

**MINUTES**  
**OF THE**  
**THIRTY-SEVENTH SESSION**  
**OF THE**  
**State Line Baptist Association**

**HELD WITH**  
**NEW HOPE No. 1 CHURCH**  
**WIRTH, ARK.,**  
**SEPTEMBER 8, 9, 10, 1910.**

**W. S. LOONEY, Moderator.**  
**GEO. LOCNEY, Clerk.**

*Next Session to be held with Poiner Church,*  
**POYNOR, MISSOURI,**  
*Beginning on Tuesday night before Second Sunday*  
*in September, 1911.*

# MINUTES

## OF THE

### State Line Baptist Association

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State Line Association of Missionary Baptist met with New Hope No. 2, church on Thursday night, September 8, 1910, and found the church in a good religious awakening and the introductory sermon by Bro. Diceton from Acts 2-38 and prayer by Bro. Tyler. After a good service adjourned till 9:30 Friday morning.

Friday morning session, met Friday morning with former moderator present and clerk absent, and Geo. Looney was appointed vice clerk. After a dialect exercise the Association was called to order by E. T. Lincoln moderator, and the letters from the following churches were presented and messengers enrolled as follows:

Oak Grove—J. C. Diceton, D. R. Tyler, D. R. Shockley.

Bethany—J. D. Owen, J. C. Allison, Geo. Looney, R. T. Gann.

Antioch—W. S. Looney, J. T. Brown.

New Hope No. 2—W. J. McCollah, W. H. Smith, W. B. Ladd.

New Home—Paul Weisenforth, Joe Pruitt.

Witt's Chapel—E. T. Lincoln.

Manson—J. M. Smelzer.

Next transaction was to elect moderator and clerk which resulted in the choice of W. S. Looney moderator and Geo. Looney clerk.

Appointment of committees:

Preaching—Messengers of New Hope No. 2, H. A. Ladd, J. W. McCollah.

Publication—J. H. C. Sconce, J. C. Diceton.

Destitution—J. D. Owen, J. S. Pruitt.

Obituaries—John Hopper, D. R. Tyler.

Temperance—E. T. Lincoln, W. H. Smith.

Orphans Home—H. A. Ladd, D. R. Shockley.

Education—J. Smelzer, S. S. Mizell.

Sunday School—R. T. Gann, J. C. Allison.

Finance—J. T. Brown, J. W. McCollah.

State of churches—J. W. Cole, Paul Weisenforth.

Foreign Mission—E. T. Lincoln, J. H. C. Sconce.

State of Home Mission—J. C. Diceton, R. T. Gann.

Resolutions—S. S. Mizell, D. R. Tyler.

Adjourned till 2:30 p. m.

Preaching at 11 o'clock by Bro. Sconce, text: Grieve not the Holy Spirit.

Met at 2:30 as per adjournment.

Report of Committee on Obituaries read and approved  
See No. 1.

We your committee would report that the death angels has visited our association and removed from us R. E. Smith New Hope No. 2. Bro. W. J. Moore, Sis. Nora Rafeda New Home. Sis. Martha Presley, Antioch. Sister Martha was one obedient child and a loving playmate and a consociated christian union.

Antioch church—John Hopper, D. R. Tyler, committee.

Report of Committee on Destitution read and adopted.  
See No. 2.

We your Committee as follows that the Destitution is not so great through out our bounds as has been in the past but yet there is much needed work to be done. We therefore recommend that as soon as possible we make efforts to supply the needed work in destitute places,

J. D. OWEN,

J. S. PRUITT,

Committee.

Report of Committee on Publication. See No. 3.

We your committee on Publication would submit the following report, would recommend that we as a Christian body give more of our time the reading and study of good literature such as the Baptist Advance also the Arkansas Baptist. We also feel greatful toward Bro. E. T. Lincoln for the effort he is making to supply the people with good literature.

J. C. DICETON,

J. H. C. SCONCE, Committee.

Report of Committee on Temperance. See No. 4.

It is estimated that 100,000 men and women each year fill a drunkards grave. Think of it! We rejoice in the victories we are winning in voting the saloons out of so many towns,

cities, counties and states. We hereby pledge ourselves to give our prayers, our influences and vote against this awful curse until it is banished from the earth.

E. T. LINCOLN,  
W. H. SMITH,  
Committee.

Letters from Manson church received and her messengers.

J. M. SMELSER,  
SISTER SMELSER.

Adjourned till 9 o'clock Saturday morning.

Preaching at 8 p. m. by Bro. Harris, text: Hebrews 2-3, The Great Salvation.

Saturday morning session met at 9 o'clock as per adjournment, and after Devotional exercise the report of committee on Orphans Home. See No. 5.

We your Committee on Orphans Home report as follows: We feel duly grateful to the giver of all good and perfect gifts for the strides of progress made in Orphanage work.

For fifteen or twenty years this work of charity has been carried on under the auspices of an all wise God. The Baptist church has been a great factor in carrying on this good work.

We now have two Orphanage in this state both of which are doing a great and noble work in caring for those little ones of which the Saviour said except ye become as one of these, ye shall in no wise enter into the Kingdom of Heaven.

While the Baptist Brethren have one of the oldest institutions in this state, still they are far behind other states in this respect.

We recommend our churches to spare no money in helping those little ones of which the Saviour said suffer them to come unto me and forbid not, for of such is the Kingdom of Heaven.

D. R. SHOCKLEY,  
H. A. LADD, Committee.

Called for corresponding messengers from Sister Association when Elevenpoints River Association presented her minutes by her messengers A. C. Fosbury and Sister Fosbury.

Report of Committee on Sunday School. See No. 6.

We your Committee on Sunday school would report that we find New Hope No. 2, Witt's Chapel and Bethany are the only churches in the Association reporting a Sunday school. Other churches seem to be neglecting this most important education of the young people of our association. We therefore recommend that each church that has no Sunday school organize and maintain one.

J. C. ALLISON,  
R. T. GANN, Committee.

Report of Committee on Education. See No. 7.

We your Committee on Education beg leave to report as

follows: that we humbly thank God for what has been done in an educational way in our Association. We recommend that each church that has no Sunday school, proceed at once to organize and maintain one and spend more time in studying of the Bible. We therefore recommend that we renew our interest. Increase our zeal and lend our best efforts for thorough christian education that we heartily endorse and recommend our own Ouachita Maynard Academy, giving to this school our patronage and unqualified support. S. S. MIZELL,

J. M. SMELZER,  
Committee.

Report of Committee on State of Churches. See No. 8.

We your Committee find most of our churches have held revival meetings and are in a prosperous condition and are ready to go forward in the work of the Lord. We recommend a continuance of same and that our churches respond promptly to their Associations.

J. W. COLE,  
PAUL WEISENFORTH,  
Committee.

Report of Committee on State and Home Mission. See No. 9.

We note from the letters that little has been done during the year by the churches of this Association for Home and State Missions. The report on State Missions show that there were 4516 conversions by the Missionaries laboring under appointment of the convention. Brethren during the past year 3,202 were baptized by the State Association Missionaries, 360 conversions and 273 baptisms, a total of 4,876 conversions and 3475 baptisms. We recommend and urge our churches to make an offering each year to this great cause.

R. T. GANN,  
J. C. DICETON,  
Committee.

Adjourned till 2:30.

Preaching by Bro. Gann, Act 1-47.

Met at 2:30 as per adjournment.

Report of Committee on Foreign Missions. See No. 10

We your Committee on Foreign Mission would the following: our foreign Missionaries are having great success this year. our missionary report this year, No. of Baptism 3,223. We recommend that each church take up at least one collection for Foreign Missions this year and that we earnestly pray Gods blessings on the Foreign Mission.

E. T. LINCOLN,  
J. H. C. SCONCE,  
Committee.



Report of Committee on Finance. See No. 11

We the Committee on Finance that report as follows:

Antioch .....	\$2.45
Bethany .....	2.70
New Home .....	2.65
Poynor .....	2.74
Oak Grove .....	1.20
New Hope No. 2 .....	1.70
Witt's Chapel .....	3.00
Donation from this body .....	4.15
Total .....	\$20.59

Report of Committee on Resolution. See No. 12.

We your Committee on Resolutions would report as follows:

1. That this association appoint five men who shall have charge of the Mission work of this association and that they get some man or men to hold some meetings as soon as possible. We further would suggest that this Association maintain at least one home Missionary.

2. That we continue our 5th Sunday meetings and we recommend each church in this Association appoint a messenger who will work with the Mission committee and that they take a collection at the next meeting to help pay Missionaries who may preach and that each church take up collection each quarter for Home Missions.

3. That all of our churches hold revival meetings so as to get results in the report to the Association.

4. That we have 300 minutes printed and that the clerk superintends the same and that he be paid \$5 five dollars for his service.

5. That we extend our thanks to New Hope No. 2 church and friends for their kind hospitality while with them.

6. That we also extend thanks to Moderator and Clerk for their service.

S. S. MIZELL,

D. R. TYLER, Committee.

The Executive Committee to have charge of the missionary work were appointed as follows:

S. S. MIZELL,  
J. W. COLE,  
JOHN HOPPER,  
JOHN Q. POND,  
J. D. KERLEY.

The next Fifth Sunday meeting to be held with Oak Grove Church to be held the 5th Sunday in October.

Volunteers to Sister Associations:

Spring River—Paul Weisenforth, Joe Pruitt.

Current River—W. S. Looney.

### Report of Clerk and Treasurer

Received of Finance Committee this session .....	\$16.44
From collection.....	4.15
Total.....	\$20.59

I, as Treasurer of your executive committee report that I have on hand for Minute funds \$20.59. GEO. LOONEY,  
Clerk.

The next session of this body will be held with Poinor Church, Poynor, Mo.

The introductory sermon will be preached by Eld. J. C. Diceton, W. S. Looney alternate.

### List of Ordained Ministers

I note by careful examination of the letters from churches.

Knox Belew, Manson,	Arkansas.
J. C. Diceton {	Union, "
	Oak Grove, "
James Peetledge, Poynor, Mo.	
G. B. Berah, {	New Home, Arkansas.
	New Hope No.2, "
John Allison, Bethany,	"
J. C. Diceton, Antioch,	"
E. T. Lincoln, Witt's Chapel,	"

### Sunday School Report

	SCHOLARS	EXPENSES
Witt's Chapel	100	\$31.92
Bethany		
New Hope No. 2		

### Expenses of Churches

CHURCHES	PASTOR	ORPHANS HOME	MISSIONS
Oak Grove	\$25.00		
Bethany	33.50		\$5.15
Union	12.00		
Poynor	35.00		6.00
New Home	66.00		7.50
Witt's Chapel	166.65	\$13.25	13.00
Antioch	40.00		
	<hr/> \$378.15	<hr/> \$13.25	<hr/> \$31.65

## Rules for Decorum

- 1 The Association shall be opened and closed by prayer.
- 2 Every motion made by a member of the Association and seconded shall come under the consideration of the Association, unless withdrawn by the member making it.
- 3 Only one person speak at a time, and he shall arise from his seat and address the Moderator before proceeding with his remarks.
- 4 The person speaking shall not be interrupted by any one except the Moderator, until he has finished his remarks.
- 5 The person speaking shall confine himself strictly to the subject under consideration, and shall in no wise reflect on or make unfriendly remarks about anyone who has preceded him, but shall fairly discuss the subject, conveying his ideas as concisely as possible.
- 6 No member of the Association shall absent himself in time of business without permission from the Association.
- 7 No member of the Association shall address another by any other appellation than that of brother.
- 8 No Moderator shall not interrupt any member while speaking unless he violates the rules of the Association.
- 9 Any member who shall knowingly violate any rule of the Association shall be reproved by the Association in such a manner as majority of the members may direct.
- 10 The names of the members of the Association shall be enrolled and the roll called as often as the assembly may think proper.

## Articles of Faith

- 1 We believe on the true and living God; the Son and Holy Ghost, and these three are one.
- 2 We believe the Scriptures of the Old and New Testament are the Word of God and the only true rule of faith and practice.
- 3 We believe that man was made upright, but by a voluntary transgression violated God's law and became a sinner.
- 4 We believe that by voluntary transgression of man, sin entered the world and death by sin; thereby death passed upon all men for all have sinned.



# STATISTICAL TABLE

CHURCH	When Organized	Day of Meeting	PASTOR	CLERK	POSTOFFICE	MEMBERSHIP						Value Church Property
						INCREASE			DECREASE			
						By Baptism	By Letter	By Registration	By Letter	By Death	Excluded	
Antioch	1873	4	J. C. Diceton	Chas. Early	Hamil, Ark.	0	0	0	0	1	0	\$ 400
Witt's Chapel	1888	2-4	E. T. Lincoln	J. Q. Pond	Maynard, Ark	1	2	1	0	3	0	1,500
New Hope No.2	1900	3	G. B. Borah	L. Rickard	Wirth, Ark.	0	0	0	0	0	0	250
New Home	1890		E. S. Mizell	A. Dixon	Ravenden SprArk	8	0	0	1	3	0	
Poynor	1887		J. C. Diceton	Tom Johnson	Poynor, Mo.	1	1	0	3	0	0	400
Union		3	Knox Belew	J. A. McCoy	Pocahontas, Ark	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Manson	1904		Jno. Allson	Otto Keel	Manson, Ark	4	1	0	2	0	0	
Bethany	1874	2	J. C. Diceton	Wes. James	Yadkin, Ark	27	0	0	0	0	0	350
Oak Grove	1867	1-3	D.A.Pressley	B. F. Chastain	Attica, Ark.	1	2	0	0	0	0	400