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OF THE

Arkansas Baptist State Convention

HELD WITH THE

BAPTIST CHURCH IN HELENA, ARK.,

NOVEMBER 11, 12, 13, 14, 1869.

OFFICERS.

ELDER W. D. MAYFIELD, PRESIDENT. ELDER J. B. SEARCY, SECRETARY.

MEMPHIS, TENN.:
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1869.





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The Arkansas Baptist State Convention convened, pursuant to adjournment, with the Baptist Church in Helena, Ark., November 11, 1869.

The meeting was opened by reading a chapter from the scriptures, by the President, Elder W. M. Lea, singing by the congregation and prayer by Eld. J. T. Craig.

The Secretary being absent Elder J. B. Searcy was appointed

Secretary pro tem.

The letters from the different Associations and churches were read, and the delegates' names enrolled (see roll of delegates), after which the Convention proceeded to elect officers for the present session, which resulted in the choice of Elders W. D. Mayfield, President, and J. B. Searcy, Secretary and Treasurer.

On motion, the Convention agreed to meet at night in mass meeting to discuss the question, "What is the mission of Baptists in Arkansas."

On motion, the Convention agreed to meet at 9 o'clock A. M., adjourn at 11 A. M., meet again at 2 P. M. and adjourn at 4 P. M., each day of the session.

On motion, agreed to have preaching each day at 11 o'clock A. M., and at night.

The Deacons of Helena Church, with Brethren King, Scaife and Hickey were appointed a Committee on Preaching.

On motion adjourned.

Prayer by Elder B. F. Thomas.

The Convention met at night in mass meeting.

After singing, by the choir, and prayer by Elder J. B. Searcy, the question, "What is the mission of Baptists in Arkansas?" was taken up and its discussion opened by Elder J. R. Murphy, in an eloquent speech; after which Elders B. F. Thomas, W. M. Lea, J. B. Searcy, J. T. Craig and J. R. Graves, of Memphis, followed in lively speeches. Great harmony of sentiment was manifested by the arguments of the different brethren, and a good feeling was

manifested in the congregation. Finally, on motion, the question was referred, for the future action of the Convention.

Singing by the congregation and prayer by Elder J. R. Murphy.

FRIDAY MORNING, November 12.

The Convention met pursuant to adjournment.

Prayer by Elder J. T. Marshall.

The minutes of the previous day were read and adopted.

The following committees were appointed by the President:

On Sunday Schools—Elders. B. F. Thomas, Jas. Wyatt and Jas. A. Ragan.

On Missions.—Elder W. M. Lea, J. T. Craig and E. H. Owen.

On Publications—Elders J. B. Searcy, J. G. A. Davis and C. T. Scaife.

On Obituaries-Elder J. R. Murphy, Thos Bunch and J. Harder.

On Finance—J. Q. Taylor and C. W. Hickey.

On List of Ministers' Names and Post Offices—Elders J. T. Craig and J. F. Griffin.

On Nominations—Elders J. F. Griffin, J. D. Chambers and J. H. Howard.

On motion, the Secretary read the Constitution of the Convention.

On motion, the Convention proceeded to the election of Vice-Presidents, which resulted in the choice of Elders J. R. Murphy and J. T. Craig.

On motion, the Convention resolved to elect her officers hereafter by ballot.

The Convention adjourned at 11 o'clock A. M., for preaching.

The stand was occupied by Elder J. B. Searcy. Text: Coll. iii. 4. Theme—"Christ our life."

EVENING SESSION.

Met pursuant to adjournment. Prayer by J. H. Howard. The following resolution was offered by Bro. J. Q. Taylor:

Resolved, That the Convention request the Associations and churches who send delegates to this body hereafter, to also send money for the publishing of minutes, and Conventional expenses.

Unanimously adopted,

The report on Sunday Schools was read, which elicited many lively speeches.

The Convention adjourned, the discussion of the report still pending.

Prayer by Elder W. M. Lea.

SATURDAY MORNING, November 13.

The Convention met pursuant to adjournment. Prayer by Elder J. T. Marshall.

The minutes of the previous day were read and adopted.

The report on Sunday Schools was resumed and unanimously adopted. (See Appendix A.)

Adjourned for preaching at 11 A. M.

The stand was occupied by Elder J. T. Craig. Text: Matt. xvi. 18. Theme—"Christ the foundation of his church."

EVENING SESSION.

Convention met pursuant to adjournment. Prayer by Elder J. B. Searcy.

The report on Missions was read and unanimously adopted. (See Appendix B.)

The Committee on Ministers' Names was granted further time to complete the list and give it to the Secretary.

The report on publications was read, and after an amendment by Elder W. H. Robert, was unanimously adopted. (See Appendix C.)

The report on Nominations was adopted. (See Appendix D.) On motion, a preamble and resolutions were read by Elder J. R. Graves, of Memphis, which was unanimously adopted. (See Appendix E.)

On motion, Elders W. M. Lea, J. T. Craig and J. F. Griffin were appointed a Committee on Nominations, to report at night.

Adjourned informally.

The stand was occupied at night by Elder J. K. Murphy. Text: Rom. i. 16. After listening to an interesting discourse, the Convention immediately resumed business.

The report on Nominations, by the Special Committee, was read and adopted. (See Appendix F.)

A vote of thanks to the church at Helena, and the President, was adopted. (See Appendix G.)

The question, referred from the mass meeting, was answered. (See Appendix H.)

A resolution respecting the publication of minutes adopted. (See Appendix I.)

On motion, the Convention appointed the following brethren as delegates to the Southern Baptist Convention, which meets in Louisville, Ky., on Thursday before the second Sunday in May, 1870, viz: Elders W. D. Mayfield, J. T. Craig, J. B. Searcy, W. M. Lea, J. K. Murphy, W. H. Robert, B. F. Thomas, Moses Green and Brethren T. M. Oldham, J. Q. Taylor, S. H. King, C. T. Scaife, A. G. Garman, Col. Engle, J. B. Chambers and E. H. Owen.

On motion, adjourned to meet with the Baptist Church in Arkadelphia, Clark county, Ark., on Thursday before the second Sunday in November, 1870.

SUNDAY MORNING, November 16.

After singing, by the choir, and prayer by Elder J. T. Craig, the Conventional sermon was preached by Elder J. R. Graves, LL. D. Text: 1 Tim. iii. 15—"The house of God, which is the Church of the living God, the pillar and ground of the truth." Positions—as a house is something visible, something that may be entered, and something that bears evident marks of design, so is the Church of Christ a visible, tangible organization of immersed believers, whose organization bears evident marks of design, and is in accordance with the pattern of the "tabernacle which the Lord pitched, and not man."

While Christ was on earth it was a kingdom of which he was sole ruler, but after his ascension it took the church from under the guidance of the Holy Spirit, recognizing Christ only as its lawgiver. As "the pillar and support of the truth" it has two monumental pillars, viz: Baptism and the Lord's Supper—less subject to mutilation or decay than the Pyramids of the Pharaohs, which have survived the wreck of mutilated matter for more than forty centuries, and still contain the history of those kings with its original freshness; and notwithstanding the combined powers of darkness have striven for more than eighteen centuries to demolish these pillars, still they stand and preach to a lost world the death, burial and

resurrection of Christ, upon whom alone hangs our hope of heaven. These pillars support or uphold this truth. That a portion of the history of this Church is shrouded in darkness, is only an argument in its favor, since Christ's Church fled into the wilderness from the presence of the great Red Dragon. There has not been a year, nor even a day of darkness that has ever shadowed the pages of the history of other organizations claiming to be the Church of Christ. We have their history, by whom they were organized, where, and what they have been ever since, therefore they cannot be the Church of Christ. But has the line of Apostolic succession been broken? Some so conclude, because they find it difficult to trace.

The mighty cable that unites the shores of the broad Atlantic, is clearly perceptible on either shore, but you fail to discover it in the center of the ocean, because it is buried so deep beneath the raging billows of the troubled waters. In like manner the line of Apostolic succession is distinctly seen in the scriptures, on the other side of the Dark Ages, and is no less perceptible on this side, as manifested by our churches. Who will say that the line was broken during the Dark Ages, when Christ says, "the gates of hell shall not prevail against it."

And with many other words did he mightily convince the people, reasoning out of the scriptures that Jesus is the Christ, and that he will come quickly.

The stand was again occupied at night by Bro. Graves, and after a sermon characteristic of its author, from Matt. xv. 25—"Lord help me." The congregation united in song, and the delegates extended to each other the parting hand.

Thus closed one of the most pleasant, harmonious, and, we trust, most profitable meetings of this Convention.

W. D. MAYFIELD, President.

J. B. Searcy, Secretary and Treasurer.

APPENDIX.

" A "

Your Committee on Sunday Schools beg leave to report that, in our judgment, the first duty of every Baptist Church is to procure the labor of a faithful pastor, and administer to his necessities "as the Lord has prospered them;" and second only to this, is the duty of each church, to organize and sustain a Baptist Sunday School. We further recommend the patronage of the Sunday School Board of the Southern Baptist Convention, by circulating their excellent paper, Kind Words, and also their Sabbath School books, in every community. Submitted.

B. F. THOMAS, Chairman.

"B"

Your Committee on Domestic Missions offer the following:

To specify the many localities in our State which are now destitute of preaching, and the many others where they have no Baptist preaching, even in the bounds of our acquaintance, would require a report too lengthy to be read and adopted by this body.

We are happy to say that this subject is now one of great interest with the majority of our Associations in the State, and we would suggest as the most efficient means of giving the gospel to the destitute, that three competent missionaries, able to defend the truth as it is in Jesus, be appointed to travel over the State, each taking his respective field and do the work of an evangelist, specifications to be given by the Mission Board of this body.

W. M. LEA, Chairman.

"C"

Your Committee on Publications would offer the following:

We regard this as a vital subject. We live in an age of literature, and the people do and will read. The mind must have something upon which to feed, as well as the body, and as unwholesome food is injurious to our physical health, in like manner is false literature injurious and destructive to our moral and religious health. And as the skillful physician advises his patients against the many nostrums which contain poison destructive to health, so in like manner should we recommend nothing in the shape of books, tracts and papers that will not stand the test of scriptural analysis. And, without further preliminaries, it is the opinion of your Committee that we ought to purchase our Sabbath School books from the Sunday School Board of the Southern Baptist Convention; that every family should take "Kind Words"—the best Sunday School paper known to us. We also recommend the Home and Foreign Journal. We think all Baptists should purchase, read and circulate the Baptist books published by the Southwestern Publishing Company. We also think every church in our State

should immediately supply themselves with our hymn book—the Arkansas edition of the Southern Psalmist; and last, though not least, we recommend the adoption of *The Baptist*, edited by J. R. Graves, LL. D., Memphis, Tenn., as our State paper; and further, that we make definite arrangements with the editor respecting what number of columns we may use each week for the publication of Arkansas matter.

All of which is respectfully submitted,

J. B. SEARCY, Chairman.

After the reading of the above report, Elder J. R. Graves stated that he would furnish one page of his paper each week for the use of Arkansas Baptists and edit the same to the best of his ability, whereupon the following was offered by Elder W. H. Robert:

Resolved, That we have heard, with pleasure, the offer of Bro. J. R. Graves of one page of his paper for the use of Arkansas Baptists; that we thank him for the same, and will rally to the support of that paper.

"D"

Your Committee on Nominations would select Arkadelphia as the place of holding the next session of this Convention; Elder W. D. Mayfield to preach the Introductory Sermon and Elder J. B. Searcy, Alternate.

Respectfully submitted,

J. F. GRIFFIN, Chairman.

"E" PREAMBLE.

In view of the present wide-spread destitution of ministers to supply the churches in the settled portions of our State, and in view of the large immigration that is pouring into the same—which calls for a yearly increase in our ministry, in order that all may be instructed in the ways of truth; and in view of the comparatively small number of young ministers coming forward to the wants of our churches and the State;

Resolved, That this Convention organize, at once, a Board consisting of five members, that shall be known as the Roard of Ministerial Education for the State of Arkansas, and it shall be the duty of said Board to adopt the most energetic means to raise, as soon as possible, the sum of \$10,000, to be used for the purpose contemplated in this resolution—the education of young ministers who may from time to time offer themselves to the board—and the improvement of every living minister in the State. For the accomplishment of the latter object,

Resolved, That it shall be the duty of this Board to open each year for a term of six or more days, in connection with this Convention, a Ministerial Institute, and provide for six or more courses of lectures upon important subjects, and such other exercises as they may deem of advantage to the ministers. The privileges of the Institute to be open and free to all, and the expenses of it to be borne by the Treasury of the Board.

Resolved, That the funds of the Board are only to be loaned to assist indigent young ministers to obtain a classical and theological education; and for all sums loaned, their notes are to be taken, to be discharged in annual installments after they have entered upon their ministerial labors, and in no case will interest be exacted unless such beneficiaries engage in secular business for profit; and should any minister educated or assisted by this Board become a foreign missionary then his notes shall be surrendered to him by the Treasurer of the Board.

Resolved, That the Board shall be empowered to draft a Constitution and By-Laws in accordance with the spirit of these resolutions, and obtain corporate powers to themselves and their successors in office, annually elected by this Convention, in order that they may receive bequests and collect pledges and notes given it from time to time.

Resolved, That we recommend to the Board the appointment at an early day of a general agent, whose duty it shall be to visit the churches and interest them in this enterprise and to encourage young ministers to avail themselves of the aid of the Board.

Resolved, That this Convention advise and most earnestly requests each pastor in the State of Arkansas to preach during the month of April upon the verses of the ——chapter of ——, and take up a collection and pledges for the Board, and make report of the result through The Baptist, and transmit amounts to the Treasurer of the Board.

"F"

Board on Minister's Institute—J. H. Hicks, President; W. D. Mayfield, Secretary; A. G. Garman, Wm. Porter, J. K. Murphy. Located in Helena

Board on State Missions—M. Y. Moran, President; J. B. Searcy, Secretary; J. T. Craig, B. B. Martin, E. H. Owen. Located at Bradley.

Board of Trustees of the Arkansas Baptist State Convention—Domicil, Princeton, Dallas county, Ark.—J. K. Dawson, Princeton; E. Woods, Princeton; A. Yates, Princeton; D. C. Hall, Princeton; E. H. Moses, New Edinburg; Solomon Gardner, Warren; T. A. Heard, Arkadelphia; R. M. Thrasher, Rockport; S. Stevenson, Little Rock; B. C. Hyatt, Monticello; J. K. Murphy, Helena; Moses Green, Austin; T. B. Boon, Searcy; A. W. Files, New Edinburg; J. V. McCulloch and E. L. Compere, Fort Smith.

J. F. GRIFFIN, Chairman.

"G"

Elder B. F. Thomas offered the following:

Resolved, First, that the thanks of this body be hereby tendered to the members of Helena Church and the citizens of this place for their hospitality in entertaining the members of this Convention; also,

Resolved, Second, that our thanks are due the officers of this Convention for the faithfulness with which they have discharged their duty.

"H"

Elder J. B. Searcy offered the following:

Resolved, That we believe it is the mission of Baptists in Arkansas to let every community in Arkansas know what Baptists believe.

"T"

Elder J. K. Murphy offered the following:

Resolved, First, that we have a thousand copies of these minutes published, and send three copies to every preacher in the State, and one copy to every Baptist editor in the South, and also send a copy to the Presidents of our Libraries and Thological colleges.

Resolved, Second, that the Secretary have \$10 for his services.

"J"

J. B. Searcy offered the following:

Resolved, That this body while in Convention assembled declare to all who may see this resolution, that we believe the immersion of all Pedobaptists and Campbellites is unscriptural, and therefore null and void.

"K"

A ROLL OF THE DELEGATES OF THE CONVENTION.

Judson Association-J. T. Craig, A. Yates.

Mt. Vernon Association—S. H. King, J. M. Cox, Wm. Ruper, J. T. Marshall, W. H. Robert, Jas. Wyatt, H. P. Slaughter, A. H. Reynolds, J. A. Gibson, L. Wells and Jas. A. Ragan.

Caroline Association-Moses Green.

Pine Bluff Association—W. M. Lea.

3d District of the Bartholomew Association—B. C. Hyatt, J. F. Griffin and J. B. Searcy.

Trenton Church—J. C. Robert, Jas. W. Scaife and C. T. Scaife.

Bible Union Church-A. J. Johnson.

Edinburg Church-J. T. Craig.

Enon, Friendship, New Hope and Macedonia Churches—J. B. Searcy and E-H. Owen.

Oak Hill Church-A letter, but no delegates.

Mt. Vernon Church-B. F. Thomas and J. Harder.

New Hope Church, Philips County—J. K. Murphy, C. W. Hickey and Monroe Anderson.

Helena Church-T. M. Jacks, W. D. Mayfield and J. Q. Taylor.

Individual Members-J. D. Chambers and J. G. A. Davis.

Salem Church—Thos. Bunch.

Visiting Brethren from Tennessee-J. R. Graves and J. C. Hagan.

From Mississippi-J. H. Howard.

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Your Committee would respectfully state that the foregoing is the nearest a correct list that they have been able to make in the time alloted them, we would therefore urge the churches throughout the entire State, to forward, in their letters to their next Association, the name and postoffice of each of their preachers, both ordained and unordained, and that at least one copy of said minutes of each Association be sent by mail to the Secretary, at Bradley, Ark., or sent by their delegates to the next meeting of the Convention, that this very desirable list may be perfected. Respectfully submitted,

Waldrop J. V. B., Hamburg.

Yeager J. B., Holly Springs.

Yates A., Princeton.

J. T. CRAIG. Chairman.

Williams D. S., Arkadelphia.

Wilkerson H. M., Cherry Grove.

Walker C. B., Stony Point.

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The new Principal of the Preparatory Department, Mr. M. T. Martin, has been equally successful in winning the good opinion of students and patrons.

The expenses are \$4 to \$5 per school month, for tuition, and \$1 for incidental and fuel fees.

Four weeks are counted a school month.

Board from \$12 to \$17 per month.

Students for the ministry are not charged tuition, fuel, or incidental fees. Seven of this class are already in attendance, and more are coming. Their influence on the morals of the other students is highly beneficial, and we regard their presence as an additional recommendation to the College.

Departments of Instruction are two—Collegiate and Preparatory. In both of these, ample instruction, of the most thorough kind will be given.

At the State Convention, held in Canton the first of June, it was resolved to raise money to pay the debt of the College, and to furnish means for its future maintenance. The agent. Rev. E. C. Eager, is now engaged in soliciting subscriptions, with every prospect of success. The future permanence of the institution is thus insured, and none need hesitate to come for fear they cannot here complete their education.

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