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G. M. FORD,

Moderator

Fordyce, Ark.

# MINUTES

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The Carey Missionary Baptist Association met in its second annual session on Wednesday, October the third, 1917, with Prosperity Church, Fordyce, Arkansas Route No. 2. The Moderator being absent the Association was called to order by the Clerk at 11:00 a. m. Prayer was offered by Bro. L. F. McMurry and Rev. G. M. Ford was elected Moderator protem temporarily by acclamation. The nominee and alternate to preach the introductory sermon were both absent and Rev. H. J. P. Horne of Red River Association was elected to preach the introductory sermon. After the sermon dinner was served on the grounds. The Association was called at 1:30 p. m. Prayer was offered by Rev. W. Q. Young of Wheatley, Ark.

Letters from the churches were called for and read by Bro. J. T. Richardson and Bro. E. R. Daniel. The following named churches were represented by messengers as follows:

- Dalark: J. M. Dawdy.
  - Davis Chapel: By letter.
  - Fordyce: S. E. Adams, Mrs. S. E. Adams, J. T. Richardson, G. M. Ford, Mrs. G. M. Ford, F. L. Atwood.
  - Gum Springs: By letter.
  - Eagle Mills: By letter.
  - Liberty: Mrs. S. A. Hearne.
  - Manning: By letter.
  - New Hope: C. C. Jackson, E. R. Daniel.
  - New Alabama: Wiley Woods.
  - Prosperity: J. F. McDonald, A. J. Hearne, R. D. Dedman, W. O. McMurry.
  - Round Hill: By letter.
  - Sparkman: J. W. Horton, Mrs. J. W. Horton.
  - Thornton: C. I. Wise, Mrs. Delia Belk, Miss Ona Copeland.
- Rev. G. M. Ford was elected Moderator, W. O. Hearne Clerk and L. E. Purdy Treasurer of the Association. All were elected unanimously and without opposition.

Petitionary letters were then called for and none were received.

Corresponding Messengers were called for and none were received.

Visitors were called for and the following were recorded as present: R. A. Raney, Moderator; G. G. Richardson, J. G. Murry, Joe Daniel, L. E. Holt, all of Judson Association; H. J. P. Horne of Red River and W. Q. Young of Mt. Vernon Association.

Moderator and Clerk retired and made up the Committees. (See reports for names.) During the interim in the absence of the Moderator short addresses were made by the visiting brethren.

The Committee on Divine service were composed of the Messengers and Deacons of Prosperity church and they made a partial report at this hour.

A short Bible study was conducted by the Moderator while the entertainment committee was getting its report ready. The Committee on entertainment made its report at this time. Prayer was offered by Rev. J. G. Murry and the association adjourned until 7:30 p. m.

The Association resumed its session at 7:30. Rev. J. S. Rogers, General Secretary of the State Mission Board, Little Rock and Rev. W. F. Dorris of Monticello, Field Agent for the Orphanage were recorded as visitors. Devotional exercises conducted by Rev. L. E. Holt. Sermon by Rev. J. S. Rogers and adjourned until 9:00 a. m. Thursday.

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SECOND DAY: Devotional exercises by Rev. W. Q. Young at 9:00 a. m. Report of Committee on State Missions, and discussions and adopted as read. Motion carried to hear the Orphans Home report at this hour. It was read and discussed thoroughly and adopted. A cash collection was made amounting to \$20 and a good list of pledges were also made. Adjourned until 1:30 p. m., and dinner was served on the grounds.

Met at 1:30 by singing and prayer was offered by Rev. G. G. Richardson.

After the usual announcements were made a motion was carried to ask Rev. R. A. Raney to preach at this hour. After the sermon, the report on Publication was made and adopted. The reports of the various committees were well discussed and all were adopted as read except the committee on Associational Missions; its report was amended. (See report.)

Reports were made in the following order:

Foreign Missions, Nominations, Education, Obituaries. Partial report of Committee on Divine Service. Adjourned until tonight 7:30.

Sermon at 7:30 p. m. by Rev. L. E. Elliott, after which the Association adjourned until Friday at 9:20 a. m.

**THIRD DAY:** Association met at 9:20 a. m., devotional exercises by Rev. A. S. Scruggs. Reports again took up. Home Missions, Aged and Worn Out Ministers Relief. Associational Missions report made, also the report of the Executive Committee and Financial report of the Treasurer was made and discussed together. Motion made to make the last two reports named a part of our Minute. Carried. Adjourned and sermon at 11:00 a. m. by Rev. W. Q. Young.

Dinner.

Association met at 1:30 by singing and prayer was offered by Rev. H. J. P. Horne. Resumed discussion on Associational Missions. Reports on W. M. U., Prohibition, Sunday Schools and B. Y. P. U., Finance. Clerk made report on the printing of Minutes last year. Motion carried to pay the Clerk his fees and hold up the printing of this year's minutes until the matter could be carried back to the churches and more funds secured. Resolution of thanks tendered by Bro. Ford and adopted. By motion it was ordered that the adopting of the minutes, etc., was left in the hands of the Executive Committee.

On motion the Association adjourned to meet with Thornton on Wednesday before the First Sunday in October, 1918.

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## REPORTS OF COMMITTEES FOREIGN MISSIONS

We have made a beginning, much has been done in the dissemination of information, but the field is yet largely fallow ground, even in our more loyal churches. Our Arkansas churches gave to Foreign Missions last year \$10,707.75. This amount prorated among the five hundred pastors would be only \$21.40 each, and leave nothing for the laymen and women to give. The total receipts of the Foreign Mission Board last year from the churches, the Sunday School legacies, etc., were \$517,729.51.

In the apportionment of the Southern Baptist Convention, Arkansas is asked to give \$12,000.00 this year, an increase of 20 per cent over last year's offerings. Southern Baptist through their Foreign Mission Board at Richmond, Va., are doing work in seven fields to-wit: China, Africa, Japan, Italy, Mexico, Brazil and Argentina. On these we have 113 males and 182 female missionaries, 166 ordained native preachers and 402 unordained native helpers, 459 churches, 95 of these being self-supporting and 910 out stations. Last year these churches received 6472 members by baptism, an average of over 20 members per missionary. They received 950 persons by letter, and 100 by restoration. They lost 381 by death and 848 by exclusion and 1000 by letter. The present membership is 42,630. We have 203 houses of worship, 609 Sunday Schools with 24,461 scholars, and these

missions contributed a grand total of \$129,054.81, more than \$3.00 per capita for the entire membership.

Shall Arkansas Baptists allow those so lately won from heathenism to outstrip them in the giving of funds for the Lord's work?

That is about the same average per capita gift of Arkansas Baptists for all purposes combined last year. God bless the Foreign missionary in all the land wherever they may be is our prayer over and over.

Respectfully submitted,  
C. I. WISE,  
J. W. HORTON,  
E. R. DANIEL.

### STATE MISSIONS

The way for a Baptist church to become "a glorious church not having a spot or wrinkle or any such thing" is for it to be intensely missionary in doctrine and practice. State Missions may be defined as the united efforts of Arkansas Baptists to get everybody in Arkansas saved and into Baptist churches and then to get them to give proper support to all enterprises of the kingdom of God, both for Arkansas and all the world.

We believe the Great Commission was given to Baptist churches. There is a great destitution in all sections of the state. There are a million lost souls in Arkansas. It is perfectly safe to say that sixteen thousand souls in Arkansas die unsaved every year.

What an opportunity this presents to Arkansas Baptists. And the obligation rests upon the Christian people of Arkansas to give them the gospel. No other either can or will do the work.

Last year the churches co-operating through the State Convention put forward State Missions thus:

Missionaries and other workers .....	68
Conversions .....	3,134
Baptisms .....	2,281
Additions .....	3,010
Amount raised for State Missions .....	\$59,598.00

The present year gives promise of being far better than last year. The amount of money we need to raise for State Missions to put us out of debt at the Convention at Jonesboro, December 5, is at least \$30,000.00, so your committee urges the following:

1. That every pastor get all possible information about State Missions to his people and endeavor to secure an offering from every church member and every organization in the church.

2. That the pastors and active laymen during the meeting of this Association get together and organize themselves and make plans

to reach every church in the Association for an offering for State Missions before Dec. 1.

3. That the churches of this Association do their very best to raise at least the amounts asked of them by the Executive Board.

J. T. RICHARDSON,  
C. C. JACKSON,  
W. E. WOODS,  
J. F. McDONALD

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### CHRISTIAN AND MINISTERIAL EDUCATION

We wish to emphasize the importance of Christian and Ministerial education. The education of preachers in this age is very important and we would urge that all young preachers put forth an effort to secure an education and that the churches contribute to their support. Ouachita College offers free tuition to young preachers in the State of Arkansas and the Board also assists as far it can to pay their board.

C. C. JACKSON,  
W. C. McMURRY,  
J. T. RICHARDSON,

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### ORPHANS' HOME

God, who is a "Father to the fatherless," has provided for the care of the orphans. Visiting the widows and orphans in their affliction is declared to be "pure and undefiled religion." In accord with God's plan we have been caring for the orphans at the Monticello Home for 22 years. More than 600 of these unfortunate children have shared a place in our Home.

Therefore, we recommend:

(1) Regular monthly offerings in every Sunday School, and the amount forwarded promptly to J. S. Rogers, General Secretary, 410 Donaghey Building Little Rock.

(2) That every church take as large an offering as possible and forward it to Bro. Rogers.

(3) That every Woman's Missionary Society join in this debt-paying campaign and send their offerings in promptly to the general office.

(4) That a cash and pledge offering be now taken for this purpose. We must not fail to pay this debt. Every Baptist is expected to do his bit for the orphans.

A. J. HEARNE,  
J. W. HORTON,  
J. T. RICHARDSON.

## HOME MISSIONS

The Home Mission Board located at Atlanta Georgia, is the agency through which Southern Baptists as a single body do their work, the task of Home Missions is immense; the territory served by the Home Board embraces 1,000,000 square miles or more, and has in it about 36,000,000 people after counting out the infants, and about 180,000 people in the South make no profession to religion. We request that earnest prayer be made in all the churches in Carey Association for the Home Board; and at least one sermon be preached each year on Home Missions at each church in Carey Association.

J. F. McDONALD

S. E. ADAMS,

WILEY WOODS,

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## WOMAN'S WORK

We, your committee beg leave to submit the following report: We have reports from five W. M. U's in this Association, reports from these unions show a total of \$641.66 collected for all purposes during the year all of which was reported through the churches. We urge with all possible emphasis: that more W. M. U's be organized and send in a report through the churches to Carey Association next year.

MRS. J. W. HORTON,

MRS. DELIA BELK,

MRS. G. M. FORD,

MRS. S. E. ADAMS,

MISS ONA COPELAND,

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## PROHIBITION

We your committee on Prohibition make the following report: Forty years have passed since the good people of our beloved state went to work to put down this mighty work of intoxicating drink.

January 1, 1916, the law came in effect prohibiting the sale of whiskey. Later on our legislature passed a law that prevented its shipment into our state. Since that time we have seen some glorious results caused by this mighty work. Therefore we recommend that every friend to this good work show their appreciation by writing letters to those in authority, or any way they think best. Also we recommend that our Pastors speak on this great subject as often as it becomes necessary.

A. S. SUGGS,

J. W. HORTON.

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## ASSOCIATIONAL MISSIONS

We your committee on Associational Missions beg leave to sub-

mit the following report: We recommend that this body do every thing that is in their power to promote the interest of this work. Also a good strong man be put on the field for twelve months in the year if at all found practical. We also recommend that every church in this Association take a collection as often as is necessary in interest of this work, also every baptist in the bounds of this Association be asked to co-operate in this great work. Also, that each church elect a committee to take care of this work.

A. S. SUGGS,

J. M. DAWDY,

C. I. WISE,

R. D. DEDMAN.

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P. S. We also in case it becomes necessary to do so, ask the State Board to help in this work.

#### Additional To Association Mission Report

1. We recommend that each church that hasn't taken an offering for Associational Missions be requested to do so at once in their next regular service and send the amount to our Treasurer immediately. Said amount to be applied on the present indebtedness until the debt is paid in full.

2. We recommend that the messengers present in this Association from each church be elected as a committee in their several churches to canvass their membership and see how many they can get to pledge \$1.00 per month to Associational Missions, said committee to report the result of their effort to the Moderator not later than Nov. 15, 1917.

3. We recommend that our Associational Board be authorized to ask the State Board to assist us in supporting our missionary, if in their discretion they deem it wise to do so.

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#### REPORT OF EXECUTIVE BOARD

Your Board met on the 5th Sunday in December to plan work for the summer. After a study of the destitute points in this Association we deemed it wise to employ some one to meet regular appointments during the winter and spring months to prepare the way for a regular missionary in the summer. We employed Bro. C. H. Cobb, a ministerial student in Ouachita College for this purpose for half time at a salary of \$20.00 per month.

We had only \$7.23 to begin with and the collection made by Bro. Cobb was not sufficient to pay his salary each month, so your board borrowed \$100.00 to finance the work to June the 1st. Bro. Cobb collected \$18.01 on the field and we paid to him \$86.99 in full of all salary to June 1st, at which time we began work for the State Mission Board.



Adding the \$7.23 old balance to the \$100.00 borrowed, makes a total of \$107.23 and deducting the \$86.99 paid to Bro. Cobb from it, leaves a balance of \$20.24 in our hands; but it also leaves us with a note for \$100.00 and \$4.67 interest due to the First National Bank of Fordyce.

We elected Bro. C. F. McDonald to take the field for full time through July, August and September but he declined and we were unable to locate another suitable man for the place.

We therefore failed on the Summer Campaign which we had planned, for the reason that we could not get a suitable man for the place.

The membership of our Board has been badly scattered making it difficult for us to meet. We therefore recommend that a new board be appointed, composed of men who live closer together thereby making it easier for them to meet.

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### PUBLICATION

We your committee on publication make the following report: First. We recommend the thorough study of God's Word. (a) Because we are commanded to study the bible. (b) Because it is God talking to his children. (c) Because we have modern heresies.

Second. We recommend the study of doctrinal books, such as Grace Truman, Little Baptist, Two Old Letters and others.

Third. We recommend the reading of one or more Baptist Publications that are orthodox to the core and missionary in spirit.

J. M. DAWDY,  
A. J. HEARNE,  
E. R. DANIEL.

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### OLD MINISTERS RELIEF

It is but right that the churches take care of our aged and worn out Ministers who have given their lives to the preaching of the gospel of Jesus Christ. A committee was appointed by the State Convention consisting of E. J. A. McKinney, Little Rock; G. S. Bole, Lonoke; and G. M. Ford, Fordyce; and we recommend that you report to G. M. Ford Treasurer any names of preachers needing assistance, or send to him and contributions you may have.

W. C. McMURRY,  
S. E. ADAMS,  
C. C. JACKSON.

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### NOMINATION

We recommend that the next session of this Association be held with Thornton church on Wednesday before the first Sunday in October, 1918, at 11:00 a. m. That Bro. W. F. Dorris preach the intro-

ductory sermon and that Bro. G. M. Ford preach the missionary sermon. That Brethren L. E. Purdy, W. O. Hearne, J. F. McDonald, G. M. Ford and C. C. Jackson constitute the Executive Board, and that E. R. Daniel be elected as Associational representative to the Southern Baptist Convention.

J. T. RICHARDSON,  
R. D. DEDMAN,  
C. I. WISE.

### SUNDAY SCHOL AND B. Y. P. U.

The Sunday School and B. Y. P. U. pre-eminently constitute the training camp of the church. The government of our country demands a long period of training for its soldiery. In the same manner God demands trained workers. Good soldiers of Jesus Christ are not developed in a day.

It takes a period of training to develop the greatest efficiency of christian workers. In the forward movement of our church it is our sincere conviction that these important auxiliaries are essential to the energy and to the consecration of the spirituality of the church.

Reports from some of our churches show many Baptisms from the Sunday School and B. Y. P. U. Hence we your committee recommend that the churches of our Association be diligent in seeing that Sunday School be established in every locality, B. Y. P. U.'s be organized when possible and that we emphasize the teaching of God's word and of distinctly Baptist literature.

E. R. DANIEL,  
W. C. McMURRY,  
WILEY WOODS.

### OBITUARIES

We your committee on Obituaries beg leave to submit the following: We find that since our last report that God in His Infinite wisdom has seen fit to call home the following Brethren and Sisters to-wit:

Prosperity Church.—R. K. Sisson, H. O. Williams.

New Alabama Church. Myrtle Shambley.

Liberty Church. Bertha Womack.

Fordyce Church. Sister M. S. Grimes, Bro. W. J. Hampton.

Dalark Church. Arthur Herring.

Mt. Pleasant Church. Laura Goza.

Eight in all. We feel and realize our loss, yet feel that it is their Eternal gain and Gods glory. May the spirit of God comfort us in our loss and fill the vacancy by his spirit.

R. D. DEDMAN,  
MRS. DELIA BELK,  
MRS. SALLIE HEARNE.

## FINANCE

We your committee on Finance beg leave to submit as follows:

Minutes and Clerk .....	\$ 34.72
Associational Missions .....	43.75
Orphans Home .....	36.00
<b>Total .....</b>	<b>\$114.67</b>

E. R. DANIEL,  
J. M. DAWDY,  
S. E. ADAMS.

## TREASURERS REPORT

Received at last Association amounts as follows:

For Minutes and Clerk .....	\$ 41.39
Associational Missions .....	7.23
State .....	5.23
Home .....	1.00
Orphans Home .....	7.02
From Associational Mission Board .....	100.00

**Total .....** **\$161.89**

Paid on amounts as follows:

For Minutes .....	\$ 41.39
Associational Missions (order of board) .....	86.99
Orphanage work .....	7.02

**Total .....** **\$135.40**

Balance on hand:

State Missions .....	\$ 5.25
Home .....	1.00
Associational Missions .....	20.24

**Total balance on hand .....** **\$26.49**

L. E. PURDY, Treas.

## CLERKS REPORT ON LAST YEAR'S MINUTES

Paid for printing Minutes .....	\$45.50
Paid for postage .....	1.58
Clerks fee .....	10.00
<b>Total .....</b>	<b>\$57.08</b>
Amount in Treas. to minute and clerk fund .....	\$41.39
Contributed by Smith Printing Co. ....	3.50
<b>Total .....</b>	<b>\$44.89</b>
<b>Total Deficit .....</b>	<b>\$12.19</b>

W. O. H. MCNE, Clerk.

## PARTIAL REPORT OF MISSIONARY C. H. COBB

Sermons Preached .....	25
Baptisms .....	8
Amounts Collected:	
Home and Foreign Missions .....	\$24 55
Associational Missions .....	13.01
<b>Total</b> .....	<b>\$37.56</b>

### MINISTERS WHO HOLD MEMBERSHIP WITH US

G. M. Ford, F. L. Atwood, R. C. Rhoden, .....	Fordyce.
A. V. Johnson, .....	Banks
C. H. Cobb .....	Arkadelphia
Henry Langley .....	Willow
B. DeLaughter .....	Sparkman
A. S. Suggs, Chas. Skinner, M. D. O'Neal, Chas. Wilkins, C. F. McDonald, E. W. Hargett .....	Dalark

### 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 a 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 member 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.
11. 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 votes on any matter.
12. 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.



## ORDER OF BUSINESS

1. Introductory Sermon, 11:00 a. m.
2. Intermission for dinner.
3. Call the body together by singing; open with prayer.
4. Temporary organization.
5. Reading of letters from the Churches, and enrollment of messengers.
6. Organization.
  - (a) Elect Moderator.
  - (b) Elect Clerk.
  - (c) Elect Treasurer.
7. Petitionary letters.
8. Enrollment of visitors and corresponding messengers.
9. Appointment of Committees.
  - (1) Divine service.
  - (2) Finance.
  - (3) State Missions.
  - (4) Associational Missions.
  - (5) Home Missions.
  - (6) Foreign Missions.
  - (7) Orphans Home.
  - (8) Christian Education.
  - (9) Ministerial Education.
  - (10) Nominations.
  - (11) Relief for aged and worn out ministers.
  - (12) Relief for aged and worn out ministers.
  - (13) Prohibition.
  - (14) Woman's Work.
  - (15) B. . P. U. Work.
  - (16) Publications.
  - (17) Obituaries.
10. Resolutions.
11. Adjournment.