

• MINUTES •

OF THE
COLLEGE
FORTY THIRD ANNUAL SESSION

OF THE
Dardanelle

Baptist • Association,

HELD WITH

Lick Creek Church,

Booneville, Logan Co., Ark., Sept. 18, 19 and 20, 1897

Next Session to be held with Bethlehem Church, Rover,
Yell County, Arkansas, beginning on Saturday before the
third Sunday in September, 1898, at 10'clock a. m.

J. W. Richardson, Moderator, Rover, Arkansas.

Ira A. Huckaby, Clerk and Treas., Dardanelle, Arkansas

Proceedings.

BOONEVILLE, LOGAN COUNTY, ARK., Sept. 18, 1897.

Dardanelle Baptist Association met with Lick Creek church in its forty-third annual session at 10 a. m. The moderator and clerk being absent, a temporary organization was affected by selecting Eld. E. H. Stafford, moderator pro. tem., and I. A. Huckaby, clerk pro. tem. The moderator led the body in devotional exercises.

Intermission of fifteen minutes.

Eld. E. H. Stafford preached the introductory sermon from John 14: 6: "I am the way," followed by Eld. J. F. Brice. Prayer by Eld. J. B. Ingle. Adjourned to 1:30 p. m.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Re-assembled at 1:30. Devotional exercises led by the moderator.

Read the letters and enrolled the names of the messengers.

On motion, nominations for permanent officers were declared in order. Elds M. P. Blair, E. H. Stafford and J. W. Richardson were nominated for moderator and I. A. Huckaby for clerk and treasurer. A ballot was taken, and while the tellers were counting, the moderator appointed Eld. J. W. Richardson and the messengers of Lick Creek church a Committee on Divine Service. The tellers reported that Eld. J. W. Richardson was elected moderator and I. A. Huckaby, clerk and treasurer.

Eld. R. T. Little was enrolled as a visitor from the Concord association, and G. W. Parks from Red River association. Eld. W. N. Womack, member of Macedonia church, was enrolled as a visitor.

Committee on Divine Service reported that Eld. W. N. Womack would preach at the church at 7:30 p. m. Also, G. W. Parks would preach at Mixon and E. H. Stafford at Bethel. Adjourned to 7:30. Prayer by W. N. Womack.

At 7:30 Eld. Womack preached from Matt. 8: 2. Adjourned to 8 o'clock a. m. on Monday.

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In the interim the following committees were appointed:

Nominations—J. M. Williams, Bond, Mayfield.

Domestic Missions—W. P. Blair, Stringfellow, Short.

Deceased Ministers—Jarrard, E. H. Gray, Skinner.

Foreign Missions—Taylor, J. C. Shepherd, W. H. Oliver.

Temperance—Ingle, Dodd, Bennett.

Documents—C. C. Blair, Morgan, James.

Education—Smith, Brooks, J. W. Horn.

Sunday-schools—Moffitt, J. F. Brice, Kirkpatrick.

Finance—Berry, Robertson, Howell.

SUNDAY.

Eld. J. D. Stringfellow conducted prayer-meeting. At 11 a. m. Eld. N. Marshall, by invitation, preached the missionary sermon from Matt. 28: 19. Collection for missions, \$17.25. At 7 p. m. Eld. M. P. Blair preached from Rev. 22: 14. At 7:50 Eld. Jno. W. Nobles preached from Col. 2: 10. Subject: Completeness in Christ.

MONDAY—8 A. M.

Devotional exercises, led by the moderator.

The following corresponding messengers were enrolled: N. Marshall, J. M. Pennington, Jno. W. Nobles from Concord association, and W. H. George, from Fourche Valley association.

Minutes of Saturday and Sunday read and approved. Called the roll and marked absentees.

On motion, the moderator was empowered to appoint a Mission Board. He appointed the following brethren: W. R. Blair, E. H. Gray, J. G. Taylor, J. W. Skinner and W. H. Oliver.

Pilgrim's Rest church asked for a letter of dismissal from the body, which was granted.

The following corresponding messengers were appointed:

Clear Creek Association—W. N. Womack, W. R. Blair, M. P. Blair, W. D. Moffitt.

Concord Association—J. B. Ingle, E. H. Gray, J. G. Taylor.

Russellville Association—J. D. Ingle, M. P. Blair, J. G. Kirkpatrick.

Buckville Association—J. W. Richardson, C. C. Blair.

Fourche Valley Association—J. B. Ingle, R. L. Morgan, I. A. Huckaby.

Arkansas State Convention—J. B. Ingle, W. D. Moffitt, J. W. Richardson, F. M. Bradshaw. I. Z. Kimbrough.

The Committee on Nominations reported:

Your Committee on Nominations has named C. C. Hogan for the introductory sermon; J. D. Stringfellow, alternate. J. S. Gray for the missionary sermon; J. W. Richardson, alternate.

J. M. WILLIAMS, Chm'n,
P. BOND,
J. A. MAYFIELD.

The Committee on Documents reported. On motion the report was received and after discussion adopted.

Your Committee on Documents find that Bethlehem No. 1 and Bethlehem No. 2 each respectfully solicit the convening of this body with it at the next annual session. After investigation, we recommend Bethlehem No. 1 as the most favorable place for next session.

S. A. JAMES,
C. C. BLAIR,
R. L. MORGAN, } Committee.

The Committee on Foreign Missions reported as follows:

We, your committee, submit the following:

First, That the missionary spirit is a doctrine taught by our Savior and his apostles, and the command is to go and preach the gospel to all nations, and this great work of Christianizing the world is being prosecuted by Baptists and being blessed by our Savior in the conversion of many heathen.

Second, That it is a lamentable fact that but few churches in the bounds of this association have done anything to sustain Foreign Missions during the past year as shown by their letters to this body.

Third, That we believe that this lukewarmness and non-action on the part of our churches in the mission work is in part due to the financial depression now prevailing over our land, and in part to the want of knowledge among the members of churches, of the different departments and the great good accomplished thereby.

Fourth, Therefore, we urge it upon the pastors of the churches composing the Dardanelle Association to preach and teach their churches the foreign mission work in all its departments, giving them a knowledge of the fields now occupied by Baptists as missionaries and the success of their work.

J. G. TAYLOR, Chairman,
J. C. SHEPHERD,
W. H. OLIVER.

The report was adopted.

The Committee on Domestic Missions reported:

We, your Committee on Domestic Missions, would recommend that this association employ a man and place him in the field as soon as possible, and that each church be requested to appoint a committee of two or three sisters in each church whose special duty shall be to raise funds for said missionary. And we further recommend that our ministers preach and encourage more the work of missions.

W. R. BLAIR, Chm'n,
J. D. STRINGFELLOW,
J. D. SHORT.

MINUTES OF THE

The report was discussed by Bros. Blair, Ingle, Hogan, Stafford, Shepherd, J. M. Gray, Womack, Raper and Richardson and adopted.

The Committee on Education submitted the following report:

First, That education is a power and therefore we urge our Baptist brotherhood of the Dardanelle Association to use every honest means to educate their children and train them up in the way they should go.

Second, That we be careful to encourage by kind words, prayer, and our means, any young man of promising gifts for the ministry to secure as good an education as possible.

Third, That we heartily recommend Ouachita, Central and Mountain Home Baptist colleges as the nearest and best schools to send our children to for higher education.

Fourth, That we do not recommend any of our young ministers to attend the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary until the present president, Prof. Whitsitt, be removed or make a more satisfactory recantation of his views that contradict Baptist faith and history.

Fifth, That we do earnestly commend to the brotherhood of this association, the Arkansas Baptist as a religious journal worthy of your support.

Respectfully,

BENJ. E. SMITH, Chm'n,
W. W. BROOKS,
J. W. HORN.

Report discussed by Bros. Marshall and Ingle, and adopted.

The Committee on Sunday-schools reported.

We, your Committee on Sunday-schools, beg leave to report:

We find from the reading of the different letters from the churches composing the Dardanelle Association, there is a great lack of Sunday-schools. It seems that pastors and churches are careless or neglectful of one of the most important factors or helps to our churches. Let us, as ministers and messengers of this association, resolve that we will go to work and organize a Sunday-school in each of our respective churches, and not rest satisfied until we have a good, live Sunday-school organized. If we fail to do this, other denominations will get our children and often teach them error which is hard to erase from their minds. The consequence is that our families are divided and confirmed infidels among them. Let us do all we can to teach them in our own principles. Let us not be satisfied with less than a well organized school in every church. We further recommend that there be a Baptist Sunday-school Convention organized within the bounds of this association.

W. D. MOFFITT, Chairman,
J. F. BRICE,
J. G. KIRKPATRICK.

Report discussed by Bros. Moffitt, Hogan, E. H. Gray, Ingle and J. M. Gray, and adopted. Adjourned to 1:30.

At 11 a. m. Eld. J. N. Pennington preached, using the word "Bible" for a text.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Reconvened at 1:30. Eld. Stafford led in prayer.

The following resolution was offered by J. G. Taylor and adopted:

Resolved, That on all questions arising in this body no member shall speak but once, then not to exceed five minutes, unless by consent of the moderator.

The Committee on Temperance submitted the following report:

We are glad that the cause of temperance is gaining ground within the bounds of Dardanelle Association, and we recommend that the following resolutions be strictly adhered to:

Resolved, 1. That we will give our influence in our private circles and in our churches against the use of alcoholic beverages.

2. We believe that it is the duty of all Christians to heartily co-operate with the civil authorities in enacting laws to prevent the sale and use of all intoxicating drinks.

3. That we hold the Bible to be a book that teaches that God's children should not indulge in the use or sale of intoxicating drinks, nor should they sign petitions for the sale of the same.

4. That it is the duty of all ministers of Christ not only to abstain from the use of alcoholic beverages, but to lift up their voices against it in the pulpit and elsewhere, and that we urge our churches, through Dardanelle Association, to continue in membership no person who publicly advocates the license of drinking saloons, or invests money in the saloon business, or who suffers his property to be used for it in any way.

5. That this association will not seat any church in this body that is knowingly guilty of retaining a pastor who gives his influence or votes for the sale of intoxicating liquors.

J. B. INGLE, Chm'n,

W. N. DODD,

F. M. BENNETT.

Report discussed by Bros. Shepherd, Hogan, Lewis and Ingle and adopted.

The following report of ex-Treasurer Warren was read by the clerk:

TREASURER'S REPORT.

To the Dardanelle Association:

I beg leave to make this my report for the year ending at the present session of your honorable body:

RECEIPTS.

For minutes.....	\$35 30
Associational missions.....	11 90
Foreign missions.....	1 90
Home missions.....	5 75
Sunday collection.....	10 37
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	\$65 22

DISBURSEMENTS.

To Eld. Richardson.....	\$17 24
To Bro. Puckett.....	2 50
Printing 800 minutes.....	20 00

Postage on minutes.....	2 68
To Home Mission Board.....	5 75
To Foreign Mission Board.....	1 90
Clerk's salary	15 00
Postage on miscellaneous correspondence.....	15
	<hr/> \$65 22

R. E. WARREN, Clerk and Treasurer.

Bro. J. G. Taylor offered the following resolution:

Whereas, It is the wish of this body that the churches composing the same organize a Baptist Sunday-School Convention within our bounds, be it

Resolved, That we recommend Bro. C. C. Hogan to take the lead in effecting said organization.

Adopted.

Adjourned for ten minutes to allow the Mission Board time and opportunity to organize.

Reconvened as per adjournment.

REPORT OF FINANCE COMMITTEE.

We, your Committee on Finance, submit the following:

Received for minutes.....	\$39 20
Home missions.....	2 25
Associational missions.....	2 25
State missions.....	1 00
Foreign missions	1 50
Total.....	<hr/> \$46 20

W. T. BERRY, Chm'n,
J. F. HOWELL,
J. J. ROBERTSON.

Adopted.

Committee on Deceased Ministers reported as follows:

God, in his infinite wisdom and goodness, has seen fit to call from his labors our beloved brother, John Young.

Resolved, That it is the sense of this body that we have suffered an irreparable loss, but our loss is his eternal gain. Truly a giant in the cause of our Master has fallen. Bro. Young was a member of Revilee church, and has served said church as its pastor since it was organized in the year 1871, with the exception of four years, and has served from three to four churches as pastor almost continuously within the bounds of this association for at least twenty years.

Resolved, further, That in view of the long and faithful service rendered by this noble man of God, there should be a committee appointed by this body to draft resolutions, more lengthy than could be conveniently published in the minutes of this association, to be published in the Arkansas Baptist and that a copy of the same be furnished the family of the deceased.

Respectfully submitted,

E. H. GRAY, Chm'n,
J. A. JARRARD,
J. W. SKINNER.

The report was adopted and Brethren J. G. Taylor, Jno. Williams and J. A. Mayfield were appointed as a committee to draft resolutions called for in the report.

The following amounts were pledged for associational mission work during the next year:

Mt. Pisgah.....	\$1 00	Mt. Tabor.....	\$2 50
Paris.....	10 00	J. A. Horn.....	1 00
Bethlehem No. 1.....	5 00	Springdale.....	5 00
New Bethel.....	2 00	Pleasant Hill.....	3 00
Mt. Zion No. 2.....	1 00	Centerville.....	2 50
J. G. Kirkpatrick.....	1 00	Salem.....	2 00
Cedar Creek.....	5 00	Antioch.....	8 00
R. L. Morgan.....	1 00	Brier Creek.....	5 00
Pleasant Valley.....	2 00	Lick Creek.....	5 00
J. J. Robertson (paid).....	1 00	New Hope.....	5 00
New Prospect.....	2 50	Macedonia No. 1.....	15 50
Little Hope.....	3 00	Mt. Vernon.....	1 00
Magazine.....	15 00	Mt. Carmel.....	4 00
Revillee.....	3 00	Little Star.....	5 00
Chickalah Valley.....	2 50	Bethel.....	2 00
Zion.....	3 00	J. C. Shepherd.....	2 00
Slater Ingle (paid).....	50		

The following resolution was offered by W. W. Brooks:

Resolved, That this body heartily thank the members of Lick Creek church, and the kind friends in the vicinity of said church, for the whole-hearted and hospitable manner, in which they have entertained us during this session.

Adopted.

The clerk was instructed to have 800 copies of the minutes printed and was allowed \$15 for his services. The minutes were read and adopted. Adjourned to time and place before agreed upon. Sang, "How firm a foundation," and extended the parting hand. Prayer by M. P. Blair. Benediction by W. N. Womack.

J. W. RICHARDSON, MODERATOR.

IRA A. HUCKABY, CLERK.

ORDAINED MINISTERS.

I. Z. Kimbrough.....	Paris	J. R. G. W. N. Adams.....	Dardanelle
M. O. Sander.....	Paris	H. H. Street.....	Dardanelle
R. R. Elmore.....	Danville	J. L. Sykes.....	Brown
W. N. Womack.....	Morrison's Bluff	G. W. Horings.....	Ellsworth
M. P. Blair.....	Morrison's Bluff	Ira Brasher.....	Marvinville
E. H. Stafford.....	Chickalah	G. W. Hunnicutt.....	Gravelly
J. H. Dilday.....	Belleville	J. D. Stringfellow.....	Rover
F. E. Logan.....	Belleville	J. W. Richardson.....	Rover
J. F. Brice.....	Chickalah	J. N. Rouse.....	Centerville
C. C. Hogan.....	Corley	J. B. Ingle.....	Centerville
E. Gray.....	Corley	L. G. Earles.....	Balloon
T. P. Manning.....	Southern Home	M. D. Hull.....	Chickalah
J. B. Gray.....	Prairie View	H. Scruggs.....	Birta
A. Robinson.....	Bluffton	Licentiates:	
W. D. Moffitt.....	Dardanelle	P. H. Cole.....	Fowler
W. N. Dodd.....	Dardanelle	G. W. Brown.....	Centerville

Order of Business.

1. Thirty minutes to devotional exercises.
2. After a recess of about fifteen minutes, introductory sermon.
3. After the usual intermission, call the body to order.
4. After singing and prayer, call for letters from churches.
5. After reading the letters and enrolling the messengers, go into the election of officers and form a permanent organization.
6. Call for petitionary letters.
7. Invite visiting brethren to seats in the body.
8. Appoint Committee on Divine Services.
9. Elect Mission Board.
10. Appoint the usual committees, and others at the discretion of the body.
11. Grant letters of dismission, if any are called for.
12. Call for correspondence.
13. Appoint messengers to other bodies.
14. Reports of usual committees at will.
15. Miscellaneous business.
16. Appoint time and place of holding the next session.
17. Adjourn to the time and place of holding the next session of the body.

D. D. SWINDALL.

Statistical Table.

CHURCHES.	POSTOFFICE.	COUNTY.	PASTOR.	CLERKS.	MESSENGERS.	Baptized.	Received by Letter.	Returned.	Dismissed by Letter.	Excluded.	Died.	Present Membership.	Minute Fund.	Value of Church Property.	No. in S. S.	Days of Meeting.
Antioch.	Corley.	Logan.	C. C. Hogan.	W. M. Cowger.	C. C. Hogan, W. L. Hunter, E. H. Gray.	310	1	1	2			67	31 00	3500	89	1st
Baker's Creek.	Riley.	Yell.	M. P. Henry.	L. C. Bigbee.	H. M. Cherry.	1	1	1				17	50			
Bethel No. 1.	Dardanelle.	Yell.	J. B. Ingle.	U. H. Bray.	W. D. Moffitt.	1						32	50	400		
Bethlehem No. 1.	Rover.	Yell.	J. W. Richardson.	V. B. Burruss.	J. W. Richardson, C. C. Blair.	11	11	9	2			80	1 75	500	72	2d
Bethlehem No. 2.	Birta.	Yell.	E. H. Stafford.	J. M. Harp.	J. M. Gray, R. L. Morgan.	7	4	2	2	2		19	1 00	800	91	1st
Belleville.	Belleville.	Yell.			Not represented: membership from Minutes of 1896.							76				
Brier Creek.	Maggie.	Logan.	C. C. Hogan.	J. W. Walker.	Jordan Lloyd, Jake Weems.	1	1	3	8			13	1 50			2d
Bluffton.	Bluffton.	Yell.			Not represented: membership from Minutes of 1896.	2	1	2				45	50			
Boone Creek.	Prairie View.	Logan.	J. S. Gray.	J. M. Siveley.	Represented by letter.	1	1	2				34	75			2d
Boyd Creek.	Riley.	Yell.		C. D. Owens.	W. M. Toney, C. W. Owens.	1	1	4	1			50	1 00	400		4th
Centerville.	Centerville.	Yell.	J. B. Ingle.	T. J. Ballenger.	J. B. Ingle.	1	4	1	1	1		43	1 09			2d
Chalbeate Spring.	Walnut Tree.	Yell.	W. E. Logan.	W. P. Fowler.	J. A. Horn.	5	8	4	2			46	75	500	43	3d
Chickalah Valley.	Chickalah.	Yell.	M. D. Hull.	W. L. Rice.	W. L. Rice, L. D. Pitts.	11	4	2	2			21	50			2d
Concord.	Dardanelle.	Yell.	W. N. Dodd.	J. H. McNutt.	Represented by letter.	3	2	1	2			145	2 00	1800	138	evy
Dardanelle.	Dardanelle.	Yell.	H. H. Street.	J. W. Lancaster.	Represented by letter.	17	14	6	2	2		21	50			1st
Elworth.	Elworth.	Logan.			Not represented: no statistics in Minutes of 1896.	1	6					26				
Elmence.	Blaine.	Logan.	J. B. Ingle.	H. S. Cline.	J. G. Kirkpatrick, F. E. Williams.	9	1					39	1 00	250	88	3d
Elmship.	Bluffton.	Yell.			Not represented: membership from Minutes of 1896.	6	2	4				112	3 00	1500		4th
Elmship.	Paris.	Logan.	E. H. Gray.	J. C. Kadden.	J. A. Williams, W. R. Moore.	13	1	9	4	1		63	1 50	150		3d
Elmship.	Marionville.	Yell.			Not represented: membership from Minutes of 1896.	6	4	1	7	2		80	1 50	800		2d
Elmship.	Mooreville.	Logan.	J. W. Richardson.	J. J. Lee.	J. W. Skinner, J. W. Godfrey, G. A. Moore.	9	4					121	3 00	1500		4th
Elmship.	Reville.	Logan.	C. C. Hogan.	T. M. Riley.	J. L. Bass, T. M. Riley, J. A. Mayfield.	13	1	9	4	1		63	1 50	150		3d
Elmship.	Nebraska.	Scott.	C. W. Hunnicutt.	G. W. Cornelius.	P. Bond, A. L. Watkins, G. W. Cornelius.	6	4	1	7	2		80	1 50	800		2d
Elmship.	Morrison's Bluff.	Logan.	J. L. Sykes.	J. H. Gray.	J. A. Jarrard, W. B. Blair, J. R. Raper.	11	2	1	6	3		121	3 00	1500		4th
Elmship.	Danville.	Yell.	J. A. Taylor.	J. A. Duncan.	F. M. Bennett, C. B. McDaniel.	5	1					25	1 00			2d
Elmship.	Magazine.	Logan.			J. G. Taylor, J. L. Corley, W. T. Berry.	22	8	21	6	2		63	1 50	800		2d
Elmship.	Rover.	Yell.	J. W. Richardson.	W. T. Berry.	J. D. Stringfellow, J. W. Graham, W. A. Fleming.	5	1					12	50			1st
Elmship.	Stafford.	Yell.			S. A. James.	2	2	4	1			21	60			2d
Elmship.	Mount Homer.	Yell.	E. H. Stafford.	J. H. Deaton.	J. E. Lewis.	6	4	5	2			67	1 50	500		1st
Elmship.	Chickalah.	Yell.	J. F. Brice.	L. C. Robinson.	J. W. H. H. L. C. Robinson.	7	2	4	5	2		29	1 00	300	57	3d
Elmship.	Gravelly.	Yell.	G. W. Hunnicutt.	J. M. Hunnicutt.	W. H. Oliver, J. W. Johnson, Eugene Oliver.	8	7	21	6	1		135	1 50	1000	99	1st
Elmship.	Belleville.	Yell.	W. E. Logan.	Thos. Logan.	R. H. W. d. F. M. Bradshaw.	3	7	2	3	1		54	60			2d
Elmship.	Gilkey.	Yell.	J. W. Richardson.	Guy Mo-s.	B. E. Smith.	5	1					54	60			2d
Elmship.	Dardanelle.	Yell.	W. N. Dodd.	Henry Nix.	W. N. Dodd, J. F. Brice, I. A. Huckaby.	2	1	2	2			54	60			2d
Elmship.	Reville.	Logan.	J. W. Nobles.	J. A. Martin.	W. H. Oliver, J. W. Johnson, Eugene Oliver.	3	7	2	3	1		54	60			2d
Elmship.	Paris.	Logan.	I. Z. Kimbrough.	J. W. Sanders.	R. H. W. d. F. M. Bradshaw.	3	7	2	3	1		54	60			2d
Elmship.	Spellerville.	Logan.	M. P. Blair.	J. H. Raper.	J. B. Ervin, John Inman.	2	1	2	3	1		54	60			2d
Elmship.	Marionville.	Yell.	W. E. Logan.	W. F. Valentine.	J. J. Robertson, J. C. Walker, R. M. Blaylock.	5	1					54	60			2d
Elmship.	Reville.	Logan.	R. T. Little.	J. M. Williams.	J. M. Ashworth, L. R. Brice, J. M. Williams.	1	3	2	1	2		54	60			2d
Elmship.	Balloon.	Yell.	J. W. Richardson.	W. T. W. Brooke.	J. F. Howell, W. Z. Rogers.	2	5	5	1	27		100	300	80		1st
Elmship.	Danville.	Yell.	W. E. Logan.	W. W. Brooks.	W. W. Brooks.	2	5	5	1	27		100	300	80		1st
Elmship.	Chickalah.	Yell.	W. E. Logan.	J. W. Christie.	E. H. Stafford.	6	3	1				56	50	200		8d
Elmship.	Chickalah.	Yell.	W. N. Dodd.	J. K. Shepherd.	J. C. Shepherd, J. K. Shepherd.	6	3	1				56	50	200		8d
Elmship.	Jennings's Falls.	Yell.	J. W. Richardson.	W. H. Burnett.	M. V. Carden, J. D. Short, H. G. Woodward.	6	3	1				44	1 35	800		3d

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