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OF THE 12.
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OF THE
GAINSVILLE
Association of Missionary Baptists

HELD WITH THE

UNION GROVE CHURCH

CROWLEY

Greene County, Ark.

October 24, 25, and 26, 1903

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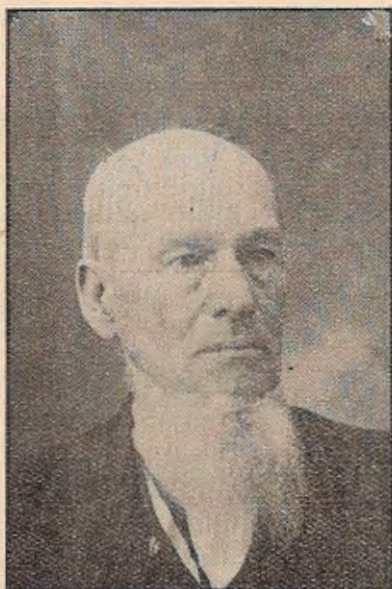
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Held With Union Grove Church, Greene County, Arkansas,
October 24, 25, 26, 1904

OFFICERS: Moderator, J. D. J. Faulkner, Crowley; Clerk, R. H. Dudley,
Piggott; T. L. B. Thorn, Treasurer, Gainesville

The next session will be held with Pleasant Grove Church, Finch, Greene
County, Ark., Commencing on Friday before the Fourth Sunday in Oct., 1904.

PROCEEDINGS

Union Grove Missionary Baptist Church, October 24, 1903;
Saturday, 1st day. As announced in the closing session of
1902, Elder J. S. Rogers appeared and from the later part of
St. John 4, 35, preached the introductory sermon. A more elo-
quent, forceful and feeling sermon is rarely ever heard, and
the success of the Thirty-Fourth session of the Association is
largely due to the interest aroused by this matchless discourse.

The body then adjourned until 1:30 for dinner, which had
been prepared on the ground. Benediction pronounced by
Eler J. H. Wade.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The Association met pursuant to adjournment; and the
former moderator being absent, the clerk, Brother Henry Hol-
comb, called the body to order. Whereupon, on motion of
Brother W. J. Johnson, Elder J. D. J. Faulkner was made
temporary moderator. Roll of churches having representa-
tion in the body was called for and twenty-nine responded.
(See statement.)

On motion the body went into permanent organization, resulting in the election of Elder J D J Faulkner, of Crowley, moderator, R H Dudley, of Piggott, clerk, and Elder T L B Thorn, of Gainesville, treasurer. After the permanent organization was completed, those elected asked that the entire Association bow and pray for their faithful, earnest and efficient performance of duty.

Petitionary letters were called for and one responded, as follows: Wanderer's Home, and on motion was received and messengers seated.

Visiting brethren and corresponding messengers were invited to seats, and responded as follows: Elder Thomas Williams, Jonesboro, R L Williams, Jonesboro, Elder I O Siler, Walnut Ridge, Elder J M Huddleston, Paragould, Elder A B Bohannon, Paragould, Elder W W Gardner, Monticello, Elder Harvey Beauchamp, Little Rock, and W G Johnson, Walcott.

The moderator appointed Elders E D Cooper and J S Rogers reading clerks. The letters of the various churches represented were passed to the reading clerks and by them read and filed with the clerk.

The appointment of the following committees was announced: Divine Service, Elder G H Faulkner and the deacons of Union Grove church; Arrangements, J A Smith, V A Phillips and J B Walden; Ministerial Education, J S Rogers, Henry Holcomb and James Denniston; Foreign Missions, E D Cooper, J H Wade and Tom Rogers; Home Missions, E J Teague, J S Newsom and J T Tyler; State and Associational Missions, L A Russell, J J Burton and W R Underwood; Sunday Schools, Ovid Wilcockson, Chapel Rogers and W J Johnson; Temperance, T L B Thorn, M B Wright, J A Hooks and H H Cole; Publication, D L Fitzgerald, H B Wright, G H Faulkner and Henry Holcomb; Orphan's Home, J S Rogers, W W Gardner and Will Russell; Prayermeetings, J P French, Frank Burton, Geo. Kirby and F M Wimberly; Pastors and Churches, W W Yopps, Oscar Hammetts and Frank Brewer; Obituaries, B A Johnson, Will Gossett and J H Wade; Finance, V A Phillips, Minton Handline and G W Hopper; Ministers and Postoffices, W J Nicholas E A Barton and Joe A Thompson.

The following resolution was introduced by V A Phillips and unanimously adopted: Be It Resolved:

First, we will not tolerate those who come among us and try to stir up strife and division. Second, That, no report

which has for its purpose the endorsement of the State Convention or General Association be considered by this body.

The committee appointed on divine service made the following report:

Elder L A Russell would preach at 7:30 p. m., the 24th

Elder J S Rogers would conduct Sunday School mass meeting at 10 a. m. on Sunday the 25th

Elder W W Gardner would preach at 11 a. m. Sunday the 25th

Elder I O Syler would preach at 2:30 p. m. Sunday the 25th

Elder J T Tyler would preach at 7:30 p. m. Sunday the 25th.

After the messengers were assigned homes, upon motion, the body adjourned until 7 p. m. Benediction by I O Syler.

NIGHT SESSION, 7 P. M

The Association met pursuant to adjournment. L. A. Russell failed to appear and E D Cooper was called upon by the committee to preach at the night service. As usual Brother Cooper preached a very excellent sermon; profoundly eloquent, logical and spiritual.

The committee on Arrangements having made their report, the clerk read same which was as follows:

- 1 Call the roll and read the minutes
- 2 Call for petitionary letters
- 3 Call for correspondence
- 4 Invite visiting brethren and sisters to seats in the body
- 5 Report of committee on State and Associational Missions
- 6 Report of Executive Board
- 7 Report of committee on Ministerial Education
- 8 " " " " Home Missions
- 9 " " " " Foreign Missions
- 10 " " " " Sunday Schools
- 11 " " " " Orphans Home
- 12 " " " " Temperance
- 13 " " " " Publications
- 14 " " " " Obituaries
- 15 " " " " Finance
- 16 " " " " Prayermeetings
- 17 " " " " Pastors and Churches
- 18 " " " " Ministers and Postoffices
- 19 Report of Missionaries
- 20 Report of Treasurer
- 21 Call for Miscellaneous Business
- 22 Queries and Resolutions

Respectfully submitted.

J A SMITH, Chairman

Report adopted.

On motion the body adjourned until 9:30 Sunday the 25th. Benediction by J T Tyler.

SUNDAY. 9:30 A. M. SECOND DAY.

The Association met pursuant to adjournment; present as on yesterday. And after devotional exercises, Sunday school mass meeting was conducted by J. S. Rogers; and many very valuable points brought out by the different speakers who discussed the subjects. Following this the committee on Sunday schools made their report, which was as follows:

The various avocations of life demand a strict adherence to the doctrines and precepts of God. The awakening of man to a higher sense of the grave duties and responsibilities imposed upon him by Omnipotence, readily conspires to explain the growing necessity of youthful training along sound gospel lines. The crying need of the church of the present century is for the maintenance of an auxillary, capable of imparting to the youthful minds a pure unbiased knowledge of Jesus Christ. Undoubtedly the Sunday school has played an important part in the fostering of this knowledge and the carrying out of these righteous intentions.

To secure further the numerous benefits hitherto desired from the Sunday school, we, your committee, would recommend that the numerous churches maintaining said schools; should concern themselves first in procuring a sound Baptist literature (such as published by the Sunday school board of the S. B. C. or A. B. P. S.,) and the rendering of every effort possible for the furtherance of the work. We would further recommend that the various churches composing Gainesville Association use their best endeavors to maintain good Sunday schools for all children or grades.

Brethren, our churches will not grow, our people will not be instructed, our children will not be brought up as they ought to be unless we maintain a Sunday school from Association to Association. We further urge our pastors to get our churches that have no Sunday schools to organize them at once and that they encourage the work by their presence, and by their visit to members. We would urge also that our schools select well qualified teachers who will be regular and prompt in attendance.

Respectfully,

OVID WILLCOCKSON,
R. C. ROGERS,
W. J. JOHNSON, } Committee.

Report discussed and adopted.

One of the most interesting features of the Sunday school

work was the letter from little Minnie Rogers, age 11, of Rock Hill school, showing that she received 10 cents and invested same in popcorn until she had \$1 and then invested in potatoes, and brought into the Association the sum of \$10.00 and asked that the same be distributed among those who would invest it in a like way, and at the next Association, bring in the amount for Associational Missions. The following ones took the amount:

Laura, Myrtle, Claudia and Leta Thorn.....	\$1 00
T J Atchison.....	.. \$1 00
Mrs K E Roe.....	.. \$1 00
J P French.....	.. \$1 00
Gove and David Faulkner.....	\$1 00
W C Barr.....	.. \$1 00
Johnny Brewer.....	.. \$1 00
W R Underwood.....	.. \$1 00
Fanny Russell.....	.. \$1 00
Dudley Bently.....	.. \$1 00
Total.....	.. \$10 00

At 11:30 W W Gardner preached a very fine sermon from Matthew 1, 21; after which a collection amounting to \$42 70 was taken for Associational Missions. On motion the body adjourned until 2:30 for dinner. Benediction by W W Gardner.

EVENING SESSION, 2:30 P M

The Association met pursuant to adjournment. And after singing and prayer, I O Syler of Walnut Ridge preached one of the most eloquent and scholarly sermons ever heard, from Genesis 5, 24. Body led in prayer by J S Rogers, after which a collection was taken for the Orphans Home amounting to \$31 18.

On motion the body stood adjourned until 7:30. Closing prayer by J D J Faulkner.

NIGHT SESSION, 25, 7:30 P M

The body met and after singing and prayer, Elder J T Tyler, that consecrated and Godly man, preached the most feeling sermon of the session, from the latter part of 22d verse of the 1st chapter of Mark. At no time during the meeting was there manifested so great an interest as was had after this sermon. The moderator urged all committees to report promptly Monday morning. Benediction was pronounced by J T Tyler, and body adjourned to meet at 8:30 a. m. Monday, 26.

8:30 A M MONDAY, THIRD DAY

The body met promptly at 8:30 and after being led in prayer by J H Wade, resumed business.

The clerk read the proceedings of Saturday, the first day, which was accordingly approved.

On motion J H Renfro was seated as a corresponding messenger. The committee on Pastors and Churches made the following report:

We have twenty-nine churches reported by letters and messengers and twenty report Sunday schools, showing an increase in Sunday school work of twenty-one per cent over last year. We wish to recommend that all the churches organize Sunday schools and maintain same next year. We find that the churches are living beneath their privileges and obligations in regard to Sunday schools and prayer meetings. We find that there is not a church within the bounds of the Association that has a pastor for more than one-fourth time. We believe that there are churches in our Association that need and are able to support a pastor for one-half time, and should do so. We further find that the salary of many of the pastors is entirely too low. It should be sufficient for his support, so that he could devote his entire time to the work of the Master. We therefore recommend that the messengers of the different churches try to awaken a greater interest and liberality in this line; that our pastors may be better prepared to do the work. We further recommend that this Association assist any church that needs assistance in supporting a pastor. Respectfully submitted,

O N Hammett	} Committee.
W W Yopp	
W F Brewer	

Discussed by different ones and adopted.

Comes the committee on Ministerial Education and make the following report:

The time has passed when it was a question whether a minister of the gospel ought to be educated. The educational advantages of our faithful old fathers in Israel were very much limited, and yet God blessed their work, and we honor them for their work. But with the advantages we now have we cannot expect God's richest blessings unless we make good use of our opportunities. Morality and spirituality are the first qualifications of a good gospel preacher, but to these we must add a well trained mind. It certainly requires an educated intellect to understand and present clearly the greatest of all truths—God's Word. "Aptness to teach," says St Paul, "is an essential requirement in a preacher." And this aptness can surely be heightened by mental training. Jesus taught his preachers, the apostles, three years before he felt that they were prepared for the great work. To lead Israel to the promised land, God called a man "learned in all the ways of the Egyptians." He calls the unlearned, but he expects them to learn. It ought to be a telling rebuke to us, that in some parts of the country the churches are advancing more rapidly than the preachers. To meet the demands of this day, our preachers must be educated. Men and women of intelligence are in the congregation. Who shall be in the pulpit? We are proud of the young ministers we have. Those who are not in school should be encouraged to go; while those in school ought to be encouraged to continue. We would urge all our young preachers to attend Ouchita college, and if possible, the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary. In Ouchita we have Ed Cook, while in Paragould we have Ovid Wilcockson, Dallas Faulkner and Chapel Rogers; we must help these brethren. We would recommend that a cash collection be taken and that pledges be made by the churches and individuals present for this purpose. We would urge that the pledges be made much larger than usual, that we may encourage as far

as possible the preaching of the saving gospel of Jesus Christ.

Respectfully,

J S Rogers
H Holcomb
James Deniston } Committee

After the reading of the above report, the following pledges were taken for ministerial education:

Blooming Grove	\$ 5 00	Jones Ridge	\$ 5 00
Fairview	2 00	Providence	5 00
Brown Chapel	5 00	Rock Hill	20 00
Center Hill	10 00	Spring Grove	5 00
Friendship	10 00	Felix Bennett	1 00
Piggott	10 00	Mrs Sarah Wright	5 00
Pleasant Grove	10 00	V B Baker	1 00
Salem	5 00	Bethel Church	1 00
Union Grove	10 00	G W Kirby	2 00
H H Cole	1 00	A P Larkin	1 00
Mrs M S Young	2 00	J B Walden	1 00

Report discussed and adopted.

The committee on State and Associational Missions made the following report:

In reviewing the field before us, we can not fail to be impressed with the great need for enlarged effort upon the part of all our churches to reach out into the destitute places and bring the people under the influence of a pure gospel. With this need in view, we recommend that a suitable effort be made to bring our best energies to bear in overcoming the darkness within our own bounds. That we leave each church to decide for itself the extent and manner of its efforts to spread the gospel in religious beyond. We recommend the faithful work of our executive board, and missionary during the past year, and urge that the same methods be adopted for the coming year.

Respectfully submitted,

A B Bohannon, L A Russell } Committee
J J Burton, W R Underwood }

The report was ably discussed by Harvey Beauchamp, and others, and adopted; which the following pledges were taken for State and Associational Missions:

Churches.			
Blooming Grove	\$ 5 00	Bethel	\$ 2 00
Brown Chapel	5 00	Center Hill	5 00
Epsaby	2 50	Fairview	5 00
Friendship	25 00	Jones Ridge	10 00
Mount Taber	5 00	New Hope	5 00
New Light	5 00	Nutts Chapel	5 00
Piggott	19 00	Providence	10 00
Rock Hill	50 00	Salem	5 00
Spring Grove	10 00	Union Grove	10 00
Individual Pledges			
Joe A Thompson	\$ 15 00	H W Weatherly	\$ 2 00
H H Cole	5 00	V B Baker	2 50
Dr John Hammett	25 00	Mrs Melia Dillow	1 00
S H Weatherly	10 00	J J Burton	10 00
J P French	5 00	G W Kirby	10 00
J B Walden	5 00	E D Cooper	10 00
Oscar Hammett	5 00	J T Rogers	5 00
J J Bone	1 00	W J Veazey	1 00
W W Yopp	2 50	W G Johnson	2 00
M B Wright	1 50	F M Wimberley	1 00
J S Rogers		\$ 10 00	

At 11 o'clock Elder J N Hall of Fulton, Ky., preached one of the very finest, most logical and interesting sermons ever heard in Arkansas on the plan of salvation; his text being Acts 16, 30 and 31. Benediction pronounced by Harvey Beauchamp of Little Rock, after which the body adjourned to 2 P M for dinner.

EVENING SESSION, 2 P M.

The Association met and resumed business promptly at 2 o'clock. After being led in prayer by Chapel Rogers, the committee on Home Missions made their report:

In view of the fact that our home field is a vast one and that there is great responsibilities resting upon us as a people to put forth our best efforts to insure the proper cultivation of the field; we recommend therefore that our pastors and churches give strict attention to home missions. Let us lift up our eyes upon the fields that are white already to harvest. And let us pray and help to send more laborers into the fields.

Respectfully,

E J Teague
J T Tyler
J S Newsom } Committee.

Read and Adopted.

The committee on Foreign Missions reported as follows:

Foreign Missions is a very important and extensive part of our work. It is God's will that all nations hear the gospel and that all christians share in the privileges and duties of giving the message of life to the perishing of our race. Practically, we are redeemed that we may reveal the Redeemer. It is a source of thanksgiving to us that God has opened wide the windows of heaven and poured out bountiful blessings upon our work the last year. The number of baptisms on the foreign field last year far exceeded any former year, aggregating 1,790 persons. The contributions of our home churches indicate a marked increase of christian activity on the part of the people. It reached the encouraging amount of \$218521.62. A larger number of churches and a greater proportion of members are giving than, perhaps, ever before. Many individuals are contributing enough money to support a missionary; and the mission cause, so dear to the Son of God, is being remembered by the generous, God-fearing and man loving baptists of our land. Our force of workers on the foreign field is growing rapidly, there being at present 319 employed by the Southern Baptist Convention; 127 missionaries and 192 native assistants. But what are these, among so many, who know not the true God? Dear brethren, behind us is the command of Christ, before us is a rich harvest field and the workers on foreign fields continue to call for more workers. Will any brother or lover of the great Redeemer say I do not believe in foreign missions?

Respectfully submitted,

E D Cooper
J H Wade
J T Rogers } Committee.

Read, discussed and adopted.

J J Burton, for the Executive board, read the following report:

After organizing we contracted with G Lively as a missionary for the year at \$35 per month, but after working two months, on account of failing health, he resigned and the board employed E D Cooper for the remainder of the associational year.

Total receipts for the year together with the expenditures is as follows:

Balance on hand last report ..	\$ 35 00
Blooming Grove church.....	2 27
Browns Chapel.....	5 00
Black River.....	3 00
Big Island.....	1 25
Friendship.....	30 00
Fairview.....	5 00
Hopewell.....	4 80
Jones Ridge.....	26 50
Knobel.....	1 60
Nutts Chapel.....	5 00
New Home ..	2 20
New Light.....	1 00
New Hope.....	6 78
Mount Taber.....	65
Marmaduke.....	10 00
Pleasant Grove.....	6 00
Post Oak.....	2 00
Providence ..	14 50
Piggott.....	10 00
Palestine ..	1 00
Pleasant Hope.....	2 50
Rock Hill.....	50 00
Rector.....	5 00
Salem.....	5 00
Spring Grove.....	2 97
Union Grove.....	5 50
Unity.....	4 50
Fifth Sunday meeting, Walcott.....	16 30
" " " " " New Home.....	4 20
Rock Spring mission point.....	1 60
New Friendship S S.....	2 50
T L B Thorn Treas., last year.....	30 00
State Board.....	83 20
Rock Hill S S.....	10 00
G Lively.....	5 00
G Lively as missionary.....	20 00
Marion Grovel.....	75
H C Wood.....	2 50
H H Hinderson.....	2 00
J. W Allen.....	1 25

Total	\$ 427 12
By amount paid G Lively.....	\$ 70 00
" " " " " E D Cooper.....	320 00
By balance cash on hand.....	37 12
Total	\$ 427 12

Read and adopted.

The committee on Orphans Home made the following report:

In 1894 Hannah Hyatt gave the church at Monticello, Arkansas all her real estate, 80 acres, upon which to build an Orphans Home for all the destitute orphans of the state. There has been enrolled in all 68. 6 have died and 5 have grown up and gone out into the world upon their own responsibility, taking with them their church letter, leaving now in the Home 57 children. Fifteen of these have been baptised and are now members of the Baptist church at Monticello. 16 of the number enrolled are from Greene county, a larger number than from any other county in the state. In the past year the home has done well and we feel grateful for it. We hope that the coming year it may continue to succeed in the great work, and we all pledge our hearty support and help in making this one of

the very best and strongest institutions of the whole State.

Respectfully submitted,

J S Rogers
W W Gardner } Committee.
Wm Russell

Read, discussed and adopted.

The committee on Temperance made the following report:
We your committee on Temperance recommend the adoption and zealous execution of our previous report as found on Page 6 of the minutes of 1902.

T L B THORN, Chairman

Read and discussed by J D J Faulkner, J H Wade and J S Rogers, and adopted.

The committee on Publication submitted the following report.

We can now hear about the things that are going on throughout the whole world by means of the printing press. Religious papers are of great help to us. They inform us of the work in the different parts of the world. We would recommend that our people take as many papers as they can, especially, such as will inform them of the work that is being carried on by the Southern Baptist Convention and in our own State. We recommend the Foreign Mission Journal and Home Field as worthy of our support. We also recommend the Sunday school literature published by the Sunday School Board at Nashville, as being sound Baptist literature.

Respectfully submitted,

G H Faulkner }
H B Wright } Committee
D L Fitzgerald }
H Holcomb }

Read and adopted.

We, your committee on obituaries, beg to submit the following report showing the number and from what church, members have died since our last Association:

Blooming Grove	1	Nutts Chapel	1
Black Rock	1	Pleasant Grove	1
Epsaby	1	Pleasant Hope	1
Friendship	2	Post Oak	1
Fairview	3	Rock Hill	1
Jones Ridge	2	Salem	1
Mount Tabor	1	Wanderers Home	1
New Hope	4	Total	32

Respectfully submitted,

B A JOHNSON, Chairman.

The committee on Finance made the following report which was adopted:

AMOUNTS RECEIVED FOR PRINTING MINUTES

Pleasant Grove.....	\$ 1 32	Hopewell.....	\$ 1 50
Spring Gr. ve.....	1 25	Unity.....	1 50
Post Oak.....	1 00	Friendship.....	2 00
Rector.....	1 00	Epsaby.....	50
Fairview.....	1 50	Nutts Chapel.....	75
New Light.....	2 00	Bethel.....	1 10
Greenway.....	75	Jones Ridge.....	75
Browns Chapel.....	1 00	New Hope.....	3 09
Black River.....	50	Salem.....	1 50
Pleasant Hope.....	75	New Home.....	1 50
Rock Hill.....	1 50	Union Grove.....	1 00
Marmaduke.....	2 00	Providence.....	1 55
Blooming Grove.....	1 50	Cent r Hill.....	1 50
Mount Tabor.....	75	Wanderer's Home.....	75
Piggott.....	1 50	Total for minutes.....	\$87 22

FOR ASSOCIATIONAL MISSIONS.

Bethel.....	\$ 50	Epsaby.....	\$ 2 50
Gainesville.....	2 50	New Light.....	2 50

FOR MINISTERIAL EDUCATION.

Blooming Grove.....\$1 25

FOR STATE MISSIONS.

Blooming Grove.....	\$ 2 27	Jones Ridge.....	\$ 1 00
Pleasant Grove.....	50		

FOR HOME MISSIONS.

Blooming Grove.....	\$ 4 48	Epsaby.....	\$ 1 00
Black River.....	50	Jones Ridge.....	1 00
Union Grove.....	1 00		

FOR FOREIGN MISSIONS.

Blooming Grove.....	\$ 2 27	Black River.....	\$ 1 00
Bethel.....	50	Jones Ridge.....	1 00
Pleasant Grove.....	50	Union Grove.....	1 00

FOR ORPHANS HOME.

Bethel.....	\$ 1 00	Union Grove.....	\$ 1 00
Center Hill.....	3 00	Rock Hill.....	8 00
Jones Ridge.....	5 00	Wanderer's Home.....	2 00

Respectfully,

V A PHILLIPS, Chairman.

The committee on prayermeetings submitted the following report which was read and adopted:

We believe that prayer is necessary to bring blessings and power from God; that it is the key that unlocks heaven's door and gives us access to all the blessings needed for life and happiness. It is the only channel through which we can make known our wants to our Heavenly Father. We would recommend that our churches maintain and keep a live prayermeeting all the time. Christ commands us to pray without ceasing; therefore let us observe it in our homes, and always be ready at all times and places to offer prayer.

J P French G W Kirby
Frank Burton F M Wimberly } Committee

We, your committee on Ministers and Postoffices, report as follows

E D Cooper	Paragould	A M Hall	Marmaduke
J S Rogers	"	J D J Faulkner	Paragould
J R Holcomb	Pollard	J N Settlemoir	Pollard
J K Pate	Piggott	I K Joiner	Pollard
G Lively	Marmaduke	J H Wade	Piggott
N W Hampton	"	J T Nowell	Marmaduke
J W Allen	Rector	E J Teage	Marmaduke
J P French	Rector	J T Tyler	Rector
J Boyd	Marmaduke	W D Farmer	Rector
N D J Brewer	Gainesville	T L B Thoru	Gainesville
L A Russell	Halliday	G H Faulkner	Crowley
P P Greene	St Francis	Barney Riggins	Boydsville
C A Merideth	Halliday	R E McGowen	Paragould
	W R Cantrell	Greenway	
		Joe A Thompson	Committee.
		W J Nicholas	
		E A Burton	

MISSIONARY'S REPORT

Dear Brethren: I herewith submit the following report for the time I have worked as Missionary for the Association. At the request of the board I have devoted one-fourth of the time to work at Brighton; also preached at Bertig and Big Island until April 20, when the board employed me for full time at \$45.00 per month:

Miles travelled, 1095; sermons preached, 134; religious visits, 384; baptised, 6; prayers in homes, 79; number conversions, 42; Sunday schools organized, 5; number of meetings assisted pastor in, 9; baptised from these meetings, 36; meetings held in destitute places, 5. Supplied the following places: Jones Ridge, Brighton, Bertig, Walls Chapel, Evening Star and Rock Springs. Visited the following churches: Rock Hill, Piggott, Marmaduke, New Light, Friendship, Unity, Gainesville, Knobel, Pest Oak, Providence, Black River, Spring Grove, Browns Chapel, Jones Ridge, Walls Chapel, New Home, Hopewell, Bethel, Union Grove, Mysaby, Mount Tabor, Palestine, Greenway, Nates Chapel and Pleasant Hope. Have received the following amounts: Collected on field, \$257.75; received from the board, 162.25; total, \$420.00

Respectfully submitted,

E D COOPER, Missionary.

Discussed by A B Bohannon, B H Parrish and Hogan Pinkston. Adopted.

T L B Thorn, Treasurer of the Association, made the following report, which was read and adopted.

Balance on hand at last report	\$76.66
Ministerial Education	84.44
Foreign Mission	6.12
Home Missions	8.28
Associational Missions	54.70
Orphans Home	73.53
Minute Fund	37.22

\$290.95

By amount paid clerk last year	\$39.06
By amount paid J J Burton secretary	35.66
By amount paid W W Gardner agent orphans home	77.53
By amount paid Ed Cook and Chapel Rogers	10.04
By balance cash on hand	\$130.06

\$290.95

On motion the body recommended that the board employ

E D Cooper for the ensuing year as Missionary at a salary of \$600. Benediction by I O Syler, and the body adjourned to meet at 7 p. m.

7 P. M., MONDAY, 26TH

The body was called to order by the Moderator. Prayer by J J Burton. The following children reported that they had invested the amount set opposite their names and had on hand the the amounts shown therewith for the benefit of the Orphan home:

Grace Faulkner.....	.10	Paid in	\$ 2 50
Sallie Faulkner.....	.10	"	2 50
Anna Sammons.....	.10	"	75
Florence Johnson.....	.25	"	50
Hendra Johnson.....	.30	"	35
Eva Troxall.....	.25	"	1 00
Diva Church.....	.10	"	1 00
Minnie Wheatley.....	.10	"	1 00
Clara Wheatley.....	.10	"	80
Nellie Wheatley.....	.10	"	40
Hale Benton.....	.10	"	1 00
Zora Butler.....	.10	"	1 00
Claudia Thorn.....	.10	"	1 40
Leta Thorn.....	.10	"	1 05

On motion the body went into an election for a place to hold the next Association, which resulted in the election of Pleasant Grove church, 12 miles South West of Paragould, at Finch, Greene county.

J D J Faulkner was elected to preach the introductory sermon. (No alternate.)

J S Rogers read the following resolution which was adopted: Since the State board has so generously aided us in the sum of \$125 00 this year in our mission work; therefore be it Resolved: That we tender our thanks to said board for said help and by this means express our profound gratitude for same.

On motion E D Cooper was appointed a member of the State board from Gainesville Association.

The Moderator appointed the following as the Executive board for the ensuing year: J T Rogers, H H Cole, D W Brewer, J J Burton and R H Dudley.

R H Dudley read the following resolution which was adopted:

Since the attendance of ministers in our Association is very small in comparison to the number having membership with us, and since such nonattendance is detrimental to our progress and work; therefore, be it Resolved: That we urge all ministers to attend the meetings, and by their presence and labor, help in the great work the body is doing.

G H Faulkner read the following resolution which was adopted:

Resolved: That the clerk of this body be instructed to have 1000 copies of the journal printed and distributed, and that he be allowed \$10.00 for his services.

On motion the following were appointed corresponding messengers to other Associations: Mount Zion, E D Cooper and J S Rogers; Black River, J P French and L A Russell; Current River, J A Smith and J H Wade.

The following resolution was read by E D Cooper and adopted:

Whereas: Our beloved and worthy brethren, H Holcomb, ex-clerk; and G Lively, ex-moderator, have so faithfully and efficiently served us as such officers so long; and

Whereas: We, as an Association, ever look upon them as advisers in matters and love and honor them for their council and work. Therefore be it

Resolved: That the clerk of this body be instructed to have printed in the journal of the present proceedings, the pictures of these brethren as a slight token of high esteem and appreciation in which they are held by this body.

V A Phillips read the following resolution which was adopted:

Resolved: That we tender our thanks to the members of Union Grove church, and the community in general, for their generous hospitality during our stay with them.

The Association adjourned to meet at Pleasant Grove church, Finch, Greene county, Friday before the Fourth Sunday in October, 1904.

A song was sung and a general handshaking was engaged in by all. Prayer by J T Tyler.

J D J FAULKNER, Moderator.

R H DUDLEY, Clerk.

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CHURCHES	PASTORS	CLERKS	POSTOFFICE	Messengers Present	MEMBERSHIP.		CONTRIBUTIONS																	
					Baptism	Letters	Relation	Reinstated	Deaths	Dismissed	Excluded	Present	Associational	State	Home	Foreign	To Church Work							
																	S S Work	Pastors' Salary	Incidentals	Orphan's Home	Minutes	Total Contributions		
Bethel	W D Farmer	W T Littleton	Rector	W J Beazley and Mrs M J Young	1				47	50					50				21 50		9 00	1 10	32 60	
Blooming Grove	J W Allen	F W Rodary	"	Jas Deniston J A Hooks	9 4			1	2	75		2 27		2 48	2 27	1 25			100	15		1 50	134 04	
Browns Chapel	Ovid Wilcockson	J F Sain	Paragould	E A Barton J W Langley Ovid Wilcockson	3 3					2		60		5	3			6 73	44			1	59 73	
Black River	E J Teague	Mary Allbright	Peach Orchard	W J Aglehart				1 3								1	1					50	2 50	
Center Hill	J K Pate	R C Scott	Paragould	J H Brewster W F Simms	1				3 1	51					45				60		3	50	64 95	
Epsaby	G H Faulkner	Ernest Williams	Gainesvill	John Roberts Jas Lewis	3			1		62		4 75							4 50	25	6 2	50	42 75	
Friendship	J D J Faulkner	H R Boone	Paragould	G Kirley J B Walden Oscar Hammett	3 4			2 2		150		44 00							7 50	96	8 11		169 35	
Fairview	— Henson	J F Fitzjerald	Mack	D L Fitzjerald W M Russell L Sammonds	1				3	64		5							2 50	43 75	13	50	66 00	
Greenway	J K Pate	S C Lovelace	Greenway	J K Pate	1					37										75		2 50	75	78 25
Hopewell	J R Hall	D M Johnson	Rector	W C Merridnth J P French J D Evans	4 2			2 1		207		4 80										3 70	50	10
Jones Ridge	E D Cooper	J C Collins	Delaplaine	John Tate and Wife	6			2 2		52		2 50	6 50	1		1						5 25	75	17
Mount Tabor	J H Wade	H A Seal	Piggott	J H Wade W R Underwood				1 8 1		50		2 50								50		3	75	26 25
Marmaduke	J W Allen	A M Hall	Marmakuke	E S Teague	2 8			2 1 3		104		15		1		1				100	35 12 50	2		166 50
New Light	J K Pate	W H Wimberly	Crockett	F M Wimberly L B and J B Finkston				2 4 3		82		2 50								55		2		59 50
New Hope	J N -ettlemoir	H Holcomb	Pollard	H Holcomb W J Johnson W J Nicholas	5			4 4 2		166		5 85								55 83		5	3	69 68
New Home	J T Nowell	D J Brewer	Marmaduke	G W Hopper Will Garrett — Simmons	18 21			1		87													1 50	1 50
Nutts Chapel	L A Russell	R Atchison	Halliday	S A Russell E Sanford T G Atchison	1 6			1	5	34		5								12			75	17 75
Piggott	J H Peay	R H Dudley	Piggott	R H Dudley	2 1				4	58		10								12	180	24	1 50	227 50
Pleasant Grove	E D Cooper	Joe A Thompson	Finch	Wm Majors Alex Fletcher	16 5		2 1			112		6		2 76			50		5 12	109 75		1 60	1 32	127 05
Providence	J D Faulkner	Tom Jalkman	Lafe	H H and M B Wright P M Haneline	2		1	8 1		120		10 25					1 50		7	75		1 55		95 30
Post Oak	J R Holcomb	C M Garrett	Boydsville	V B Baker		1	1 1	1 3		37		2								50 35			1	33 35
Pleasant Hope	J P French	Geo R Tyler	Rector	J T Tyler W E Prewett	6				3	27		2 50								13 13			75	16 38
Rector	J W Allen	J R Smart	"	By Letter						35		6 75							3 25	100	15 30	1		156
Rock Hill	J S Rogers	W W Yopp	Paragould	W W Yopp J T and Chap-l Rogers	4 3			1 8		124		50		25	7	30	10		13	150	50 8		1 50	344 50
Spring Grove	J D J Faulkner	Jas McLaughlin	"	U A Phillips J S Newsom Frank Rurton	3 2			2 1		50		2 76		55	55	60				46 45			1 25	52 16
Salem	W H Merrideth	C W Bradshaw	Boydsville	J A Smith and Wm Owen				1		112		5							6				1 50	12 50
Union Grove	T L B Thora	C H Faulkner	Crowley	G H Faulkner B A Johnson J J Bone			1	4		35		10		2 50	1	1			2		25	1		42 50
Unity	L A Russell	F M Haywood	Halliday	H H Call		2			1 2	45									2 26	40			1 50	7 41
Wanderers Home	J R Holcomb	F Bennett	Pollard	F Bennett Henry Brown Melia Dillew	4 6			1 1 2		13		3 25							2	23 80	49 2		75	77 65
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