

MINUTES

✻ Of the ✻

Forty-Seventh Annual Session of the

Caddo River Baptist Association

Held with

BOARD CAMP CHURCH

Polk County, Arkansas, Sept. 9, 1904

ASSOCIATIONAL DIRECTORY

~~Moderator~~—B. D. Millsaps, Hickory Station.

Clerk—W. M. Tackett, Hickory Station.

Treasurer—C. C. Rowton, Black Springs.

Messengers to Ouachita Association—H. T. Howell,

J. M. Hilton, W. L. Glaye.

Messengers to Red River Association—W. H. Anderson,

J. C. Proctor, J. H. Ward.

Messenger to Buckville Association—R. Tallent.

Next Session to be held at Mountain Home Baptist Church,
Montgomery County, Arkansas; beginning on Friday before
the second Sunday in September, 1905, at 11 o'clock a. m.
Brothers D. L. Shirley and H. F. Howell will preach the intro-
ductory sermon. ✻ ✻ ✻ ✻ ✻ ✻ ✻ ✻ ✻ ✻

PROCEEDINGS.

The Forty-seventh Annual Session of the Cado River Missionary Baptist Association assembled at Beard Camp Missionary Baptist Church, Polk county, Arkansas, at 11 o'clock a. m., September 9, 1904, in harmony with its adjournment at Mt. Pisga Missionary Baptist Church, Montgomery county, Arkansas.

The introductory sermon was preached by the appointed Elder, J. M. White, who used as a text Luke, 10:29: "Who Is My Neighbor;" followed by J. A. Shackelford. After which the Association adjourned at 2 p. m.

FRIDAY AFTERNOON.

The former Moderator, Elder T. J. Wright, being present declared the Association ready for business. After reading the 23d Psalm and prayer by Brother B. D. Millsaps, the Moderator appointed Brothers J. H. Rockfield and J. H. Ward with the messengers of Beard Camp as a committee on Divine Service.

Letters were then called for. Brothers J. N. Wasen and W. M. Tackett were appointed to read the letters from the various churches.

Names of churches and messengers were enrolled as follows:

Beard—John Welch.

Beard Springs—L. P. Guthrey.

Beard—W. H. Anderson, W. C. Willis and J. C. Proctor.

Big Fork—H. T. Howell, W. L. Glaye and Tom Cotton.
Board Camp—J. M. Hilton and J. F. Strickland.
Brushey Creek—J. C. Singleton.
Caney Valley—R. D. Bishop.
Forest Hill—E. Burns.
Mt. Pleasant—J. M. White and D. B. White.
Mountain Home—B. D. Millsaps, W. M. Tackett and S. M. Gilbert.
Mt. Pisga—T. J. Wright, R. Tallent and J. G. Pate.
Macedonia—S. P. Posy and R. O. Carter.
Midway—J. H. Birchfield, George Harvey and A. W. Birchfield.
Providence—C. C. Rowton and G. C. Edwards.
Pleasant Valley—J. N. Wasson
Salem—J. A. Shackelford, J. H. Ward and W. D. Ward.
Sulphur Springs—J. J. Abel, J. H. Edwards and W. M. Edwards.
Valley Grove—J. J. Hughes and L. R. Hughes

Petitionary letters were then called for. One presented Little Hope, and it was moved and seconded that the church above referred to be received and the right hand of fellowship was given. By motion, which was seconded, the letter from Brother J. J. Hughes was accepted and printed in the minutes.

By motion, which was seconded, the letter from Black Springs was received and Brother Lenord Guthrey was seated as a messenger.

By motion, which was seconded, the resolution forbidding any one from being seated, was rescinded.

The organization being complete, the Moderator declared the body ready for election of officers. G. H. Wasson, J. F. Strickland and H. L. Winburne were appointed as tellers. After which the Association went into election of Moderator, Clerk and Treasurer. The result was as follows: B. D. Millsaps, Moderator; W. M. Tackett, Clerk; C. C. Rowton, Treasurer.

Next, call for correspondents, when the following-

named persons were seated as correspondents: Brother H. L. Winburne from Red River Association; Professor Coger from Ouachita Baptist College, and Brother S. P. David from Buckville Association.

By motion, which was seconded, the Moderator and Clerk were appointed to select the different committees. A motion was then made that this body adjourn to next Saturday morning at 8:30 a. m.

SATURDAY MORNING SESSION.

The body then met with its adjournment of Friday evening. The Moderator read the 12th chapter of the First Corinthians and prayer by Brother Shirley.

First, called for the reading of Friday's minutes. By motion, and seconded, the minutes were read and adopted.

Next, call for reading of the roll and absentees marked. By motion, and seconded, Rules of Decorum were read.

LIST OF COMMITTEES.

A. State of Religion.—J. N. Wasson, J. G. Pate and J. F. Strickland.

B. Missionary Report.—John Welch, H. T. Howell and T. J. Wright.

C. Destitution.—G. H. Wasson, D. L. Shirley and J. H. Ward.

D. Report on Temperance.—John Welch, J. J. Hughes and C. C. Rowton.

E. Report on Documents.—W. D. Ward, W. L. Gaye and R. D. Bishop.

F. Duties of Churches to Pastors.—G. W. Har-

vey, W. F. Willis and S. M. Gilbert.

G. Duties of Pastors to Churches.—T. J. Wright, E. Burns and H. T. Howell.

H. Finance.—J. H. Birchfield, Lenord Guthrey and Lum Edwards.

I. Obituary.—J. M. White, R. L. Hughes and D. B. White.

J. Report on Education.—W. H. Anderson, J. M. Hilton and J. E. Proctor.

K. Treasurer's Report.

On hand from last year.....	\$28.15
Other funds on hand.....	15.86

Sent up by the the Churches:

This year for Minutes	\$25.65
Home Missions	2.75
Foreign Missions	2.50

Total on hand	\$74.91
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After which the body took a recess of twenty minutes. The body then come together by singing.

First, call for Committee on State of Religion.

A. We, your Committee on State of Religion, find from the minutes, messengers and other sources, that in most parts of the Association the cause of Christ has been greatly revived, and many souls have been converted and added to the church. Brethren let us work and strive to keep the work of the Lord gaining ground in the bounds of our Association.

After being discussed by Brothers H. L. Win-
kles and J. N. Wasson, it was adopted.

Respectfully submitted,

J. G. PATE, *Chairman.*

H. Destitution.

We, your Committee on Destitution, beg leave to
make the following report: We find within the boun-
daries of the Caddo River Association that there is
great destitution. We find great need of Baptist
preaching in different parts of the Association, while
other parts are well supplied with Baptist preaching,
and we ask this Association to devise some plan by
which these destitute places may have the Gospel
preached.

Respectfully submitted,

J. H. WARD, *Chairman.*

C. Temperance.

We, your Committee on Temperance, desire to re-
port as follows: There is no question as to the clear
teaching of the Bible on this great question. Intoxi-
cating liquors have always been in league with the
forces of wrong and against our Lord's work and his
kingdom. We believe it the duty of every true Chris-
tian not only to abstain from strong drinks, but to use
his influence against the traffic and to vote against
men and for men to office who are clean in their
lives. The liquor traffic has brought upon our people
more poverty and disgrace than any other cause. Let
our churches take a positive stand for the right along

this line. Let our preachers urge the importance of strict obedience to God's word.

Respectfully submitted,

J. J. HUGHES, *Chairman.*

D. Documents.

We, your Committee on Documents, submit the following report: We find four churches calling for the next session of this body, to-wit: Mountain Home, Brushy Creek, Macedonia and Providence.

Respectfully submitted,

W. L. GLAYE, *Chairman.*

E. Duties of Churches to Pastors.

We, your Committee on the Duties of Churches to Pastors, beg leave to make the following report: It is the duty set forth in God's word to assist their pastors so they can visit all of their flock that is under their care.

Respectfully submitted,

W. F. WILLIS, *Chairman.*

F. Duty of Pastors to Churches.

We find it is the duty of the pastors to visit the members of their churches they have in charge and become acquainted with their wants and temperments, and to fill their appointments punctually and to preach the word.

Respectfully submitted,

E. BURNS, *Chairman.*

G. Finance.

We, your Committee on Finance, find on hand:

For printing of Minutes	\$25.65
For Home Missions	2.75
For Foreign Missions	2.50

\$30.90

Respectfully submitted,

L. P. GUTHREY, *Chairman.*

H. Obituary.

We, your Committee on Obituary, find by reading of the letters from the different churches that God, in his alwise Providence, has removed from us our beloved brethren and sisters, to-wit:

Mount Pleasant Church—Sister Mattie Duncan, Sept. 18, 1903; Sister Susan Dunson, Jan. 9, 1904.

Mt. Pisgah Church—Sister R. M. Pate, March 14, 1904.

Black Springs Church—One; name not given.

Providence Church—Sister Margaret Warren.

Mountain Home Church—Leland Tackett.

Bethlehem Church—One; name not given.

Board Camp Church—Sister N. J. Duncan.

Forest Hill Church—Sister Stafford.

Big Fork Church—Sister Ada Cross.

Melvina Foster and Gora Furr.

Respectfully submitted,

D. B. WHITE, *Chairman.*

I. Report on Education.

We, your Committee on Education, beg leave to report as follows:

We believe it is the duty of Baptists to provide ways and means of education for their young people. A vital part of the great commission our charter of organization and labor is the commission to teach. The Lord placed teachers in the church when he organized it, 1st Cor. 12-28. The progress and conditions of our times have made it necessary that we obey this command at once. The forces of unrighteousness are well

trained and equipped for the warfare. We can not hope to hold our own among the powers that work for regenerating the world without a full and complete educational work. To meet this demand the Baptist fathers in Arkansas have put in operation a splendid system of affiliated schools for all grades and courses. In this system there are two colleges and four academies, with property valued at \$250,000. Last year there were 1300 students in attendance, with eighty teachers. Ouachita college, the largest and oldest of the institutions, is situated at Arkadelphia within easy reach of Caddo River Association. Here our young people can find the very best educational advantages to be had in the State, at the lowest possible cost. We recommend that our people write to Prof. J. W. Conger for information, and especially do we recommend that every young minister who wishes to prepare himself for efficient service to consider carefully the advantages to be had at Ouachita college, and if he will enter there and avail himself of the training needful, we pledge prayerful, sympathetic and financial support of this Association. After being ably, forcibly and interestingly discussed by Prof. J. W. Conger, H. L. Winburne and W. H. Anderson the report was adopted.

Respectfully submitted,

W. H. ANDERSON,

J. C. PROCTOR,

J. M. HILTON,

Committeemen.

F. Treasurer's Report. (See letter K on page 11)

C. C. ROWTON, *Treasurer.*

Letter from Elder J. J. Hughes.

ROCK CREEK, Ark.

Valley River Baptist Association:

Dear Brethren in Christ, by these means I wish to express my great desire to be with you in your present associational work. I was delegated to meet with you, but though my health is good, I fear the journey might be too great for one of my years, and as my church can be represented by younger brethren, I shall not attempt to attend, but be assured that though absent from you I shall be with you in spirit, and my prayers shall be that Divine guidance may attend in this great work for the Master.

May God be with you to own and to bless the labors of his children. Let brotherly love continue.

Yours by Christian ties,

ELDER J. J. HUGHES,
Valley Grove Church, Rock Creek, Ark.

Ordained Ministers and Their Postoffices.

CHURCHES		POSTOFFICE
Bethel.....	W. F. Willis	Amity
Valley Grove.....	J. J. Hughes.....	Rock Creek
.....	A. Nelson ..	Hickory Station
Mountain Home ..	B. D. Millsapps	
Bethlehem	W. P. Taylor	Kirby
.....	J. R. Motley	
Canney Valley	J. M. Smith ..	Rock Creek
Mt. Pleasant	J. M. White.....	Lodi
.....	G. C. Smith	Zebulon
.....	R. P. Wilkins	Daisey
Mt. Pisga	T. J. Wright	Welsh
.....	J. G. Pate	
Antioch	R. C. Fields	Rock Creek

Licentiateds and Their Postoffice.

CHURCHES		POSTOFFICE
Board Camp.....	S. M. Kamp	Board Camp
Sulphur Springs	J. M. Hughes	Red Bird
Bethel	J. E. Proctor	Rock Creek
Providence	J. R. Edwards	Black Springs
Mountain Home.....	G. S. Diggs	Welsh
.....	S. M. Gilbert ..	Hickory Station
.....	W. M. Tackett.....	
Forest Hill.....	E. Burns	
Mt. Pleasant	D. B. White	Langley
Mt. Pisga.....	N. L. Huggins	Welsh

Deacons and Their Postoffice

CHURCHES		POSTOFFICE
Providence	C. C. Rowton.....	Black Springs
.....	R. T. Rowton.....	
.....	G. L. Tanner	
Mountain Home	W. G. Tackett.....	Hickory Station
.....	F. Nelson	
Forest Hill	C. F. O'Neal	
.....	Z. M. Nicholson	
Mt. Pleasant	D. B. White	Langley
Mt. Pisga	N. L. Huggins	Welsh
.....	Featherston	

STATISTICAL TABLE.

NAME OF CHURCHES	Received by Baptism.....	Received by Letter	Dismissed by Letter	Excluded.....	Restored.....	Died.....	Present M. mbership.....	Day of Meeting.....	Minute Fund..	Home Mission	Value of Church Property.....	Orphans' Home	Foreign Missions.....	Pastors.	Clerks.	Postoffice.	County.
Little Hope.....	4	2					19	4	1.10					D. L. Shirley.....	R. J. Rupp	Waters	Montgomery
Pleasant Valley.....	3	3	2				38	2	1.00					R. C. Fields.....	J. N. Wasson	Mansfield.....	Montgomery
Board Camp.....	6			2		1	78	2	1.85	1.00	250		50	H. T. Howell	G. A. Kennett....	Eggar	Polk
Macadonia.....		6					21	1	1.05					H. T. Howell	W. A. Wallace....	Oden	Montgomery
Sulphur Springs.....	1	7	1		2		23		1.10					D. L. Shirley.....	W. M. Edwards....	Red Bird.....	Montgomery
Bethel.....				2			48	2	1.35		200			T. J. Wright.....	J. E. Proctor	Rock Creek	Pike
Providence							60		1.25					G. H. Wasson.....	G. C. Edwards....	Jack Springs..	Montgomery
Big Fork.....	2	5		2	1	3		4	2.00				2.00	H. T. Howell		Eggar	Polk
Valley Grove.....		4					24		1.25					W. F. Willis.....	J. J. Hughes, jr..	Rock Creek ..	Pike
Mountain Home.....	9		2	1	1		76	8	1.35					T. J. Wright.....	L. C. Tackert....	Hick Station...	Montgomery
Salem.....		2		1			39	1	1.90					J. A. Shackelford	B. P. Thrash....	Rock Creek ..	Pike
Bethlehem.....	5	1					35	4	1.85					D. W. Cornish	W. J. Taylor	Kirby.....	Pike
Forest Hill.....							30	1	1.00	1.75				G. D. Millsaps	J. H. Adcock	Hick Station...	Montgomery
Caneey Valley.....							30		1.00					J. A. Shackelford	W. W. McLean...	Amity	Clark
St. Pleasant.....		1					20							J. A. Shackelford	D. B. White	Langley	Pike
St. Peter.....														J. J. Wright.....	T. M. Featherston	Walsh	Montgomery
Immanuel Church.....														J. J. Wright.....	J. W. White		
Adrian.....														J. J. Wright.....	John Welch	Adrian Gap ..	Montgomery
Adrian.....														J. J. Wright.....	J. H. Hartsfield		Montgomery

RESOLUTIONS.

Resolved, That this Association promise its support and prayers to the Baptist Orphans' Home at Monticello, and that those who have moneys for this purpose be requested to hand the same to Brother W. W. Gardner at Arkadelphia, who is their agent.

Respectfully submitted,

H. T. HOWELL.

Resolved, That the thanks of this body be tendered to the members of Board Camp Church and the community for the kindness and liberal hospitality shown us during our stay among them; also to our Moderator and Clerk for their faithful services rendered.

Respectfully submitted,

J. J. HUGHES, Jr.

Resolved, That we request the various churches of this Association to change the time of changing pastors from the meeting of the Association till the last Sunday in November.

Respectfully submitted,

J. A. SHACKELFORD.

By motion and seconded, the next session of this body will meet at Mountain Home Church, Montgomery County, Ark., at 11 o'clock a. m., on Friday, before the second Sunday in September, 1905.

The body by motion and seconded, have 500 Minutes printed; also the Clerk to have \$10 for his services.

By motion and seconded, Brother Shelton be seated as a visiting member from Ouachita Association.

Also, Brothers H. T. Howell, J. M. Hilton and W. L. Maye volunteered to visit Ouachita Association.

Also, Brothers W. H. Anderson, J. E. Proctor and J. H. Ward as volunteers to Red River Association.

Also, Brother R. Tallent volunteered to visit or write to the Buckville Association.

Next, call for report of Preaching Committee.

Friday night.—H. L. Winburne and B. D. Millsapps.

Saturday night.—Brother Shirley and J. M. White.

Sunday morning at 9 o'clock.—T. J. Wright and H. T. Howell.

Sunday at 11 a. m.—Brothers J. A. Shackelford and J. F. Strickland.

After which a collection for the Orphans' Home at Monticello was taken up. Resulted in \$5.25, and turned over to Brother John Welch to send to the Orphans' Home at Monticello.

The above minute was read and adopted, after which the body took the parting hand, hoping to meet at its next appointed place.

B. D. MILLSAPPS, *Moderator.*

W. M. TACKETT, *Clerk.*