

Proceedings
OF THE
Thirty-third Annual Session
OF THE
FRIENDSHIP REGULAR
Baptist Association

HELD WITH

Oak Grove Church

Cleveland County, Ark., September 16th. 1905.

OFFICERS

J. H. W. OVERTON, MODERATOR.

J. W. McPHERSON, CLERK.

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Pine Hill—Not represented

Rison—J. S. Swanson

Salem—Not represented

Star City—A. J. Cockroft, H. R. Lucas, E. V. Hellums, J. F. Grumbles

Spring Hill No. 1—S. M. Mosely, M. E. Handley

Spring Hill No. 2—Coleman Taylor

Sulphur Springs—Not represented

Tyro—A. B. Nuckols, Lee Boren

Zion—J. H. W. Overton

11 oclock A. M., the hour for the introductory service, whereupon Bro. Ross Moore (the appointee), filled the stand and preached a very able and instructive sermon, Text, 2nd. Corinthians 12—9, after which the body adjourned for refreshments bountifully furnished upon the ground.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

1:30 P. M., called to order by the Moderator, and after prayer, the remaining letters read and Messengers names enrolled. The Association permanently organized by electing Eld. J. H. W. Overton, Moderator, and J. W. McPherson, Clerk and Treasurer. The Moderator called for Petitionary letters, none responded. The Moderator appointed as Committee on Divine Services Z. L. Crawford, J. E. Case and W. T. Reed.

The Moderator called for corresponding messengers and visitors from sister Associations; Bro. A. J. Barton, Field Secretary Southern Baptist Convention, Bro. E. J. A. McKinney, in the interest of the Baptist Advance; Bro. W. M. Baker, in the interest of the Baptist Flag and Book House of Little Rock, were recognized.

The Moderator called for return messengers to go to sister Associations. Bartholomew, J. H. Owen, S. M. Mosely, B. F. Barnes and J. W. McPherson. Judson, W. H. Cash, and B. F. Barnes.

On motion of Bro. John X. Smith, (the appointee to preach the Missionary sermon on Sunday at 11 oclock A. M.), he was relieved and Bro. A. J. Barton substituted in his stead.

On motion the body adjourned until after services.

7:30, Bro. John X. Smith filled the stand and preached a very able sermon. Bro. E. J. A. McKinney filled the stand at Mt. Olivet at the same hour and preached a very able sermon,

after which the Moderator called the body to order and a list of the various committees read and delivered as follows:

Committees.

Foreign Missions--Ross Moore, U W Poss, M E Handley
 Home Missions--W H Cash, George Riffin, R K Mullikin
 State Missions--H R Lucas, J L Scifres, J F Tucker
 Associational Missions--J W Fish, T J Bailey, J B Maddox
 Sunday School--A J Cockroft, D W Chance, Sam Beck
 Orphans Home--E V Hellums, A E Williams, J D Lord
 Education--A J Cockroft, J A Preston, B F Kimbrel
 Nominations--J F Grumbles, J E England, W T Reed
 Prohibition--C W Moran, A Perdue, C G Harroldson
 Publication--J H Owen, Z L Crawford, H C Brockman
 Obituaries--J S Fish, J E Case, J W Glover
 Finance--U W Poss, A B Nuckols, S M Moseley
 Condition of Churches--John X Smith, W M Willis, W M Rogers.

Upon motion, Bro. J. S. Swanson conducted a Sunday School mass meeting Sunday morning at 9 o'clock A. M.

Divine Service.

Committee on Divine service reported as follows:

Bro. John X Smith to preach here at 7:30. Bro. E J A McKinney to preach at Mt. Olivet church at the same hour. Bro. Ross Moore to lecture on Palestine at 2:30 P. M. Sunday. Z L Crawford, Chairman

Adjourned to meet Monday at 8 o'clock A. M.

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 17TH.

9 o'clock A. M., Sunday School mass meeting conducted by Bro. J. S. Swanson, very instructive speeches made by Bros. J. S. Swanson, Ross Moore and A. J. Barton.

11 o'clock A. M., Bro. A. J. Barton preached a very able missionary sermon, Text, Matthew 28-16, in the grove to a large and appreciative audience, after which a report on Friendship High School was read by Bro. E. V. Hellums. A collection taken by Bro. E. J. A. McKinney in cash \$13.10, in pledges \$547.50.

Friendship High School Report.

The Board of Trustees of Friendship High School desire to make the following report, Since the last meeting of your body we have had a very satisfactory term of school, under the management of Prof. J N Williams. The school is building up as shown by the enrollment and average attendance. The present year promises to far surpass any previous year, there

having been a thorough canvass made of the entire territory this summer. Prof. Williams has contracts with a sufficient number of girls to occupy all of the finished rooms at the Dormitory and will be forced to arrange for some in the homes of our town, unless there can be some plan adopted by which to complete the building. We now have a splendid cistern, built by the generous people of Star City and vicinity, sufficiently large to supply the school with wholesome water. We desire to again call your attention to the urgent needs of our school, and trust that you will give it that consideration which it so justly merits.

The following financial statement shows the receipts and expenditures for the last year, and also includes an old balance on the school building that has been carried by one of its strongest supporters and not included in last report as it only dealt with the Dormitory:

Balance as shown by last report	\$476.08	
Expense on Dormitory	143.47	
School Desks	145.65	
Balance on School Building mentioned above	143.74	
	Total	\$908.94
Amounts received since last report	<u>\$105.50</u>	
	Balance due	\$803.44

We heartily commend this institution to you and urge upon you the importance of giving it your serious attention in such manner as will relieve it of this embarrassment and permit it to prosper and become a strong factor in moulding the character of our boys and girls.

Respectfully submitted,

E V Hellums, Secy.

John X Smith, Pres.

Subscription to F. H. S.

(To be paid in three annual payments.)

1st Church Pine Bluff	\$75.00	Star City	\$75.00
Rison	60.	E J A McKinney	30.
Hickory Grove	30.	H L Atkinson	30.
Bethlehem	30.	Tyro	30.
J F Grumbles	15.	J L Tucker	15.
G W Spears	15.	Cornerville	15.
Willie Fish	15.	C W Moran	15.
Bapt. Pub. Co.	45.	M E Lee	15.
L V Rogers and wife	15.	Z L Crawford (paid)	5.
W H Cash (Nov. 1, 1905)	5.	H R Lucas (Nov. 1, 1905)	5.
S M Moseley (3 years)	7.50	Cash collection	13.10

Dismissed for refreshments.

Lecture.

2:30 oclock P. M., Bro. Ross Moore delivered a very able and interesting Lecture on his travels through Palestine.

Sermon.

7:30 o'clock P. M., Bro. W. M. Barker filled the stand and

preached a very instructive sermon, Text I. Cor. 1-2. Thus ended a delightful Sabbath service.

MONDAY MORNING.

8 o'clock A. M., September 18th. Called together by singing. Owing to the absence of our Moderator, Bro. H. R. Lucas was elected Moderator pro. tem., and proceeded to business by calling on Bro. W. H. Cash to conduct Divine service by reading 103rd. Division of Psalms and prayer; after which the Clerk was called and read the proceedings of Saturday and Sunday, which was corrected and approved. The Moderator called for the report of committees.

Sunday Schools.

Report on Sunday Schools read by Bro. A. J. Cockroft, chairman.

Your committee would emphasize the usual recommendations of Sunday school work in our Association and urge the Pastor and deacons of our churches to agitate the subject until an interest is awakened and a Sunday school organized in every community where we have a Baptist church. Some communities are so thinly settled or otherwise so unfortunate in the lack of workers as to make it very hard to maintain a Sunday school, but our pastors should remember that God said: "My people are destroyed for lack of knowledge," feel duty bound to instruct their people in regard to the importance of this work. Only 13 of the churches of this Association have any Sunday school. Then let us remember that we are commanded to work to righteousness and sin not, for some have not the knowledge of God, I. Cor. 15-34.

A. J. Cockroft, Chairman.

Home Missions.

Committee on Home Missions report read by Bro. A. J. Barton.

Your committee is pleased to report that our Home Mission work is moving along well. At Kansas City last May, the Board made much the same report it has ever made. They continue, as heretofore, to work in close sympathy and co-operation with the State Boards. We take the following items from the report of the Board: Missionaries, 718. Baptisms 10,551. Received by letter 10,019. Total additions 20,750. For defraying the expenses of the work, the Board received from all sources \$145,703.81, which was a gain of over \$12,000. Of this amount our Arkansas people gave \$3,627.20, which was a good gain over anything we have ever done before. Arkansas has received generous and much needed help from this Home Mission work for many years and will continue to need like help for years to come. On the ground of gratitude for past help, on the ground of our future need, as also on the ground of our love for the lost, and our

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ve for our Lord, and of obedience to his commands, we ought to do
ore for this important, growing and fruitful department of our work.
ur Home Field, the official publication of the Board, can be had for 10c a
ear and should be in all our homes. Tracts and leaflets may be had for
istribution without cost upon application to Dr. B. D. Gray, Atlanta, Ga.
e would recomend that our pastors keep his people informed of the work
oth by distributing this literature, and by occasional sermons on the sub-
ect, and that our chruches enlarge their contributions to the work.

W. H. Cash, Chairman.

On motion, the speeches of this body limited to 10 minutes.

Foreign Missions.

Report on Foreign Missions read by Bro. Ross Moore.

In submitting this report we wish to return our thanks and gratitude
o God for His great blessings upon the work during the past year. Never
efore have there been such glorious and encouraging reports as come
from Africa, China, Japan, Brazil, Italy and Mexico, and new work in
Syria has been opened up. From the latest statistical report of the South-
ern Baptist Convention we find that last year there were more than 2,000
baptisms on the Foreign field, and the contributions to this work amounted
to nearly \$300,00). We also report the largest number of new Missiona-
ries ever sent out in one year.

Brethren, much missionary work in hand and God is richly blessing it;
but O how much remain unattended to; much land is yet to be possessed;
hosts upon hosts are sitting in darkness, and the shadow of death, and the
long years running on into centuries since Christ said to his disciples: Go,
preach, disciple, baptize. How little we have done and are doing compared
with what we might do. We could and should have sent out ten men where
we have sent one. We have given dimes when we should have given dol-
lars. The blessings and rewards of the past year are surely a demand for
increased effort on our part. May God stir into life those churches in our
midst that have been robbing God for such a long time. Oh! that more
and more of our churches and pastors would realize that spiritual blessing
depends to a great extent upon our fulfilling the commands of Christ: "Go
ye into all the world."

Ross Moore, Chairman.

Orphans Home.

Report on Orphans Home read by Bro. E. V. Hellums.

We your committee on Orphans Home beg leave to report that we find
from information furnished us by Sister Gardiner, that there is now 66
children in the Home, and that, owing to the fact that Bro. Gardiner's
health has not permitted him to prosecute the work as heretofore; the
Home is very much in need of funds with which to pay the necessary ex-
penses incurred in the maintainance of the same. There seems to be no
other item in connection with the institution that demands our attention at
this time. Therefore, we recomend that a collection of cash and pledges

be taken at this hour for the Home.

E. V. Hellums, Chairman.

Pledges

for Orphans Home to be paid this fall.

Bethlehem	\$10.00	Oak Grove	\$ 5.00
Bethel No. 1	5.	Pine Bluff 1st.	50.
Bethel No. 2	5.	Pine Bluff 2nd.	20.
Cornerville (by C W Moran)	5.	Pleasant Springs	5.
Friendship	5.	Rison	5.
Florence	2.50	Star City	15.
Hickory Grove	10.	Spring Hill	5.
Holly Springs	2.50	Tyro	5.
Macedonia	5.	Concord	5.
New Home	5.		

Education.

Report on Education read by Bro. A. J. Cockroft.

Your committee would respectfully report that the subject of education is now receiving more attention than ever before in this State. We have reached a time when parents cannot well afford to let their children grow up in ignorance of the common branches of an English education. We do not believe that this Association has done her duty towards her own High School at Star City. Neither as to patronage or as to donations for fitting up the dormitory now so badly needed for use this session to accommodate the increasing patronage anticipated. We have good teachers and some of us often visit the school and witness the recitations and we believe faithful work is done to advance the pupils. Tuition and board are reasonable and cheaper, perhaps, than can be had anywhere else. Why not patronize and help such School all we can. In conclusion, we recommend that \$60.00 be raised at once to finish two or three more rooms for this session. We also recommend that a fund be raised for Ministerial education, to be used in helping any young minister of our body to attend the Friendship High School.

A. J. Cockroft, Chairman.

After discussion, a collection was taken to send Bro. Chillie Rogers as Ministerial student to Friendship High School as follows:

Baptist Advance, 1 set of commentaries; Ross Moore, \$5.00; J W Fish, (paid) \$1.00; Oak Grove \$5.00; New Home, 1 month board; Pleasant Ridge, 1 month board; Star City, 1 month board; J H W Overton, (paid) \$1.00; Lone grove, \$5.50; Bethlehem, \$5.00; Hickory Grove, \$5.00; Pine Bluff 1st., 1 month board; Duke Moran (paid) \$1.00; A J Cockroft, \$4.00 W H Cash (paid \$1.00), \$2.00; Friendship, \$2.00 Star City S. S., \$5.00; Spring Hill No. 1, \$5.00.

The above amounts to be sent to E. V. Hellums, Treasurer Executive Board.

On motion, Bro. E V Hellums was elected Trustee of the Ministerial funds raised for Bro. Chilly Rogers.

Executive Board.

Report of Executive Board read by Bro. W M Willis.

On the fourth Sunday in November, A. D. 1904, your committee met and organized by electing former officers, C A Fish, Chairman and W M West, Clerk and Treasurer. We having no funds in hand and the churches at the last association having made no pledges for this work, we were at a loss what to do, but after discussing the subject, we agreed that Eld. J W Fish take the work at a salary of \$40.00 per month with the understanding that what he collected on the field was to be counted on his salary. Bro. Fish having formally been recommended to the committee by his church for this work. Bro. J W Fish began work on December, 10th. A. D. 1904, ending September, 16th. 1905. He has received from all sources \$97.65 Balance due Missionary \$162.35. Respectfully submitted,

W M Willis.

Treasurer Friendship Association paid J W Fish as Missionary \$84.80, from other sources \$13.85, leaving a balance due \$69.95.

Missionary.

Report of J W Fish, Missionary of Friendship Association for the years 1904-5. ending September, 16th. 1905.

Days labored 19; miles traveled 1255; families visited 195; family services 16; points reached 8; meetings held 4; assisted in meetings 2; sermons preached 95. Total money received \$97.65. No visible results from meetings held.

J W Fish, Missionary.

State Missions.

Report of State Missions read by Bro. H R Lucas, Chairman.

The question of State Missions is one of vast importance and magnitude. Our State has never before in her history made such rapid strides of progress along all lines, and immigration into our borders from all sections of the Universe; thus giving us a great field for work, a great harvest to gather. We as Baptists, therefore, should look well after Baptist interests, for we believe God has laid upon us the great duty of Evangelizing the world. Brethren, shall we take it for Christ? If so let us be up and doing. It is with sadness that we find out of the 28 churches represented in our Association 13 have done nothing for the cause of State Missions. Our State Board has had some 60 Missionaries in the field the present year. Over \$13,000 was expended last year with over 1600 additions and within the last two months over 700 precious souls have been added to the Kingdom of God. The General Association of our state has had 12 or 15 Missionaries in the field sowing the Gospel of peace and love thereby helping to take the great State for Christ. Brethren, we have accomplished much with the 75 Missionaries in the field, but we need more Missionaries to meet the demands of our growing State. It takes money to carry on this work, and

to this end we would urge every church in our Association to give to State Missions through either channel you choose to work, so the good work is carried on. In the name of him who gave his life for us, and who said "Go into all the world and preach the gospel to every creature" do something for State Missions.

Respectfully submitted

H R Lucas, Chairman.

Associational Missions.

Report on Associational Missions read by Bro. J W Fish.

The spirit of Christ is the spirit of missions. The field is the world. The place to begin is at home. There is much destitution in the bounds of our Association, which may be considered the place of our beginning. From Pine Bluff to Arkansas City, and from Bayou Bartholomew to the Arkansas river, lies a large rich and fertile country with only two or three white Baptist churches, with many other points of destitution, which should be supplied by this Association. Therefore, we recomend that this Association do what she can to supply this destitution with the pure word of God. We further recomend that the churches pledge themselves to support one or more Missionaries to supply said destitution with the preaching of the gospel.

J W Fish, Chairman,

Prohibition.

Report on Prohibition read by Bro. C. W. Moran.

We believe it to be the privilege and duty of every good citizen, of every christian, and more especially every Baptist to abstain from the use of all malt or distilled liquors, which we believe to be the most powerful agency in the hands of the arch enemy to drag souls down to darkness and despair. Statistics show there to be ten thousand men annually who fill drunkards graves in this country; also statistics show ninety-five per cent. of all the crimes in this country, and every other country, where liquor is sold, that the vile stuff is the prime cause. Liquor blights the prospects of hundreds and thousands of our brightest young men, and destroys the fondest hopes of many anxious mothers and the expectations of many a fond father

Respectfully submitted, C W Moran, Chairman

Publications.

Report on publications read by Bro. J H Owen.

We beg leave to report as follows: First of all the reading of the Holy Bible, the word of God. 2nd. We have the Baptist Flag and Baptist Advance which will keep us posted on our state work, and are excellent exponents of Baptist doctrine. 3rd. We recomend the use of some good Baptist literature for use in our Sunday schools.

Respectfully submitted, J H Owen, Chairman.

State of Churches.

The Committee on the State of the Churches read by Bro. W M Willis.

There has been during the year added to the churches by baptism 93, by letter 125, by restoration 12. The churches have decreased in the past year, by dismissions 116; by exclusions 17, by deaths 20; a decrease of 23 from last report. Submitted, J X Smith, Chairman.

Obituaries.

Report on Obituaries read by Bro. J S Fish as follows:

It has been found by access to the letters sent up to this body that there have been twenty deaths in the bounds of this Association, a decrease of five from last year's report. The Lord doeth all things well. Blessed be the name of the Lord. Submitted, J S Fish, Chairman.

Nominations.

Your Committee on Nominations respectfully submit the following report: We nominate as Executive Board of this Association, Brethren B F Moody, E V Hellums, M M West, J E Case and J W Fish. We nominate as Trustees of Friendship High School, Brethren John X Smith, W H Cash and H R Lucas, for 3 years and J F Grumbles, for 1 year. We nominate Bro W H Cash to preach the Introductory Sermon and Bro. Sam H Campbell to preach the Missionary Sermon. We nominate 1st church, Pine Bluff, as the place for holding the next meeteng of this Association.

J F Grumbles, Chairman.

Finance.

Report on Finance read by U W Poss.

Report the actual cash coming into our hands for the different purposes. Foreign Missions \$16.25; Home Missions \$10; State Missions \$10.50 Associational Missions \$66.20; Minutes and Clerk funds 36.70; Orphans Home \$38.25; Friendship High School \$2.50; General Associational Missions \$11.00. Making a total of \$191.40. Respectfully submitted

U W Poss, Chairman.

On motion of W M Willis, the Clerk and Treasurer were instructed to pay the Associational funds [\$12.36] in their hands to J W Fish.

The following resolutions, by H R Lucas, were adopted.

Resolved 1st. That this Association extend their appreciation and thanks to Oak Grove church and community for their unexcelled and hospitable entertainment of this body.

Resolved 2nd. That our faithful and efficient Clerk be allowed the sum of \$15.00 for his services, and that the remaining Minute fund be used in printing the minutes of this Association, and that they be sent to each

church pro rata according to the amount of funds paid in by the several churches. Provided, however, that one minute be sent to the Clerk of each church in this Association not represented at this session.

On motion, the Association adjourned to meet with the 1st. Baptist Church in Pine Bluff, Jefferson County, Arkansas, on Saturday before the third Sunday in September 1906, at 10 o'clock A. M. Prayer by Bro, J S Fish. While singing a song the parting hand was extended amid joy and tears. Thus ended a very prosperous and harmonious session.

J. H. OVERTON,

Moderator.

J. W. McPHERSON,

Clerk.

CONSTITUTION.

1 This confederation of churches shall be known and called by the name of "Friendship Regular Baptist Association."

2 The object of this Association shall be, to promote the glory of God on earth, by the preaching of the Gospel of His Son Jesus Christ, our Savior, by aiding in the support of Missionaries who first have been called of God to preach the Gospel, and who feel impressed of the Spirit to do Mission work, and have been set apart to that work, by the church to which they belong, (Acts 13: 2-3,) and by the universal spread of the Bible, the word of the true and living God, and other appropriate means in keeping with the Scripture.

3 The Association shall consist of messengers from the churches now forming this union, and such other Baptist churches as may hereafter be received as constituent members thereof.

4 Every church shall be entitled to three representatives without regard to the number of their members respectively; and to an additional one for every fifty members exceeding fifty, provided; that no church shall ever be entitled to more than five. A certificate of appointment or letter from their respective churches shall be evidence that they have been so delegated.

5 The offices of this body shall be a Moderator and a Clerk, who shall be ex-officio treasurer, who shall be elected annually by ballot by a majority of the members present, immediately after the names of the delegates are enrolled; which officers shall perform all the duties usually devolving on such officers, and continue to exercise their respective functions until they shall be superseded by a subsequent election.

6 The clerk shall preserve a regular record of the Association and have it present at the meeting of the body, and when he vacates the office, deliver the same with all other books and papers relative to said office, to his successor.

7 The Association shall regard the churches as independent bodies in all internal affairs, and exercise no ecclesiastical jurisdiction, or claim any legislative or judicial prerogative over them. Nevertheless, the Association may exercise authority over its own members, the representatives of the churches and have power to withdraw from, and disown all churches which may depart from the gospel as understood and held by this body; by becoming either heterodoxy in faith or disorderly in practice; and should, therefore, regard all the churches united in the Association with a vigilant eye for good; and may give, at its own discretion, and in its own way, advice or information when sought to any church connected with it.

8 The Association shall hold annual sessions, to convene on Saturday before the third Sunday in September in each year, and not adjourn until all the business shall have been regularly finished except circumstances imperiously demand. The place of meeting shall be determined at each previous session and published in the minutes.

9 Baptist churches not before united in the Association or those dismissed from other Associations, may be admitted as members into this union on application by a written petition or letter, presented by one or more messengers duly appointed by such church or churches; provided, that they give satisfactory evidence that they are orthodox in faith and practice.

10 Every Minister of the Gospel, either ordained or licentiate, whose membership is in, or who may be a pastor of any church belonging to this Association, shall be ex-officio, a member of this body with the privilege of offering resolutions and speaking, but not voting unless specially delegated by the church of which he is a member.

11 When in session, the Association shall be governed by such rules of decorum as it may adopt itself.

12 It shall be the duty of the churches respectively, annually to report to the Association their general condition, the number of members in fellowship, the number baptised, received by letter, dismissed, ex-communicated, restored, dead, amount paid pastor, in value, during the year, and names and post office address of all ministers, whether ordained or licensed designating each, and also the name and address of their clerks. They shall also report on any special matters required, and send up contributions as they may willingly contribute to aid the body, to disseminate more widely the truth as contained in the Holy Scriptures, and the establishment of the Redeemer's kingdom on the earth.

13 The neglect or failure of a church to be represented by a messenger or messengers in the Association for three consecutive years, shall be cause to withdraw from the churches at the discretion of the Association.

14 This Association may correspond, by letter and messenger, with any other religious body of the same faith and order.

15 A board consisting of five members, any three of whom to constitute a quorum; shall be elected at each annual meeting, whose duty it shall be to devise means to carry forward the benevolent objects of the Association and the officers of this Association shall be ex-officio members of the board.

16 The minutes of the Association shall be publicly read and corrected, if necessary, and then signed by the Moderator and Clerk before the Association adjourns.

17 Any amendment may be made to this Constitution at any meeting of the Association, by a vote of two-thirds of the members present; provided the same shall have been published in the minutes of the preceding year.

Ordained Ministers.

Ross Moore	Pine Bluff	B F Barnes	Pearl	John X Smith	Garnett
W J David	"	A J Cockroft	Star City	J B Haroldson	Brookside
S L Pine	"	W H Cash	Toledo	J W Fish	Palmyra
S H Campbell	"	S A Ward	Randall	A C Rogers	Star City
J H W Overton	Toledo	W C Kimbro	Tyro		

Treasurer's Report

To: Cash received from all sources

\$262.00

DISBURSEMENTS

Orphans Home	\$88.70
A C Rogers	5.20
F. H. School	15.60
Association missions	78.55
Foreign	16.25
Home	10.00
Gen. Asso.	11.00
Clerk's Fee	15.00
Printing Minutes	21.70

Total

\$262.00

Sunday School Statistics.

CHURCHES	No. Schools	Teachers & Officers	No. Scholars	Expenses	Literature used	Superintendents	Post Offices
Bethel No. 1	1	7	85	\$ 3.50	A. B. P. S.	B. F. Moody	Rison
Bethel No. 2	1	5	45			W. B. May	Pansy
Bethlehem	1	4	64		A. B. P. S.	Wm. Sackett	Palmyra
Concord	1	6	56	10.50		J. H. Cash	Toledo
Cornerville	1	4	40	5.00		C. F. Micham	Cornerville
Friendship	1	5	32	1.20			
Hickory Grove	1	3	20	5.00	A. B. P. S.	M. M. West	Rest
Lone Grove	1	4	29	.58			
Pine Bluff 1st.	1	16	320	258.05	S. B. C. S.	U. W. Poss	Pine Bluff
Pleasant Hill	1	6	30	3.00		H. C. Brockman	Edhill
Rison	1	5	50	17.55	S. B. C. S.	J. F. Swanson	Rison
Star City	1	7	60	3.60	"	E. V. Hellums	Star City
Spring Hill No 1	1	4	15				
Zion	1	6	57			J. J. Lee	Toledo

Churches, Pastors, Clerks and Postoffices.

CHURCHES	PASTORS	CLERKS	POST OFFICES
Bethel No. 1	B J Mathews	V L Moody	Rison
Bethel No. 2	W H Cash	J E Hunter	McKinney
Bethlehem Center	J H W Overton	J A Owen	Palmyra
Cornerville	A J Cockroft	C W Moran	Cornerville
Concord	W H Cash	Minnie Cash	Toledo
Dumas		J K Smith	Dumas
Enon	W C Harley	C W E Reynolds	Rye
Friendship	J H W Overton	W J Harris	Randall
Florence		A L Owen	Florence
Hickory Grove	A J Cockroft	M M West	Rest
Holly Springs	John X Smith	D W Chance	Garnett
Harmony	E F Alpin	H C Hunt	Pearl
Lone Grove	A C Rogers	P L Wynn	Feenyville
Mt. Zion	J H W Overton	F E Taylor	Kedron
Mt. Moriah		A A Spurlock	Walnut Lake
Macedonia	J W Fish	A A Brown	Toledo
New Hope	B F Barns	J C Saddler	Pearl
New Home	S A Ward	W M Willis	Glendale
Oak Grove	E F Alpin	J E Case	Calmer
Pine Bluff 1st.	Ross Moore	C G Haroldson	Pine Bluff
Pine Bluff 2nd.	W J David	C C Hastings	Pine Bluff
Pleasant Hill	S A Ward	H C Brockman	Edlil
Pleasant Ridge	J H W Overton	J W Ferry	Pearl
" Springs	J X Smith	J W McPhers'n	Coleman
Pine Hill		A J Owen	Star City
Rison	— Wayne	J S McMurtrey	Rison
Salem		J S Conrad	Garretson
Spring Hill 1st	J W Sims	M E Hanley	Plantersville
Spring Hill 2nd	T M Ashcraft	C M Tylor	White Oak
Star City	A J Cockroft	J G Atkinson	Star City
Sulphur Sprin's		M L Riley	Pine Bluff
Tyro		A B Nuckles	Tyro
Zion	J H W Overton	J J Lea	Toledo

Baptized	Rec'd by Letter	Restored	Dis'm'd by letter	Excluded	Died	Present Members	Pastors	Salaries	Ministerial Education	Foreign Missions	Home Missions	State Missions	Associational Missions	Orphans Home	Poor Fund	Visiting Ministers	Ladies Aid Society	Sunday School Expenses	Other Purposes	Minute Fund	Value of Church Property
12	3	3	2	6	2	141	200.			10.		15.	8.50					3.50		1.50	
1	1	1	4	2	2	52	87.						2.35							.75	400
5	2	2	4	2		186	87.5			10.	10.	11.	21.50	3.	10.50				5.79	2	600
8						40	25.						5.	5.						.50	
2	9	2				21	8.75			9.50		2				21.50			2.50	.85	
					1	64							5.	2.90						1.15	
					1	48								2.60				1.20		.70	
					4	30							5.	2.50						.75	600
3	2				2	56	73.90	7.		8.80			5.	10.	5.90	25.			5	1.50	1
4		1	4	1	2	113	75.						2.50	2.						1.	650
			1	4		32	42.						2.50	2.50						1.	5
18	1					86	17					1.70	1.45	5.25				.55		1.25	327
1						39	20						5.						6.	1.	
																				1.	150
1		3	3			24							11.15	5.						1.	
		1	5		2	54				2.			2.55	4.25						1.	
				4	1	27	22.3						4							.50	
17	44	13	2			547	1550.	97.18	240.07	203.80	246.08	86.43	153.18	82.50	125.	961.20	387.40	1114.56	3.00	45000	
14	35		1			91	600.		80.	177.05	65.16			26.		77.80			142	3	
			1		1	52	50.					5.								1.00	300
		3	3			26	50.						10.	5.50						1.50	500
1	1				2	52	50.		2.25	9.95		5.	8.	5.						2.50	400
2	5	1	2	1	2	124	86.									9.					
2						45	150.1		9.15	9.15	9.15	9.15						3.27	8.26	1.50	1000
					2	43	100.			2			4	1						.35	500
3		5	1			27	27.														
	9		8		2	106	400.	7.68	45.25	19.85	4.00							13.60	67.50	2.00	1500
1	4				1	65	102.		1			1	3	11.		17.50				1.0	

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