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of the Thirty-Ninth Annual Session of the

FRIENDSHIP REGULAR

Baptist Association

HELD WITH

Cleveland County, Arkansas, Seprember 16th 1911

OTTO WHITTINGTON, MODERATOR, J. W. MCPHERSON, CLERK.

Next Session will be held with Harmony Baptist Church, Cleveland County, Ark., on Saturday before the Third Sunday in September, 1912, at 10 o'clock A. M.

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PROCEEDINGS.

FIRST DAY-MORNING SESSION.

Friendship Baptist Association convened with Rison Baptist church, Cleveland county, Arkansas, in its Thirty-Ninth Annual session at 10 o'clock a. m., September the 16th, 1911.

Called to order by singing. The Moderator called the body to order; prayer by Eld. J. E. Brown; 3rd, Chapter of 1st Corinthians read by Bro. Brown; prayer by Bro. Compere. After which the Clerk presented a list of the churches represented with their accredited messengers, to-wit:

LIST OF MESSENGERS.

Bethel No. 1-B. F. Moody, J. W. Jaggers, J. L. Herring, J. W. Brown. Bethel No. 2-W. L. Giggers, Marvin Cook, Geo. Ashcraft. Bethlehem-J. R. Owen Center-T. J. Stringfellow. Cornerville-C. W. Moran, Will McCulloch. Clio-W. W. Anderson, Mrs. E. H. Brassell, Miss Huntly, Concord-Ossie Hobson, Tom Riggins, Will McCnlloch. Dumas-Jack Nuchols and wife. Enon-J. W. Curry, Nannie Curry, A. J. Berry. Friendship-P. H. Favors. Florence-G. A. Sumerall. Hickory Grove-M. M. West, Clifton Dodd. Holly Springs-F. S. Vick, E. L. Vick. Harmony-A. C. Rogers, H. H. Mandell, J. M. Jacks. Lone Grove-C. W. Case. Mt. Moriah-W. J. Caldwell. Mt. Zion-W. W. Head, W W. Taylor. Macedonia-E. Y. May, T. L. May, J. L. Riggin. New Hope-B. F. Kimball. New Home-W. L. Austin, J. W. Fish, W. M. Willis. Oak Grove-W. T. Reed, Z. L. Crawford, B. F. Ryburn Ohio St. Pine Bluff-Otto Whittington, E Ryland, G. H. Gammill, R. M. Ware, Ed Boyce.

Pine Bluff 1st .-- Lee Fox, H. S. Dudley, U. W. Poss J. E. Irwin, C. D. Wood, F. L. Fox. Pleasant Hill -O. Myers. Pleasant Home-J. T. Gathright. Pleasant Ridge-J. B. Wilson, Charles Hoover, Jesse Anderson Pleasant Springs - T. R. Cloud. Pison-J. F. Swanson, W. H. Cash, Sisters Eberhardt, Tenny May, Salem-Dismissed from our roll. Spring Hill-Star City- H. R. Lucas, J. W. McPherson, J. F. Grumbles, Mrs. J. F. Grumbles, W. L. Compere. Sulphur Springs-By Letter. Turo-B. F. McGraw, J. H. Collins, and wife, F. H. Collins, Tillar -- Transferred to Bartholomew Association. Union - Not represented. Zion J. H. W. Overton. Being ready for permament organization, nominations were in order.

Bro. Otto Whittington, was put in nomination. Upon motion and the unanimous consent of the body, the Clerk was instructed to east the vote of the entire body for him which was done and he was declared elected Moderator. On motion J. W. McPherson was unanimously elected Clerk and Treasurer.

The Moderator called for visiting brethren. The following named brothers responded. Bro. J. S. Compere from Judson Association; Bro. Newtor, representing the Arkansas Baptist; Sister E. J. A. McKinney, representing the Baptist Advance; Bro. Wells, representing the Temperance. League.

Moderator called for Petitionary Letters. None responded.

11:00. Bro. Ben Bridges, the appointee to preach the Introductory Sermon, read a scripture lesson from the 12th Chapter of 2nd, Corinthians 1st to the 12 verse, after which he preached a very able sermon.

ADJOURNED UNTIL 2 P. M.

2:00. Called together by singing. The Moderator read the list of the various committees, as follows:

Order of Business- H R. Lucas, A. E. Dulaney, J. S. Compere.

Digest of Letters-Lee Fox, B. L. Bridges.

Foreign Missions-W. L. Compere, W. J. Caldwell, A. C. Rogers.

Home Mirstons-B. F. McGraw, J. E. Brown, T. B. Cloud.

State Missions-E. A. Dulaney, G. A. Sumerall, C. W. Moran.

Associational Missions-J. F. Grumbles, J. R. Owen, B. F. Moody. Prohibition-Ben L. Bridges, T. J. Stringfellow, H. H. Mundell, Jesse Auders.

Orphans Home-J. F. Swanson, Z. L. Crawford, F. S. Vick, Marion Cook

Sabbath Observance-J. W. Fish, Clifton, Dodd, E. L. Vick, W. L. Goggins. Publications-W. H. Cash, W. W. Head, W. W Taylor. Christian Education-J. F. Swanson, J. B. Wilson.

Ministerial Education-E. J. A. McKinney, E. A. Dulaney, Geo. Ashcraft Sunday Schools-M. M. West, Jack Nuckles.

B. Y. P. U.-H. R. Lucas, W. T. Reed, J. F. Riggin.

Condition of Churches-C. W. Case, E. Y. May.

Obiturarics-W. M. Willis, Charles Hoover, B. F. Kimball,

Finance-U. W. Poss, F. H. Collins, Ben McGraw.

Woman's Work-Mrs. H. C. Fox, Mrs. Eberhardt, Mrs. J. F. Grumbles. Nominations-H. R. Lucas, B F. Ryburn, J. H. Collins.

The Moderator was instructed to appoint a committee on Christian Education instead of the usual Committee on Education.

Report on Divine Service read by Bro. Dulaney, chairman, and adopted.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON DIVINE SERVICE

We, your Committee on Divine Service, offer the following report:

Bro. C. D. Wood will preach at 8 o'clock Saturday evening; Sunday school mass meeting from 10 to 11 o'clock Sunday morning, led by Judge F. R. Lucas; Sunday school talks by Bros. B. F. Moody, J. F. Swanson and J. B. Wilson. From 11 to 12 Bro. Li the will preach at the Baptist church and Bro Newman will preach at the Methodist church at the same hour. Bro. J. H. W. Overton will preach at the Baptist church on Sunday evening from 8 to 9 o'clock and at the same hour Bro. W. L. Compere will preach at the Methodist church. Respectfully submitted

E. A. Dulaney, J. S. McMurtrey, W. J. May, Committee.

None of the committees being ready to report the Moderator called on the visiting brothers to speak. Brothers J. E. Brown and C. D. Wood responded with nice speeches.

Called for report on State Missions, which was read by E. A. Dulaney, chairman, discussed and adopted.

REPORT ON STATE MISSIONS.

We your committee on State Missions, offer the following report:

We find on nearly page of the Bible the great doctrine of missions. Jesus said: "Go ye into all the world and preach my gospel." The Holy Spirit said: "You shall be witnesses unto me both in Jerusalem. and in all Judea, and in Samaria, and unto the uttermost part of the earth." As we, who desire to carry out this commission, look round about us in the respective sections, in we find that this work is being done in a very encouraging measure.

By the hearty support that is being given the missionary work, we are

enabled to have about 117 men in the field who are either giving a part or all of their time to this work. The immediate result of the work of these men is marvelous; the baptisms and additions to the churches are perhaps the largest number we have ever had. Although, the exact number can not be had at this time, since the general report has not been made up. The report on State Missions at the State Convention last year showed that there were 6,274 conversions during the year; 3,749 baptisms, and that the total addition to the churches throughout the state was 5,804. In addition to that 38 churches were organized; 68 meeting houses were built and repaired; and 104 Sunday schools were organized. In addition to all this, a great deal of wofk has been done through the General Association, the facts concerning the result of which, I have been unable to secure

Brethren, as you see, we owe much to the Lord for the rich blessings of last year, and owing to the fact that the meetings everywhere, have been good and the work in every respect is the most encouraging, we should strive more zealously to meet the demands as they grow greater.

Out of the one and a haif million people of the State of Arkansas, there are at least one-half million unsaved people. Scattered over the state there are about 110,000 Missionary Baptists. Do not these figures suggest a more ardent movement? In fact if seems almost sinful that we do not care for the Foreign people more readily as they come into our country with their Pagan ideas. Last year we paid \$28,464 96 for State Missions; for the enlarged work that has been and is being done this year, we shall need not less that \$30,000.

By the way of showing our appreciation for the blessings already received and expressing our expectations for greater, let us go to the Convention, which meets at Pine Bluff on the 16th day of Nov, wholly out of debt, saying in the words of Nehemiah, "We did it, for the people had a mind to work. Respectfully submitted.

E. A. Dulaney, Chairman-

Report on Associational Missions read by J. F. Grumbles, Chairman, and the report of Missionary read by Bro. Joyner; both reports discussed and adopted.

REPORT ON ASSOCIATIONAL MISSIONS.

We, your Committee on Associational Missions, make the following report:

There is yet destitution in our bounds. Jesus said: "Go ye into all the world and preach the gospel," but to begin at Jerusalem, therefore our first is to our home field. There are many places that need the gospel and need help to support the same, and especially do we recommend that we help Cilo and Center. We think that by belping Center one more year they will be self-sustaining. Bro. Joyner has preached at both of the above posts ---5 ---

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during the past year and reports 26 conversions; 17 baptisms; 20 additions to the church at Center, and at Clio, one conversion and two additions by letter. We recommend that other points of destitution be discussed by this body. We recommend that Bro. Joyner be paid \$100 for his services at Center and Clio for the past year, and as there is, nor has been, any funds in the Treasure, we recommend that a collection be taken or that pledges be made to pay the above amount. We hereby submit the report of Bro. Joyner in connection with this report.

J. F. Grumbles, Chairman.

MISSIONARY'S REPORT

We beg to submit the following report to the Association, and feel thankful to God for the blessings He has bestowed upon us during the past.

Clio church-Sermons 19, visits 48, days worked 25, home services 6, miles traveled 800, conversions 1, Collections \$4.15.

Center church—Sermons 29, visits 48, days worked 31, home services 13, miles traveled 120, conversions 26, baptisms 17.

We would recommend that the Board help Clio and Center one more year. We believe that Center will be self-supporting after next year. Clio will need your assistance for a longer time. It is a hard field to cultivate, being a mill town with such a transient population, however, this enables us to reach more people with the Gospel which is the power of God unto salvation. The faithful few there are struggling hard to build up the Baptist cause at that place with no house to meet in except the school house. Praying God's blessings on them and trusting that some day they will have a strong church, we leave it with you. Respectfully submitted,

W. D. Joyner.

Report on Publications read by W. H. Cash and adopted as read.

REPORT ON PUBLICATION.

We, your committee, offer the following report:

We are in an age of progress. The reading of literature is largely responsible for this. It is therefore necessary that our people should be very careful of the kind we select. Good literature tends to to upbuild and uplift. The forming of character; the influence on our young is largely increased by the reading of good literature. Good books, periodicals and papers should be selected and none other should enter our homes. God requires of us as parents that we see to it that our children should be provided with such things as will bring them nearer in touch with His Divine will. Brethren, in God's name let us see to it that nothing but good, clean spiritnal literature is placed in our homes. First and above all God's word should be held out as the book of books. Our denominational papers should have a place in every home. Finally brethren, let us strive to place such litera-

ture in our homes as will please Him, "Who came into the world that m might have light through Him that would lead us to God and Heaven." Respectfully submitted.

W. H. Cash, Chairman (

Report of Committee on Order of Business read by H. R. Lucas, bycussed and adopted.

ADJOURNED UNTIL 7:30

7:30 p. m. Song service and prayer led by Bro. Dulaney, then another song and prayer led by Bro. Newman. Bro. C. D. Wood preached a very able and and acceptable sermon. Text, Proverbs 11-30.

Adjourned to 9 a. m. Sunday.

SUNDAY MORNING.

9:00 a. m. Assembled in Sunday school capacity led by Bro. H. R. Lacas. Report on Sunday Schools read by Bro. M. M. West Chairman; ertensively discussed and adopted.

REPORT ON SUNDAY SCHOOLS

We, your committee on Sunday Schools make the following report:

We find by reference to the letters that we have 36 churches represented in this body 19 of which have Sunday schools, with 1,571 scholars enrolled. This is a gain of five schools over last year. Leaving 17 churches without schools.

Brethren, we recommend that you who have no schools go home and go organize a school at once and say by the help of God we will have a Sunday school, for we realize that you are missing the grandest opportunity of your lives by not maintaining a Sunday school in your respective churches,

Respectfully submitted,

M. M. West, Chairman.

The special order of business, the discussion of Sunday schools, from 10 to 11 s. m., led by Bros. B. F. Moody, J. S. Swanson and J. B. Wilson,

11:00 s. m. The stand filled by Bro Little who preached on the Commission, which was very instructive.

2:00 p. m. Called together by singing. The Moderator (H. R. Lucss as Moderator) called for report on Orphans Home. Report not ready, committee continued and instructed to report on Monday at 10:30

Report on Obituaries read by W. M. Willis, corrected and adopted.

REPORT ON OBITUARIES

Your Committe. on Obituaries submit the following report: During the past year we find that 28 of our members have been, in the

providence of God, taken from us by death, a decrease of two from last year. We honor their memory and record their names. Bethel No. 1, Sister R. J. O'Keith; Concord, Mrs. Sarah Lain and J. N. Lee; Center, one; Friendship, two; Tyro, Mrs. Mary Ann Collins; Pleasant P.ldge, William Woodell; Star City, J. M. Atkinson, Thomas Johnson, Sister John K. Lyle, and Neva Hayes; Pine Bluff 1st., T. F. Burkes, J. F. Rutherford, Mrs. Law Nolly, Miss Bessie Hudson; Harmony, C.A. Fish; New Home, M. A. Barnes; Ohlo St. F. B. Nichols, Warren Parker, Mrs. Bertle Thomas, Geo. Reed, Mr. M. S. Green; Pleasant Hill, two; Rison, Leona Cash, Eugenia King; Enon, one; Oak Grove, Joe Willis, Sister Fannie Reed.

Respectfully Submitted,

W. M. Willie, Chairman.

Adjourned until 10:30.

7:30 p. m. The stand filled by Bro. J. H. W. Overton who preached quite a lengthy and interesting sermon.

MONDAY MORNING

9:00 a.m. Called together by singing. Divine service conducted by Dr. J. T. Christian after which the Moderator called for the report of the Trustees of Friendship Academy. A verbal report was made by J. F. Grunbles, W. L. Compere and H. R. Lucas. Resolution No. 1 read by Bro. J. W. Fish, after some discussion and a promise of a written report to go in the minutes, it was adopted. (See resolution and report at end of munute.)

Home Missions report read by E J. A. McKinney for B. F. McGraw, chairman, and Foreign Missions report read by W.L. Compere; both reports discussed and adopted.

REPOTT ON HOME MISSIONS

Home missions in Baptist purlance is distinguished from State and Association missions in that it applies to mission work done by Baptists of all the States of the South in the Southland and in Cuba and Panama The Home Mission Board is the agency of the Southern Baptist Convention for this work and raised and expended for said work last year about \$375,000.

The departments of its work are:

1. Evangelical-The winning of the lost to Jesus;

2. Co operation with State Boards by appropriations to help on the work in such states as need this help;

3. Church building-aiding churches to build houses of worship;

4. Education-maintaining mountain schools.

Last year Arkansas Baptists raised less than \$6,000 for this work as against more than \$12,000 the year before. The General Association has several missionaries working in different parts of the South. Send money

for Home Missions of the Southern Baptist Convention to J. T. Christian, Little Rock, Ark., and for the General Association to J. D. Scarboro, Mag. nolia, Ark.

REPORT ON FOREIGN MISSIONS

Thinking people must have reasons for what they do. There are abundant reasons why we should do much more than we are doing to give the gospel to the whole world.

1. Because God wants it done. It was the whole world which God loved and for which Christ died God is "not willing that any should perish,"(2 Pet. 3:9) but "would have all men to be saved, (1 Tim. 2:4) and he has commanded us to go into all the world and preach the gospel to ever creature. To those who truly love God, it is enough simply to know that God mants it done.

2. Pity for the Christless heathen. Think of their awful, lost condition without the gospel.

3. God has opened, practically, the whole world to the preachers of the gospel. Railroads and steamships are ready to carry Christ's messengers to the heart of heathen nations. Parts of the word of God are translated into nearly every language and dialect of earth. Many heathen communities are begging for christian teachers to be sent them. Everything is ready for a great forward movement of the hosts of God to give the knowledge of salvation to the whole world.

4. The marvelous increase of wealth in christian nations in the past ten years. Has God given us all this wealth to enable us to provide better homes and more comforts for ourselves, or to enable us to carry the knowledge of Christ to a waiting world?

5. The heathen nations which God has opened to receive the gospe are being flooded with infidelity and Mohammedism, and Roman Catholi cism, and other false religions. It is much easier to win a pure heathen to Christ than it is to win those who have imbibed these false views. Communities which were open to the pospel a few years ago are now practicall closed.

6. Only Baptists can give the whole, pure gospel to the world. Sha we be inactive while other denominations are bestirring themselves to giv their views of the gospel to the heathen of the world?

7. Faith without works is dead., Merely believing in Foreign Mission is not enough. Merely giving trifles to this work is not enough. It is hig time for us to awake and make it the business of our lives to give to a low world the knowledge of salvation. It is time for us to make real sacrifice remembering that Christ became poor that we might be made rich. Or Savior is anxiously watching us to see if we will be true to him in this da of opportunity. May the Lord help us to be faithful to our trust.

W. L. Compere, Chairman.

Report on Orphans Homes read by J. S. Swanson, discussed and adopted with the following list of pledges:

REPORT ON ORPHAN'S HOMES

We, your committee, beg leave to report the following: We have two orphanages in the state, one at Texark:n, and supported by the General Association; we understand they are caring for twenty-three children at present; the other at Monticello and is supported by the Convention. In this home they are caring for 130 and are expecting about fifteen more at any time. The improvements which have been made the past year in the way of more room to care for the children, and more to care for the increasd stork and the feed stuff which the boys have raised on the farm, all this has increased the expenses of the home the past year.

The past year thirty-four of the children have made professions of faith in Christ and have joined the church and been baptised. We are rejoiced to report that every child who has reached the age of accountability has joined the church and has been buried with Christ in baptism. A great mission point the Baptiets have at Monticello:

We further report that the little paper known as the Orphan Gem is being published monthly from the Monticello Orphantage, and which is taking the place of a fluancial agent, and we commend this little paper to you and upge that each Baptist push its subscription.

In commending these homes to you we recommend that each church in the Association take an annual offering for their support and also urge that the Sunday schools and different aid societies to make a regular contribution to the support of the helpless, since James in 1:27 has instructed us that pure religion and undefiled before God and the Father is this, to visit the fatherless. We recommend that a collection in cash and pledges be taken for the homes the coming year. Respectfully submitted,

J. F. Swanson, Chairman.

SUBSCRIPTION LIST FOR HOMES

Texarkana- Holly Springs, \$5; Harmony, \$5; Mt. Moriah, \$10; Mt Zion, \$5; Macedonia, \$5; New Home, \$8; Oak Grove, \$10.

Monticello-Cornerville, \$5; Dumas, \$2.50; Florence, \$2.50; Hickory Grove, \$20; Holly Springs, \$5; Lone Grove, \$5; Ohio St. Pine Bluff, \$100, Pine Bluff 1st., \$250; Pleasant Home, by Frank Bridges, \$5; Rison, church and aid, \$50; Sunday school \$20; Star City, \$50; Tyro, \$5; Pleasant Home, \$5. Mrs. F. Morrison, \$10.

Adjourned for refreshments.

MONDAY EVENING

² p. m. Called together by singing. Prayer led by Bro. J. W. Fish.

Report on Women's Work read by Miss Alice Searcy for the committee, discussed and adopted.

REPORT ON WOMAN'S WORK

One of the greatest agencies in our churches to day is the Woman's Missionary and Aid Society. It is hard to define the mission of such an or ganization. Its motto might well be, "Whatsoever thy hand findeth to do, do it with thy might." The Lord created woman a help-meet, and nowhere is her mission so beautifully portrayed as in her church life. Every woman ought to be intensely missionary in spirit, for the gospel of Jesus Ohrist has done so much for her. Many of them have caught God's vision for them and by prayerful study of His work, are coming more and more to see with His eyes and think His thoughts. He saith, "My people are destroyed for lack of knowledge" and we learn from experience that, "As we know we will feel, as we know we will pray, as we know we will help."

One of the greatest needs, yea, we do not think we put it too strongy when we say, the greatest need of Friendship Association today is for or ganized Woman's Missionary Work. Thirty-five churches and only five organized Woman's Missionary and Aid Societles.

We urge every pastor in this association to assist and encourage in every way possible the woman's work, and you will be surprised to see how quickly it will in turn assist and encourage you in your work. Begin by organizing a socie; y just as soon as you return home. If you only have one-woman in the church, let her be president, secretary, treasurer and society, if need be.

And now we would say to our sisters that all we have, money, time and talent, is the Lord's and whether we are rich or poor, whether of a high or low place, whether young or old, let us "do whatsoever He saith unto us." Let us go forth in His name and strength and do our Woman's Work,

"Not what we've wrought, but what we have tried to do,

Thy judgement, Facher, we would claim to-day.

The work was blotched, but Thou alone dost know

How hard we tried. Thou readest us aright."

tica, thou readest us aright."

Respectfully,

Mrs. Hugh Fox, Chairman.

Report on Digest of Letters read by E. J. A. McKinney for the committee, discussed and adopted. (See Statistical Table.)

Bethel No. 1 asked for a letter of dismissal to go to Pine Bluff Association. Granted.

Report on Finance read by U. W. Poss and adopted. (See Statistical Table.)

Report on B. Y. P. U. read by H. R. Lucas, discussed and adopted.

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REPORT ON B. Y. P. U. WORK.

Your committee on B. Y. P. U. Work beg to submit the following report: The importance of our people's work should not be overbooked by our churches and the Association. In all departments of life the demand is for more trained workers, specially in our denominational life, men and women should be equipped to carry on all the departments of our church work.

The E. Y. P. U. is the training department in our churches for greater zeal among our young people to do church work. Every church within the bounds of our Association should use every possible means to encourage and help our young people to do greater things in our Master's vinyard. The The B. Y. P. U. can be used as an instrument under God's blessing to accomplish great things. In the B. Y. P. U. work you bring to bear on the young meu and women their responsibility to God, the church and society, thus instilling into their young hearts and lives an ambition to prepare to assume greater responsibilities. We, therefore, recommend that every pastor in the Association do their best to organize his young people in his churches tor better service. Respectfully submitted,

H. R. Lucas, Chairman.

Report on Sabbath Observance read by J. W. Fish, discussed and adopted

REPORT ON SABBATH OBSERVANCE

Your committee on Sabbath Observance would report as follows: That the Sabbath is a day which was set apart as a day of rest from the beginning as shown from Genesis 2:2-3, "And on the seventh day God ended his work which he had made and he rested on the seventh day from all his work which he had made, and God blessed the seventh day and sanctified it because that in it he had rested from all his work which God created and made. Again we learn from Exodus 20:8, 9, 10, 11, that when God had established the Israelites as a separate nation he commanded them to, "Remember the Sabbath day to keep it holy. Six days thou shalt labor and do all thy work but the seventh day is the Sabbath of the Lord thy God, in it thou shalt not do any work, thou nor thy son nor thy daughter, thy manservant nor thy maidservant nor thy cattle nor thy stranger that is within thy gates. For in six days the Lord made the heavons and earth the sea and all that in them is and rested the seventh day. Wherefore the Lord blessed the Sabbath day and hallowed it." Again in Exodus 31:13, 14, 15, 16, 17 that the Lord said unto Moses: "Speak thou unto the children of Israel saying, verily my Sabbath ye shall keep for it is a sign between me and you throughout your generations that ye may know that I am the Lord that doth sanctfy you. Ye shall keep the Sabbath therefore for it is holy unto you. Everyone that defileth it shall surely be put to death; for whosoever doeth any work therein shall be cut off from among his people. Six days may work be done but in the seventh is the Sabbath of rest, holy to

the Lord; whosever doeth any work in the Sabbath day he shall surely be put to death. Wherefore the children of Israel shall keep the Sabbath to observe the Sabbath throughout their generations for a perpetual covenant. It is a sign between me and the children of Israel forever. For in six day the Lord made heaven and earth and on the seventh day he rested and was refreshed. We conclude from the scripture quoted that from the creation to the formation of the Israeltish nation the Sabbath day was to be observed as a day of rest, meditation and devotion to God; and that it was given to otherm as a day of rest, a sign and a perpetual covenant which they were to observe throughout their generations.

We find in the New Testament that the Savior during his public minitry devoted the Sabbath to teaching and healing and eliminated from it the Jewish tradition and declared it was lawful to do well on the Sabbath day. We find from the Acts of the Apostles that they followed the eximple of their Master and observed the day in rest from secular labor and spentitin preaching, teaching and devotion to God. If we would rightly observe the day, we should spend it in the same way. While many observe the day we keep in this way, yet many spend it gaming and in worldly anusement, for recreation instead of devotion to God.

We find that God sent his prophets to reprove, rebuke and warn his chosen [copie, litach, for not observing his Sabbaths, and threatened them with punishment. Are not these reproofs, warnings and threatenings applicable to us? Will He not punish us if we fail to observe His day of rest and to spend it in devotion to Him? J. W. Fish, Chairman,

Report on Christian Education read by J. F. Swanson, discussed and adopted.

REPORT ON CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

We, your committee on Christian Educatron, make the following'report: Baptists all over the country are recognizing the real influence of christian education as m ver before. In true education we have the development of all the powers of man. One of the most needed things in every educated man or woman is a place in their lives for God. Christian education seeks to develop the soul as well as the mind. The rehgious education of the children of Baptist families is at the very basis of denominational progress and permanent establishment. If we would be in the front rank of progress where we as a denomination may give the truth of the gospel to all classes, in the future we must do our duty to the rising generation by making it possible for them to be educated. The only way we can'do this is to support and encourage our denominational schools with our money and patronage. J. F. Swanson, Chairman.

Report on Ministerial Education read by E. J. A. McKinney for the committee, and adopted.

REPORT ON MINISTERIAL EDUCATION

Baptists like good preaching and other people do too. A good preaches is: a God called man, a trained man, a spirit filled man. The first is God's part, the second is man's part and third God's act coming after preparation and prayer. Man's part, the training, results from the application of the preacher and the helpfulness of his brethren. The God called man must seek to prepare himself for answering well his call and we must help him to those conditions and environments that will help him to this preparation. Ministerial education has to do with our side of the problem. Hundreds of young men, called men, need to go to school and are not able to pay all the expenses. It is our duty to help them. This year Ouachita is seeking to enlist 75 young preachers and they are going. It will require several thousand dollars to help them through. We urge the brotherhood to help these young men, some of whom are from Friendship Association. The time has come to train these men not simply for the towns, but for every section of the country E. A. Dulaney, Chairman

Report on Condition of Churches read by D. Y. May and adopted.

REPORT ON CONDITION OF CHURCHES

We, your committee on Condition of Churches beg to report as follows: Churches represented 1910, 28.

Total membership for 1910, 3,035.

Churches not represented 1910, 10

Baptisms for year 1910, 264.

Churches reported 1911, 31.

Churches not represented, 1911, 5.

Baptisms for 1911, 199.

Total mambership 1911, 2,750.

Decrease in membership from 1910 to 1911 285.

We, your committee, would recommend that all of our churches put forth every effort to advance our Master's kingdon.

Respectfully submitted, D. Y. May, Chairman.

Report on Prohibition read and adopted.

REPORT ON PROHIBITION

We, your committee on Prohibition report as follows:

There have been but few efforts put forth by the chvrch members during the past year for prohibition. Church members are too indolent and careless. We know that intoxicating liquor is an enemy of legitimate business, of the church and of the soul. By it people are rendered unfit for anything that is legitimate and good. Therefore let every christian do has dead level best to eradicate the saloon. Let everybody work for state-wide prohibition. We recommend that the churches elect messengers to the Association who are not even social dramdrinkers, that God may honor our Ben Bridges, Chairman, Respectfully submitted. body.

Report on Nominations read by H. R. Lucas, discussed and amended by striking out Hickory Grove and inserting Harmony as the place of our meeting

REPORT ON NOMINATIONS.

We, your committee on Nominations submit the following report:

We nominate as Trustees of Friendship Academy Bros. E. V. Hellums T. P. Smith, F. S. Vick, John F. Grumbles and M. M. West.

We nominate Hickory Grove as the next place of meeting of this Association.

We nominate E. A. Dulaney to preach the Introductory Sermon, Alternal. E. D. Allison. Bro. C. D. Wood to preach the Missionary Sermon.

H. R. Lucas, Chairman.

RESOLUTIONS

Resolution No. 1 - Resolved that this Association discontinue the Committee on Digest of Letters and return to the old time honored way of reading the letters sent up by the churches to the Association. U. W. Poss. Adopted.

Resolutions No's, 5 and 6 on last year's minutes continued until next meeting

RESOLUTION NO. 2

Resolved, that this Association do hereby anthorize the discontinuance of Friendship Academy and do hereby relinquish to Star City Baptist chuch the property on the condition that it assume the debts on the institution, and that the President and Secretary of the Board of Trustees are hereby authorized and directed to execute deed of release to the Star City Baptist church J. W. Fish.

Adopted

Resolution No. 3-Be it resolved, that this Association extend to the Rison church and the people of Rison and community our thanks for delightful and generous hospitility and entertainment of the delegates and visitors to the Association during our session. H. R. Lucas. Adopted

Resolution No. 4-Be it resolved, That the Clerk of this Association be allowed the sum of \$20 for his services and that the remainder of the Minute Fund be used for printing the minutes, and that each church be fornished minutes in proportion to the amount of money sent for minutes. Adopted. H. R. Lucas,

Upon motion we adjourned to meet with Harmony Baptist church in Cleveland County on Saturday before the Third Sunday in September 1912. J. W. McPHERSON, OTTO WHITTINGTON, J. W. MCPHERSON,

Clerk and Treasurer.

Moderator.

CLERK'S REPORT

To outer the second	from Finance Committee	
To Cash received	from W. M. Union	
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DISBURSEMENTS

Paid J. N. Williams, Monticello Orphantage, \$ 30.40	Б
Paid Z. L. Crawford, Texarkana Orphanage, 16.50	0
Paid J. T. Christian, State Missions, 2.8	5
Paid Home Missions \$2.75; Foreign Missions \$5.00 7.76	Б
Paid Printing Minutes and Postage 27.56	0
Paid Clerk's Fee 20.00	0

Total...... \$105.11

J. W. McPherson, Clerk and Treasurer

Sunday School Statistics

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CHURCHES	No. Schools	Teachers and Officers	No. Scholars		Literatnr	e Superin- tendents	Post Offices
Bethel No. 1	11	4	49			B. F. Moody	Rison
,, ,, 2	1	3	50		S. B. C.	A. P. May	Herbine
Bethlehem	1	4	40		Land Marl	M. Y. Moran	Palmyra
Center	1	3			Baptist	T. J. Stringfelow	Rowell
Cornerville	1	3	35	5 00	S. B. C.	C. F. Mitcham	Cornerville
Concord	1	4	33 30 40 36 40		A. B. C.	F. M. Stamper	Toledo
Clio	2	3	30			W. P. White	Clio
Enon	1	3	40	6.00	S. B. C.	J. H. Atkins	Anover
Hickory Grove	11	5	36	5.00	S. B. C.	T. J. Bailey	Rest
Parmony	(1)	5	40	6.20	Land Marl	J. M. Jacks	Pine Bluff R. 1
Cak Grove	1	4	50	7.80	Land Marl	L. J. Reed	Randall
Ohio St. Pine B.	1	11	143	52.54	S. B. C.	E. Ryland	Pine Bluff
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Fleasant Bome	1	3	39		Land Marl	G. H. Ragsdale	Double Wells
Pleasant Ridge	1	4	54		Land Marl	J. B. Wilson	Randall
Pleasant Spring s	1	5	35			T. R. Cloud	Coleman .
Rison	T				S. B. C.	W. J. May	Rison
Star City	1 2	. 7	1	40.00	S. B. C	H. R. Lucas	Star City
Zicn	li	3	30		Land Marl	A. A. Brown	Toledo
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Churches, Pastors, Clerks and Postoffices

CHURCHES	PASTORS	POST OFFICES	CLERKS	POST OFFICES
Bethel No. 1	W. A. Winston	Grapevine	IR. E. Harrison	Rison
Bothel No. 2	J. H. Reynolds	Little Rock	W. L. Goggins	Herbino
Bethlehem	B. L. Bridges	Star City	A. S. Tucker	Palmyra
Center	W. D. Joiner	Little Rock	N. E. Johnston	Rowell
Cornerville	W. D. Joiner	Little Rock	A J Boyd	Cornerville
Concord	W. H. Cash	Rison	M L. Luin	Toledo
Clio	W. D. Joiner	Little Rock	Mrs. E. H. Barsell	Clio
Dumas	N. C. Denson	Dermot.	T. N. Moore	Dumas
	W. D. Joiner	Little Rock	W. E. Reynolds	Rye .
Enon	J. H. W. Overton	Toledo	W. J. Harris	Randall
Friendship	E. D. Ellison	Florence	John M. Henly	Florence
Florence	B. L. Bridges	Star City	M. M. West	Rest
Hickory Grove	B. L. Bridges	Star City	D. W. Chance	Garnett
Holly Springs		Pine Bluff	H. H. Mundell	Pine Bluff, Route 2 Box 50
Harmony ·	A. C. Rogers	Palmyra	P. L. Wynn	
Lone Grove	J. W. Fish	Florence	W. J. Caldwell	Winchester
Mt. Moriah	E. D. Allison	Toledo	H. A. N. Rogers	Kedron
Mt. Zion	J. H. W. Overton		D. Y. May	Toledo
Macedonia	J. W. Fish	Palmyra	D. S. Tucker	Rison
New Hope	J. A. Preston	Calmer	W. M. Willis	Randall
New Home	J. W. Fish	Palmyra		Randall
Oak Grove	J. H. W. Overton	Toledo	L. J. Reed	
Ohio Street Pine B.	Otto Whittington	Pine Bluff	R. E. Lee	Pine Bluff
Pine Bluff 1st	C. D. Wood	Pine Bluff	John W. Reap	Pine Bluff
Pleasant Hill	1		J. A. Dyson	Garnett
Pleasant Home	T. J. Gathright	Double Wells	U. N. Bridges	Double Wells
Pleasant Ridge	J. H. W. Overton	Toledo	J. B. Taylor	Randall
Pleasant Springs	E. D. Allison	Florence	W. R. O'Bryant	Coleman
Rison	E. A. Dulaney	'Arkadelphia	J. W. Elrod	Rison
Spring Hill				
Star City	W. L. Compere	Star City	J. G. Atkinson	Star City
Sulphur Springs	J. B. Harrelson	Pine Bluff R. F. D. 1	H. G. Hanna	Pine Bluff, Route 1
	W. L. Compere	Star City	B. F. McGraw	Tyro
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CONSTITUTION.

This confederation of churches shall be known by the name of "Friend-1.

ship 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 of 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 by other and 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 constituant members there of.

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 officers 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 to continne to exercise their respective functions until they shall be superseded by a subsequent election. Provided: No person shall be elected and serve as Moderator of this association more than two years in succession.

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.

The association shall regard the churches as independent bodies in all 7. internal affairs and to 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 het-trodoxy in faith or disorderly in practice; and should, therefore, regard all the churches united in this 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

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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 baptized, received by letter, dismissed, ex-communicated, restored dead, amount paid pastor in value during the year, and the names and each 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 con-tribute 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.

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MINUTES of Womam's Assocaitional Union

The Woman's Associational Union, auxilliary to Friendship Association, convened in its Second Annual session at 3 p. m., Sept. 16th, 1911.

Meeting called to order by the president, Mrs Hugh Fox. Opened by singing hymn "Blessed Assurance" after which all heads were bowed for a few moments in silent prayer, which closed audibly by Mrs. Hugh Fox. Following this were the opening remarks by the president which were timely and interesting. Mrs McKinney read a scripture lesson from the 3rd. Chapter of I. Cor., making some beautiful comments on the lesson. Prayer by Mr. Swanson.

On motion, the Union went into the election of officers. Mrs. Hugh Fox was unanimously re-elected as President and Mrs. J. F. Swanson was elected Secretary and Treasurer. Mrs. M. F. Hudson was elected Associational Superintendent of Woman's work, which place was made vacant by the resignation of Mrs. F. L. Fox.

Following is the report of the retlring Superintendent:

REPORT OF SUPERINTENDENT

First Church Pine Bluff, No. of members 111.	
Associational Missions	1.00
State	189.05
Hom-	44.80
Christmas Offering to China	30.00
Box to Frontier Missions.	58.00

Total to Missions

322.85

MINUTES OF WOMAN'S ASSOCIATIONAL UNION

Ministerial Education	10.00	-
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Schools and Colleges.	640.26	
Orphan's Home.	137.08	
Box to Orphan's Home	96.51	
Minute Fund	2,59	
State Sunday School Work	10.00	
Expense	212 35	
Building and Repair	339 00-	
Training School	. 5.00	
Margaret Home (for missionaries children)	. 5.00	
Church Charity	121.75	
Total	• •	1910.30

Ohlo Street,	Pine Bl	uff, No. of members 26	
Associations	l Missio	nn	
State		40.00	
Home		- 2.00	
Foreign		2,00	
Orphanage.			
		5 0.00	
		5.75	
Building and	i Repai	r	
Incidentals		8.95	-1 s
		Total	316.50

Rison church, No. of members 29	· · · · ·
State Missions.	\$20.00
Home and Portegn Missions	
Assogiational Missions	8.50
Pastor's Salary	9.50
College Debt	18.00
State Sec. W. M. U.	1.50
Associational Vice President	1.00
Orphanage	10.09
Box to Orphanage	\$0.00
Incidentals Expense	8,99
Total	122,00
Total from the thre sodieties reported	2349.38

Total from the thre societies reported

During the year 1910-11 thirteen letters and thirty-one cards have been sent out in the interest of the work. I have had the pleasure of meeting with four societies and have visited two country churches. \$2.00 has been received as an expense fund. Respectfully submitted,

... Mrs. F. L. Fox, Supt.

MINUTES OF WOMAN'S ASSOCIATIONAL UNION.

Following this report was a very interesting and helpful discussion of our work and of the importance of the hearty co-operation of all the ladies in our churches, by Mesdames McKinney, Hugh Fox and F. L. Fox.

Mrs. Mckinney recommended that each society have a lady appointed to take subscriptions for our mission journals, Orphan's Gem and Advance. The following committees were appointed:

Woman's Work-Mrs. F. L. Fox, Mrs. J. F. Swanson, Miss Minnie Russell.

Band Work-Mesdames W. F. Ferguson, Annah Overton, P. N. Smith. Y. W. A. Work-Misses Ethel Winters. Mamie McMurtrey, Kathleen Williams.

Orphanage-Mesdames John F. Grumbles, Straight, Nuckles,

Meeting then closed with sentence prayers in which a number of ladies took part. Adjourned to meet on Sunday afternoon at 3 o'clock.

SUNDAY AFTERNOON

Session opened by singing followed by prayer by Mrs. Hudson.

The President in a few well chosen remarks introduced Miss Espy, of Little Rock, representative of Woman's Work. Miss Espy reads the 15th Chapter of John and lead in earnest prayer, after which she spoke on the Woman's Work over the state, calling special attention to the consecration and the prayfulness with which the Central Committee do their work. Her talk was inspiring and helpful. Her heart is in the work and we pray that Goa may bless her efforts by the awakening of a greater interest among the women of our/churches to do more and greater things in the Master's vinyard.

Report of committee on Woman's Work was read and adopted.

Report of committee on Y. W. A work was read by Miss Ethel Winters.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON Y. W. A. WORK

Oh! that the young ladies of Friendship Association would realize the importance of the Y. W. A. organization. Who, in the near future, will take the place of the ladies in the W. M. U.? They are going to require trained leaders, and surely there is no better training school than the Y. W. A. How does this sound, "Only only one organized Y. W. A. in thirty-five churches"? In the Y. W. A. of the First church, Fine Bluff, we have 26 members. Meet every week. The first meeting of the month is a business meeting, the second is missionary, the third Bible study, the fourth social. We have adopted a book "The Uplift of China" as our missionary course, also, a regular and systematic Bible study. We have paid \$31,00 on our Ouachita debt and \$25.00 for State missions.

We earnestly hope and believe that a great many of the young ladies will go home and organize a Y. W. A. at orce. Respectfully submitted, Ethel Winters, Kathleen Williams, Mamie McMurtrey, committee.

Report was adopted.

MINUTES OF WOMAN'S ASSOCIATIONAL UNION

REPORT ON ORPHANAGE

It is peculiarly a mother's work to look after the children, therefore, the orphan children should appeal to the mother's heart. Our orphan's home, with its 137 children, must be supported by our money. Many of our socieiies have adopted one or more children, who are clothed entirely by them. We would urge that the women of every courch, whether they have a society or not, would adopt one or more of these children. We learn that there is a debt of about \$4,500.00 on the Home, made by buildings, etc. Respectfully submitted,

Mesdames John F. Grumbles, Straight and Nuckols, Committee. Report was discussed by Mrs. McKinney and adopted. Meeting closed with prayer by Mrs. McKinney.

Before closing this minute we wish to make special mention of the touching and appreciative speeches made by the brethren of the Association in discussing the report on Woman's Work. It is indeed gratifying and encouraging to know that our work is so much appreciated and inspires us to greater zeal. But, above all, we crave the approval of our heavenly Father upon our work and pray that each year we may be enabled to report advancement in all departments of our work.

MRS. J. F. SWANSON,

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Sec'y and Treas.

MRS. HUGH FOX, President.

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