. REEVES, Treasurer.

## FINANCE REPORT.

Minute Fund	\$59 70
State Missions	15 95
Home “	17 25
Foreign “	2 00
S. S. and Colportage	58 35
Orphans' Home	49 75

Total \$203 00

H. W. GOODWIN.

W. A. MOORE.

By motion the Clerk was allowed \$20.00 for his services and instructed to have minutes printed at the lowest price. good quality of printing, paper and work considered.

Resolved, That the sincere thanks of the Association be extended to the church and citizens of El Dorado for their abundant hospitality; and also to the M. E. Church. South, and to the Presbyterian church for the use of their houses of worship.

Unanimously adopted.

The Association then adjourned to meet with the Three Creeks church Saturday before the fourth Sunday in Sept., 1905, at 10 a. m. "Sweet By and By" was sung and the brethren gave each other the parting hand with a prayer for God's benediction upon each other till we meet again.

Benediction by the clerk.

B. W. REEVES, Moderator.

W. F. DORRIS, Clerk.

#### ORDAINED MINISTERS.

Bates, T. M.,	Juno,	Ark.
Bishop, J. R.,	Junction City,	"
Burns, Van,	Sandy Bend,	"
Burnside, L. B.,	New London,	"
Crawford, J. D.,	Three Creeks,	"
Crawford, J. P.,	Lisbon,	"
Dorris, W. F.,	Camden,	"
Feazell, W. J ,	Junction City,	"
Graves, N. B.	Junction, City,	"
Green, B. C.,	Wilmington,	"
Harper, M. A.,	El Dorado,	"
Hudson, J. W.,	Wesson,	"
Kinard, C. P.,	Tubal,	"
McGraw, C P.,	Tubal,	"
Newson, J. W.,	El Dorado,	"
Powell, B. F.,	Smackover,	"
Sawyer, D. K.	Blanchard Springs,	"

Simmons, W. G.,	Sandy Bend,	Ark.
Wade, O. J.,	El Dorado,	"
Young, W. S.,	Elliott,	"

#### LICENTIATES.

Hampton, J. E.,	El Dorado,	Ark.
Morgan, F. E.,	Caledonia,	"
Oliver, D. M.,	Lisbon,	"
Parker, W. S.,	Three Creeks,	"
Predy, G. W.,	Elliott,	"

Condensed report of R. E. Sutton, Missionary and Colporter for Liberty Association from May 1st., to Sept. 24, 1904.

No. of meetings held with churches	6.
No. of baptisms	20.
No. of Sunday Schools organized	7.
No. of Bibles and Testaments distributed	240.
Amount received from sale of same	\$198 65.
" donated by Colporter	45 10.
No. religious books sold	390.
Amount received for same	\$163 10.
" collected on field	\$112 03.
Miles traveled	1020.
Religious visits	529.
Sermons	89.
Addresses	43.



### STATISTICAL TABLE.

### FINANCIAL STATEMENT.

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# PASTORS, CLERKS AND THEIR POSTOFFICES.

CHURCHES.	PASTORS.	POST OFFICES	CLERKS.	POST OFFICES
Antioch .....	J. H. Gathright..	Oakland, La. ....	H. G. Smith...	New London, Ark
Camden .....	W. F. Dorris .....	Camden, Ark. ....	S. B. Lide.....	Camden
Cane Creek.....	L. B. Burnside...	New London, ....	W. M. Ethridge	Hillsboro
Center Point .....	Van Burns .....	Sandy Bend. ....	W. J. Harrison	Sandy Bend
Campagnolle .....	T. M. Bates .....	Juno. ....	G. B. Armour..	Champagnolle
Ebenezer .....	C. P. Kinard .....	Tubal. ....	H. H. Leveritte	El Dorado
El Dorado .....	O. J. Wade .....	El Dorado. ....	H. W. Goodwin	El Dorado
Elliott .....	W. S. Young .....	Elliott. ....	B. F. Rogers....	Elliott
Green Grove.....	J. H. Gathright..	Oakland, La. ...	S. P. Gathright	New London
Hillsboro .....	J. P. Crawford...	Lisbon, Ark. ..	C. W. Dearing	Hillsboro
Hopewell No. 1. ...	J. W. Hudson....	Wesson .....	T. T. Shepherd	Three Creeks
Hopewell No. 3. ...	C. P. Kinard .....	Tubal .....	J. P. Neely ..	Smackover
Holly Grove .....	C. P. McGraw ....	Tubal .....	W. L. Reynold	Attaway
Junction City....	N. B. Graves. ....	Junction City ...	W. A. Moore ..	Junction City
Lisbon. ....	J. P. Crawford..	Lisbon .....	S. A. McCarty..	Lisbon
Lonoke .....			D. A. Crawford	Lisbon
Midway .....	J. P. Crawford...	Lisbon .....	J. H. Scarbough	Shuler
Mt. Hope .....	J. D. Crawford...	Three Creeks....	S. T. Cobb. ....	Wesson
Mt. Moriah .....	B. F. Tubb .....		J. M. Lyons....	Blanchard Spgs
Mt. Olive .....	A. Henson.....	El Dorado.....	M. A. Harper ..	El Dorado
New Hope .....	C. P. McGraw ....	Tubal.....	J. G. Adams....	Tubal
New London ...	J. P. Crawford ...	Lisbon. ....	J. R. Harrison	New London
Norphlet.....	T. M. Bates .....	Juno. ....	E. G. Murphy..	Norphlet
Pleasant Grove..	D. K. Sawyer ..	Blanchard Sprgs	A. C. Martindale	Hillsboro
Philadelphia ...	J. D. Crawford...	Three Creeks....	Elton M'Gough	Wilmington
Salem .....	W. S. Young .....	Elliott.....	B. B. Hawkins	Mt. Holly
Spring Hill .....				
Three Creeks ...	J. D. Crawford...	Three Creeks ..	W. J. Jenkins..	Junction City
Upland .....	J. W. Hudson....	Wesson .....	C. C. Mayfield	Upland
Union .....	J. D. Crawford...	Three Creeks....	G. L. Graves....	Dwight
Victoria .....	J. D. Crawford...	Three Creeks	J. M. Wallace..	Strong
Zion Hill .....	D. K. Sawyer....	Blanchard Sprgs	W. D. Ward....	El Dorado



## CONSTITUTION.

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ARTICLE 1. This Association shall be composed of members who, upon producing their credentials, shall be entitled to seats.

ART. 2. The members thus chosen and convened shall be known by the name of the Liberty Baptist Association, which shall usurp no authority over the churches in our union, nor infringe any of their internal rights; but shall merely be considered as an advisory council in all matters relative to their internal concerns. Nevertheless, it becomes necessary in some cases to have a uniform rule of procedure, namely, if one church commit an offense against another, it shall be the duty of the offended to labor with the offender for satisfaction. If she fail of success, she shall call the aid of two or more churches in our union to assist in laboring for satisfaction; and if final satisfaction, in the opinion of the help thus called, be not obtained, the aggrieved may bring the case before the Association, which shall be taken up and decided upon according to its merits. If a serious difference should arise in an individual church, which, upon due labor, cannot be reconciled, she shall call the aid of two or more sister churches to assist in the work, and if a reconciliation be not effected, the help so called, or the church may bring the case before the Association, to be acted upon according to its merits; but the Association will take cognizance of no such case of the above kind, unless a due course of procedure shall have been previously pursued according to the economy of the church discipline, found in the 18th chapter of the Gospel by St. Matthew, and other parts of the Scripture which define the nature of offenses and the manner of bringing offenders to trial.

ART. 3. The churches in our union shall transmit



to every annual session of the Association a written communication, specifying the names of the messengers, their number in fellowship, baptized, received by letter, dismissed, excommunicated, restored and deceased since the last session, which shall be read and minuted accordingly.

ART. 4. Every church in our union shall be entitled to representatives in the following manner, viz: Each church shall be entitled to three messengers for the first fifty members or under, and one for every fifty over. Any church failing to represent herself as above described, shall state her reasons at the next session.

ART. 5. New churches may be admitted into our union by messengers bearing petitionary letters. If, upon due examination, they be found orderly and orthodox, the moderator shall manifest their admission by giving their messenger the right hand in token of Christian fellowship.

ART. 6. The Association, when convened, shall be governed by a regular, proper decorum, which she is authorized to form and amend, according to her own views.

ART. 7. At every session of the Association, a moderator shall be appointed by and from among the messengers present, whose duty it shall be to see that the rules are strictly observed, and to take the voice of the Association on all subjects legally introduced. A clerk shall also be appointed, whose duty it shall be to take proper and correct minutes of the proceedings, and record the same in a well bound book kept for that purpose.

ART. 8. The Association shall have the power to withdraw from the union of any church that may violate the constitution, or depart from the orthodox principles of the Gospel.

ART. 9. The Association shall furnish the churches with the minutes of every session.

ART. 10. Every query sent by a particular church must be included in her letter, certifying that she endeavored to reconcile it, but failed. In such cases the Association shall take it under consideration, and the voice of the majority shall be considered as an advisory answer, which shall be entered on the minutes.

ART. 11. Queries which immediately concern the general union of the churches, sent by a particular church or introduced by a proper motion, shall be taken up and decided as soon as practicable.

ARTICLE 12. The Association shall have a fund supplied by the voluntary contribution of the churches, and all money thus contributed shall be transmitted for the churches by their messengers and handed over to the committee on finance. The committee shall be appointed annually, whose duty it shall be to receive in charge the Association fund, and dispose of the same agreeable to order; and make at every session a fair and substantial report of its proceedings.

ART. 13. It shall be the duty of the clerk of the Association to keep a regular file of the minutes of every session of this body.

ART 14. The Association shall not adjourn until it shall have finished all the business on hand, except in extraordinary cases.

ART. 15. The minutes of the Association shall be read and corrected, if necessary, and signed by the moderator and clerk before the session closes.

ART 16. In all cases the Association shall be governed by a majority, only when conflicting with the constitution.

ART. 17. Amendments to the constitution may be made by submitting the same at one session of the Association, which stand over until the session following, and



then be voted upon, requiring two-thirds of the members present voting in the affirmative to affect a change.

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## ARTICLES OF FAITH.

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ARTICLE 1. We believe in one true and living God the Father, the Word and the Holy Ghost.

ART. 2. We believe that the Scriptures, composing the Old and New Testaments, are the Word of God, and the only rule of faith and practice.

ART. 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.

ART. 4. We believe in the doctrine of original sin by the fall of Adam.

ART. 5. We believe in man's incapacity, by his own free will and ability, to recover himself from the fallen state by which he is by nature.

ART. 6. We believe that sinners are justified, in the sight of God, by the imputed righteousness of Christ only.

ART. 7. We believe that saints shall be preserved in grace, and never fall finally away.

ART. 8. We believe that baptism and the Lord's supper are ordinances of Jesus Christ, and that true believers are the only subjects of baptism, and that immersion is the Apostolic mode.

ART. 9. We believe in the resurrection of the dead and in the general judgement; and that the felicity of the righteous and the punishment of the wicked will be eternal.

ART. 10. We believe that no minister has any right to administer the ordinances of the Gospel but one who is



regularly baptised, called and comes under the imposition of the hands of a presbytery.

ART. 11. We believe that none but regular baptised members have a right to commune at the Lord's table.

ART. 12. We believe that the Lord's day should be observed as a day of rest and religious devotion.

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## RULES OF DECORUM.

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ARTICLE 1. No member shall be interrupted while speaking, unless he depart from the subject, or use words of personal reflection. Every motion made and seconded shall come under the consideration of the Association, unless withdrawn by him that made it.

ART. 2. Every case taken up by the Association shall be decided on, or withdrawn, before another shall be offered.

ART. 3. When a question is taken up, after allowing time for debate, the moderator shall take the voice of the Association on the subject, and the members of the affirmative side of the question shall signify the same by rising from their seats or otherwise. and those on the negative side shall retain their seats.

ART. 4. The moderator shall announce the decision of the Association.

ART. 5. Any member wishing to retire shall obtain permission of the moderator.

ART. 6. No member shall speak more than once on the same proposition, without permission from the Association, nor more than once until every member wishing to speak shall have spoken; nor shall any proposition be made to close the subject until the debates have been carried through.

ART. 7. The appellation of "Brother" shall be used in the Association by members in their addresses to one another.

ART. 8. The names of the members shall be called as often as the Association may direct.

ART. 9. No member shall be tolerated in any practice which tends to interrupt public speaking.

ART. 10. The moderator shall be entitled to the same privilege of speaking as any other member, provided he appoint another to his seat during the time, but shall not vote on any question unless the Association be equally divided.

ART. 11. Any member violating these rules, shall be reproved by the moderator at discretion, but only on the day the breach shall have been made.

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