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**Arkansas
Baptist State
Convention**

**SIXTIETH
ANNUAL
SESSION**



1908

FAYETTEVILLE

**Nineteen Hundred
and Eight**

PROCEEDINGS

of the

Arkansas

Baptist State Convention

Sixtieth Annual Session

Held at

FAYETTEVILLE

November 13-16, 1908

Next Session to begin Friday before the third Sunday in November, 1909,
at Arkadelphia.

Preacher of the

Convention Sermon: R. F. Tredway, Camden.

Alternate: J. O. Hill, Van Buren.

1908

H. G. PUGH PTG. CO., LITTLE ROCK, ARK.

OFFICIAL DIRECTORY.

OFFICERS OF THE CONVENTION.

President—	W. E. Atkinson.....	Little Rock
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	H. T. Bradford.....	Lonoke
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	W. F. Dorris.....	Hope
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W. E. Atkinson	John J. Hurt
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J. F. Hemby	John Ayers
Ben Cox	F. F. Gibson
A. H. Autry	Ross Moore
Tillman B. Johnson	J. H. Kitchens
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Chas. E. Taylor	E. P. J. Garrott
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Blue Mountain.....	Jas. J. Barnes
Buckner.....	A. S. Johnson
Caddo River.....	J. O. Butler
Caroline	J. H. Estes
Carroll County	A. J. Russell
Clear Creek	J. W. Fry
Columbia	John Haltom
Concord.....	J. O. Hill
Crooked Creek	J. O. Bradley
Current River	J. W. Black
Dardenelle	W. L. Compere
Fayetteville.....	W. A. Whittle
Fourche Valley.....	John L. Hill
Friendship.....	Hugh C. Fox
Gainesville.....	E. D. Cooper
Greenbrier	G. W. Bruce
Grand Prairie	J. H. Coleman
Howard County	J. F. Howell
Independence.....	D. A. Allen
Judson	F. C. Sims
Liberty.....	H. C. Rosamond
Little Red River.....	D. E. Gambrel
Madison County	D. N. Keck
Mt. Vernon.....	J. G. Harris
Mt. Zion.....	P. C. Barton
Ouachita.....	J. J. Haynes
Pee Dee.....	T. W. Harness
Pike County.....	J. H. Vann
Pine Bluff	W. M. Kelly
Red River.....	H. L. Winburn
Rocky Bayou.....	Geo. Battles
Russelville	M. F. Gathright
Saline.....	W. T. Amis
Southwestern.....	W. L. Smith
Spring River.....	G. B. Boroh
State Line.....	E. T. Lincoln
Truce Ridge.....	L. T. Thompson
Union No. 2.....	Thomas King
United.....	V. C. Neal
White River	J. P. Levelace
White River valley.....	D. H. Gill
Hope.....	A. C. Hutson

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T. Niel Johnson	N. R. Townsend	H. J. P. Horne
C. C. Tobey		

Board of B. Y. P. U. Work.

H. L. Winburn	C. M. Walker	R. F. Tredway
J. B. Searcy	Ross Moore	E. P. J. Garrott
Dr. J. C. Settles	J. G. Harris	S. L. Holloway
J. R. Gregson	G. W. Owens	

Committee on Hospital.

T. T. Thompson	F. F. Gibson	Dr. J. C. Wallace
W. T. Amis	Ross Moore	J. W. Williams
Ben Cox	G. W. Puryear	W. M. Burr

Executive Board of Woman's Missionary Union.

Mrs. E. Longley	Mrs. C. B. Davidson
Mrs. J. Lloyd Lee	Mrs. J. F. Hammett
Mrs. E. J. A. McKinney	Mrs. O. E. Bryan
Mrs. H. A. Reaves	Mrs. J. G. Jackson
Mrs. Jno. L. Hawkins	Mrs. W. E. Lenon
Mrs. B. C. Bain	Mrs. W. I. Moody

Board of Trustees of Orphans' Home.

M. P. Watts

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Trustees Ouachita-Central System.

W. E. Atkinson

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M. P. Watts

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J. W. Wilson

W. T. Amis

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G. W. Bruce

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O. J. Wade

Ben Cox

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Committee on Temperance Memorial.

W. E. Atkinson

O. J. Wade

R. G. Bowers

Ben Cox

J. H. Peay

W. T. Amis

To Preach the Annual Sermon, R. F. Tredway; J. O. Hill, alternate.

Place of meeting, Arkadelphia. (Bed and Breakfast.)

LAYMAN'S COMMITTEE

Bartholomew.....	Z. T. Carlton
Benton County	F. Z. Meeks
Blue Mountain.....	John Ada
Buckner.....	Frank Bates
Caroline.....	A. J. Espey
Carroll County.....	A. J. Russell
Clear Creek.....	J. H. Fry
Columbia	John Hattom
Concord.....	Robert Meek
Crooked Creek.....	J. W. Walters
Dardanelle.....	Geo. L. Veasy
Fayetteville.....	Prof. C. H. Brough
Fourche Valley.....	Dr. Jone
Friendship.....	Chas. Haycock
Gainesville.....	R. H. Dudley
Greenbrier.....	W. W. Rivers
Grand Prairie.....	A. H. Soekland
Howard County.....	Dr. W. B. Dorman
Hope.....	J. F. Black
Independence.....	John Q. Wolf
Judson.....	J. T. Richardson
Liberty.....	M. P. Wates
Little Red River.....	W. J. Walls
Madison County.....	Dr. Berry
Mt. Vernon.....	A. Flora
Mt. Zion.....	T. B. Kithens
Ouachita	John P. Logan
Poe Dee.....	M. B. McGlothney
Pike County.....	W. N. Deaton
Pine Bluff	Geo. Kelly
Red River.....	Jack W. Wilson
Rocky Bayou.....	J. P. Campbell
Russellville.....	A. S. Hays
Saline	D. D. Glover
Southwestern.....	J. T. Cowling
Spring River	R. F. Gregory
United.....	Dr. B. G. White
White River.....	W. H. Mears
White River Valley.....	Geo. Fox

CONSTITUTION

Article 1.—Name and Object.

Section 1. The name of this body shall be: **The Arkansas Baptist State Convention.**

Section 2. The object of this Convention shall be to preach the Gospel throughout our State and to evangelize the world; to aid by appropriate and Scriptural means our destitute and feeble churches; to supply the State with books and tracts best calculated to inculcate the doctrines and ordinances of Christ and to stimulate missionary effort; to encourage ministerial and Christian and general education; and to gather and preserve denominational statistics.

Article II.—Membership.

Section 1. The Convention shall be composed of messengers from regular Baptist churches which are in sympathy with the principles and purposes of this constitution and which desire to co-operate with this Convention, and shall be entitled to seats upon presentation of their proper credentials, or satisfactory evidence of their appointment.

Section 2. Each church shall be entitled to three messengers, with one additional messenger for every fifty members, or major fraction thereof, above one hundred.

Article III.—Authority.

Section 1. This Convention shall never exercise any authority whatever over any church, nor shall it in any way interfere with the constitution of any church or with the exercise of its functions as the only ecclesiastical body, but will always cheerfully recognize and uphold the absolute independence of the churches.

Article IV.—Officers.

Section 1. The officers of the Convention shall be a President, and two Vice-Presidents, two Recording Secretaries, a Treasurer, a Statistical Secretary, and an Auditor, who shall be elected annually by ballot, provided however, that any officer of the Convention may be elected by acclamation if no objection be made; and all officers shall hold their respective offices until their successors are elected; and, provided, further, that no one shall be elected to succeed himself to the office of President more than twice consecutively.

Section 2. It shall be the duty of the President to preside over the deliberations of the Convention, and to discharge such other duties

as are usually incumbent on the presiding officer of deliberate bodies. He shall appoint all committees, unless the Convention shall otherwise determine, and in his absence one of the Vice-Presidents shall fill his place.

Section 3. It shall be the duty of the Recording Secretaries to keep a fair record of the proceedings of the Convention, and to file and keep in order all papers deemed important to be preserved.

Section 4. Officers shall be elected as soon as the names of messengers shall have been enrolled.

Section 5. All the officers of the Convention shall be elected by a majority of all the votes cast.

Article V.—Boards.

Section 1. The Convention shall elect the following boards and parts of boards :

(1) The Missionary and Sunday School Board of the Convention, which shall consist of twenty-one brethren from the State at large, and one brother from the bounds of each Association in the State, who shall be elected annually, on account of their business ability, consecration and wisdom, seven of whom shall constitute a quorum; and the meetings of the board shall be held quarterly. Its duties and powers shall be to prosecute the Mission, Sunday School and Colportage work of the State. It shall report its work annually to this Convention.

(2) The Board of Trustees of Ouachita-Central System of Colleges and Academies, one third of which shall be elected annually.

(3) The Board of Trustees of the Arkansas Baptist Orphans' Home, consisting of nine members, three of whom are to be elected annually.

(4) A Board of Ministerial Education, to consist of seven members, to be located at Arkadelphia, Ark., and to be elected annually.

(5) A State Central Committee of nine women, whose duty it shall be to distribute literature, and to encourage women and children in systematic giving to missions.

Section 2. The Executive Board shall elect a Missionary Secretary to work under the direction of the Board, and they shall employ other agencies, such as general missionaries and evangelists, office help, and any means such as tracts, etc., which in their judgment may insure to the most speedy and rapid evangelization of our State and the world. However, the Convention in session may elect the Missionary Secretary when it is deemed wise.

Article VI.—Meetings.

The Convention shall meet annually, "if God permit," on Friday before the third Sunday in November.

Article VII.—Unalterable.

This Constitution may be amended at any regular meeting of the Convention, two-thirds of the members voting concurring in the measure, except Article III, which shall remain forever unalterable.

PROCEEDINGS

FRIDAY

MORNING SESSION

Fayetteville, Ark., Nov. 13, 1908.

1. The Arkansas Baptist State Convention was called to order this morning at 10 o'clock by President W. E. Atkinson in the auditorium of the First Baptist Church.

2. C. M. Myrick, of Maynard, read Psalm 133, and Ross Moore, of Pine Bluff, offered prayer.

3. N. C. Denson, of Dermott, led in prayer.

4. The Secretary read the roll of messengers from the churches, and this roll was made the basis of organization:

ROLL OF MESSENGERS

BARTHOLOMEW ASSOCIATION—

Crossett—H. H. Dawkins, Mrs. L. A. Calhoun, Miss Dell Bethune.

Monticello, First—J. P. Hemby, Mrs. T. J. Neely.

Monticello, Second—L. Tomme.

Hamburg—W. H. Lindsey, Will Ethridge.

Dermott—N. C. Denson.

Warren—David B. Jones.

Lake Village—Z. T. Carlton.

BENTON COUNTY ASSOCIATION—

Rogers—J. F. Little, Mrs. J. F. Little, J. W. McAtee, S. L. Rivers, Mrs. S. L. Rivers, Ewell Bowen, Miss Bessie McNeil.

Pleasant Hill—C. P. Dean, H. P. Church, Mrs. J. F. Cobb, Mrs. N. J. Capps.

Garfield—J. S. Herod, C. F. Siler, F. M. Haswell, Mrs. F. M. Haswell.

Bentonville—M. L. Voyles, E. E. Bagwell, Mrs. A. N. Keith, A. F. Keith, W. D. Joyner, W. O. Young, Mrs. Hattie Slocum, Mrs. Anna Speer, Nellie B. Rockhold, Annie E. Joyner, Mrs. W. O. Young, Eddie Drummond.

Siloam Springs—C. M. Myrick, Mrs. L. A. Beauchamp, Mrs. P. M. Kokonour, Mrs. S. L. Shepherd.
 Pea Ridge—S. C. Parish.
 Gentry—W. F. Parker, Miss Lilly Stafford.
 Cherokee City—R. A. Keith.

BUCKNER ASSOCIATION—

Waldron—J. W. Hodges, Miss Irma Payne, J. W. Hulsey.
 Midland—A. S. Johnson.
 Hartford—W. M. Ramsey, Ted Winger, W. W. Robins.
 Huntington—A. J. Dickson.

CAROLINE ASSOCIATION—

Zion Hill—N. Guinn, H. Duncan.
 Little Rock, Cedar St.—J. B. Searcy, F. P. Turner.
 Little Rock, First—V. G. Hinton, Ben Cox, R. G. Bowers, Miss Anna Bass, Mrs. E. Longley.
 Little Rock, Second—A. P. Scofield, S. A. Stearns, ~~O. E.~~ Bryan, John T. Christian, C. E. Taylor, Mrs. C. E. Taylor, W. E. Atkinson, Mrs. W. H. Eagle, Mrs. J. S. Herring, Miss Ursula Herring, J. H. Peay.
 Little Rock Immanuel—E. J. A. McKinney, Miss Hattie Neighbors.
 Lonoke—J. B. Alexander, H. T. Bradford, Mrs. H. T. Bradford, Pat H. Wheat.
 Des Arc—J. N. Monroe.

CARROLL COUNTY ASSOCIATION—

Eureka Springs, Calvary—R. W. McCann, Mrs. J. S. Porch.
 Berryville—W. J. Ledbetter, J. B. Rose.

CLEAR CREEK ASSOCIATION—

Sweet Home—T. P. Nelson, S. A. Renfroe, J. F. Crawford.
 Coal Hill—J. H. Thomas.
 Mulberry—W. V. Walls.
 Altus—C. M. Partin.
 Shady Grove—J. W. Fry.
 Alma—C. B. Fontaine, Mrs. C. B. Fontaine.
 Ozark—J. F. Johnston.

CONCORD ASSOCIATION—

Van Buren—Mrs. M. E. Parchman, J. O. Hill, Mrs. Tillie Garrett, Mrs. U. S. Grant, C. M. Wofford.
 Ft. Smith, First—F. F. Gibson, John Ayers, Mrs. John Ayers, Miss Fannie Baker, J. S. Renfroe, Mrs. Walter Williamson, G. R. Page, J. W. Meek, Mrs. C. W. Linticum.
 Miss Edith Meyer, Miss Zylpha Reeves, John Nesbitt, Robert E. Gray.
 Ft. Smith, Lexington Ave.—G. W. Owens, Mrs. G. W. Owens, E. P. Purcell, Mrs. E. P. Purcell.
 Greenwood—J. C. Williamson, Mrs. J. C. Williamson, R. A. Rowe.
 Booneville—F. D. McCormack, W. E. Kimbrough, Mrs. Mertye Kimbrough, A. H. Autrey, J. W. Richardson.

CROOKED CREEK ASSOCIATION—

Harrison—Miss Virgie Walters.

CURRENT RIVER ASSOCIATION—

Moark—E. T. Lincoln.
Corning—Mrs. John Piland.

DARDANELLE ASSOCIATION—

Ola—J. W. Reynolds, Mrs. J. C. Leigh, J. A. Willson.
Paris—Velia Hall.
Bethlehem—D. M. Ballinger.
Danville—G. W. Hunnicutt.
Magazine—W. L. Compere.

FRIENDSHIP ASSOCIATION—

Pine Bluff, First—Chas. Haycock, Mrs. Chas. Haycock, Ross
Moore, H. C. Fox, Mrs. H. C. Fox.
Pine Bluff, Ohio St.—J. S. Rogers, Wm. Covert.
Rison—Miss I. L. Overton.
Star City—H. G. Johnson, J. G. Atkinson.

FAYETTEVILLE ASSOCIATION—

Fayetteville—W. A. Whittle, J. R. Harris, White Walker, W. A.
Ramsey, H. K. Wade, W. S. Johnson, F. O. Gulley, Homer
Pearson.
Vineyard—J. H. Burnett, M. G. Burnett.
Friendship—J. L. Brown.

FOURCHE VALLEY ASSOCIATION—

Casa—H. N. Hefner.

GREENBRIER ASSOCIATION—

Conway—W. W. Rivers, Mrs. W. W. Rivers, J. J. Hurt, Mrs.
J. J. Hurt, Alex McPherson.
Vilonia—G. M. Ford.

HOPE ASSOCIATION—

Hope—W. F. Dorris.
Magnolia, Central—W. M. Jones, A. C. Hutson.
Foreman—J. H. Hardy.
Texarkana, Beech St.—T. B. Johnson, Geo. West.

HOWARD COUNTY ASSOCIATION—

Nasville—J. T. Howell, B. F. Smith, R. D. Neal, J. T. Holt,
L. W. Barefield.

INDEPENDENCE ASSOCIATION—

Cushman—D. A. Allen.
Batesville—E. P. J. Garrott.

JUDSON ASSOCIATION—

Fordyce—F. C. Sims.

New Hope—Mrs. John DeLaughter.

LIBERTY ASSOCIATION—

Camden—R. F. Tredway, M. P. Watts, Mrs. J. M. Flenniken.

ElDorado—H. C. Rosamond, Mrs. M. C. Wade, Mrs. Aylmer Flenniken.

Salem—B. B. Hawkins.

LITTLE RIVER COUNTY ASSOCIATION—

Ashdown—W. L. Smith.

LITTLE RED RIVER ASSOCIATION—

Heber—D. E. Gambrell.

MADISON COUNTY ASSOCIATION—

Independence—D. N. Keck.

Pinnacle—C. B. Franklin, J. P. Couch.

MT. VERNON ASSOCIATION—

Helena—W. M. Burr.

Mariana—Arthur Fox.

MT. ZION ASSOCIATION—

Harrisburg—R. W. McGee.

Wynne—S. M. Provence.

Paragould—T. T. Thompson, T. B. Kitchens, J. H. Kitchens.

Osceola—E. F. Curle.

Jonesboro—P. C. Barton, Miss Annie Barton.

Manila—F. M. Carter.

OUACHITA ASSOCIATION—

Mena—J. J. Haynes.

RED RIVER ASSOCIATION—

Antoine—A. F. Cagle.

Arkadelphia—S. L. Holloway, H. L. Winburne, H. S. Hartzog.

Sweet Hill—Otto Mathis.

Unity—Mrs. W. A. Kirkpatrick, W. A. Forbes, Mrs. W. A. Forbes.

ROCKY BAYOU ASSOCIATION—

Calico Rock—R. L. Finley.

LaCrosse—R. E. Kennard.

RUSSELLVILLE ASSOCIATION—

Clarksville—M. F. Gathright, Mrs. W. S. Jett, Mrs. W. H. McPherson.

Piney—Wm. H. Mueller.

SALINE ASSOCIATION—

Hot Springs, First—W. T. Amis, Mrs. W. E. Massey, Mrs. M. G. Thompson.
 Hot Springs, Immanuel—R. P. Lucado.
 Malvern—B. F. Draper.

SPRING RIVER ASSOCIATION—

Walnut Ridge—Joseph Connell.

UNITED ASSOCIATION—

Morrilton—Mrs. E. D. Vann.
 Valley Home—Joe Starke.
 Plummerville—J. R. Barnett, P. B. Deaver, J. F. Ford.

WHITE RIVER VALLEY ASSOCIATION—

Newport—D. H. Gill.

WHITE RIVER ASSOCIATION—

Yellville—R. A. Nelson.

5. The Convention was organized in the Sixtieth Annual Session by electing:

W. E. Atkinson, of Little Rock, President.

H. T. Bradford, of Lonoke, J. B. Searcy, of Little Rock, Vice-Presidents.

John Jeter Hurt, of Conway, W. F. Dorris, of Hope, Recording Secretaries.

E. J. A. McKinney, of Little Rock, Statistical Secretary

J. H. Kitchens, of Paragould, Treasurer.

M. P. Watts, of Camden, Auditor.

Bro. Atkinson made appreciative remarks in accepting the gavel, giving interesting historical data of the period of twenty-five years covered since the Convention met in Fayetteville last time.

6. On motion, Bro. Atkinson was requested to make a synopsis of his historical address for publication in the Baptist Advance.

7. The President announced the following committees:

On Divine Worship: Pastor W. A. Whittle and the messengers from First Baptist Church, Fayetteville.

On Order of Business: F. F. Gibson, E. J. A. McKinney, J. T. Howell, H. S. Hartzog, W. W. Rivers.

8. The following new pastors were introduced and welcomed as co-workers among us:

J. W. Hulsey, Waldron.

A. C. Hutson, Magnolia.

J. H. Hardy, Foreman.

J. P. Hemby, Monticello.

J. W. McAtee, Rogers.

W. F. Parker, Siloam Springs.

Joseph Connell, Walnut Ridge.

J. N. Monroe, Des Arc.

9. F. F. Gibson made a partial report from Committee on Order of Business as follows:

FRIDAY AFTERNOON

1:30 to 2:00, Devotional Exercises.

2:00 to 2:45, Orphans' Home.

2:45 to 3:30, Temperance.

3:30 to 4:15, Publications.

4:15 to 5:00, B. Y. P. U. Work.

FRIDAY EVENING

7:00 to 7:30, Devotional Exercises.

7:30 to 8:30, Sermon.

8:30 to 10:00, Ministerial Education.

10. After various announcements and appointment of the following committees, the Convention adjourned with prayer by W. T. Amis, of Hot Springs.

COMMITTEES.

1. STATE MISSIONS—J. S. Rogers chairman, W. H. Lindsey, C. M. Myrick, D. B. Jones, W. L. Smith, J. W. McAtee, M. L. Voyles, J. R. Harris.

2. EDUCATION—T. B. Johnson chairman, W. A. Forbes, S. L. Holloway, E. E. Bagwell, W. W. Rivers, H. S. Hartzog, J. J. Haynes, J. T. Holt, W. S. Johnson.

3. FOREIGN MISSIONS—A. H. Autrey chairman, W. M. Burr, C. B. Franklin, D. N. Keck, D. A. Allen, R. D. Neal, Geo. West, W. M. Jones, F. D. Gully, Homer Pearson, J. B. Rose, F. M. Carter.

4. HOME MISSIONS—J. B. Alexander chairman, J. P. Couch, D. E. Gambrell, W. L. Smith, B. B. Hawkins, H. C. Rosamond, L. W. Barefield, G. M. Ford, V. G. Hinton.

5. NOMINATIONS—J. R. Harris chairman, J. F. Little, M. P. Watts, Alex McPherson, Chas. Haycock, G. W. Hunnicutt, John Ayers, J. S. Renfroe, J. O. Hill, J. H. Thomas, T. P. Nelson, Pat. H. Wheat, C. P. Dean, W. O. Young.

6. SUNDAY SCHOOL AND COLPORTAGE—E. P. J. Garrott chairman, C. E. Taylor, H. N. Hefner, White Walker, W. A. Ramsey, Wm. Covert, J. G. Atkinson, D. M. Ballinger, J. W. Reynolds, J. W. Hodges.

7. PUBLICATIONS—Arthur Fox chairman, S. M. Provence, G. M. Ford, J. O. Hill, L. Tomme, G. W. Hunnicutt, W. F. Parker, R. A. Keith, R. A. Rowe, G. W. Owens, J. F. Crawford, W. V. Walls, S. A. Renfroe.

8. OBITUARIES—W. E. Kimbrough chairman, H. K. Wade, J. A. Willson, E. T. Lincoln, F. D. McCormack, J. C. Williamson, E. P. Purcell, C. M. Partin.

9. MINISTERIAL EDUCATION—John T. Christian chairman, W. A. Forbes, Z. T. Carlton, J. W. Hulsey, R. W. McCann, M. F. Gathright, J. H. Hardy.

10. B. Y. P. U. WORK—R. F. Tredway chairman, Otto Mathis, S. D. Grumbles, Joseph Connell, J. N. Monroe, J. T. Howell, G. W. Owens.

11. COLORED WORK—P. C. Barton chairman, B. F. Draper, R. E. Kennard, R. L. Finley, A. F. Cagle, T. B. Kitchens, E. F. Curle, B. F. Smith, A. C. Hutson, J. H. Burnett, M. G. Burnett, J. L. Brown, J. W. Frey, C. B. Fontaine, W. J. Ledbetter, W. D. Joyner.

FRIDAY AFTERNOON SESSION.

11. Devotional exercises were led by J. S. Rogers, Pine Bluff.

12. The Journal was read and approved.

13. The report of Committee on Orphans' Home was read by T. T. Thompson, of Paragould, and report of the

Trustees was read by the Financial Agent, F. P. Turner. These reports were discussed by Chas Haycock, Pine Bluff; J. P. Hemby, Monticello; J. S. Rogers, of Pine Bluff, and adopted.

COMMITTEE ON ORPHANS' HOME.

If anything should be considered in our denominational work "our pet," this institution claims the place and honor. We have now a family of sixty-eight, who call upon us to be to them parents and protectors. The Home needs food, clothing, money and prayers, and the Baptists of Arkansas are abundantly able to supply all in great measure.

We are supplied with officers for the Home that come to the measure of every requirement; Bro. Turner on the field, and Bro. and Sister Neeley on the Farm and in the Home.

We recommend that our churches give more liberal support to the institution, and that such orphans as need the blessings of the Home be reported by our pastors to the officers of the institution.

T. T. THOMPSON,
N. C. DENSON,
JOHN P. HEMBY,
F. C. SIMS;
G. W. ETHERIDGE,
CHAS. HAYCOCK.

REPORT OF ORPHANS' HOME BOARD.

To the Arkansas Baptist State Convention:

We the Board of Trustees of the Arkansas Baptist Orphans' Home, submit this our Annual Report as follows, to wit:

In the way of systematizing the management and work of the Home this has been the greatest year in the history of the Home and we are glad to report improved conditions in many respects in the Home. Since our last report we have done quite a good deal of repairing such as papering, painting, etc., which adds greatly to the beauty of the Home and makes it much more inviting than it was.

About the first of January this year Brother Gardner and Sister Gardner resigned as Superintendent and Matron at the Home to move to Texas, and we employed Brother and Sister Neeley to take their places as Superintendent and Matron. This change added some expense to the Home, as Sister Gardner would not receive any pay for her services while Matron. While Brother Neeley seems to be a practical and scientific farmer and has seemingly done his best, we are sorry to report that except for the truck farming our crop this year is almost a failure owing to the seasons.

Sister Neeley has surely had the work on her heart and has done all in her power to make the Home a great success since she assumed the management as Matron. Her motto is, "A place for everybody and everything in its place," and she is a woman of strong char-

acter and deep religious convictions and has exerted a great force for good since she has been in the Home.

We have now in the Home 68 children who are being cared for and trained in the very best way that can be devised by the Board. These children for the most part have been rescued from poverty and filth and some from the very slums where they came in contact with the base and immoral element of society.

We have a school taught in the Home now by Miss Christian from Little Rock, Ark. She has proven herself an able, earnest and successful teacher and the children are making good progress under her instructions. The children have advantage of Sunday School and church services and several have professed faith in Christ and have united with the Baptist Church since our last report.

We have let out several since our last report by adoption and we trust that we have made no mistakes and that they are in good homes. We have reserved the right to recall the said children who have been taken out by adoption when we are assured that they are not being treated kindly and are not receiving the proper training.

We have taken some half orphans into the Home since our last report, but only in extreme cases; that is, where they were the same as orphans. We have re-elected Rev. F. P. Turner as Financial Agent of the Home at the same salary that he has been receiving. The Board desires to express its appreciation of the services of Bro. Turner as Financial Agent. We have found him to be the right man in the right place. He is true, honest, energetic and efficient and has also been a wise counsellor to the Board. We heartily recommend him to the brethren of the State and ask their hearty cooperation with him in this great work.

The Board requests the Baptists of the State to visit the Home, that they may become better acquainted with the surrounding and needs of the Home and possibly more in sympathy with the great work that is being done by this Institution. We are doing our utmost to make this Institution what it should be, but its needs are many. It belongs to the Baptists of Arkansas. They have assumed the responsibility of supporting and maintaining it and we, your Board of Trustees, ask that you take the needs of this Institution to heart and provide by your donations sufficient funds for its proper support and management.

This Nov. 11th, 1908.

Z. T. WOOD, President.

J. W. KIMBRO, Secretary.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

A condensed statement of the Financial Condition of the Arkansas Baptist Orphans' Home as shown by the books of the Treasurer on November 11th, 1908:

RECEIPTS.

Balance on hand at last Convention.....	\$ 326.01
Total amounts collected by Financial Secretary.....	5,018.69
Total amounts collected by Mrs. Gardner (matron).....	105.00
Total amounts collected by Mrs. Neeley (matron).....	347.00
Total amounts collected from all other sources.....	384.77
Total	\$6,181.47

DISBURSEMENTS.

Total expense of Home (including salaries of superintendent and matron)	\$4,337.76
Salary of Financial Secretary (11 mos.).....	1,100.00
Travelling expenses of Secretary (11 mos.).....	468.18
Balance on hand	275.53
Total	\$6,181.47

14. The report of Committee on Temperance was read by J. H. Peay, of Little Rock. The report was discussed by Ben Cox, of Little Rock, and J. H. Peay, of Little Rock, and adopted.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON TEMPERANCE.

The growth of the temperance and prohibition sentiment in the last few years in Arkansas has been phenomenal. Every Baptist Church in Arkansas, per se, or should be, a saloon-suppression organization and every Baptist an active propagandist.

The time has come for *organic, concerted and emphasized action* by the great hosts of *Baptists* in *Arkansas*. We view with gladness and pledge our intense sympathy and moral support, the efforts that have been made and are making in many of our cities to get quit of the open saloon. We bid them God's speed and pray for ultimate victory.

We, your committee, urge that a committee of five be appointed by this Convention, both to memorialize the incoming Arkansas Legislature to pass a law prohibiting the importation, the manufacture and the sale of intoxicants in Arkansas, and to petition all the Senators and Representatives within our State to support actively such measures.

We commend the Baptist Advance for its manly stand on the prohibition question and suggest that the paper be requested to continue such active propagandism—as a permanent feature in the paper.

We further recommend that the following resolution be adopted:

RESOLUTION.

Believing the liquor traffic to be one of the most prolific sources of misery, crime and corruption, and standing directly in the way of the cause of Christ, we believe the time has come for more aggressive work in our churches against this traffic and its attendant evils and, therefore, recommend that this association appoint a standing temperance committee of five that will try to have each church in this association appoint a temperance committee, so that this work may become a part of our church work, the same as our missionary, Sunday school, young people, education, publication, or any other branch of church work.

This recommendation is based on the following considerations:

1. That intemperance as it stands today, organized in the form of the open saloon, is one of the greatest, if not the greatest, enemies of the cause of Christ.

2. That being true, it is the bounden obligation of the churches in the name of Christ to array themselves in a body against it.

3. That if they do so with a simple trust in God he will, as in all similar causes, give a speedy victory.

4. To do this thoroughly and efficiently we must look to the spirit, wisdom and power of Jehovah.

We most heartily commend the action of the Southern Baptist Convention in appointing a committee on this subject and making the temperance work a recognized, honored part of the work of Christ.

BEN COX,
J. H. PEAY,
H. N. HEFNER,
W. E. KIMBROUGH,
S. E. STARNES,
JNO. AYERS,
J. L. WHITE.

15. Report on Baptist Young People's Union Work was read by R. F. Tredway, of Camden. It was discussed by R. F. Tredway, W. A. Ramsey, of Fayetteville; J. B. Searcy, of Little Rock; Ben Cox, of Little Rock; H. L. Winburn, of Arkadelphia; J. B. Alexander, of Lonoke; S. A. Stearnes, of Little Rock; T. T. Thompson, of Paragould; W. A. Forbes, of Gum Springs; H. H. Thomas, of Texas, and adopted.

REPORT ON B. Y. P. U. WORK.

One of the great problems confronting our churches is what to do with the young people, and how they may be developed into efficient workers in our Master's Kingdom. In all of our churches there has always been a mass of unused material. We are glad to say that since the re-organization of our State B. Y. P. U., four years ago, much of this hitherto unused material has been discovered and brought into active and efficient service. In view of these facts we need to call attention to the great importance of the organization of a B. Y. P. U. in each church in the State. In this connection we are glad to commend the excellent work Brother S. L. Holloway has done in organizing and reorganizing Unions throughout the State. Two of the most helpful agencies connected with our B. Y. P. U. work are the Summer Assembly and our Study Course. We earnestly request that each church in the State send a delegation to our Summer Assembly, and that the young people be organized into Study Classes. We believe, too, that the time has come when our B. Y.

P. U. work should have a man in the field for all his time, under the direction of our State Mission Board.

R. F. TREDWAY,
J. T. HOWELL,
JOSEPH CONNELL,
S. D. GRUMBLES,
J. N. MONROE.
G. W. OWENS.

16. The Convention, standing, joined in singing "Leaning on Jesus."

17. The report of Committee on Publications was read by Arthur Fox, of Marianna. The report was discussed by Arthur Fox; E. J. A. McKinney, of Little Rock; J. S. Rogers, of Pine Bluff; R. F. Tredway, of Camden; W. P. Harvey, of Kentucky; R. P. Lucado, of Hot Springs; J. G. Atkinson; and adopted.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON PUBLICATIONS.

To the effective and well-working of any business, information concerning that business is indispensable. The greater the sphere, or purport, of any line of work, the greater is the necessity for information. There is no other business in magnitude or importance to compare with that of our Master. How thorough and widely diffused, then, should be the information concerning our Lord's work. Information precedes salvation. Ignorance can never be the mother of devotion. Hence, the importance of the means by which we disseminate this information, the spoken word and the printed page.

In this report we speak of the printed page, the usefulness of which our people have not come fully to appreciate. It is of the first information for the successful prosecution of our work in Arkansas that a denominational organ be sustained. The Baptist Advance is our common carrier of information concerning this work. It keeps us in touch with the workers and informed with regard to plans. It is simply indispensable. Every subscriber helps to keep our work on the hearts of our people. This makes it the duty of every pastor to help to increase its circulation. Besides, in so doing, he will lighten his own burdens and forward his own work. The introduction of two new departments, the Sunday School and the Young People's Union, has added greatly to its scope of usefulness. We unqualifiedly recommend it to all the Baptists of Arkansas.

Believing that there is need for more general information on foreign missions, and believing that our people will pray more earnestly and contribute largely and cheerfully to this the greatest of all missionary enterprises when they once fully understand the need of the perishing millions in heathen darkness, we recommend that our people subscribe and read the *Foreign Mission Journal*, published by our Foreign Mission Board of Southern Baptist Convention of Richmond, Va.

Our Home Field is the organ of the Home Mission Board. No one can be fully informed as to the great work of the Board without *Our Home Field*. We recommend it.

The Sunday School work has in recent years reached marvelous developments. The success of the Sunday School Board of the Southern Baptist Convention has been phenomenal. The helps it publishes under the title of the "Convention Series," including the B. Y. P. U. quarterly are the best that can be obtained for our Sunday Schools. We heartily recommend it.

ARTHUR FOX,
S. M. PROVENCE,
G. M. FORD,
J. O. HILL,
L. TOMME,
G. W. HUNNICUTT,
W. F. PARKER,
R. A. KEITH,
R. A. ROWE,
G. W. OWENS,
J. F. CRAWFORD,
W. V. WALLS,
S. A. RENFROE.

18. F. F. Gibson made further report from Committee on Order of Business as follows:

FOR SATURDAY MORNING

9:00 to 9:30, Colored Work.

9:30 to 10:30, Southern Baptist Seminary.

10:30 to 10:45, Sanitarium at Memphis.

10:45 to 12:00, Sunday School Work.

19. Various announcements were made.

20. Dismissed with prayer by F. P. Turner, of Monticello.

FRIDAY NIGHT SESSION

21. Devotional exercises were led by J. T. Howell, of Nashville.

22. Pastor W. A. Whittle delivered a pleasing address of welcome, to which response was made by W. E. Atkinson.

23. The University Quartette rendered a vocal number and the Convention gave them a rising vote of thanks.

24. W. T. Amis was presented as the preacher of the annual sermon. He chose as his theme "The Forces that contribute to the Hastening of the Kingdom of God."

25. The report of the Ministerial Education Board was read by H. L. Winburn. In connection with this the Committee on Ministerial Education submitted its report through J. T. Christian, of Little Rock. The subject was discussed by W. J. Hinesley, of Arkadelphia; H. L. Winburn, and J. T. Christian who took pledges for the work amounting to \$2,000.00. Report was adopted.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON MINISTERIAL EDUCATION.

In the judgment of your committee there are few more important subjects than the education of the ministry. It is vitally connected with every detail of church life, and of such far reaching moment that it becomes the churches to be very diligent in this direction. A God-called and God-given ministry is imperative if there is to be prosperity—soul prosperity—in our Zion. But these God-called men should have an adequate training for their life's work. The general diffusion of knowledge among the people, the prevalence of public school and grammar education, the large number of students who attend colleges and universities, the well trained men in technical schools, the multiplicity of newspapers and books, are all highly suggestive reasons why our ministry in scholarship and culture shall not be a whit behind other forms of education.

To this end the work for ministerial education done by Ouachita College is an absolute necessity for Arkansas Baptists. We feel that in our College it will be accurately and safely done. There are now in the college 30 ministerial students against 17 at the same season last year; 19 are asking help now where only 9 sought assistance last year.

It will be seen that the necessities of the Board of Ministerial Education are more than twice as great as last year. The Board has placed W. J. Hinesley in the field as a financial agent. Already \$157.00 have been borrowed while the expenses per month run to \$250.00.

The committee would recommend:

1. That the \$250.00 now due be raised in this Convention and as many additional pledges as possible be made for the work this current year.

2. We urge that a collection be taken in all of our churches for this object.

3. We would especially stress that prayer and effort be had in all of our churches that students called of God to the ministry shall attend Ouachita College.

4. We recommend that the Board of Ministerial Education be authorized to place a man in the field at their discretion for purpose of raising money for ministerial education.

JOHN T. CHRISTIAN,
W. A. FORBES,
J. H. HARDY,
J. W. HULSEY,
R. W. MCCANN,
M. F. GATHRIGHT,

REPORT OF MINISTERIAL BOARD.

We record with joy the blessings of our Father upon the work throughout the year. There have been some pains and burdens, but these have been merely growing pains. Our work during the year has shown an increase along almost every line. During the scholastic year there were twenty-nine ministerial students in Ouachita College. Of this number, fifteen received financial help from the Board. The grade of work done in the class rooms, of these students was better than the average of the past, and as good as the best. The finances of the year were not satisfactory in many respects; but in comparison with former years were not necessarily such as would inspire fear.

At the opening of the school year in September, it was evident that our work for this year would be greatly enlarged. At this season last year there were nineteen ministerial students. This year there are thirty. At the same season last year there were nine beneficiaries of your Board. This year there are nineteen. This shows an average increase in our work of about 100 per cent. This together with the fact that the cost of living has greatly increased during recent years, makes it necessary that our appropriations for the ensuing year be increased at least 100 per cent. Knowing of your loyal interest in the work of ministerial education, the work has already been laid out upon this advanced basis for the year. As our plans now stand it will take an average of \$250 a month, for the entire year, to keep the work from suffering. Retrenchment is still possible, but we are not inclined to make it, unless you so order.

During the last year the policy of the Board was amended to the extent that the Board plans to refuse help to students for the ministry whose home churches do not back them financially. This is far reaching in its effect, and need not be discussed in the formal report. It should be distinctly remembered, however, that such a policy as this places the entire responsibility as to both man and expenditures upon the churches, through which the man and the funds are to come. In rare cases, for local theological or ecclesiastical reasons, it may be best to enforce this policy. Your Board purposes a common sense application of the rule.

The pressure for funds has been so severe that the Board deemed it necessary to employ, and send out a financial agent early in October. We employed the Rev. W. J. Hinsley who is making us an effective and faithful servant in this capacity. The results of his work so far have amply justified his employment.

One serious thing that appears on every hand is the measure of interest in the work of ministerial educational on the part of the pastors and churches. This interest should not only express itself in financial ways, but in moral ways, which will comply with the injunction of our Lord, "Pray ye therefore the Lord of the harvest that he send more laborers into his field." All through our State there are scores of young men, upon whose consciences and hearts the call to preach the gospel has been laid. It is plainly the business of pastors and churches to search out these young men, and put them where they will receive the best measure of training, for this highest work in the world.

A summary of the statistics of the past year reveals the following:

Total amount received \$1086.46.

Total amount disbursements \$1243.46. This shows a deficit of \$157.00. During the vacation months just past, twenty of our thirty men have preached about 470 sermons as a result of which work, there have been 854 professions of faith, 876 additions to the church of which number 623 have been by baptism. We have been unable to get complete statistics, but this partial showing evidences the practical value of the work of ministerial education, since you remember that just a few years ago the whole convention was rejoicing over the addition of 500 to our churches, for the whole year. The results of this work which cannot be put into statistics are by far the greatest results. It brightened communities, blessed homes, and hearts were made to rejoice. A world of sentiment and strength and beauty and helpfulness came, from this work and cannot be expressed in figures.

In bringing the above report we recommend:

First: That the convention express itself concerning our policy of requiring the churches from which ministerial students come, to back these students to some extent, at least, financially.

Second: That you also express your sentiment in regard to our employment of a field agent, and if you approve the same that you express your approval throughout the year by inviting him into your churches, and helping every way possible to make this task easy.

Third: That a campaign of enlightenment and effort be inaugurated to bring to our various seats of education and training at least 100 ministerial students during this year.

Fourth: That a collection in cash be taken at this time to cover the amount of deficit named above, which is \$157.00.

Fifth: In view of the small number of churches contributing to this work that we earnestly recommend that a place for ministerial education be made in the calendar of regular beneficences of every church here represented.

Respectfully submitted,

H. L. WINBURN, Chairman.

26. Adjourned with prayer by Tillman B. Johnson, of Texarkana.

SATURDAY

MORNING SESSION

27. The devotional exercises were led by T. P. Nelson.

28. Report of Committee on Colored Work was read by P. C. Barton, of Jonesboro.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON COLORED WORK.

We consider this a very important department of our work. The negro is among us to stay and it behooves us to do all we can for his enlightenment and civilization as a means of self-protection to say nothing of the command of our lord to "Preach the gospel to every creature."

We should carefully consider and advise the negro in a way to make him a better citizen.

We should encourage him in his church work and aid all we can that he may have *real christian* character.

We feel that the evangelization of the negro among us must be done by his own color. Therefore, we would recommend the work being done by J. A. Booker in the Arkansas Baptist College.

We endorse the work being done by our Home Board among the negroes and recommend that we enlarge our contribution to Home Missions as the best means of doing this great work.

We would also recommend that we enlarge our gifts to Foreign Missions for the preaching of the gospel in Africa.

P. C. BARTON,
B. F. DRAPER,
J. H. BURNETT,
J. L. BROWN,
T. B. KITCHENS,
W. J. LEDBETTER,
M. G. BURNETT,
C. B. FONTAINE.

29. The claims of the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary were presented by Bro. W. J. McGlothlin, of Louisville. A collection amounting to \$665.45 in cash and pledges was taken for the Students Fund.

30. The Committee on the Memphis Sanitarium made report through T. T. Thompson, of Paragould. The report was discussed by B. G. Lowrey, of Mississippi.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON TRI-STATE SANITARIUM.

Your committee appointed last year met with the Tennessee and Mississippi committees in joint meeting in Memphis, Tenn., March 26, 1907, at which time they considered the proposition from the College of Physicians and Surgeons (towit). To give a lot valued at \$25,000 and a gift of like sum in cash provided the Baptists of the three States will raise \$150,000 to be used in the erection of a building for sanitarium purposes, containing 40 charity beds and 80 pay beds. They requiring that \$75,000 be subscribed before they make deed to the property, the Baptists holding the title in fee simple.

We have been unofficially informed that if we raise \$25,000 in pledges by March 15th, 1909, we can have part in the institution without holding us specially responsible for the remaining \$25,000 apportioned. Your committee under existing circumstances do not feel competent to advise or recommend but refer the matter to the convention for decision and advice.

T. T. THOMPSON,
W. M. BURR,
J. H. KITCHENS,
BEN COX.

31. The Committee on Order of Business was instructed to provide time for further consideration of the subject on Monday.

32. Telegrams of greeting were read from the W. C. T. U. and the Texas Baptist Convention to which the secretaries were ordered to make response.

33. Report from the Committee on Sunday School and Colportage was read by E. P. J. Garrott, of Batesville. The report was discussed by I. J. Van Ness, of Nashville; H. Beauchamp, of Dallas; W. J. McGlothlin, of Louisville, and adopted.

REPORT ON SUNDAY SCHOOL AND COLPORTAGE.

A study of the tenets of Baptists would lead one to suppose that they, above all people, would press the study of God's word. A study of Baptist statistics in the State of Arkansas would serve to convince almost any body that not half the Baptist churches in Arkansas have faith in the necessity for a systematic study of the Bible. The crying need of today, as has been true of all times, is the learning by saint and sinner the will of our God. Nowhere is this will so plainly presented as in His own Book, our Bible. If this be true (and it is) then the Bible school is of tremendous importance.

Baptists have always laid, and as Baptists they will continue to place, great emphasis on the simple, fundamental teachings, or doctrines, of the Bible. Then is it consistent for the Baptist hosts of Arkansas to gather from their 100,000 members, with their families, in 1400 churches and communities only about 30,000 students in 500 schools? Yet this is the condition as reported last year. This state of affairs is alarming, and calls for more than a hastily passed, carelessly discussed resolution from this earnest band of Arkansas Baptist leaders and workers.

To the end that no such statistics may ever be presented at a convention again we, your committee, recommend:

1. That we as pastors, evangelists, missionaries, colporters and christian workers advocate to the limit of our influence the ideal condition: A Bible school in every church, and every member, together with every other person available, in the Bible school.

2. That our evangelists and missionaries be urged never to leave a church at the close of a meeting without also leaving a Bible school, whether conditions are propitious or not.

3. That the corresponding secretary of our Missionary and Sunday School Board be requested to plan with pastors and workers for a series of institutes to be held at convenient points throughout the State.

4. That we utilize the field men of our Sunday School Board to as great an extent as possible.

5. That we heartily commend both the spirit and the work of the Summer Training School located at Eureka Springs.

Closely allied with the work of the Bible school is that of the colporter. In many sections of our State churches are few and the opportunity to hear the gospel preached is rare. To such communities our colporters go with Bibles, tracts, religious books and the spoken word. They enter many a home as angels of light, and their visits are red letter days to be mentioned with joy for a year to come. The work is heavy, the pay is light, but we humbly believe that the reward is going to be great for the consecrated colporter.

We have had in the field this year missionary colporters. Besides this all of our missionaries have assisted in this work by a liberal distribution of denominational literature.

We heartily commend our Board for their policy in the prosecution of this work in the past, and recommend the continuance of it in the future.

Respectfully submitted,

E. P. J. GARRETT,
H. N. HEFNER,
J. W. HODGES,
J. H. REYNOLDS,
W. A. RAMSEY,
D. M. BALLINGER.

34. The Committee on Order of Business made further report, which was adopted:

SATURDAY AFTERNOON

1:30 to 2:00, Devotional Exercises.

2:00 to 3:00, State Missions.

3:30 to 5:00, Education.

SATURDAY NIGHT

7:00 to 7:30, Devotional Exercises.

7:30 to 10:00, Education.

SUNDAY MORNING

9:00 to 10:45, Sunday School Mass Meeting.

SUNDAY AFTERNOON

2:30 to 3:45, Address by E. W. Stephens.

3:45 to 5:00 Address by J. T. Henderson.

SUNDAY NIGHT

8:30 to 10:00, B. Y. P. U. Rally.

MONDAY MORNING

9:00 to 10:30, Home Missions.

10:30 to 10:45, Nominations.

10:45 to 12:00, Foreign Missions.

MONDAY AFTERNOON

1:30 to 2:00, Devotional Exercises.

2:00 to 3:00, Woman's Work.

3:00 to 3:15, Obituaries.

3:15 to 4:00, Sanitarium.

4:00 to 5:00, Miscellaneous.

35. Pastor W. A. Whittle made the following report from Committee on Worship :

APPOINTMENTS FOR SUNDAY

First Baptist Church, 11:00 a. m., W. J. McGlothlin; 7:15 p. m., H. L. Winburn.

First Methodist Church, 11:00 a. m., T. B. Johnson; 7:15 p. m., I. J. Van Ness.

First Christian Church, 11:00 a. m., J. S. Rogers; 7:15 p. m., F. F. Gibson.

First Presbyterian Church, 11:00 a. m., S. J. Porter; 7:15 p. m., J. T. Christian.

Central Presbyterian Church, 11:00 a. m., Ben Cox; 7:15 p. m., A. H. Autry.

Ft. Smith Church, W. P. Harvey.

Rogers Church, H. S. Wiley.

Garfield Church, F. P. Turner.

Springdale Church, W. L. Smith.

Rose Hill Christian Church, J. T. Howell, 11:00 a. m.; Joseph Connell, 7:15 p. m.

36. Telegram of greeting was read from Joseph A. Booker, President of Arkansas Baptist College, Colored, to which secretaries were ordered to make reply.

37. E. W. Stephens, Moderator of the Missouri General Association, was presented to the Convention.

38. Other visiting brethren presented to the Convention were J. F. Love, Assistant Secretary of Home Mission Board; J. T. Henderson, Secretary of the Southern Baptist Laymen's Movement; S. J. Porter, Field Secretary Foreign Mission Board; W. S. Wiley, of Oklahoma.

AFTERNOON SESSION

39. W. A. Whittle pronounced the benediction.

40. Devotional exercises were led by A. C. Hutson.

41. Report of the State Mission Board was read by Secretary R. G. Bowers. Report of Committee on State Missions was read by J. S. Rogers, of Pine Bluff. The Treasurer, J. H. Kitchens, read a synopsis of his report. These reports were discussed by J. S. Rogers, and a collection of cash and pledges were taken amounting to \$1,500.00 to meet note now due.

REPORT OF MISSIONARY AND SUNDAY SCHOOL BOARD.

For Year Ending October 31, 1908.

In making our report for the year ending October 31, 1908, we desire to acknowledge the abundant blessings of the Lord upon our Missionaries. We praise Him, not only for the power of His Spirit in the work on the field, but for the growth of the mission spirit and the loyalty of the churches to the work. God be praised for it all. His spirit has led, His power has won, and we rejoice in the riches of His grace.

THE DIFFICULTIES.

Probably we shall not soon have more hindrances to meet in one year than have hedged our way this year. The Lord has made good His promise, that all things work together for good to them that love the Lord. We have seen profit coming to the forces of the Kingdom even by means of the hardships by the way. The unsettled conditions in the business world have been a hindrance through the whole year, making hard the development of the highest spiritual interest. For most of the year religious matters have been impeded by the wide-spread interest in politics, both State and National. Added

to this we had three months of rain and overflow that practically restrained the evangelists from their work. Following this was the confusion of heavy losses to farmers and the retarding of the cultivation of crops and the consequent tardiness in the growth of the same, which kept down the most effective work in all the country places until summer. These conditions had been foreseen by your Board and the consequences had been feared. Some had said that the work could not advance in general results. Notwithstanding all these untoward circumstances, the work has prospered and the results are considerably ahead of last year, even with an expenditure of about the same amount of money. Surely this should call forth the most profound gratitude on the part of us all. From this it is plain that God has vouchsafed to us his promise, "Not by might nor by power, but by my Spirit, saith the Lord."

POINTS OF PROGRESS.

HOME MISSIONS:

Notwithstanding the fact that Arkansas Baptists made an advance of 53 per cent. in their contributions to Home Missions during the year 1906-7, we again went forward encouragingly for this interest the past year, contributing \$7,640.00, which was an advance of 15 per cent. over the former year. That was the result of some most vigorous effort and most loyal friendship. The conditions under which these offerings were taken were much more unfavorable than the year before. The fact is emphasized by this, that our people are coming to appreciate the work of the Home Board as one of the most important interests fostered by Baptists. The Committee on Apportionment has asked Arkansas to raise \$10,000.00 for Home Missions during this convention year. It should be done, and Arkansas Baptists believe in doing their duty.

FOREIGN MISSIONS:

Many hearts were made glad when it was announced that Arkansas Baptists had made a small advance for Foreign Missions during the year 1907-8. The previous year had shown a record breaking advance amounting to 74 per cent. It had been feared that we could not hold our own under the financial pressure that was abroad in the land. It was considered a genuine victory when it was known that we had sent into Richmond \$10,335.00, this being \$334.00 more than was given the previous year. The committee on apportionment has asked us to raise \$13,000.00 for Foreign Missions during this convention year. Your Board sincerely hopes that this may be done. Let all the churches and Associations notice the request of this committee and govern their contribution to meet the increase requested.

CHURCH BUILDING:

This has been a year of unprecedented progress in church building. In all sections of the state new church houses or repaired and improved church houses stand for hundreds of thousands of dollars expended in this way. Our growth as a denomination in the state is shown by the amount of money being expended now in increasing the convenience and attractiveness of our places of worship. Many thousands of dollars have also been paid on debts made by the churches in making such improvements. The financial stringency has not daunted our people, but has seemed to stimulate them to undertake unusual tasks. The Baptist people in Arkansas have greatly improved

their local conditions for work during this year, and we notice it as a distinct and encouraging advance.

DEPARTMENT OF EVANGELISM :

Your Board has made a noteworthy advance in the department of evangelism. Two general evangelists have been kept at work through the entire year. Six district evangelists have labored during the year in districts assigned them. Five evangelists have labored for a part of the year under direction of your Board. The seven Missionary Colporters who have labored during the whole year have done much evangelistic work. Notwithstanding the considerable advance in the number of evangelists on the field they have not been able to meet the demands upon them. This department of our work has been signally blessed of God as reference to the summary of work done will show. This department of work deserves the best possible attention and the most whole-hearted support from this convention. It should be enlarged as rapidly as possible until the demands of the field can be met. There are some districts that offer exceptional opportunities that have not yet been occupied. If it is at all possible to do so, this convention should see that two or three new districts are occupied next year. There is no work more fruitful than this. There is nothing more thoroughly in keeping with the commission of our Lord than the work being done by your missionary evangelists. Nothing helps our cause more mightily.

FRIENDLY AGENCIES.

Arkansas Baptists could not do the work your Board is able to report if they were not blessed with some most earnest co-operating friends. Our hands have been held up and our hearts have been encouraged by the loyal support of the agencies mentioned below :

The Sunday School Board of the Southern Baptist Convention is doing some of its most significant work by supporting the State Mission Boards in their Sunday School and Colportage work. We have no helper more ready and cordial than the Sunday School Board. It is the duty of all our people to help advance the interests of the Sunday School Board everywhere possible. This work is of the Lord and it has His rich blessings. It is our work and is constantly turning streams of money into our mission enterprises, all over the world. The Sunday School Board has helped us this year by giving us \$700.00 worth of books at catalogue prices and a good supply of tracts on Sunday School and doctrinal topics. Your Board believes that this convention should make special request of the Sunday School Board to place a Field Secretary in Arkansas to take up the work done by Brother Beauchamp until last June or possibly give Brother Beauchamp an assistant with headquarters in Arkansas. There are excellent opportunities ready for such a man all over the state.

The American Baptist Publication Society has helped us by contributing \$200.00 worth of books at catalogue prices to help carry on our enterprises. The Society has also aided materially in our work by maintaining Rev. S. L. Holloway, a helpful Sunday School man, in the state. Bro. Holloway has been especially helpful this last year by giving much time to B. Y. P. U. work. The B. Y. P. U. work has been considerably advanced and the outlook is better than ever before.

The Home Mission Board has continued its former helpful and friendly attitude toward the mission work in Arkansas. The larger part of what Arkansas Baptists have and are is on account of the wise and timely aid of the Home Mission Board through the years. Places may be named by the score where great churches flourish now that were failures until this Board helped them to cope with the situation. The Home Mission Board has contributed to our co-operative mission work in Arkansas this year the sum of \$5,000.00 and \$300.00 has been paid toward Secretary's salary and office expenses. Besides this, the Home Board has contributed several thousand dollars to church building in the state. The demands upon this Board for help toward church building in Arkansas is heavy and there is scarcely a more fruitful phase of mission work to be found. The future prosperity of our cause depends in a large measure upon the way we provide our churches with ample facilities for doing their work.

The Foreign Mission Board is in every way a friend to our state work. It has contributed during the past year \$350.00 toward Secretaries' salary and office expenses. We have been aided by liberal quantities of tracts contributed to our work by this Board.

The Baptist Advance has never been more friendly and efficient than it is just now. The editor does not hesitate to go to any lengths to help advance the interests of your Board. People who help to maintain this paper are helping missions in a most practical way. Pastors who give time and thought to increasing the circulation of the Baptist Advance are helping mission enterprises among their own people and they are helping one of our most powerful agencies for the development of the denomination. The friends of this convention and the friends of missions should be the friends of the Baptist Advance. Every one of us should pay for it and read it. Our pastors should support it and press the matter of increasing its circulation.

The pastors of Arkansas are for the most part a loyal band of men set for the service of our God. The number of the tried and true is increasing and their devotion to the cause grows with the years. There are few who allow themselves to be embarrassed by hardships or daunted by opposition. Those pastors who have for some time been out of co-operation with your work are seeing the real nature of the case and are falling in line with the progressive forces. Our numbers are increasing all the time and will continue to do so as long as we quietly and earnestly press forward in the discharge of our duty to a lost world. We extend hearty welcome to all those who have a mind to work in the glorious task of bringing in the Kingdom of our Lord in Arkansas. There is much room for workers.

There has been the greatest increase in the number of contributing churches this year that we have ever had in one year. Each of our three great mission interests have had new recruits and the list of churches that have sent in remittances for these causes is much larger than in former years. This is encouraging and all of them are welcomed among the forces that stand for a full gospel, and the greatest possible effort for a lost world. A true Baptist will not long hesitate and quibble about forms that are non-essential while the work is being neglected and the command of the conquering Christ is being ignored. Many of the new recruits have contributed

only small sums but this is a beginning and this is the act of alignment with the progressive forces in the denomination.

While we think of the friendly forces that have made this year's work possible, we must not forget the host of people all over our state who, not only pay, but constantly pray that God will give us the victory. Our battles have been fought out this year very largely under the assuring word through the prophet Zechariah, when he said: "Not by might nor by power, but by my spirit, saith the Lord." It is easy to put a high estimate upon those who are always ready to help meet the bills. But we must also remember the increasing hosts of those who believe in our work and believe in our God and talk with Him daily, about the missionaries on the field, about the Secretary in his office and about the Board that carries the burdens of the work on their hearts. May God increase the number of people in Arkansas who consider State Missions fundamental and consider it their own responsibility.

SUMMARY OF THE WORK DONE.

There is real reason for exultant joy as we begin to tabulate the work done by our missionaries during this year. Let us not ascribe too much of this to the men who have labored and sacrificed but the faithfulness and the heroic efforts of these men should be known and honor given them for what they have done. I fear none of us can appreciate as we should the labors and privations and sacrifices of many of the men who have done the work. I fear none of us will fathom the wondrous depths of grace that have abounded to us this year. I am convinced that none of us can appreciate the wonders of the accomplishments of our efforts. How many times heaven has been made to ring with joy over souls saved, churches organized, dead churches revived, and the languishing cause lifted up.

Your Board has had employed this year two general evangelists for the whole year. Their territory has been limited only by state lines. Their work has been thoroughly satisfactory. Each of these men have collected on the field more than their salary and expenses. Nine district evangelists have labored in special fields assigned them by your Board. Much good has been done by these men and for the most part the people in the territory where they have labored consider this plan a very wise one and the men in many instances are strenuously urged by the people to continue the work. The fields are constantly opening to them and much good can be done in developing and strengthening the cause by this plan of work. There is only one difficulty encountered in pressing this work. Your Board has found some difficulty in securing suitable men to do this work. Every good preacher every good man will not make a good district evangelist. He needs to have unusual gifts to fit him for this work. In fact these evangelists should in all cases be some of the strongest and best among us. As rapidly as suitable men can be found we believe the number of districts should be increased until the whole state is covered by a sound Baptist evangelism. Three men were employed to do evangelistic work during the summer. Your Board believes that every ministerial student in Arkansas who has gifts for soul winning should be given opportunity to engage in this work during the summer months. Some of the most thoroughly pleasing work done by our people this year has been done by ministerial stu-

dents either from Ouachita College or from the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary. The department of evangelism has been maintained by your Board at the following cost:

Paid salaries of evangelists.....	\$9,493.10
Traveling expenses of evangelists.....	890.00

The work of Missionary Colportage has been somewhat enlarged this year. Eight men have been constantly at work during the year. Besides these, a large number of men have done some work of this kind, receiving as their only pay a commission on books sold. The amount of books sold this year has been smaller than usual. This fact probably has two causes. The people have this year expended but little money for anything other than necessities. Books have sold slowly on this account. Another thing that has had part in reducing book sales is, that the Colporters have given much time and attention to evangelistic work. Some of the most helpful meetings have been held by your Colporters. This work is certainly very important and should have most careful attention. Every effort should be made to increase the sale of good books among our people. This department has been maintained at the following cost to your Board:

Salaries of Colporters.....	\$2,875.22
Commissions to Colporters.....	543.55
The following is the standing of the book department:	
Books on shelves, selling price.....	\$2,708.25
Books in hands of Colporters and agents selling prices	1,789.36
Bills receivable	64.25
Bills payable, January 15, 1909.....	777.37

We have had part in maintaining two city missionaries and seven association missionaries. We believe this is good mission work and should be enlarged as rapidly as there is demand for it. Certainly no richer fields for missionary effort can be found in all our territory than is offered in the growing towns and cities of Arkansas. The immediate results may be made great and the promise for the future is incalculable. The work of association missions has received most favorable consideration by your Board. An association missionary should be at work in every association and your Board believes that no wiser expenditure of money can be made than in assisting the associations to keep good men on their fields all the time. Our part in paying the salary of these seven men has been \$1,478.75. The results make proof of the wisdom of this work.

Your Board has helped sixty-nine churches by supplements to pastors' salaries.

This has been the policy of your Board through the years. Every passing year adds new proof of the wisdom of this policy. Many struggling churches can never grapple with their environment alone. A few dollars to help them on their feet will return hundreds to the mission funds in the years to come. Some encouraging examples could be shown this year. To be sure, no church should be helped in laziness. No church should be carried in the baby buggy always. The church that has an opportunity to do something and is willing to do its best should have help enough to make it strong until it can

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Collected for State Missions, Sunday School and Colportage by Missionaries	\$10,000
Collected for other missions by Missionaries	11,338
Collected for building and repairing meeting houses by Missionaries	26,818
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Total money collected by Missionaries	\$48,156

hold its own field. In this department of the work we have helped to support fifty-four men. We have paid slightly less than half of the salary of these men. Appropriations to this department of the work have amounted to \$8,560.66. The results in many instances have been glorious. Some churches have now grown to the point of self support and will in the future help others.

SUMMARY OF REPORTS.

Days of labor	18,250
Sermons and addresses	12,243
Religious visits	13,335
Professions of faith	5,342
Baptisms	3,411
Additions by letter	1,799
Additions by restoration	210
Total additions	5,420
Churches organized	42
Meeting houses built	27
Meeting houses repaired	33
Sunday Schools organized	101
Tracts distributed, pages	21,000
Collected for State Missions, Sunday School and Colportage.....	\$10,000
Collected for other missions.....	\$11,338
Collected for building and repairing meeting houses	\$11,338
Total money collected.....	\$26,818

WOMAN'S MISSION UNION.

Your Board has during the last year appropriated to the Central Committee of the Woman's Missionary Union the sum of \$100.00. This does not express our appreciation of this organization but shows our readiness to help. Those who have not carefully studied the work of this organization know but little of its great helpfulness. We wish that a suitable woman might be found to go on the field as organizer to increase the number of such societies in the state and that others might be developed and trained. The W. M. U. is a large contributor in every denominational enterprise. Under this head may be mentioned also the worthy efforts of the Young Woman's Auxiliary under the management of Mrs. Moody, which proposes to pay the salary of Miss Voorheis in Bahia, Brazil, and the Sunbeam Bands under the leadership of Mrs. Bryan, which has during the last year paid the salary of Miss Harrison in China.

BAPTIST YOUNG PEOPLE'S UNION.

Your Board has made what effort it could to advance the interests of the B. Y. P. U. work in Arkansas. We anxiously look forward to the time when a B. Y. P. U. and Sunday School Specialist can be employed by this convention. The work has been considerably advanced this year by the American Baptist Publication Society's giving Rev. S. L. Holloway to us to give special attention to the

work of the young people. A very profitable and enthusiastic assembly was held at Arkadelphia last summer. The plan is to hold another next summer. This convention should do all in its power to strengthen the hands of Rev. H. L. Winburn and those associated with him, in this work. This is foundation work. The B. Y. P. U. is to be one of the greatest elements of power in the development of the future. On every hand the heaven born fruits are seen coming from this work. We hail with delight the progress made by the B. Y. P. U.

SOME OBSERVATIONS.

This year has offered all manner of excuses for neglecting missions and passing over collections. In some instances we have found the pastors falling a prey to these influences. The conditions under which we have labored have emphasized the need of pastoral leadership. There is no hope of a steady, dependable flow of money into mission treasuries, except as we have pastors who know no conditions prohibitive of loyal effort for missions and heroic giving to missions. When our pastors have won the victory and are missionary first, then the problem is solved. Some pastors have hesitated because of debts and church buildings and hard times and many have been the troubles incident thereto.

There needs to be laid in our minds a basis for missions. Is missions the business of the churches? Is not the work of evangelizing the world as much my responsibility as paying my own pastor? We have found some instances where some churches have thought themselves exempt from obligations to mission enterprises, because of immense local burdens. A proper view of this matter would show a world wide obligation not changed by local conditions. The churches have accepted missions as their business. This has been assigned them by our Lord who said, "Go into all the world and preach the gospel to every creature." There is no condition in which our Lord would say, "except the church that is building a house or has a debt or is behind with the pastor." Our appeal to all the churches is for the steady on going in mission enterprises and all other necessary things will be added.

The state mission campaign which has just passed has brought to light two extremes among God's people. We have never seen or heard of more loyal giving than has been done in many instances in the days just passed. We have had many instances comparable to the people of Macedonia of whom Paul said: "That in a great trial of affliction the abundance of their joy and their deep poverty abounded unto the riches of their liberality." Men and women have revealed that they are soldiers and rejoice in suffering with their Lord. Almost without an exception the great churches that made large contributions last year are under indescribable burdens. They have rallied marvelously to the call of the Lord's work. They have prayed and have given almost beyond expectation. This sort of thing has not been confined to the larger churches. The small contributions from country churches and from village churches have gone ahead of the offerings a year ago. This has proven the loyalty of our people and we may be sure that the most of them are dependable even under fire. Faithfulness forces us to say that this spirit has not been universal. Sometimes God's chosen leaders have faltered. Sometimes pastors have sought ease and we have had to plead with

them to enlist them for the heroic thing. Sometimes pastors have found themselves making the charge, while their people have been seeking refuge and the pastor has found himself standing unsupported in his effort for the honorable discharge of every duty. There has been little of this and the lesson we have learned has inspired our confidence for the future. There are only a few of our people who think of retreating because the battle presses sore.

We have repeatedly emphasized the importance of earlier collections. It seems important that we speak again and plead with pastors and churches that the offerings be taken at least one month earlier. It seems to be second nature with us to postpone the difficult as long as possible. It is understood that the books will be kept open until we come to the convention, so it is decided that the offering will be raised the last day or two and the amount carried to the convention. In this last campaign three-fourths of all we have raised for State Missions came into the hands of the Secretary inside of a week from this hour. Since coming to Fayetteville the Secretary has received \$8,000, 40 per cent. of the whole year's offering for State Missions. Fully half of the churches had made no definite announcement to us until they handed the Secretary the money only a few hours ago. This is hazardous. This will sometimes cause a calamity. We beg that this matter be considered in the light of its importance. Surely we must make some needed reform. We hereby lay it on the hearts of all and call the attention of the convention as a matter worthy of most serious attention.

Our evangelists are generally popular and they have more calls than can be answered by them. Our desire has been accomplished in a large measure, in that we are able to give to the weak churches and destitute places a sound, conservative Baptist evangelism. This we believe is vital. We can scarcely hope for a well rounded, symmetrical development of Baptist churches made up of members brought into the Christian service through the loose, unsound, non-descript evangelism prevalent about us nowadays. The work we are doing is fundamental and we will see its fruits in the years to come. But sometimes these evangelists are abused. They are used and no reasonable return is made to them for service. A hat collection or a little private offering suffices as the evangelist is paid by the Mission Board. These evangelists should be paid right up to the limit of ability in the churches or communities where they labor. It is not right to hide behind the fact that they are servants of the denomination. Many have paid them well for their services.

LOOKING FORWARD.

This Board with this report hands back to the convention the work which was committed to it one year ago. We have had our labors. We have borne some burdens. We have felt some heart aches. All these things, however, have been sweetened and brightened by the thought that we are serving our brethren and sacrificing for the salvation of a lost world. Our Father has led us all the way. His grace has made us strong. We thank God and you for the opportunity of serving God and men. Now, as we surrender back to you the work, we may say two or three words about the future.

ENLIGHTENMENT.

Your Board believes that the next year should be marked by a very vigorous campaign for enlightening our people concerning the work we are doing. Their obligation to God should be laid upon them.

There are more Baptists in Arkansas who are not doing anything for the evangelization of the world than are in co-operation with both organizations of Baptists. The minds of the people are ready to go with those who work and have results to show for what is done. The eyes of many Baptists are being opened, they are ready to hear and God's command to them to go will reach their hearts if given to them in the spirit of the Master. The policy should be through all the coming year to reach out to awake every Baptist in the state to a right appreciation before God of his mission on earth. The people came to us last year in encouraging numbers, but there is no reason why they should not come by the thousand this year if the work is laid on their hearts aright.

GERMAN MISSIONARY.

The time has come that some special attention should be given to the evangelization of the Germans in our state. We have several prosperous communities of these people but little is being done to help them. No people make better Baptists than Germans. They can be reached for our Saviour. If possible, we believe a German speaking preacher should be employed to preach to the few German churches in the state and strive to organize others.

EDUCATION CAMPAIGN.

The year upon which we are now entering must be a strenuous one for our people in Arkansas. The mission work must be maintained at its former standard. Our colleges are hampered with debt and in fact they are embarrassed with threatened foreclosure of liens on the property. We must lend our hearts and hands to this most important matter. We cannot go without our schools. Our schools can go no longer without money and we must help to raise it. Our Baptist colleges and the mission work are mutually related and one cannot prosper without the other. They rise or fall together. By God's grace this year they must rise together.

A SYSTEM OF CONTRIBUTIONS.

At the meeting of the Southern Baptist Convention at Hot Springs, a committee was appointed to make an effort to secure a plan by which all the states could be led to adopt a systematic schedule of contributions. Your Board recognizes the difficulties to be encountered here and we know that this is a matter that must ultimately be decided by each church, and yet we believe this convention should give some careful attention to the matter of a better adjustment of our mission contributions. We ought to be able to make improvement, and improvement is sorely needed. Years of work would be well expended if the difficulties which are so hurtful could be eliminated.

CONCLUSION.

For seven years the work of this convention has been uninterrupted by retreat or retrenchment. God has given us an unbroken chain of prosperity. The progress has been in most instances wonderful. During all these years we have reported but twice a debt, and that was under most unusual conditions. The hand of God has been evident and His power has won. Now we stand at a critical time. A proper advance means heroic planning and courageous giving. Retrenchment means the hurt of the cause. It is poor time to stack arms or to retreat when the decisive point in the battle has been reached and the enemy is confused. Arkansas never needed state mission work as she has needed it this last year, but she will need it more next year. We stand at the parting of the ways. Shall we go up or down? This is our Kadesh-Barnea. A redeemed Arkansas, a Baptist Arkansas, is our Promised Land which lies just across the river of Self-Sacrifice, shall we go over and take it, or shall we go back to die while a better people than we are born to come into the possession of the coveted prize? It is sure that "If the Lord delight in us He will bring us into this land and give it to us." This is our opportunity. We must go forward as the years pass.

REPORT ON STATE MISSIONS.

Your committee on State Missions would submit the following report:

GRATITUDE FOR GAINS.

Never before in the history of this convention has there been a year that approached so nearly to Pentecost in power and mighty sweep as the year just closing. With the deepest swelling gratitude to Almighty God, we may well shout in our souls, "Hitherto hath the Lord helped us"! God's Baptist hosts in Arkansas are rapidly coming to realize that without works it is impossible to please God, and so this year has been a grand and fearless dash for souls. But our heavenly Father gave us Bowers to lead, and boldness through His grace to follow, and to all of us He has given a marvelous and sweeping victory through our Lord Jesus Christ. God has given a new spiritual era to Arkansas Baptists. Baptist purses are losing their padlocks, and as we open our purses God opens unbelieving hearts. This year God has made it plain that He has quit saving by the hundreds in Arkansas and that He is now saving by the thousands and even tens of thousands. Ten years ago who could have prophesied such? So, first of all, for this new and meaningful epoch in our beloved State, on our faces let us cry from the dust, "Bless the Lord, O my soul, and all that is within me, bless His holy name"!

BACKBONE OF DENOMINATION.

The backbone of our denomination, in some sense, is State Missions. If our denomination would become weak and lame, let us slow up on State Missions. In this great work, churches and Sunday Schools are organized, laggard churches in country, town and city are aroused and stimulated to a consciousness of their mission and

might under God. Through our State Mission organization hundreds of churches in Arkansas are being saved from the grave and nurtured to the point of self-support. State Missions is the source of supplies for Home Missions, and "the home end" of Foreign Missions. It is the bond of union between our associations, a feeder of our schools and a practical outlet of their trained energy, and the medium, largely, through which our churches savingly touch the whole, round, sinning lost world." Would any faltering soldier of the cross hint retrenchment for a moment? Nay, but we must break forth on all sides" afresh, and, in this opportune Baptist day given of Providence, explore and survey new valleys and plains, and scale new mountains, and beautify all by planting the cross and a Baptist church thereon. If we would not lose God's track, we must ever be on the run with His life tidings to the deathful of earth! Until the Holy Spirit sent down from heaven loses His conquering power, our captain is depending on us to be on the offensive in attitude, to be aggressive in our efforts and world-wide in our faith and hopes.

WORK OUTRAN FAITH.

The work outran faith during the past year. With the panic upon us at the beginning of the convention year, retrenchment seemed inevitable. The Board with its wise Secretary could by no means see the end from the beginning. Many things (among them a debt) were in the way to hinder and retard. But as the cloud went forward, faith pressed the forces to venture some advance, and our gracious God has agreeably surprised His unfaithful servants. The work outran our faith, for there have been 5342 conversions, 3411 additions by baptism, and, 1799 by letter. The whole of our expenditures for State Missions this year has been about \$25,000.00. So now with deep humility we pray, "Lord, increase our faith in our possibilities under Thee and give us grace never again to doubt Thy wonder-working power through us, Thy bond-servants"! How could the marks of Divine favor upon us be more signal and gracious than they are at this hour? We have come running into camp shouting victory, only because "God hath done great things for us"! Praise His holy Name!

FACING ANOTHER BATTLE.

For the coming year we face, and let it be firmly, another battle. Today we are the strongest denomination in the State by some 10,000. To hold our own we must advance. Napoleon said, "By conquest I won my empire and by conquest I must hold it." Let our people be enlightened, enlivened and enlisted, and they will enlarge with an ever-growing aggressiveness. Therefore let pastors and leaders too give the more earnest need to their opportunities lest at this time they let them slip.

The destitutions in our State are overwhelming. To the spiritually sensitive ear the calls for the evangel of truth is like the hoarse roar of thunder. There are many, many country districts as yet almost untouched by Baptist forces. Our State is dotted from line to line with small towns and villages into which we ought to have gone with the gospel message long before this. Then in Little Rock and the other cities of the State there is very great need of city mission work. Indeed, if we will but lift up our eyes and look thoughtfully

over the field, we will pray God to help us greatly to increase the reapers. Hell's forces in Arkansas are numerous, powerful, incessantly vigilant, relentlessly active and desperately determined. But God's peculiar people can and will outmeasure and outman these forces, if we wait at the cross for our message, and in the "upper room for our power, and then, as the guiding pillar of cloud moves, we "go forward!"

RECOMMENDATIONS.

This Committee would recommend:

1. That by all means our pastors throughout the State begin their campaigns and offerings for State Missions the first of September at latest, and that they give decidedly more personal attention to this all-important matter.

2. That, so far as it is at all possible, our churches and pastors will not allow any offering to interests at home or otherwise to interfere with the offering to State Missions during the month of October at least, and also that the pastors report to the Missionary Secretary by Nov. 1 just how much their churches may be definitely depended upon to raise.

3. That, if under God it is possible, some advance be made.

4. That, where it is at all wise to do so, our missionaries make a faithful effort to raise their salary for the time they are on any particular field for a meeting, and that they do this wisely and tactfully from the beginning of the Convention year.

5. That every Baptist in Arkansas hold on by faith and prayer to the feet of God for 7,000 conversions and baptisms the coming year.

J. S. ROGERS, *Chairman*,
 J. R. HARRIS,
 W. L. SMITH,
 W. H. LINDSEY,
 J. W. McATEE,
 C. M. MYRICK,
 D. B. JONES,
 M. L. VOYLES.

Amendment to report of Committee on State Missions.

Whereas the problem of harmful and fateful delay in bringing in the results of our State Mission campaigns cries with increasing clamor for solution; be it

Resolved, That it is the sense of this body that the books of the State Mission Board should be closed Monday, at midnight, after the first Sunday in November each year.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

Amount received from Home Mission Board.....	\$ 5,000.00
Amount received from R. G. Bowers, Missionary Secretary..	20,215.45
Amount to Balance.....	7,203.25
Total.....	<u>\$32,418.70</u>

Credits.

By amount paid on last year.....	\$ 3,155.12
By amount paid for printing minutes.....	264.30
By amount paid this year for mission work.....	23,216.89
By warrants unpaid.....	5,782.39
	\$32,418.70

Respectfully,

J. H. KITCHENS, *Treasurer.*

Reports adopted.

42. Ben Cox read the report of the Board of Trustees of Colleges and Academies.

REPORT OF OUACHITA-CENTRAL BOARD.*To the State Baptist Convention, Greeting:*

In submitting this Annual Report of the Affiliated System of Colleges and Academies, the Board of Education desire to express the gratitude of their hearts for Divine favors during the past year. Our colleges have suffered from the panic, but such is the vitality of a college that has struck its roots deep into the affections of the people that it seems to suffer less than other enterprises.

The attendance of students at Ouachita and Central Colleges is steadily on the increase.

These colleges have maintained high ideals of christian conduct, and high standards of scholarship. The noble results may be seen in the long lists of graduates who occupy prominent positions in the business and professional world, and the thousands of undergraduates who have brightened and refined the circles in which they move.

As a consequence of maintaining high standards our colleges have been run at a loss. The cost of a college course is regulated by competition. We must meet the rates of other colleges that have similar courses and equipment and if we fail to do so we cannot hope to get a large patronage. The State of Arkansas does not attempt to run her schools on a self-sustaining basis. Handsome appropriations are made by the legislature to meet the annual deficits. These appropriations make it possible to give the student a great deal more than he pays for and consequently the expense of a college course is brought within the reach of the masses. Many of the best private colleges in America have endowments and from the interest on the endowments the regular deficits are met. Students will not attend Ouachita and Central if they can get as good opportunities at other colleges at much lower rates.

A few aristocratic institutions in our country that cater exclusively to the wealthy class are able to run on a self-sustaining basis, but they do this by charging fees far beyond the reach of the average citizen of Arkansas.

Ouachita and Central could meet present competition by employing cheap, incompetent teachers and by doing without modern appa-

ratus. But cheap education in the long run is the dearest education. Baptist folks are not cheap people and they want their children to have the best in the market. If the standards at our colleges are lowered they will become a reproach to a proud denomination that has always stood in the front rank of educational progress.

Our college debts have gone into the brains and character of young men and women who are enriching the State and church with noble ideas and noble ideals.

The next few years are critical ones for us. At present Ouachita has an indebtedness of \$60,000 and Central College \$18,000. In past years the Board of Trustees has been borrowing money by giving their personal endorsements on notes to meet the annual deficits. If the debts become larger the credit of the colleges will be strained to such a point that the Trustees would not feel justified in risking their personal endorsements for further loans.

When that unfortunate time arrives, and it is not far off, if relief is not found, the colleges will be closed out by the auctioneer and the Baptists of Arkansas will have to abandon the field of education.

The Baptists of Arkansas cannot afford to let their colleges die. Every sect that has failed to put money in denominational schools has dwindled into insignificance. Growth along educational lines increases the usefulness of the church, and makes it possible for the denomination to undertake many lines of work that a less cultivated people would feel beyond their reach. The modern missionary spirit has found its richest development in the denominational colleges. Blot the denominational colleges from the land and mission work would receive a staggering blow.

To the denominational college we must look for a supply of trained ministers. If the present insufficient supply of educated ministers comes almost entirely from the denominational colleges how will the pulpits of the next generation be filled, if through the apathy or hostility of our church members our Baptist colleges are allowed to languish and decay.

Our Baptist colleges require big investments, but they pay big dividends. The question is, can we afford *not* to support them?

In every other Southern State the Baptists are rallying nobly to the support of their schools. Shall Arkansas be the only exception?

We are glad to report an awakening and encouraging interest for the lifting of our debts.

The Board after earnest prayer for Divine guidance has enlisted the services of Rev. R. G. Bowers as Financial Agent. As a distinguished graduate of Ouachita, Brother Bowers brings to this work a heart overflowing with zeal and enthusiasm for the advancement of Christian education. He comes to the work from a sense of duty. He is undertaking a great burden and we ask all the brethren to pray for him that his hands may be strengthened for the accomplishment of his task. He will receive assistance from Rev. J. F. Little, our noble brother whose zeal in the cause of missions has brought such fine results.

Detailed reports of the progress and needs of the affiliated academies will be presented at the proper time. We commend the work of these academies and urge that they be given liberal support.

Respectfully submitted,

BEN COX, *Chairman.*

Tillman B. Johnson read the Report of the Committee on Education.

REPORT ON EDUCATION.

The achievements of Arkansas Baptists along the line of education during the last twenty-two years have, under God, been marvelous. Yet it has been a work of beginnings, of laying foundations largely. As we look back over it all, we feel that it is God's call to us to show us what He is requiring of us and what He will require.

In the deepest seriousness of our souls we feel sure that Arkansas Baptists have come to a crisis in educational matters. There are obligations which must be met now, or our schools must suffer the greatest hardships. Relief must be immediate or disaster is upon us.

But there is hope. Light begins to shine. The way begins to open and our hearts are beating faster. Our Board of Education has elected Bro. R. G. Bowers financial agent, and we rejoice in that he has accepted and will enter immediately upon the work. Twenty-five thousand dollars have already been secured in notes, and the outlook for securing the remaining \$60,000 is very encouraging.

We would not even suggest that other phases of our work be neglected or overlooked. But we do urge that our pastors go into the work leading in prayer and in giving. Let every church door and every Baptist heart be wide open to Bro. Bowers when he comes presenting this great work. We also urge the continuation of the making of these guarantee notes until at least half of the indebtedness be covered.

TILLMAN B. JOHNSON,
W. W. RIVERS,
W. A. FORBES,
S. L. HALLOWAY,
E. E. BAGWELL,
H. S. HARTZOG,
J. J. HAYNES,
J. T. HOLT,
W. S. JOHNSON.

Discussed by W. W. Rivers, B. G. Lowrey, T. B. Johnson. Pending the discussion of this question the convention adjourned to 7 p. m.

Benediction by S. M. Provence.

EVENING SESSION

43. F. C. Sims led the devotional service.

44 President Atkinson called the convention to order at 7:30. The discussion of the question of Education was resumed and was introduced by J. J. Hurt, followed by H. S. Hartzog, W. T. Amis, R. G. Bowers and adopted.

45. After announcements, adjourned with prayer by E. W. Stephens of Missouri.

MONDAY

MORNING SESSION

46. President Atkinson called the convention to order at 9 o'clock. J. H. Peay led the devotional exercises.

47. By motion the following amended report of Committee on Order of Business was adopted.

9:00 to 10:00, Sanitarium.

10:00 to 10:15, Obituaries.

10:30 to 12:00, Home Missions.

1:30 to 2, Devotional.

2:00 to 3:00, Woman's Work.

3:00 to 3:30, Foreign Missions.

3:30 to 5:00, Miscellaneous.

48. Discussion of the Memphis Sanitarium was resumed and addresses were made by T. T. Thompson, B. G. Lowrey, H. C. Rosamond, and others.

49. On motion of F. F. Gibson, of Fort Smith, the following resolution was adopted:

Whereas, There is some doubt in the mind of brethren with reference to Sanitarium enterprise and wishing to avoid any conflict therefore,

Resolved, That the matter be referred to a joint meeting of the State Mission Board and the Sanitarium Committee for adjustment, and with authority to act.

50. On motion, Report on Obituaries was postponed until afternoon.

51. The following resolution was offered by P. C. Barton and adopted:

Be it Resolved, That we request the Convention to authorize the Board of State Missions to appoint a Laymen Committee for the State at their meeting, and ask that they have a laymen's mass meeting at Little Rock, at their next meeting requesting Prof. J. T. Henderson to attend and be with us. That a committee of one for each association be appointed to work up an attendance at this meeting.

52. Committee on Home Missions made report through J. B. Alexander, of Lonoke. Discussed by F. F. Gibson, W. S. Wiley, J. F. Love and others and adopted.

REPORT ON HOME MISSIONS.

Southern Baptists are, as they ought to be, profoundly grateful to God for the inexpressibly great work done by our "Home Board." The *approval* of our Lord, has from the beginning of the Home Board's existence been *apparent* in the fact, that He has given to us, in the person of those in the management of this department of our work, *men* who are faithful, wise, *untiring* and watchful of the best interests of our Lord's work on the fields committed to their stewardship. Their willing service, amid countless sacrifices, begets to them God's richest blessing; and should receive the sympathy of every Southern Baptist to a *point* of *earnest co-operation*.

A few years ago, the perplexing question, "Shall we hold the South for Baptists, or shall we lose it?" was being asked on every hand. This inquiry grew out of a misty conception of the relation of Southern Baptists to a world of lost men *beyond* our borders. By the creation of the "Home Board" as an agency, and by its faithfulness and efficiency as a servant of the denomination, we have been brought face to face with the *lost* nations round, and thus the "Home Board has solved this problem, and convinced every informed Baptist that the "saving of the South to the Baptists" depends, upon the "*Baptist South*" saving the nations round them.

That the bringing, and laying this truth upon the hearts of Southern Baptists is due to our "Home Board" more than to any other *one* of our denominational agencies, is certainly a truth, none will deny, but rather for which we will honor these faithful servants, and praise God for his wonderful works, which he has wrought through them as wise servants of the denomination.

As the years come and go the fact becomes more and more apparent that the "Home Board" is indispensable to a thorough and healthy circulation of life-blood through the entire body of our denominational organism.

We would call again the attention of our people to the fact that the great floodtide of immigration pouring into our borders from Germany, Japan, Austria, Italy, France, Sweden, Russia and China is ever increasing the work to be done, more rapidly than we are increasing our Board's facilities for doing it.

Owing to the intricate relationship which Home Missions sustains to State and Foreign Missions, we feel led to plead for a more general loyalty on the part of all our churches to the work of this Board. The fact has been thoroughly demonstrated that, where "Home Missions" has received its best and strongest support, State and Foreign Missions has been increased in every instance. In one State at least, the Home Board Evangelists collected more money for Foreign Missions than for Home Missions.

Arkansas owes a great debt of gratitude to our Home Board. Beside *very large* appropriations to church buildings in our State

the Board has expended \$5,000.00 to aid the State Mission Board of Arkansas in the support of more than 90 missionaries who delivered more than 13,000 sermons and addresses and baptised more than 3,000 converts, received into the churches more than 5,000, constituted 41 churches, built and improved 39 houses of worship, and constituted more than 100 Sunday Schools.

In the face of these facts we believe that every pastor and worker throughout Arkansas should do all in their power to aid in every way possible the great work being done by our Home Board.

The Home Board has at work on the field five regular evangelists, 919 white missionaries and 37 colored missionaries. The Board reported at the last meeting of S. B. C. at Hot Springs a total expenditure in weeks 31,461; churches and stations supplied, 3,128; sermons and addresses, 112,604; evangelistic meetings held, 49; churches organized, 337; houses built and improved, 338; Sunday Schools organized, 1,057; Bibles and testaments distributed, 26,837.

Praising God for the great and glorious work of this Board we would urge that every Baptist in our State give to them their prayers and hearty co-operation.

We would further recommend, that, the Vice President of the Home Board for Arkansas strive to secure an active, consecrated man to act as Vice President in each Association in the State, that the Board and its work may be better understood by the masses of the people.

J. B. ALEXANDER,
H. C. ROSAMOND,
D. E. GAMBRELL,
V. G. HINTON,
B. B. HAWKINS,
J. P. COUCH,
W. L. SMITH,
G. M. FORD.

53. There were a number of voluntary prayers for this Home Mission work.

54. Committee on Nominations reported. See front pages.

55. Dismissed with prayer by H. T. Bradford.

AFTERNOON SESSION

56. The report on Woman's Work was read by S. L. Holloway, of Arkadelphia. J. S. Rogers, E. J. A. McKinney, Mrs. J. S. Porch, P. C. Barton, J. H. Hardy and others spoke to the report, which was adopted.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON WOMAN'S WORK.

We note with pleasure the growth of this department of our work. Your committee would call attention to the following encouraging facts:

As to the Woman's Missionary Union proper, there has been marked increase in the number of societies organized, and in the interest in the work. During the year their Executive Board has distributed 11,806 leaflets, 300 topic cards, 550 mite boxes, 4,000 envelopes, and 1000 minutes of the W. M. U. Six hundred letters have been written and thirty-two packages of literature sent out to various associational meetings. The Executive Board of the Union has 161 post offices of unions, but only received 69 reports. These reports show \$5,189.63 contributed to missions and \$20,050.91 raised for all purposes.

Along with this the Bible and missionary study work which is being carried forward by our sisters is also richly bearing fruit. In many places they are emphasizing the work along these lines. Ladies Aid Societies are not so much thought of now in connection with box suppers and ice cream socials but they are organizing these study classes more and more.

Associational unions are being formed and the minutes of their proceedings distributed. This is carrying the interest among the women in churches heretofore not touched by their State meetings. We rejoice in this good work, and would urge our pastors to encourage the women in their churches in these efforts as they serve in the work of our Lord.

In addition to their regular work, the sisters have also a department for young women with Mrs. W. I. Moody of Little Rock as superintendent, and they are undertaking the support of Miss Voorhees in Brazil.

They also have in charge the Sunbeam work of the State. The Sunbeams are supporting Miss Perle Harrison in China, having during the past year more than raised her salary. Mrs. O. E. Bryan of Little Rock is superintendent of this work, and is also editor of the Sunbeam department in the Baptist Advance. During the year they have raised \$700.00. But the good seed sowed in the hearts of the children is of far more value than the money collected. Let every pastor encourage his young women, and the children to cooperate with Mrs. Moody and Mrs. Bryan in this great work.

We would also recommend that our State Board co-operate with our State W. M. U. and that the Board contribute \$100.00 to their work this year as they did last year.

We also recommend that the expense of printing and postage of Mrs. Bryan and Mrs. Moody be paid by our State Mission Board.

2. That the State Mission Board be requested to put a lady superintendent in the field for all the time whose duty it shall be to organize Ladies' Aids and Missionary Unions and to stir the ladies generally to greater work of every nature.

Respectfully submitted,

S. L. HOLLOWAY.

57. The Report on Foreign Missions was read by A. H. Autry, discussed by him and adopted:

REPORT ON FOREIGN MISSIONS.

Your committee would call the attention of our brethren to the reports of our various mission fields as found in the Southern Baptist Convention Annual for the year 1908. By this it will be seen that our 222 missionaries at the front have been faithfully prosecuting the work, and that God has graciously blessed them. During the year ending April 30th, 1908, \$402,328.16 have been contributed from all sources within the bounds of the Southern Baptist Convention for Foreign Missions. Of this amount Arkansas Baptists gave \$10,345.79, being eleventh in the list. Southern Baptists are doing mission work in Argentina, Africa, Brazil, China, Italy, Japan, and Mexico. This work has been prosecuted at a minimum cost. Less than 10 per cent. is required to carry on the work. It is the opinion of your committee that no other successful business under the sun could be conducted on so economical a basis. During the year 24 new missionaries have gone out to the various fields. They need the prayers of God's people while they go to encounter trials and difficulties of which they never dreamed. May God give them strength of body and mind, and courage of soul to endure all for Christ's sake, and, "having done all, to stand."

The first Foreign Mission Board was organized in Heaven, and consisted of three members—a President, a Vice President, and a Corresponding Secretary. The President planned the scheme of Foreign Missions. The Corresponding Secretary gave his life to the work, and the Vice President made it effectual. By unanimous consent, and even without church authority, this Corresponding Secretary was sent to a lost world to redeem his people and organize his forces, and thus prepare them for a deadly conflict with the Prince of night and the powers of darkness. Having organized His church, He gave them their

MARCHING ORDERS,

"Saying, all authority hath been given unto me in heaven and on earth, go ye therefore, and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them into the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit; teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you; and lo, I am with you all the days, even to the consummation of the age." Matt. 28:18-20. "And he said unto them, go ye unto all the world and preach the gospel to every creature. He that believeth and is baptized shall be saved, but he that disbelieveth shall be condemned." Mark, 16:15-16. "Then opened he their mind, that they might understand the scriptures; and he said unto them, Thus it is written, that Christ should suffer, and rise again from the dead the third day; and that repentance and remission of sins should be preached in his name unto all the nations, beginning at Jerusalem. And ye are witnesses of these things." Lu. 24:45-48. "These things spoke Jesus, and lifting up his eyes to heaven, he said, They are not of the world even as I am not of the world, and as thou didst

send me into the world, even so sent I them into the world." John, 17:16-18.

OUR LORD'S IMPERATIVES.

"If ye love me, ye will keep my commandments." Jno. 14:15. "Jesus said unto them, If a man love me, he will keep my words." Jno. 15:23. "Ye are my friends if ye do whatsoever I have commanded you." Jno. 15:14. "And why call ye me, Lord, Lord, and do not the things which I say?" Lu. 6:46.

THE GLORY OF DOING IT.

"There is that scattereth, and increaseth yet more; and there is that withholdeth more than is meet, but it tendeth only to want. The liberal soul shall be made fat; and he that watereth shall be watered also himself." Prov. 11:24-5. "But now Jehovah saith, be it far from me; for them that honor me, I will honor, and they that despise me shall be lightly esteemed." 1 Sam. 1:30. "Honor the Lord with thy substance, and with the first fruits of all thine increase; So shall thy barns be filled with plenty, and thy vats shall overflow with new wine." Prov. 3:9-10. "Ye are the light of the world. Even so let your light shine before men that they may see your good works, and glorify your Father in heaven." Matt. 5:14-15. "Arise, shine; thy light is come, and the glory of Jehovah is risen upon thee. For behold, darkness shall cover the earth and gross darkness the peoples; but Jehovah shall arise upon thee, and his glory shall be seen upon thee. And nations shall come to thy light and kings to the brightness of thy rising. Lift up thine eyes round about, and see; they all gather themselves together, they come to thee; thy sons shall come from far, and thy daughters shall be carried in the arms. Then thou shall see and be radiant, and thy heart shall tingle and be enlarged; because the abundance of the sea shall be turned unto thee, the wealth of the nations shall come unto thee. Surely the isles shall wait for me, and the ships of Tarshish first, to bring thy sons from far, their silver and gold with them for the name of Jehovah thy God, and for the Holy One of Grace, because he hath glorified thee; and foreigners shall build up thy walls, and their kings shall minister unto thee, and I will make the place of my feet glorious." Isa. 60:1-17.

THE WILL TO DO IT.

"And he took the book of the covenant and read in the audience of the people; and they said, All that Jehovah hath spoken, will we do, and be obedient." Ex. 24:7.

RECOMMENDATIONS.

1. We recommend that Arkansas Baptists hear what the Lord says.
2. We recommend that Arkansas Baptists believe what the Lord says.
3. We recommend that Arkansas Baptists prove their faith by their works.
4. We recommend that Arkansas Baptists do what the Lord says.

5. We recommend that our people take and read the Foreign mission Journal.

Respectfully,

A. H. AUTRY, Chairman.
 W. M. JONES,
 GEORGE WEST,
 J. B. ROSE,
 D. A. ALLEN,
 HOMER PEARSON.

58. The following resolution was offered by J. J. Hurt and adopted :

Resolved, That the Committee on Program for Ministers' Institute be requested to provide a two days program and that provision be made for discussion of topics of special concern to laymen by laymen.

59. J. H. Peay offered the following, which was adopted .

Whereas, This convention has been so happily and royally entertained by the First Baptist Church of Fayetteville, and the good citizenship of "The Athens of Arkansas," Therefore be it

Resolved, That this Convention extend to them out heartiest and sincere thanks:

1. To the other churches for courtesies extended.
2. To the Rock Island Railroad and others for kindnesses shown in transportation.
3. To the University and Y. M. C. A. quartettes for their excellent service in song.
4. To the First Baptist Church and her royal pastor for the superb entertainment so generously given.
5. To the Ladies' Aid Society for the excellent service rendered.

And pray God's richest blessing rest upon them, Christ's tenderest love be given, and the Holy Spirit's guidance richly and gloriously lead.

60. Chair appointed the following Committees, provided for by Report on Temperance: To Memorialize Legislature, W. T. Amis, John T. Christian, Ben Cox, O. J. Wade, J. H. Estes. Standing Committee, J. B. Alexander, J. H. Peay, J. B. Searcy, A. P. Schofield, W. M. Kelly.

61. After singing and hand-shaking the Convention adjourned.

The next Session will be held at Arkadelphia, Friday before the third Sunday in November, 1909.

JOHN JETER HURT,

W. F. DORRIS,

Secretaries.

W. E. ATKINSON,

President.

APPENDIX.

LIST OF ORDAINED MINISTERS, ALPHABETICALLY ARRANGED.

This list is corrected from memory and last year's minutes, and hence is likely, in some instances, not to include changes made within last fifteen months.—Secretary.

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| Abee, H. W., Smithville. | Baars, F. D., Little Rock. |
| Abernathy, S. W., Walnut Ridge. | Bain, L. A., Mobley. |
| Abney, J. W., Webb City. | Bain, R. P., Lonoke. |
| Adams, T. W., Little Rock. | Baker, J. H., McNeil. |
| Adams, James, Slate. | Ballard, L. S., Springdale. |
| Adams, J. H., Cedar Glades. | Barber, S., New Lewisville. |
| Adams, M., Ozan. | Barham, W. R., Prescott. |
| Agan, G. B., Stamps. | Barker, G. W., Newport. |
| Allen, David, Heber. | Barnes, C. L., West Hartford. |
| Allen, D. A., Cushman. | Barnes, B. F., Pearl. |
| Allen, W. J. F., Jonesboro. | Barnett, C. B., Corwin. |
| Allen, J. B., Lorado. | Barnett, S. B., Plummerville. |
| Alexander, J. B., Lonoke. | Barnett, J. R., Plummerville. |
| Allen, William, Galena. | Barnett, J. L., Lucas. |
| Allison, J. W., Maynard. | Barnett, L. F., Magnolia. |
| Amacker, J. H., Springdale. | Barnett, J. D., Forrest City. |
| Amis, W. T., Hot Springs. | Barron, D. H., Forum. |
| Anderson, J. S., Pocahontas. | Bartlett, A. C., Quitman. |
| Andries, A. A., Argenta. | Bartlet, Joseph, Bonanza. |
| Anthony, G. C., Peoria. | Bates, I. M., Juno. |
| Applegate, J. M., Portia. | Bates, E. D., Mena. |
| Appling, E. F., Brooks. | Bates, A. A., Waters. |
| Armstrong, M. D., Emmett. | Batson, J. A., Wooster. |
| Armstrong, J. G., McRae. | Bayless, D. L., Oakland. |
| Arnold, C. H., Winthrop. | Beavers, J. D., Springdale. |
| Ashcraft, Irvin, Staves. | Been, H. L., Greenwood. |
| Atchley, C. H., Herd. | Bellamy, R. B., Smithville. |
| Atchley, J. O., Herd. | Belew, K., Brockett. |
| Autry, A. H., Booneville. | Belote, H. A., Cedar Rapids. |
| Avery, J. W., Sheridan. | Bennett, T. J., Arkadelphia. |

- Best, R. M., Alexander.
 Betts, C. W., Hiram.
 Bishop, J. R., Junction.
 Billingsley, L. T., Gill.
 Blackwell, J. D., Atlanta.
 Black, J. W., Judsonia.
 Blalock, M., Benton.
 Blanton, W. W., Galena.
 Bogard, B. M., Little Rock.
 Baton, G. W., Hope.
 Borah, G. B., Imboden.
 Borrough, Sile, Graphic.
 Borders, H. B., Farmington.
 Bowen, E., Blackfork.
 Bowen, J. M., Little Rock.
 Bowers, M. D., Pocahontas.
 Bowers, H. L., Dover.
 Bowers, R. G., Little Rock.
 Bowers, J. G., Ryker.
 Bowling, J. L., Union.
 Bowling, W. H., Salem.
 Boyd, W. J., Rector.
 Boyd, J. L., Norwood.
 Box, W. T., Morrilton.
 Bracewell, J. H., Ulm.
 Bradley, N. F., Bellefonte.
 Branscum, T. B., Alco.
 Bryan, O. E., Little Rock.
 Branscum, E. E., Guion.
 Brasher, T. J., Haynesville, La.
 Bray, G. W., Wilmar.
 Brewer, J. F., Ursula.
 Brice, J. F., Chickalah.
 Bridges, W. F., Walnut Ridge.
 Bridges, Ben, Star City.
 Broadaway, J. K., Center Ridge.
 Brockman, J. H., Waldo.
 Brothers, W. J., Wickes.
 Brown, Russell, Grannis.
 Brown, A. L., Lavaca.
 Brown, J. E., Louisville, Ky.
 Brown, B. N., Little Rock.
 Brown, J. L., Charlotte.
 Brown, J. L., Springdale.
 Brown, W. R., Bowen.
 Bryant, J. C., Nettleton.
 Bryant, D. M., Booneville.
 Brumbelow, A. L., Tull.
 Bryant, M. M., Sandtown.
 Burk, J. W., DeRoche.
 Burr, W. M., Helena.
 Burnett, J. H., Evansville.
 Burnett, Charles, Board Camp.
 Burns, C., Hon.
 Burns, S. J., Knoxville.
 Burrow, S., Center Point.
 Burt, L. J., Charleston.
 Bush, A. F., Otto.
 Butler, J. F., Shelbyville.
 Butler, J. O., Black Springs.
 Byers, J. H., Mansfield.
 Byers, L. M.
 Byrd, J. L., Ops.
 Byrd, W. S., Duckett.
 Cagle, A. F., Arkadelphia.
 Campbell, E. N., Cushman.
 Cannon, B. F., Hatton.
 Cannon, D. S., DeWitt.
 Calvin, James, Bee Branch.
 Cantrell, J. O., Greenbrier.
 Cantrell, W. R., Mangrum.
 Canupp, C. C., Neff.
 Carr, J. D., Hubbard.
 Cargile, J. E., Viola.
 Cargile, T. F., Viola.
 Carnes, G. W., Alma.
 Carnett, W. W., Hanover.
 Cash, W. H., Toledo.
 Carter, T. H., Stamps.
 Carter, F. M., Manilla.
 Cazort, R. W., Argenta.
 Chadwick, N. T., Oxford.
 Chambless, D. W., Van Buren.
 Chapman, J. F., Des Arc.
 Chapman, J. R., Union.
 Chastain, Isaac, Wolf Bayou.
 Chastain, J. L., Springtown.
 Chitwood, E. P., Crystal Springs.
 Chrisenberry, P. M., Ben Gray.
 Church, H. P., Rogers.

- Clark, J. F., Jonesboro.
 Clark, J. W., Little Rock.
 Clem, J. M., Malvern.
 Clements, W. T., Ingalls.
 Clements, S. H., Williford.
 Christian, J. T., Little Rock.
 Cockran, J. I., Bradley.
 Cockrell, W. L., Bear.
 Cole, A. D., Eureka Springs.
 Collins, W. B., Green Forest.
 Coleman, J. H., Hazen.
 Comer, J. W., Greenwood.
 Compton, P. M., Falcon.
 Compere, W. L., Magazine.
 Conner, A., Palatka.
 Connell, L. B., Faber.
 Connell, Joseph, Walnut Ridge.
 Cooksey, W. M., Mena.
 Cooper, E. D., Paragould.
 Copeland, O. A., Alco.
 Copeland, J. M., Nashville.
 Copeland, J. W., Pineville.
 Corder, L. R., Jacksonville.
 Conler, W. E., Jacksonville.
 Cornish, D. W., Nathan.
 Cotton, C. N., Greenbrier.
 Cotton, C. T., Leslie.
 Cox, Benj., Little Rock.
 Cox, John, E., Lone Elm.
 Cox, C. D., Bodcaw.
 Craven, G. R., Antioch.
 Crawford, J. P., El Dorado.
 Crawford, J. D., Three Creeks.
 Crawford, J. M., Cedar Glades.
 Crawford, J. F., Van Buren.
 Cross, G. A., Cove.
 Crow, G. D., Lafe.
 Crow, E. T., Rosie.
 Crutchfield, W. A., England.
 Crye, J. A., Conway.
 Cullum, A. D., Judsonia.
 Curl, A., Osceola.
 Dailey, R. S., Toral.
 Dale, W. L., Little Rock.
 Davis, F. P., Little Rock.
 Davis, J. A., Carolan.
 Davis, J. M., Austin.
 Davis, W. U., Okolona.
 Davis, W. M., Stamps.
 Day, M. J., Turner.
 Dean, T. M., Benton.
 Dean, C. P., Rogers.
 DeLaughter, B., Pine Grove.
 DeLaughter, E., Boughton.
 DeLoach, M. W., Crossett.
 Denson, N. C., Dermott.
 DeShazer, J. C., Sulphur Spgs.
 Dees, A. C., Wedington.
 Devine, R. B., Stephens.
 Diceton, J. C., Poughkeepsie.
 Dodd, D. S., Lorine.
 Donahue, I. N., Benton.
 Donham, J. H., Sheridan.
 Dorris, W. F., Hope.
 Douthit, J. R., Bluffton.
 Downing, T. F., Sulphur Springs.
 Downing, S. P., Otto.
 Downs, J. T., Register.
 Driggers, D. T., Platta.
 Driskill, Jeff, Guy.
 Driskill, W. B., Damascus.
 Duke, H., Nettleton.
 Dulaney, Thos., Ben Lomond.
 Duren, W. M., Zion.
 Dyer, Leonard, Van Buren.
 Eads, W. C., Cove.
 Earles, L. G., Balloon.
 Early, T. R., Belmont.
 East, M. D., Black Rock.
 Eddy, N. L., Buckner.
 Edmondson, James, Hackett.
 Edwards, J. R., Black Springs.
 Edwards, W. M., Hiwassee.
 Elkins, D. W., Lockesburg.
 Elmore, J. F., Surf.
 Elmore, R. R., Paris.
 Emery, J. P., Story.
 Epton, Thomas, Bingen.
 Erwin, J. W., Bodcaw.
 Evans, G. W., Peoria.

- Evans, E. R., Lauratown.
 Evans, R. M., Peoria.
 Everage, Sol., Mount View.

 Farmer, W. D., Rector.
 Farris, G. C., Holcomb.
 Farthing, R. T., Zion.
 Faulkner, G. D., Paragould.
 Fawcett, A. J., Hamburg.
 Faulkner, G. H., Crowley.
 Faulkner, J. D. J., Paragould.
 Felts, W. C., Prescott.
 Ferrell, B. S., Schooley.
 Fields, R. C., Rock Creek.
 Findley, R. L., Calico Rock.
 Fink, G. L., Newark.
 Fish, J. W., Palmyra.
 Fisher, Matt., Kingston.
 Floyd, W. H., Surl.
 Foard, G. L., Ham.
 Folks, A. J., Mountain View.
 Forbes, W. A., Gum Springs.
 Ford, G. M., Conway.
 Ford, D. B., Aplin.
 Ford, J. F., Plummerville.
 Ford, T. C. Bee Branch.
 Forrester, N. B., Witcherville.
 Fortner, J. B., Settlement.
 Fortner, W. S., Settlement.
 Foster, Kirby, Maynard.
 Foster, J. H., St. James.
 Fowlkes, J. T., Corning.
 Fowler, L. H., DeView.
 Fowler, H. R., Plunkett.
 Fox, A., Marianna.
 Frazier, T. D., Dardanelle.
 Franklin, G. A., Bethel Springs.
 French, J. P., Rector.
 Frizzell, M. W., Black Rock.
 Funk, S. F., Slocumb.

 Gambrell, L. B., Lake Village.
 Gambrell, D. E., Heber.
 Gardner, W. S., Hamburg.
 Gardner, W. W., Arkadelphia.
 Gardner, S. E., Arkadelphia.

 Garnett, G. B., Judsonia.
 Garner, T. M., Van Buren.
 Gareson, M., Paragould.
 Garrett, E. P. J., Batesville.
 Gathright, M. F., Clarksville.
 Gathright, J. T., Dobyville.
 Gatlin, J. B., Traskwood.
 Gentry, W. C., Rudy.
 Gentry, P. R., Benton.
 Gibson, C. L., Blansett.
 Gilson, F. F., Fort Smith.
 Gilaspy, J. H., Hatfield.
 Gill, D. H., Newport.
 Gidden, J. R., Conway.
 Glover, H. P., Guy.
 Glover, P. H., Greenbrier.
 Gossett, R. E. L., Grubbs.
 Gowan, T. M., Cedarville.
 Graham, E. R., Green Forest.
 Graham, S. S., Spring Valley.
 Granberry, R. H., Cabot.
 Gray, E. H., Corley.
 Gray, E. C., Timbo.
 Graves, N. B., Wynne.
 Green, B. C., Wilmington.
 Green, P. P., St. Francis.
 Green, W. F., Lowell.
 Griswood, J. C., Plummerville.

 Halbert, Joshua, Prattsville.
 Hale, T. N., Jonesboro.
 Hall, I. R., Bentonville.
 Hall, J. A., Paris.
 Hall, J. H., Dobyville.
 Hall, J. R., Piggott.
 Hall, S. F., Alma.
 Hall, W. P., Mansfield.
 Hamilton, C. T., Jumbo.
 Hamlin, G. L., Arkadelphia.
 Hammack, J. W., Garfield.
 Hammonds, W. A., Watalula.
 Hampton, N. W., Marmaduke.
 Hampton, J. E., El Dorado.
 Hood, J. T., Gassville.
 Hanks, G. P., Johnson.
 Hargrove, F., Surl.

- Hardin, W. J., De Roche.
 Harley, W. C., Barkada.
 Harness, T. W., Lexington.
 Harp, T. J., Clifty.
 Harper, N. D., Huntsville.
 Harper, M. A., El Dorado.
 Haralson, J. F., Gassville.
 Haraldson, J. B., Pine Bluff.
 Harris, G. C., ——
 Harris, J. G., Brinkley.
 Harris, W. H., Prescott.
 Hartzog, H. S., Arkadelphia.
 Haynes, J. J., Mena.
 Hawkins, W. M., Farmington.
 Heard, J. C., Brinkley.
 Hefner, O. C., Sycamore.
 Hefner, H. N., Casa.
 Hemby, J. P., Monticello.
 Henderson, H. T., Rhea's Mill.
 Hendrickson, W. R., Guy.
 Hendrickson, Allen, Hazen.
 Henry, M. P., Southern Home.
 Henson, J. G., Claunch.
 Hern, E., Rhea.
 Herod, J. S., Bentonville.
 Hert, F. S., Coal Hill.
 Hicks, G. L., Otto.
 Hiatt, J. W., Bono.
 Hill, D. W., Provo.
 Hill, J. O., Van Buren.
 Hilton, H. H., Gassville.
 Hinsley, W. J., Arkadelphia.
 Hine, L., Siloam Springs.
 Hiner, R. I., Decatur.
 Hinson, A., El Dorado.
 Hinton, Carl, Arkadelphia.
 Hobbs, J. V., Grandview.
 Hodge, C., Hampton.
 Hogan, C. C., Corley.
 Hogan, J. H., Maysville.
 Holcomb, J. R., Pollard.
 Holdford, B. F., Bald Knob.
 Holeman, J. C., Wheeling.
 Holland, E. J., Fayetteville.
 Holloway, S. L., Arkadelphia.
 Hollis, E., Crossett.
 Hollis, W. B., Crossett.
 Holloway, T. J., Ten Mile.
 Hollingsworth, T. M., Cove.
 Holly, W. P., Guy.
 Holmes, G. W. G., Brownsville.
 Holt, J. W., DeRoche.
 Holt, ——, Arkadelphia.
 Hopkins, J. H., Centerville.
 Hood, D. L., Sulphur City.
 Horne, H. J. P., Arkadelphia.
 Howard, J. H., Malvern.
 Howard, J. C., Green Forest.
 Howell, H. T., Board Camp.
 Howell, J. T., Nashville.
 Hubbard, J. W., Ben Lomond.
 Huddleston, J. M., Paragould.
 Huddleston, P. M., Harrisburg.
 Hudson, John W., Wesson.
 Hudson, C. G., Congo.
 Huff, W. H., Ada.
 Hughs, G. M., Graphic.
 Hughes, J. J., Rock Creek.
 Hunnicutt, G. W., Danville.
 Hurt, J. J., Conway.
 Hurst, D. U., Combs.
 Hutson, A. C., Magnolia.
 Hylton, W. W., Lester.
 Isbell, A. C., Plunkett.
 Isaac, James, Lincoln.
 Ivy, H., Huntsville.
 Jackson, W. T., Walnut Ridge.
 Jackson, W. P., Charlotte.
 James, G. W., Mobley.
 James, Amos, Mobley.
 Jennings, S. H., Mt. Valley.
 Johns, C. R., Lee's Creek.
 Johnson, A. V., Ingalls.
 Johnson, Tillman B., Texarkana.
 Johnson, John, Ozark.
 Johnson, H. G., Star City.
 Johnson, J. A., Houston.
 Johnson, R. T., Carolan.
 Johnson, Joel, Hazen.
 Joiner, G. N., Judsonia.

- Joiner, J. K., Boydsville.
 Jones, M. L., Wynne.
 Jones, D. B., Warren.
 Jones, N. D., Donaldson.
 Jordan, A. L., Rogers.
 Joyner, W. D., Bentonville.
 Jones, J. T., Foreman.
 Keck, D. N., Venus.
 Keeling, L. M., Arkadelphia.
 Keller, Nathan, Charleston.
 Kelly, M. S., Prattsville.
 Kelly, W. M., Benton.
 Kelley, J. W., Prattsville.
 Kelly, T. W., Okolona.
 Kelley, J. T., Slate.
 Kelso, W. T., Greenbrier.
 Kerr, J. I., Uzzell.
 Kimball, John, Marshall.
 Kimberlin, Chas., Judsonia.
 Kimbrough, W. E., Booneville.
 Kimbrough, W. C., Tyro.
 Kime, W. P., Little Rock.
 Kinard, C. P., Tubal.
 King, J. T., Junction.
 King, C. A., Center Point.
 King, Jacob, Mountain, View.
 King, Thomas, Arkadelphia.
 King, A. W., Strong.
 Kilpatrick, G. T., Conway.
 Kittrell, D. R., Eureka Springs.
 Knight, T. E., Clarendon.
 Knight, J. W., Wynne.
 Lafferty, R. G., Heber.
 Lamb, A. F., Leola.
 Landreth, T. F., Little Rock.
 Landes, R. W., Jackson.
 Lane, H. T., Herd.
 Langley, M. L., Arkadelphia.
 Lanier, J. L., Cedar Glades.
 Lasater, G. W. C., Mountainburg.
 Laughter, E. B., Stillwater.
 Ledbetter, C. P., Benton.
 Lee, C. B., Williford.
 Leslie, J. W. S., Marshall.
 Lemons, D. A., Boydsville.
 Lester, C. J., Fayetteville.
 Lewellen, J. R., Cord.
 Liddell, W. E., Hydrick.
 Linder, J. R., Mount Vernon.
 Lincoln, E. T., Maynard.
 Lindsey, J. W., Belva.
 Little, J. F., Rogers.
 Loyd, R. L., Dover.
 Logan, W. E., Havana.
 Leech, J. B., Stamps.
 Luper, W. S., Johnson.
 Luper, W. D., Booth.
 Lovelace, E., Linder.
 Lovelace, J. P., Cotter.
 Lucado, R. P., Hot Springs.
 Lucas, R. M., Blakemore.
 Lynch, W. F., Girdard.
 Marler, J. H., ———
 Mabrey, J. G., Leslie.
 Mabry, E. V., Horatio.
 Magee, J. M., Damascus.
 Mahan, T. R., Blytheville.
 Marchant, S. A., Calico Rock.
 Marlett, S. J., Nettleton.
 Marsh, H. E., Witcherville.
 Marshall, W. R., Sedgwick.
 Marshall, Joell, Watts.
 Martin, James, Rockhouse.
 Martin, J. I., Cord.
 Martin, John, Hazen.
 Martin, Josiah, Moorefield.
 Mathis, J. J., Jonesboro.
 Mathis, Otto, Eudora.
 Mathis, W. G., Jonesboro.
 Mathews, B. J., Hot Springs.
 Mattox, C. L., Harrison.
 Maxwell, A. J., Lowell.
 Mayo, J. B., Mineola.
 McCann, R. W., Eureka Springs.
 Mays, P. C., Vesta.
 McAfee, W. B., Evansville.
 McAlister, J. M., Hanover.
 McAtee, J. W., Rogers.
 McCarroll, H. L., Lebanon.

- McCarty, G. W., Hot Springs. Murphy, Samuel, Jonesboro.
 McClain, J. F., Nettleton. Myers, J. A., Morrilton.
 McEwen, W. R., Louisville, Ky. Myrick, C. M., Siloam Springs.
 McConnell, A., Chance. Myrick, C. E., Maynard.
 McCool, W. B., Turin. Neill, V. C., Morrilton.
 McCulloch, S. C., Blue Eye, Mo. Neighbors, S. A., Potter.
 McDonald, J. W., Cove. Neighbors, W. A., Hot Springs.
 McDonald, J. W., Hot Springs. Nelson, T. P., Van Buren.
 McEntire, M. B., Murillo. Nelson, A., Hickory Station.
 McGee, R. W., Harrisburg. New, T. D., Belleville.
 McGriff, W. M., Eddy. Newman, J. E., Little Rock.
 McGowan, R. E., Paragould. Newsom, W. J., El Dorado.
 McGraw, C. P., Tubal. Newsome, R. G., Argenta.
 McGraw, A. F., Arkadelphia. Nix, J. W., Buckner.
 McKinney, E. J. A., Little Rock. Norman, G. W., Rosebud.
 McKinney, J., Krupp. Nott, J. H., Graphic.
 McKinney, T. R., Kingsland. Nowell, J. T., Marmaduke.
 McClellan, A., Cedar Glades. Nowlin, T. B., Russellville.
 McMillen, N. G., Rover. Norman, G. W., Rosebud.
 McNemer, J. F., Little Rock. Norton, A. J., Coal Hill.
 McNew, Geo. J., Columbus. Obenchain, L. K., Helena.
 McWhorter, John, Center Point. Oglesby, J. C., Gravelly.
 McPike, J. W., Cato. O'Kelley, C. W., Rudy.
 Melton, M. C., Gladstone. O'Neal, J. F., Etna.
 Melton, J. T., Cord. Olive, J. P., Stephens.
 Michaels, J. W., Little Rock. Overton, J. H. W., Toledo.
 Middlebrook, T. A., Hope. Overton, J. H., Toledo.
 Miers, L. O., Thornton. Owen, B. B., Stephens.
 Middleton, R. T., Searcy. Owen, G. W., Fort Smith.
 Miller, T. B., Springdale. Oxford, L. A., Stamps.
 Mink, W. A., Auvergne. Pace, R. R., Grannis.
 Minnick, J. S., Maple. Page, E. L., Poe.
 Minton, E. P., Jonesboro. Parks, H. R., Little Rock.
 Mitchell, E., Mist. Parker, John, Dilworth.
 Mitchell, T. M., Little Rock. Parker, J. F., Prairie Grove.
 Mitchell, R. H., Brisbane. Parker, W. H., Fordyce.
 Mitchell, J. O., Waldron. Parrott, G. G., Romance.
 Montgomery, C. H., DeRoche. Partin, C. M., Altus.
 Monroe, J. N., Des Arc. Pasley, W. H., Forrest City.
 Moore, D. L., Witcherville. Pate, J. A., Heber.
 Moore, G. D., Strong. Pate, Willis, Elmo.
 Moore, Ross, Pine Bluff. Patterson, W. M., Pike City.
 Morgan, T. G., Hamburg. Pearson, J. V., Ada.
 Morris, H. Y., Carlisle. Pearson, Chas., Austin.
 Moseley, H. H., New Edinburg. Peay, J. H., Little Rock.
 Munn, H. A., Warren. Pennington, J. N., Booneville.

- Pennington, J. R., Duff.
 Peters, G. M., Milo.
 Pettit, John, Harrison.
 Pharr, W. H., Carlisle.
 Pinson, W. M., Little Rock.
 Phelps, T. B., Rocky.
 Phillips, I. M., Springdale.
 Phillips, Henry, Texarkana.
 Pippin, W. E., Forrest City.
 Pigman, J. H., Springdale.
 Pine, S. L., Pine Bluff.
 Pinkston, W. J., Shark.
 Pirtle, T. I., Hermitage.
 Polk, I. M., Barney.
 Porter, A. J., McCrory.
 Posey, Edward, Quito.
 Powell, B. F., Smackover.
 Powell, C. R., Little Rock.
 Pressly, D. A., Hamil.
 Price, A. J., Delight.
 Provence, S. M., Wynne.
 Pruitt, W. H., Bay.
 Purcelly, James, Salado.
 Pugh, H. A., Ranger.

 Ragdale, J. S., Jessieville.
 Raney, R. A., Bleeker.
 Raines, J. M., Jonesboro.
 Ramay, J. W., Huntington.
 Rambo, J. W., Ella.
 Railey, R. W., Sycamore.
 Reaves, A. C., Harrisburg.
 Redditt, D. L., Casa.
 Reed, O. H., Russellville.
 Reed, G. G., Luella.
 Renfroe, S. A., Van Buren.
 Reynolds, J. H., Little Rock.
 Reynolds, E. J., Springtown.
 Reynolds, Oscar, Jonesboro.
 Rhoden, R. C., Malvern.
 Rhodes, C. B., Clarksville.
 Rice, Moses, Hamburg.
 Richards, J. C., Austin.
 Richards, R. W., Ola.
 Richardson, G. G., Fordyce.
 Richardson, J. W., Booneville.
 Richardson, R. E., Viola.
 Riddle, J. E., Natural Dam.
 Ridling, H. C., Mena.
 Ridling, M. L., Vandervoort.
 Rippy, T. A., Greenwood.
 Riggs, S. A., St. Paul.
 Robbins, W. W., Hartford.
 Roberts, W. E., Vilonia.
 Robertson, J. N., Paragould.
 Robinson, J., Wedington.
 Rogers, J. S., Pine Bluff.
 Rogers, R. C., Paragould.
 Rogers, W. E., Summerville.
 Rodgers, A. C., Feeneyville.
 Rosamond, H. C., El Dorado.
 Rose, W. F., Dover.
 Rose, J. B., Berryville.
 Rountree, J. B., Bowen.
 Routh, J. B., Hazen.
 Rowe, G. F., Hot Springs.
 Russell, John, Aurora.
 Rutledge, James, Poyner, Mo.
 Ryan, A. A., Walcott.
 Rylee, J. E., Murray.
 Sanders, H., Enola.
 Sasser, H., Bruno.
 Sawyer, R. B., Little Rock.
 Sawyer, J. J., Hot Springs.
 Sawyers, S. D., Brinkley.
 Scofield, A. P., Little Rock.
 Seonce, J. H. C., Winsted.
 Scroggins, J. T., Denmark.
 Searey, J. B., Little Rock.
 Setser, G. W., Decatur.
 Settlemire, J. N., Piggott.
 Settlemire, G. M., Black Oak.
 Sexton, W. J., Troy.
 Seymour, W. T., Hawes.
 Shands, Joel, Negro Hill.
 Sharp, James, Cedar Glades.
 Sharp, D. H., Pittman.
 Shaw, W. H., Carlisle.
 Shelton, William, Ink.
 Shepard, J. W., Washita.
 Shepard, R. L., Harrisburg.
 Sherrill W. E., Melbourne.

- Shirley, D. L., Board Camp.
 Simmons, W. J., Sandy Bend.
 Sims, J. W., De Queen.
 Sims, Clark, Fordyce.
 Sims, J. F., Damascus.
 Sipes, L. M., Arkadelphia.
 Sitton, T. J., Springtown.
 Slaughter, O. D., Goshen.
 Smail, J. E., Mena.
 Small, R. M., Altus.
 Smart, J. H., Amity.
 Smith, D. H., Akin Farm.
 Smith, G. S., Jacinto.
 Smith, J. A., Mountain Home.
 Smith, J. X., Garnett.
 Smith, D. E., Magnolia.
 Smith, W. L., Ashdown.
 Southall, J. T., Fordyce.
 Speak, G. W., Engle.
 Spyres, M. A., Blackburn.
 Squyres, D. A., Potter.
 Stanfer, E. R., Carrolton.
 Stark, J., Morganton.
 Starnes, J. C., Sulphur Rock.
 Steakley, W. A., Casa.
 Stell, J. C., Mist.
 Stewart, T. A., Plunkett.
 Stewart, C. A., Jonesboro.
 Stevens, Robert, Dayton.
 Stevens, J. J., Judsonia.
 Stephenson, A. R., Marshall.
 Strickland, J. E.
 Stringley, W. H., Searcy.
 Stringley, W. H., Wallaceburg.
 Stringfellow, W. H., Searcy.
 Stone, J. A., Sulphur City.
 Stone, J. M., Stephens.
 Story, W. R., Hope.
 Stranburg, W. L. A., Stuttgart.
 Stafford, J. W., Venus.
 Stronmire, J. N., Blytheville.
 Sullivan, T. D., Dover.
 Sykes, J. T., Booneville.
 Swanner, J. B., Jonesboro.
 Tanner, R. S., Owensville.
 Talbert, J. C., Horatio.
 Talbot, A. J., Hampton.
 Tate, J. J., Shark.
 Taylor, Brownlow, Newport.
 Taylor, E. D., Grapevine.
 Taylor, Joseph, Brazil.
 Taylor, J. A., Blue Ball.
 Taylor, J. D., Timbo.
 Teague, F. E., Hollywood.
 Teague, E. J., Marmaduke.
 Teague, S. T., Clarksville.
 Thacker, F. M., Duckett.
 Thomas, H. L., Fisher.
 Thomas, J. B., Murfreesboro.
 Thomas, J. M., Emmett.
 Thomas, J. A., Judsonia.
 Thomas, A. C., Tomberlin.
 Thomas, M. P., Bismarck.
 Thompson, T. L., Ella.
 Thompson, T. T., Paragould.
 Thompson, W. M., ——
 Threadgill, F., Ozark.
 Tipton, T. D., New Edinburg.
 Tobey, C. E., Arkadelphia.
 Tomme, L., Monticello.
 Townsend, N. R., Arkadelphia.
 Tredway, R. F., Camden.
 Triplet, A. R., Van Buren.
 Tucker, A., Butterfield.
 Tucker, William, Corwin.
 Turner, J. V., Louisville, Ky.
 Turner, E., Bay.
 Turner, F. P., Little Rock.
 Turner, S. L., Huntington.
 Turner, ——, Almyra.
 Tyler, J. T., Rector.
 Vannoy, J. C., Dutton.
 Vault, John, Mountainburg.
 Vann, J. H., Amity.
 Vaughan, J. C., Little Rock.
 Vaughan, C. T., Brundidge.
 Vessell, W. H., Center Point.
 Vest, J. J., Jumbo.
 Vick, S. B., Denmark.
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 Voyles, M. L., Bentonville.
 Wade, O. J., Little Rock.

- Wade, W. J., Heber.
 Walker, S. C., Clarksville.
 Walker, C. M., Elon.
 Walker, D. H., Berryville.
 Waller, J. D., Emerson.
 Waller, Joe, Taylor.
 Walls, S. A., Randall.
 Walls, W. V., Russellville.
 Ward, S. A., Randall.
 Ward, J. W., Spring Hill.
 Warnock, C. C., Bland.
 Warren, C. F., Lumber.
 Warwick, L., Hot Springs.
 Weaver, J. N., Wirth.
 Webb, L. M., Monticello.
 Webber, Edward, Little Rock.
 West, J. W., Sulphur Springs.
 West, W. T., Manfred.
 Westbrook, E. H., Center Point.
 Westbrook, J. A., Lebanon.
 Whayne, M. W., Kingsland.
 Westbrooks, J. A., Provo.
 West, George, Texarkana.
 Westfall, C. A., Athens.
 Wheatley, J. A., Datto.
 Wheelchel, J. K., Charleston.
 White, Frank, Hot Springs.
 White, O. W., Bonanza.
 White, R. H., Higginson.
 White, W. D., Gassville.
 Whittle, W. A., Fayetteville.
 Whitten, W. T., Arkadelphia.
 Widener, J. M., Hatfield.
 Wilcox, G. W., Oppelo.
 Wilcockson, Ovid, Manilla.
 Williams, W. B., Alpine.
 Williams, W. W., Settlement.
 Williams, E. B., Vandervoort.
 Williams, N., St. Paul.
 Williams, Thomas, Lorado.
 Williams, M. A., Webb City.
 Williams, J. E., Emerson.
 Williams, W. S., Lamar.
 Williamson, J. C., Greenwood.
 Williamson, J. E., Moulton.
 Willis, A. F., Milo.
 Willis, B. J., Milo.
 Willis, D. D., Hazen.
 Willis, J. L., Brinkley.
 Wilson, A. E., Swain.
 Wilson, J. L., Goodwin.
 Wilson, M. L., Mulberry.
 Wilson, Lee, Hatton.
 Winburn, H. L., Arkadelphia.
 Windham, P. E., Winfield.
 Wing, C. S., St. Paul.
 Winstead, H. C., Prairie Grove.
 Winstead, C. P., Sheridan.
 Winters, C. C., Magnolia.
 Wise, J. B., Augusta.
 Wood, W. C., Searcy.
 Womack, W. N., Brown.
 Womach, C. R., Russellville.
 Wood, D. A., Thompson.
 Wood, J. R., Asher.
 Wood, Ashley, Hawes.
 Woodward, T. J., Clarksville.
 Wren, W. H., Cushman.
 Wright, G. W., Joy.
 Wright, H. F., Nettleton.
 Wright, W. L., Tyronza.
 Wright, T. J., Welch.
 Wright, W. M., Baring Cross.
 Yancey, L. F., Jonesboro.
 Yarbrough, J. A., Quitman.
 Young, W. S., Strong.
 Young, Parker, Swain.
 Youngman, M. A., Spring Valley.

ARKANSAS BAPTIST PASTORS' CONFERENCE.

THURSDAY.

MORNING SESSION.

The Pastors' Conference convened at 10:30 a. m., Thursday, Nov. 11, 1908.

After prayer by several brethren, the organization was completed. H. C. Rosamond of El Dorado was elected president, G. W. Owens of Ft. Smith, secretary.

On motion of E. J. A. McKinney the president was instructed to appoint a program committee for next year. The following brethren were appointed:

F. F. Gibson, Ft. Smith; T. T. Thompson, Paragould; J. P. Hemby, Monticello.

The program was then taken up.

At the suggestion of Dr. W. A. Whittle, of Fayetteville, the first topic of the program was passed over. The second, "Visiting the Sunday Schools for Evangelistic Work," was discussed by F. F. Gibson. Following this was a general discussion of the subject.

Adjourned until 1:30.

THURSDAY.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Meeting called to order by president.

After singing, Pastor Hawkins and G. M. Byers led in prayer.

At the suggestion of the president it was decided to follow the prepared program.

“Evangelism In the Home,” was discussed by J. T. Thompson and E. P. J. Garrott.

Prayer by Mr. Hempstead.

“Evangelism In the Church,” by J. T. Harrel.

“Evangelism In Our Schools,” by W. W. Rivers and E. E. Bagwell. N. C. Denson then led in prayer.

An address on “Evangelism On the Streets” was given by A. Fox, Marianna.

A general discussion of all the subjects then followed.

On motion of Bro. Whittle the body extended a hearty vote of thanks to the pastor and congregation of the Central M. E. Church for the use of their building.

On motion of E. J. A. McKinney, the Pastors' Conference adjourned to meet at call of program committee.

Dismissed by prayer by T. B. Kitchens.

G. W. OWENS,
Secretary.

H. C. ROSAMOND,
President.

Statistics Arkansas State Baptist Convention.

ASSOCIATIONS	When Organized	Churches	Ordained Ministers	Baptized	Total Membership	Sunday Schools		All Missions	Total Contributions	Value of Church Property
						Number	Enrollment			
Bartholomew	1850	49	26	269	3885	27	1582	\$1069 26	\$6217 40	\$60450
Benton County (Con.)	1885	14	12	83	1275	11	376	979 59	7750 25	25475
Benton County (G. A.)	1885	27	11	84	1742	16	967	517 95	2396 60	7500
Big Creek	1874	17	10	37	775	4	-----	24 57	13 00	4000
Blue Mountain	1874	14	16	90	871	2	-----	13 74	55 17	2600
Buckville	1881	28	19	89	1171	7	-----	72 42	106 17	11950
Buckner	1878	42	30	383	2849	17	1430	1225 30	9679 72	2000
Caddo River	1857	28	12	61	1031	10	-----	32 09	70 15	2271
Caroline	1855	59	57	630	7296	48	4687	8965 28	52740 97	188850
Carroll County	1870	18	13	143	1294	8	847	134 20	2430 50	21150
Clear Creek	1872	41	31	220	2145	17	1035	581 38	5075 34	10675
Columbia	1852	40	20	327	3156	12	850	182 47	192 40	24000
Concord	1870	36	24	330	3401	17	1525	1868 48	18568 72	50725
Crooked Creek	1868	28	9	128	1264	4	200	100 00	1600 00	3250
Current River	1880	16	8	98	930	-----	-----	64 37	113 37	-----
Dardanelle	1854	49	27	269	2754	11	916	809 10	4005 07	17300
Enon, Texas	-----	3	-----	-----	363	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----
Fayetteville	1870	34	28	177	1990	14	1420	971 75	6554 79	52460
Fourche Valley	1887	18	10	139	893	4	261	125 80	377 78	2000
Friendship	1872	35	13	430	3110	25	1275	1000 00	14500 00	71800
Gainesville	1874	36	27	192	2503	14	-----	361 39	3785 00	13750
Grand Prairie	1874	32	18	170	1679	14	-----	635 30	2971 25	8300
Greenbrier	1883	31	23	289	2239	10	744	383 45	288 18	7900
Howard County	1893	52	18	214	2275	18	-----	740 52	4617 86	14777
Hope	1908	13	6	-----	1251	-----	-----	1500 00	22500 00	85000
Independence	1850	24	20	202	1675	4	170	502 61	3269 60	13700
Jonesboro	1898	17	7	137	1225	14	530	159 74	740 97	6000
Judson	1854	45	17	185	2778	26	1006	840 35	4437 30	18350
Liberty	1846	38	22	202	3066	11	800	2426 33	14260 06	42700
Little Red River	1872	24	14	69	1472	12	676	103 23	1818 03	6875
Madison County	1888	24	19	56	721	3	-----	-----	-----	-----
Mt. Vernon	1867	27	14	174	1826	19	1012	1658 16	10235 80	33950
Mt. Zion	1852	51	39	432	4259	23	1700	4358 97	18548 38	100000
Ouachita	1878	27	27	125	983	8	469	424 61	2353 47	6830
Pee Dee	1883	12	7	85	579	2	-----	-----	-----	-----
Pike County	1905	11	-----	-----	405	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----
Pine Bluff	1862	47	28	264	3425	24	1089	327 79	3922 19	14500
Red River	1848	32	33	155	2754	23	1373	2084 10	8660 13	44000
Rocky Bayou	1842	30	9	109	1737	3	-----	126 43	1025 58	4650
Russellville	1880	27	18	120	1371	-----	-----	200 00	1100 00	11750
Saline	1839	50	33	285	3922	20	1043	2996 01	16516 10	36550
Southwestern	1800	46	13	182	2171	8	641	379 44	4815 74	9000
Spring River	1868	32	18	100	2098	13	659	188 14	2877 24	16400
State Line	1874	11	10	90	672	3	171	41 62	444 51	2850
Stevens' Creek	1890	20	9	96	794	3	149	84 07	117 32	2000
Trace Ridge	1889	19	7	77	734	3	150	2 75	169 58	-----
Texasiana, Tex.	1873	3	-----	-----	193	5	-----	-----	-----	-----
Union No. 1	1871	46	19	169	3143	14	600	678 71	3794 73	14925
Union No. 2	1879	16	8	99	690	5	-----	7 55	504 60	-----
United	1874	26	16	180	1558	2	150	400 00	1500 00	5750
White River	1849	22	13	99	1147	8	436	140 40	989 24	5000
White River Valley	1875	15	12	105	726	5	135	150 00	1150 00	3500
Total		1482	899	8644	98384	545	31471	\$40659 82	\$271297 26	\$1097603

NOTE—This table is made up largely from last year's minutes, no minutes having yet been received for 1908 from most associations.—Statistical Secretary.