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## FOURTH ANNUAL SESSION

OF

# CAREY REGULAR BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

Held With

NEW HOPE BAPTIST CHURCH

Pine Grove, Dallas County, Ark.

October 22, 23, 1919

Next session will be held with Dalark Church, Dalark, Dallas County, Arkansas, Wednesday before the Fourth Sunday in October, 1920, Rev. W. Q. Young to preach the Introductory Sermon; Rev. L. E. Holt to preach the Missionary Sermon.

G. M. FORD, Moderator

Fordyce, Ark.

W. O. HEARNE, Clerk

Fordyce, Ark.

L. E. PURDY, Treasurer

Fordyce, Arkansas

# MINUTES

## OF THE FOURTH SESSION OF THE CAREY REGULAR MISSIONARY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

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The Carey Missionary Baptist Association convened with New Hope Baptist church in its Fourth Annual meeting at 11 o'clock a. m. Wednesday, October 22, 1919.

The Moderator being absent and the Clerk late, Rev. W. Q. Young called the body to order and conducted a short devotional service, after which the appointee, Rev. L. E. Holt, having arrived, was introduced and preached the introductory sermon, using Col. 1:18 as a text and for a subject, "The Pre-eminent Christ." At the close of the sermon Bro. W. F. Dorris led in prayer.

Rev. W. F. Dorris of Monticello, Dr. L. E. Barton of Little Rock and Rev. J. L. Anderson of Sparkman said just a few words, after which a motion passed to adjourn until 2 o'clock p. m. Prayer by L. E. Holt.

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### AFTERNOON SESSION

After song and prayer Bro. L. E. Holt read the rules of decorum. Temporary organization was perfected by electing Rev. L. E. Holt Moderator and E. A. Page clerk. Brethren W. F. Dorris and J. L. Anderson were appointed to read the letters from the churches. Letters were presented and read. Messengers were enrolled from the churches as follows:

Anchor. Not represented.

Bearden. By letter.

Davis Chapel. Not represented.

Dalark. Not represented. Letter sent in after the session.

Eagle Mills. Mrs. Bert Stafford, Miss Marguerite Hearst.  
Stoupe.

Fordyce. Rev. G. M. Ford, Mrs. Ford, Rev. W. Q. Young.

Gum Springs. By letter.

Hampton. Rev. L. E. Holt, Crs. L. E. Holt.

Holly Springs. G. L. Sorrells, Miss Lucille Sorrells.

Liberty. J. L. Alsbrook.

Manning. E. A. Page, Mrs. J. N. Cobb, Mrs. W.E. Adams.  
Mt. Pleasant. Mrs. M. E. Heard, Mrs. S. J. Hinsley.  
New Hope. W. L. Daniel, H. O. Thweatt, Mrs. J. B. Pittman,  
Miss Apertine Bryant.  
New Alabama. Not represented.  
Ouachita. Not represented.  
Prosperity. R. D. Dedman, L. F. McMurry, W. O. Hearne, A.  
J. Hearne.  
Princeton. Not represented.  
Round Hill. Harvey Gilbert.  
Summerville. Not represented.  
Sparkman. Rev. J. L. Anderson, Tom Porter, John Gaston,  
Mrs. J. T. DeLaughter.  
Thornton. By letter..  
Tinsman. Not represented.

Motion was made and carried to recognize all messengers whose church letters had not arrived. Motion prevailed to go into the permanent organization. Rev. G. M. Ford was elected Moderator unanimously and W. O. Hearne was unanimously elected clerk and L. E. Purdy treasurer. Bro. Young stated the reason that Bro. Ford was absent, but that he would arrive in a few minutes which he did. Motion carried that Bro. Holt act as Moderator protem until Bro. Ford arrived. Petitionary letters were called for and one was received from Shady Grove church. The church was duly received and G. W. Deaton was seated as a messenger. Visitors were enrolled as follows:

Rev. W. F. Dorris of Monticello, Field Agent for the Orphanage, Dr. L. E. Barton of Little Rock, Miss Perle Harrison of Little Rock, and Rev. R. A. Raney of Judson Association. The Pastor and Messengers of New Hope church were appointed a committee on Divine Service. The church committee on entertainment made its report at this time. This hour was given to Miss Harrison on Woman's Work. A report of the proceedings is given under that item. The Moderator announced a partial list of the committees (See report.)

Owing to the inclemency of the weather no night services were held and the Association adjourned until 9:00 a. m. tomorrow.

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#### THURSDAY A. M.—SECOND DAY'S SESSION

Convened at 9:00 a. m. Singing and devotional service led by Rev. W. F. Dorris.

A motion passed that the Moderator appoint a committee to formulate a general report covering all the work and to be discussed as a whole.



The following brethren were appointed on this committee. W. B. Young, J. L. Anderson. Dr. Barton was asked to assist the committee. A recess was taken for 30 minutes to give the committee time to make up report.

Song No. 258, "This Is My Story," was sung after which some late letters were read. A motion was made that the general report plan be adopted, was carried unanimously. On account of the rain keeping away some of the committeemen, the following were appointed on Nominations: H. O. Thweatt, E. A. Page, J. L. Anderson. Report on Associational Missions read by Bro. Young in connection. Bro. Ford read the report of the Executive Committee. The reports were filed and discussed. Bro. Young told in an impressive manner of the call of Sister Eva Smith to the mission field and urged that means be provided to educate her. Bro. Dorris urged that the part raised in the 75 million campaign for Ministerial Education be also used to help educate the called women. Miss Harrison also spoke on the report. Bro. Ford spoke of the task to get pastorless churches manned by competent pastors. Brethren Anderson and Barton also spoke on the report.

Motion was carried to co-operate with New Hope church to support Miss Eva Smith in Ouachita College. General report was read by Dr. Barton.

Orphans home report read by Rev. W. F. Dorris. Bro. Holt read report on State Missions. Motion and second prevailed to adjourn for dinner.

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### THURSDAY AFTERNOON

After a bountiful repast spread by the good ladies of the church and community the Association convened by singing "When Millions Come Pouring In." Prayer by Rev. R. A. Raney. This hour was given to Dr. Barton on the 75 Million Campaign. He spoke very impressively of its purposes and the need of it. Report of committee on Christian Education read by Bro. Suggs.

Report on Woman's Work read and discussed by Miss Harrison. The vote was taken on the reports as a whole and unanimously adopted. Committee on Nominations reported and the report was adopted with one correction. They recommended that the Association meet Friday, Saturday and Sunday of the Second Sunday next (October). It was amended to read Wednesday, Thursday, Friday and Saturday before the Fourth Sunday in October. Motion then prevailed that the name of Bro. Jno. R. Williams be stricken from the

report and that of J. .L. Anderson be added. Report on S. S. and B. Y. P. U. read and discussed by Bro. Ford. Report of Committee on Obituaries read. Report of Committee on Finance read and all the reports were adopted. Report on Publication read and adopted.

Resolutions of thanks to New Hope church and community for hospitalities shown read and adopted. Motion and second carried that the clerk superintend the printing and distributing of the minutes and that he receive \$15.00 for his services. . Motion and second to adjourn, carried. The Association sang a song and the parting hand was given after which the Moderator announced the benediction, and the Association stood adjourned to meet with Dalark church on Wednesday, Thursday and Friday before the Fourth Sunday in October, 1920..

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## REPORTS OF COMMITTEES FOREIGN MISSIONS

According to the instructions of the Association we, your Committee, present the following report: Under Foreign Missions is classified our work which is done in seven foreign countries, viz: Japan, China, Africa, Italy, Mexico, Brazil and Argentina.. In these countries we have some five hundred missionaries, 771 native helpers, 512 mission schools with 15,722 students and 505 churches with 49,-659 members. . The last meeting of the Southern Baptist Convention passed resolutions looking toward the opening of missions in France and Russia and Seretary Love of the Foreign Board and Dr. Cody of South Carolina are in Europe now investigating condtions preparatory to opening these missions. This is the strategic hour to preach the gospel to the whole world. . We have the men and the women, the money, the inventions and facilities for carrying the gospel and the time is ripe for the enterprise. The Seventy-five Million Campaign now on is the response of Southern Baptists to Christ's command to discipline the nations.

The Savior said, this gospel of the kingdom shall be preached in all the world for a witness unto all nations and then shall the end come.

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## HOME MISSIONS

The Home Mission Board of Atlanta is the agency through which Southern Baptists express their missionary interest and work in the homeland, including Cauba and Panama. This board does co-operative mission work with the various State Boards, carries on

work among the indians, co-operates with the Negro National Convention in work among the negroes. Conducts thirty-five mountain schools in the southerland highlands, maintains missions at the ports and in various cities among the foreigners within our gates and carries a blessed work throughout the convention territory in building houses of worship for homeless churches, and maintains a large staff of Evangelists who carry a sane New Testament evangelism to the churches. The regular gifts from the churches to this work last year were \$748,927.35. In addition to that Bro. and Sister Bottoms of Texarkana, Ark., gave \$100,000.00; the largest individual gift ever made to Home Mission work of our convention.

They gave an equal amount to Foreign Missions. Home Missions' part of the 75 Million Campaign is \$485,000.00, plus \$300,000.00 which Jonesboro and surrounding territory is raising for the establishment of a college at Jonesboro.

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## STATE MISSIONS

Your committee begs leave to submit the following report: State Missions to us is missionary work in the State of Arkansas. We have been making great progress in the last few years as Baptists in Arkansas, as the minutes of the State Convention for some years back will show.

Our ppeople have had a vision, and have been going forward in fine fashion. We now face a new and uncertain day in our mission work. These are reconstruction days, and yet, the trend of things is toward the Baptist way—therefore a Baptist opportunity.

### A Look Over the Field

1.. The unsaved. Every church, every Baptist preacher, every Baptist layman, and every Christian in Arkansas has been placed in a great mission field. The following facts should stir every one of us: It is a fact that more people die without Christ every year than we win to Him, for 12,500 die every year. The unsaved population is growing faster than we are winning them. 20,000 people reach accountability each year. It takes 17 Baptists to win one a year.

2.. As to the "Untaught and Unenlisted." We have 1700 churches in Arkansas and about 750 Sunday Schools or 950 churches without Sunday Schools. There are only 400 W. M. Us. out of the 1700 churches. There are 1500 of our churches without a B. Y. P. U., a shameful fact! Three-fifths of the membership of our churches in Arkansas are "Untaught and unenlisted."



3. As to Education. Arkansas Baptists have been playing at education in our great state.. We have done a part—but not our best. We are suffering through a lack of educated, trained, and well equipped preachers and workers. There are 40,000 Catholics in Arkansas. They have \$10 to Baptists \$1 in schools and educational institutions in free Arkansas. Certainly we will not suffer this condition to exist longer.

4. As to Hospitals. So far as your committee knows we only have one hospital in the state when we should have a dozen at least. There are 7 Catholic hospitals in Arkansas and by means of these hospitals they are making Catholics and winning a warm place in the hearts of our people, for everything they do is done for a Catholic purpose and toward a Catholic end..

**A Chance and a Duty....** The 75 Million drive will help our state missions and enable us to better the conditions of things in a general way. It sustains a vital relation to state missions in Arkansas, and if for no other reason we can't, we must not, fail for Arkansas' sake.. Your committee unhesitatingly commits itself to the campaign and begs, and even pleads, with all the churches and brethren to go the limit toward putting it over.

Brethren, we must, for we can, raise the 75 million dollars for the sake of Arkansas and the world's sake and ultimately for Jesus' sake. We insist that the messengers and preachers here do their best toward getting the word and facts about the 75 million drive to all the churches and all the people.

Respectfully submitted,

L. E. HOLT, R. D. DEDMAN, TOM PORTER.

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## ORPHANAGE

The care of the homeless, destitute orphans is a part of God's great program of mission work. Under the law of dispensation God warned Israel "Ye shalt not afflict any widow or fatherless child: If thou afflict them in any wise, and they cry at all unto me, I will surely hear their cry, and my wrath shall wax hot and I will kill you with the sword, and your wives shall be widows and your children fatherless. Ex. 22:22-24. . Under the dispensation of grace, God speaks to us through his inspired apostle, "Pure religion, and undefiled before God and the Father is this, "to visit the fatherless and the widow in their affliction and to keep himself unspotted from the world." John 1:27

Our Orphans' home at Monticello, founded 23 years ago has cared for perhaps 1,000 orphans. We now have 55 children, and they are being fed, clothed, sheltered and schooled and given religious training the best we can.

We now have a small deficit—perhaps \$500, for the year. It will require about \$1,500 or \$1,800 to pay all of our obligations and go to the convention out of debt. We recommend:

1.. That every church and Sunday School in this Association make regular monthly offerings so that our home may be run on a cash basis.

2. That each church send in a liberal offering between now and the convention.

Respectfully submitted,

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### MINISTERIAL RELIEF

Two years ago the Southern Baptist Convention created a new Board, known as the Board of Ministerial Relief and Annuities, and located it at Dallas, Texas.. This board offers aid to worn out and disabled preachers and their families both through donations and insurance. It has the safest, cheapest and most benevolent insurance provisions for preachers to be had anywhere. Dr. Wm. Lunsford is the corresponding secretary and will be glad to furnish full information concerning their plans and provisions. . The 75 million campaign will provide now and in the years that immediately follow not less than Five Million endowment for this cause. The names of worthy and needy preachers should be sent after careful investigation, to Secretary Aldredge at Little Rock, and recommended by the Associational Board for help from this fund.

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### COLLEGES AND SCHOOLS

We, your Committee, submit the following. We, as Baptists, have come far short of our duty, when we think of the great need of colleges and schools.

We spend thousands of dollars in building good homes and good roads and buying automobiles, and having the comforts of life. This we ought not to do and leave the other undone. The cry is coming from every side for trained men and women that can do the work. We spend our money in education for our boys and girls for other occupation in life, is it not more important that we train them for the Lord's work?



## Second, Ministerial Education.

We do not mean to reflect on our forefathers who went before us, but the day has come if we reach the boys and girls in our schools and colleges we must have preachers who are educated. How are we to have educated preachers? They must come through our schools and colleges. We recommend that this Association heartily support our schools and colleges, viz: Ouachita and Central colleges and our mountain schools.

Respectfully,

A. S. SUGGS.

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## ASSOCIATION MISSIONS

We are grateful to God for his blessings on our mission work for another year. The year's work has been very successful, not withstanding the number of pastorless churches we had during the year. We rejoice in the coming into the association of one new church. The need of our association is great, and one of our greatest needs is pastors. We have at this time 9 pastorless churches. This being true, as the Executive Board knows, and will no doubt make some definite recommendations to this body, your committee desires to make the following suggestions regarding the work for the coming year:

1. That this body instruct the associational board in co-operation with the State Board, to assist our pastorless churches in getting pastors, and if they find that these churches will need help to pay their pastors, that the Board be instructed to lay out its work for another year in this kind of work.

- 2.. That during the summer months the Board be instructed to ask each pastor in the association to hold at least one meeting in some needed place.

3. That the Board be instructed to use other men to hold needed meetings in our association during the summer months, as they may in their judgment deem wise.

4. That the Board be instructed to arrange during the year as many institutes as they think wise, and the churches may desire, and that one institute be held in which all the workers shall be brought together in one general institute.

5. That this body instruct the Board to lay out the work for another year along the lines as suggested above.

6. That our Board ask the churches of this association to bear the necessary expenses of Miss Eva Smith, onw in Ouachita college

preparing to do special missionary work. It is understood that she is preparing herself for the Foreign field, and it is but a small matter to us to furnish the money, while she gives herself for the Lord. This is the best contribution to missions that we can give. Why should we pay the expenses of the young preachers and not care for the noble self-sacrificing girls? They will take their places by the side of the preachers on the great mission fields.

Respectfully submitted,

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## HOSPITALS

As a people the Baptists are beginning to obey the Master's command to care for the sick. . Jesus spent much of his time caring for the bodies of men..

Our big campaign will provide \$200,000.00 for building somewhere in Arkansas a Christian hospital. An independent hospital board at Pine Bluff has recently decided to deed to the Baptists a good small hospital in that city. It is a property worth probably \$75,000.00, so the Baptists are already owners, though the deeds have not yet been conveyed, of a hospital.

Conditions in Little Rock are peculiarly favorable to the establishment of a hospital immediately. The doctors of the city are anxious for it and will both contribute to the enterprise personally and turn their practice to such an institution. Southern Baptists already own and operate a tuberculosis hospital at El Paso, Texas, and much will be done in this work to combat the white plague, which has claimed so many of our precious lives throughout our beloved land.

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## WOMAN'S MISSIONARY UNION

We, the Committee on Woman's Work, submit the following report:

Whereas, the Woman's Missionary Union has come to be recognized as a great factor in promoting missions in our churches, its purpose being to stimulate the missionary spirit and the grace of giving among the women and young people of the churches through Bible and mission study, prayer and missionary programs, and to aid in collecting funds for missions. And, whereas its programs—Mission Education, Enlistment and Giving—is the programs outlined for the 70 million campaign and still the women are sharing the responsibility of carrying the campaign through victoriously by helping in the

work of committees in the churches and having assumed one-fifth of the 75 million, or 15 million dollars as their part, we would recommend,

1. That since there are less than 40 Woman's Societies, 50 Young Woman's Societies, 25 Royal Ambassadors and 150 Sunbeams in the state and only seven churches in Carey Association which have any of the organizations, we urge the pastors to co-operate with the W. M. U. associational superintendents in getting the women and young people organized in all the churches and that present societies help by going to the nearby churches and organizing and fostering societies.

2. That the women endeavor to put the Baptist Advance, Home and Foreign Fields and Royal Service into every Baptist home represented in the church.

3. That the societies give more time to Bible and Mission study and missionary programs.

4. That the church organizers endeavor to so enlist all the women and young people in the 75 million campaign that they will subscribe their quota—one-fifth the church quota—and report amount of pledges promptly to the county W. M. U. Organizer.

Respectfully submitted,

MRS. BERT STAFFORD, MISS HARRIS, MRS. J. R. COBB, Com.

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#### MINUTES OF W. W. U. ASSOCIATIONAL MEETING

The W. M. U. meeting was conducted by Miss Pearl Harrison, Mrs. J. T. DeLaughter of Sparkman was elected associational superintendent and Mrs. E. R. Daniel was elected secretary. There were five W. M. Us. represented. A member from each W. M. U. was elected to get the financial report of the work done through the W. M. U. for the past year. The women contributed to all work \$936.15 during the associational year.

MRS. E. R. DANIEL, Secretary.

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#### SUNDAY SCHOOL AND B. Y. F. U.

We, your Committee, beg to make the following report: The Sunday School has come to be known as one of the greatest helps in regard to church work, and one of the grandest blessings in training children, also it is a grand training for the old. . There are 23



churches in our association. Out of 15 churches represented there are only 11 Sunday Schools.

The B. Y. P. U. is very essential for training our young members and we think every church in our association should have one. Out of the 15 churches represented only four have a B. Y. P. U. We therefore do recommend that each messenger here should impress upon their church the need of a Sunday School and Baptist Young Peoples Union.

Respectfully submitted,

MARGUERITE HEARST, MRS. L. E. HOLT, MRS. M. E. HEARD,  
MRS. W. E. ADAMS, Committee.

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### NOMINATIONS

We, your Committee, beg to submit the following report: We recommend that the next association meet with Dalark Baptist Church, Dalark, Arkansas, on Wednesday before the Fourth Sunday in October, 1920. and that Bro. W. Q. Young preach the Introductory sermon, Bro. M. D. O'Neal, alternate. We also recommend that Bro. L. E. Holt preach the missionary sermon and that L. E. Purdy, J. F. McDonald, G. M. Ford, J. L. Anderson and E. R. Daniel constitute the Executive Board and that Bro. C. C. Jackson be elected as associational representative to the Southern Baptist Convention.

Respectfully submitted,

J. L. ANDERSON, H. O. THWEATT, E. A. PAGE, Committee.

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### OBITUARIES 20

Sister Fannie Yeargin, Sister Edith Rogers, Sister Girlie Wilson, Mrs. Leona Moffitt, Carl Strickland, J. W. Juniel, J. B. Bryant, Mrs. Ella Colvert, A. P. McCann, Mrs. M. M. Hagler, G. R. Jordan, Thomas Cheneworth, Mrs. J. N. Stancill, Miss Mattie Grimes, E. W. Roberts, Mrs. Tuna Crossly, Mrs. S. J. Hogg, Mrs. Kate Earle, Saul Goss, Mrs. Sue Dunn, are the fallen from our ranks in the past year. We should be very grateful to our Father that no more from our ranks have been taken. Yet we are submissive to his will in their going. God bless all the families from which these have gone.

Respectfully,

MRS. M. E. HEARD, MRS. G. M. FORD, MISS SORRELLS, MISS  
STROUPE.

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### RESOLUTION

Resolved that the messengers and visitors to this association ex-

press to the good people of New Hope and community our hearty appreciation of their kindness and hospitality during our stay among them.

Submitted by L. E. HOLT.

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### FINANCE

We, your Committee on Finance, beg to submit the following report:

For Minutes and Clerk .....	\$ 54.00
For Associational Missions .....	256.17
For State Missions .....	5.50
For Ministerial Education .....	10.21
For Orphanage .....	12.00
<b>Total .....</b>	<b>\$337.88</b>

A. J. HEARNE, J. L. ALSOBROOK, H. O. THWEATT, Com.

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### REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE OF CAREY ASSN.

To the Messengers of the Baptist Churches assembled at New Hope Baptist Church Oct. 22, 1919, in the fourth annual meeting of the Carey Missionary Baptist Association, your Executive Committee respectfully submits the following report:

It is with deep gratitude and hearty praises to God, for His continued blessings upon our work, and with genuine appreciation of the splendid co-operation and loyalty of the brethren and sisters of our churches that your committee presents this report to you.

#### A Year of Foundational Progress

We believe this report will present to you a year of foundational progress. The beginnings of any great, constructive work for our Master must of necessity be of slow development. But to lay a sure foundation, and then build upon that foundation a structure after the New Testament order is the only way to achieve real success in kingdom building. Any other method will lead onto the rocks ultimately. In keeping with the instructions given us a year ago, your Committee feels that in the way of strengthening our churches, teaching and training our forces, reaching new fields, and ringing out the New Testament message all up and down the line this has been a year of genuine progress.

## A Year of Great Difficulties

For our Missionary, the year has been one of great difficulties. For practically three months immediately following our last Association the awful scourge of Influenza stalked abroad over our land, virtually stopping all operation of kingdom forces, and taking from among us many of our friends and loved ones. Another difficulty has been the reconstruction following the closing of the world-war. The problems arising from this have more or less, turned the thinking of our people away from the main work of the churches to that of domestic, state and governmental affairs. Again, this has been a year of marked excessive rainfall. The roads have been almost impassable much of the time, and many Sundays have been so rainy that no services could be held in the rural sections. The Missionary has been compelled to miss a number of engagements on this account. Finally, and the most serious, has been the distressing condition that has confronted us in the unparalleled number of pastorless churches within our bounds. Of the 22 churches representing in our Association a year ago, 15 have been pastorless part of the year, and some have been so through the entire year. This appalling condition has hung over your Committee and Missionary like a hideous nightmare by day and by night. How to go forward in the face of such a condition we could not know. But, under the blessings of our heavenly father, and with courage and heroism worthy of the battle fields of France, our faithful Missionary has gone forth to the task committed to his hands, and in spite of all the difficulties can now look back upon a year's work that, when seen in all its fulness, will make him and us rejoice until life's day is done.

### The Nature of the Work Done

For the most part, as indicated above, the work of the Missionary has been that of helping to save our churches. We mean by this that it has been absolutely necessary for our Missionary to help our pastorless churches maintain their services, to thereby help keep the membership from becoming indifferent to the work of our Lord. For, just as sheep without a shepherd will scatter, so will church members without a pastor. Knowing this, and acting under the instructions given us a year ago, your committee has tried thus to conserve our forces, and to keep the fires burning in all our churches. By the very nature of the situation the work has been difficult, but from one month to several months duration our Missionary during the year has supplied for 8 of our churches, Dalark, Manning, Bearden, Ouachita and Thornton being those which claimed his services longest. But "the regions beyond" have not been forgotten or neglected. Three places where there were no Baptist churches have been supplied, and the results are already gladdening our hearts.



## Summary of the Work of Our Missionary for the Year

Days of labor .....	283
Miles traveled .....	5224
Churches supplied .....	18
New fields supplied .....	3
Number churches organized .....	2
Number of meetings arranged for .....	9
Number of meetings held .....	5
Number of sermons and addresses .....	162
Number of professed conversions .....	4
Number of baptisms administered .....	5
Total number of additions .....	13
Number of churches assisted in getting pastors .....	3
Number of B. Y. P. U.'s organized .....	1
Number of W. M. U.'s organized .....	1
Number of Bible Institutes held or attended .....	2
Number subscriptions to The Baptist Advance .....	7
Number of tracts distributed .....	208
Number of Mission collections taken .....	20
Amount collected for Home Missions .....	\$ 78.20
Amount collected for Foreign Missions .....	78.22
Amount collected for State Missions .....	235.40
Amount collected for Associational Missions .....	133.48
Amount collected for Aged Ministers .....	2.50
Total amount collected on the field for all purposes .....	
	\$527.80

### The Field and the Future

As your Committee sees it, the field presents a great and glorious opportunity; and a most serious situation. The readiness of our people to respond to every worthy call; the turning to us from time to time of other churches; the glad, eager, hearing given to our Baptist message clear out into the waste places present to us an opportunity that we but little dreamed of three years ago. But, across this blessed vision of golden opportunity there floats a cloud of much anxiety. One that betokens decay, disaster and death unless we seek and find a remedy speedily. May our God enable you to see the seriousness of it as your Committee sees it. This black cloud that threatens our very existence is that which is presented by our great number of pastorless churches. As these words are being written there comes before us a vision of 15 of our 22 churches that have been without pastors at some time during the year, several of which remain so at this hour. We do not wish to seem unduly alarmed but we do seek with all our souls to impress you with the seriousness of this alarming situation. The future is gloriously

bright if we can but have God's prophets—men with a vision of the opportunities before us—men with a holy, burning passion for lost souls around the whole world—to lead our churches on, and up, and out, in the great work committed to them by their risen Lord. Therefore, your Committee believes that the one outstanding, overtopping, supremely important matter before us in the immediate future is to strive to remedy this distressing condition. And, with this in view your Committee asks to be permitted to make, most earnestly, the following suggestions:

First, that this Association humble itself before Almighty God in earnest prayer that He will lead us by His Spirit to do His will in this grave matter. We believe that only as we seek His will, and submit ourselves to His way can we hope to at all succeed in overcoming this difficulty..

Second, that this Association unanimously pass a report on Associational Missions that will authorize and instruct your Executive Committee for next year to devise ways and means, by way of appealing to our stronger churches, and co-operating with our State Mission Board, to assist our weaker churches to have and to maintain pastors continuously. And, in so doing it be understood that until the problem of our pastorless churches shall have, at least in a great measure, been solved the matter of employing an Associational Missionary be held in abeyance; with the further understanding that as soon as thought at all practical the Executive Committee put a Missionary in the field for as much time as possible.

### Financial Statement

As our Treasurer's report will show, there has been received during the year for Associational Missions \$754.79. There has been paid out for all indebtedness of the year \$752.56, leaving a balance on hand of \$2.23, leaving a debt on your Committee of \$60.00, approximately.

Brethren, beloved, we thus present to you the record of our stewardship. We no doubt have made mistakes because we are human like the rest of you; but under God, and with the light before us, we have tried to do what you told us to do. And with profound gratitude in our hearts for every one, and for every agency that has helped us carry the burdens of the work during the year, we now surrender to you the sacred trust you committed to us one year ago at Thornton. We join you in prayer to God that we may be bound together as one man for a great forward program for another year, and for His Holy Spirit to lead us every step of the way. Therefore, our beloved brethren, "be ye steadfast, unmovable, always abounding in the work of the Lord, forasmuch as ye know that your labor is not in vain in the Lord."

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**TREASURER'S REPORT, OCT. 21, 1919**

Balance on Hand at Last Report

For State Missions .....	\$ 13.40
For Orphans Home .....	25.00
For Aged Ministers .....	21.93
For Minutes and Clerk .....	49.10
For Associational Missions .....	231.81
Received for Assn. Mission, cash .....	262.98
Received for Assn. Missions (borrowed) ..	260.00
Received for Minutes and Clerk this year	5.50
<b>Total .....</b>	<b>\$869.72</b>

**DISBURSEMENTS**

Paid out for State Missions .....	\$ 13.40
Paid out for Orphans Home .....	25.00
Paid out for Aged Ministers Relief .....	21.93
Paid out for Minutes and Clerk .....	53.60
Paid out for Missionary car .....	129.50
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Paid out for Interest .....	1.40
Paid our Missionary, Bro. Young .....	621.66
Total paid out .....	\$866.49
Amount on hand for Minutes and Clerk .....	1.00
Amount on hand for Assn. Missions .....	2.23
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Total paid out and on hand .....	\$869.72

L. E. PURDY, Treasurer.

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**OFFICIAL REGISTER**

**Ordained Ministers**

Geo. J. McNew, Marshall, Texas.  
J. L. Anderson, Sparkman, Arkansas.  
G. M. Ford, Fordyce, Arkansas.  
W. Q. Young, Fordyce, Arkansas.  
F. L. Attwood, Fordyce, Arkansas.  
R. C. Rhóden, Fordyce, Arkansas.



A. S. Suggs, Dalark, Arkansas.  
M. D. O'Neal, Dalark, Arkansas.  
L. E. Holt, Arkadelphia Arkansas.  
W. K. Whorton, Rison, Arkansas.  
Chas. Skinner, Willow, Arkansas.

#### Licensed Ministers

E. W. Hargett, Dalark, Arkansas.

#### PRESIDENTS W. M. U.

Hampton—Mrs. J. D. Wardlow.  
Manning—Mrs. E. A. Page.  
Dalark—Mrs. J. M. Dawdy.  
Thornton—Mrs. H. T. Ingram.  
Fordyce—Mrs. G. Hyatt  
New Hope—Mrs. E. R. Daniel, Sparkman.  
Sparkman—Mrs. Pittman.

#### B. Y. P. U. PRESIDENTS.

Fordyce—Miss Sallie Tanner.  
Sparkman—Rutherford Richardson.  
Thornton—Miss Pauline Strickland.  
Dalark—L. A. Jones.

#### SECRETARIES W. M. U.

Mrs. L. E. Holt.  
Mrs. L. D. Goza.  
Mrs. W. B. Timberlake.  
Mrs. R. Z. McDonald.  
Mrs. T. C. Hagins.  
Mrs. Ella Mann.  
Mrs. J. Y. Smith.

#### B. Y. P. U. SECRETARIES

Miss Jessie Ruth Benton.  
Miss Estelle Pedigo.  
Miss Kathleen Cone.  
Miss Lena Hardwick.

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#### ASSOCIATIONAL SUPT. WOMAN'S WORK

Mrs. J. T. DeLaughter, Sparkman, Ark.

#### EXECUTIVE BOARD FOR 1919-1920

G. M. Ford, J. L. Anderson, L. E. Purdy, E. R. Daniel, J. F. McDonald

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#### REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON PUBLICATION

We, your committee, submit the following report: We believe that it is impossible to do our full duty in the kingdom without knowing just what is being done at home and abroad, therefore, we urge that we strive to place the Baptist Advance and Home and Foreign Fields in every Baptist home with the end in view that God's name may be glorified.

We also recommend that the Southern Baptist Convention Sunday School Board discontinue the printing of advertising in the Sunday School literature.

E. A. PAGE, G. W. DEATON, S. A. HINSLEY, Committee.

(This report was misplaced, hence its being out of place in this minute. Clerk.)

## RULES OF DECORUM

1. This Association shall be opened and closed with prayer.
2. A Moderator and Clerk shall be chosen by a majority of the members present by ballot or otherwise, as the body may deem wise.
3. It shall be the duty of the Moderator to see that order is kept according to the Rules of Decorum.
4. Any person dissatisfied with the decision of the Moderator may appeal to the Association; provided it is done the same day.
5. One member only shall speak at a time. He shall address the Moderator and, on obtaining the floor shall proceed without interruption, unless he departs from the subject, or uses personal remarks which reflect on others.
6. No person shall be allowed to speak more than twice on any subject without obtaining permission from the Association.
7. No practice shall be allowed that is calculated to interrupt a member while speaking.
8. Every motion made and seconded after time is given for discussion, shall be put to the body for disposal unless previously withdrawn, and the Moderator shall announce the decision of the Association.
9. The Moderator shall have the same privilege of speaking as other members, provided the chair be filled during the time; and to vote in case of an equal division of voters on any matter.
10. The roll of messengers shall be called as often as the body may deem it necessary; and no member shall absent himself from the body without permission from the moderator.
11. These rules shall be read at the opening session of each annual meeting, and at any time during the meeting the body may direct.

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## CONSTITUTION

Article I. This body shall be known as the Carey Missionary Baptist Association.

Article II. It shall be composed of Messengers duly elected by Missionary Baptist Churches, who desire to co-operate together for the promotion of the cause of our Redeemer in the earth.

Article III. Each Church shall be entitled to three messengers and Churches of over fifty members shall be entitled to one additional messenger for every fifty members or major fraction thereof above fifty.

Article IV. This body shall have no jurisdiction over the local Churches co-operating in this Association of Churches (nor shall it act as counsel in the adjustment of Church trouble of any kind.

Article V. The object of this Association shall be the promog

tion of Missions and all other work of the Churches in extending the Kingdom of Christ at home and abroad.

Article VI. The officers shall be a Moderator, a Clerk, and a Treasurer, who shall be elected by ballot, or otherwise as the body may determine.

Article VII. It shall be the duty of the Moderator to preside over the meeting that Clerk shall keep a faithful record of the proceedings and superintend the printing and distributing of the Minutes, and preserve a file of said Minutes, and turn same over to his successor in office and the Treasurer shall handle all funds belonging to the Association, and shall make an annual report of all funds received and paid out by him.

Executive Committee of five brethren who shall have charge of the Mission work, as provided by the Association.

Article IX. The Moderator may invite any visiting messenger from any other Association, to a seat with us, who may speak, but not vote.

Article X. Any article of this Constitution may be changed by a two-thirds vote of the body at any regular meeting, except Article IV., which shall remain unaltered.

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### ARTICLES OF FAITH

Article I. We believe there is only one true and living God revealed to us under the personal and relative distinction of Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

Article II. We believe that the Scriptures, comprising the Old and New Testaments, are the Word of God, and the correct rule of Faith and practice.

Article III. We believe in the doctrine of Election as founded in the Foreknowledge of God, through the Sanctification of the Spirit unto obedience, and belief of the truth.

Article IV. We believe that man was created upright, but by voluntary transgression fell from his holy state; consequently he and all his posterity, became dead in trespasses and in sin.

Article V. We believe that sinners are saved, and justified in the sight of God, only by the imputed righteousness of Jesus Christ through repentance and faith in his name.

Article VI. We believe in the final perseverance of the saints in grace, being kept by the power of God through faith unto salvation, ready to be revealed in the last time.

Article VII. We believe in the resurrection of the dead; the general judgment; and the eternal reward of the everlasting punishment of the wicked.

Article VIII. We believe that a Christian Church is a congregation of baptized believers, who meet stately and have covenanted together to maintain the ordinances, and as the sovereign executive



of Jesus Christ on earth, to carry out the Great Commission in preaching the gospel to all the world.

Article IX. We believe that no minister has the right to administer the ordinances of the gospel unless he has been regularly baptized, called and comes under the imposition of the hands of a presbytery, duly authorized by a Church or Churches of Jesus Christ.

Article X. We believe that baptism and the Lord's Supper are both positive institutions of the Church of Christ, and only memorial ordinances setting forth his suffering and death, and burial and resurrection, and that believers are the only proper subjects, and that immersion only is baptism.

Article XII. We believe that the regularly baptized believers only, and who have orderly membership and fellowship in a Church of Jesus Christ, have the right to celebrate the Lord's supper.

Article XIII. We believe that the Lord's day, the Christian Sabbath, should be observed as a day of rest and religious devotion.

# STATISTICAL TABLE

CHURCHES	PASTORS	MEMBERSHIP					Total Membership	No. Pupils in S. S.	Min. and Clerk	Pastors Salary	The Poor	Value Ch. Property	Ministerial Education	Other Objects	Visiting Ministers	S. S. Work	Bldg. and Repairing	Incidentals	Assn. Missions	State Missions	Home Missions	Foreign Missions	Orphanage	CLERK	POSTOFFICE	
		Decrease	Letter Baptism	Restoration	Expulsion	Death																				
Anchor v	W. Q. Young	1	9	1	42	20	4 25	85 25									17 31	15 00	2 00					J. N. McKinney	Bearden	
Bearden x		5	9	1	92	65	4 25	270 00	3 00	4000 00	3 00	6 00	20 00	80 00	1 75	36 00	25 50	10 00	32 50	36 50	36 00		R. H. Daniel	Dalark		
Beate Mills	L. E. Holt	6	6	3	47		2 00	60 00								20 00	10 00	17 00					Hamp Branch	Eagle Mills		
Beatty	G. M. Ford	16	27	25	303	192	7 50	1400 00			32 00	198 00	250 00	171 71	136 88	270 67	100 00	614 05	202 50	202 50	246 30		S. H. Abernathy	Fordyce		
Beum Springs x	M. D. O'Neal		5	19	82		1 50	48 20				350 00						4 50					C. A. Holeman	Dalark		
Campton		1			40	35	3 00	480 00				78 65	50 10			20 00	21 00	65 00	20 00	20 00	5 00		L. B. Dilworth	Hampton		
Carly Springs	W. Q. Young	1	1	1	54		2 65	200 00								14 25	14 50	35 00					W. R. Owens	Holly Springs		
Charity	A. S. Suggs	3	5	4	74	26	1 55	84 00						9 60		2 00	10 00		39 00	4 40			J. L. Alsobrook	Manning		
Clanning	M. D. O'Neal		2	8	46	52	3 00	116 25				10 21		35 12	183 00	15 88	50 00	56 50		8 72	10 00		P. J. Crowder	Manning		
Clay Hope	W. Q. Young	2		3	112	40	5 00	300 00						31 17	10 33	5 75	234 86	46 50	138 73	32 31	32 32	44 72		J. R. Bryant	Pine Grove	
Clay Alabama v																										
Clayton v																										
Clayton v	R. A. Raney	1	1	5	87	55	5 50	87 30				800 00		9 96		6 65	20 00	55 75	10 26	10 25	6 38		A. J. Hearne	Fordyce		
Clayton Hill	E. W. Hargett		4		40	40	2 00	35 00				16 88					3 57	3 00	8 00					Harvey Gilbert	Willow	
Clayton Grove	M. D. O'Neal	2			22	58	1 75							13 00			3 10	25 59			2 00			W. W. Knight	Dalark	
Clayton	J. L. Anderson	21	21	1	184	100	10 00	550 00				3750 00		340 00	40 00	121 91	75 91	50 00	190 49	80 40	48 20	74 59		Geo. W. Dutherae	Sparkman	
Claytonville v																										
Clayton		9	3	5	137	100		320 00						10 00				26 50	24 65	22 35	22 40			Otis P. Cone	Thornton	
Clayton Chapel v																										
Clayton v																										
Clayton Pleasant		2	1	3	50		2 50					1000 00						18 00								
Clayton v																										
Clayton v																										
Total		68	85	3	94	5	20	1412	783	57	45	4056 00	3 00	20500 00	35 00	721 64	701 27	369 72	449 29	713 48	395 67	1260 26	447 32	395 29	424 99	

Not Represented

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