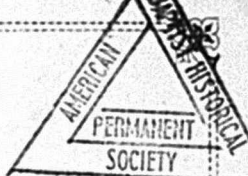


# MINUTES

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## TENTH ANNUAL SESSION

—OF THE—

**WHITE RIVER VALLEY BAPTIST**

## ASSOCIATION,

Held with Hickory Grove Church, Jackson County, Arkansas,  
Commencing on Saturday, September 30, 1882.

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### OFFICERS.

F. M. BRANNAN, Moderator.

J. G. SMITH, Clerk.

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Next Session to be held with Bold Spring Church, Sharp County,  
Arkansas.

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The Tenth annual session of the White River Valley Association met with Hickory Grove church, Jackson county, Arkansas, on September 30th, 1882. The introductory sermon was preached by Elder F. M. Brannan. The Moderator then called the body to order.

The Moderator then called for corresponding messengers, when the letters were read and messengers enrolled as follows:

Bold Spring—Elder David Wagster, Elder F. M. Brannan, Jesse Crooms, V. A. S. Erwin.

Liberty—Dan Williamson, Joseph Otener.

Pleasant Valley—David May, J. C. Blakely, R. Manley, J. P. Foushee.

Oak Grove—J. W. Jones, David Whit, W. Southall.

Mount Zion—Elder J. L. Blansett, M. Head.

Taylor's Bay—

Pleasant Hill—

Cedar Grove—E. T. Glen, J. L. Léwallen.

Hickory Grove—J. G. Smith, W. P. Hurley, R. V. Hunter, Robt. Armstrong.

Macedonia—T. Brannan, W. Rutledge.

The other churches belonging to the association were not represented by letter or messenger.

The Moderator then appointed the following committees:

Committee on Publication—J. G. Smith, Dan. Williamson, J. P. Foushee.

Committee on Sabbath Schools—J. C. Blakely, V. A. S. Erwin, W. A. Rutledge.

Committee on Education—Robt. Manley, W. G. Southall, R. V. Hunter.

On Arrangement of Business—J. L. Blansett, W. P. Hurley, T. J. Brannan.

By motion and second, the body then went into the election of moderator and clerk for the ensuing year, which resulted as follows: Elder F. M. Brannan, moderator, and J. G. Smith, clerk.

The Moderator then appointed the messengers from Hickory Grove church as a committee on Divine Service.

There was then an invitation to messengers from sister associations, when Elder Crow and J. L. Brown, from the Independence association, and W. W. Crabtree, from Spring River association, came forward, and were cordially invited to seats with the body.

By motion and second, the body then adjourned until Monday morning at 8 o'clock.

F. M. BRANNAN, Moderator.

J. G. SMITH, Clerk.

[Preaching at the church on Sabbath, at 11 o'clock a. m. by Elder J. L. Brown, and at 3 o'clock p. m. by Elder F. M. Brannan, to large and appreciating congregations.—CLERK.]

### MONDAY MORNING, October 2, 1882.

The association met pursuant to adjournment. Prayer by Elder J. L. Blansett, after which the Moderator declared the body in session.

The Moderator then called for the report on arrangement of business, which was read and adopted. Report—

1. Call roll, and mark adsentees.
2. Read and correct minutes of previous meeting.
3. Call for petitionary letters.
4. Call for report of committees.
5. Call for unfinished business.
6. To determine where the next association shall be held, and who shall preach the introductory sermon.
7. Miscellaneous business.

J. L. BLANSETT, Chairman.

The report on Sabbath schools was then called for and read, as follows:

That we, the committee on Sabbath schools, report as follows: That we know of some churches that keep up regular Sunday schools, and that we believe it to be our duty to encourage Sabbath schools, and

that parents should go forward and encourage and instruct the rising generation in the truths of the scriptures, and that much may be done for the cause of religion and for the good of the country this way. Parents, teach your children, that they may lead a quiet, peaceful and happy life, and by so doing you may rejoice forever more.

V. A. S. ERWIN, Chairman.

After some remarks, the report was, by motion and second, adopted.

The committee on Education then made the following report: We, your committee on Education, look on education as one of the greatest questions of the day, and we are fully satisfied that it does not receive the attention from your denomination that its great importance demands, therefore we urge upon this association to do all that they can to get up and sustain a good school, where our children may receive such mental training that they may be prepared for lives of usefulness. Education is the great bulwark of American freedom. We must educate or we will perish.

ROBT. MANLEY, Chairman.

The report was received, and by motion and second, adopted.

The report of the committee on Publication was then read: Your committee, to whom was referred the subject of Publication, submit the following: First. We would recommend the Arkansas Evangel as a religious denominational paper well suited for the advancement of the Baptist cause of Arkansas, and would earnestly request that every head of a family subscribe for and read the same.

J. G. SMITH, Chairman.

After some discussion, and earnest appeals for the support of the paper, the report was adopted.

By motion and second, the body adjourned to meet at 2 o'clock p. m.

F. M. BRANNAN, Moderator.

J. G. SMITH, Clerk.

[Preaching at 11 o'clock a. m., by Elder David Wagster.—CLERK.]

#### MONDAY EVENING, 2 o'clock p. m.

The association met pursuant to adjournment. Services opened by singing and prayer. There was then a motion and second to disconnect the association and district meeting, which motion was lost.

The finance committee then made their report, showing \$17.20 received from the churches.

There was then a resolution to offer correspondence with the following associations:

Spring River—David Wagster, V. A. S. Erwin, E. T. Glen.

Rocky Bayou—J. L. Blansett, F. M. Brannan.

Independence—Dan Williamson, Joseph Otener, J. L. Blansett.

United Association—J. P. Foushee, R. V. Hunter, Robt. Manley.

It was then determined by the body that the next association be held with Bold Spring church, Sharp county, Arkansas, commencing on Saturday before the First Sunday in October, 1883, and that Elder F. M. Brannan preach the opening sermon, and J. L. Blansett, his alternate.

*Resolved*, That we tender our thanks to the brethren of this church and community for their kindness to us during the sitting of this body.

J. L. BLANSETT.

*Resolved*, That we tender our thanks to the Moderator and Clerk for their faithful discharge of duty during the present session.

J. L. BLANSETT.

CHURCHES.	POST OFFICE.	MEETING DAYS.	PASTORS.	CLERK.	Printing Minutes	Rec'd by Baptism	Rec'd by Letter	Disin by Letter	Excluded	Died	Total
Bold Spring	Strawberry	3d Sunday	H. M. Price	V. A. S. Erwin	2 10	3 00	3	1	1	88	
Liberty	Sulphur Rock	4th Sunday	F. M. Brannan	J. H. Davidson	3 40	13 00	3	1	1	94	
Pl't Valley	Newport	1st Sunday	D. E. Hunt	D. May	3 00	00 00	3	8	2	75	
Oak Grove	Bowens Ridge	4th Sunday	J. L. Blansett	S. G. T. Hill	1 50	1 10	00	00	2	30	
Mt. Zion	Jamestown	4th Sunday	J. J. Vest	T. Burges	2 00	00 1	1	1	00	40	
Taylor's Bay		4th Sunday	D. Wagster								
Pleasant Hill			D. E. Hunt								
Cedar Grove	Convenience	2d Sunday	A. Whitner	G. W. Northern	1 00	5 1 00	1 00	1 00	34		
Hicky Grove	Jacksonport	3d Sunday	D. E. Hunt	J. G. Smith	3 00	00 00	00	3 00	43		
Macedonia	Sulphur Rock	3d Sunday			1 20	00 00	00	00	1	13	
Totals					\$17.20	22	3 10	15	7	415	

### CLERK AND TREASURER'S REPORT.

Amount received from the churches	\$17.20
Amount for printing and distributing minutes	\$12.20
Clerk's fee	5.00

The association then adjourned, to meet with Bold Spring church, Sharp county, Arkansas, on Saturday before the first Sabbath in October, 1883.

F. M. BRANNAN, Moderator.

J. G. SMITH, Clerk.