

PROCEEDINGS

—OF THE—

Concord * Baptist * Association,

HELD WITH THE CHURCH AT

Oak Grove, Sebastian County, Ark.,

September 27, 28, 29 and 30, 1890.

TWENTIETH ANNUAL SESSION.

OFFICERS.

L. F. PATTERSON, MODERATOR, Dayton, Ark.
C. C. STALCUP, CLERK, Enterprise, Ark.
J. T. MAYFIELD, TREASURER, Dahoma, Ark.

*The Next Session of North Concord will be held with Sharon Church,
Near Chismville, Logan County, Ark., Commencing
Saturday before the 4th Sunday in Sept., 1891.*

Introductory Sermon, T. H. B. McALISTER.
Alternate, H. L. BEAN.
Missionary Sermon, D. C. YEARGIN.
Alternate, A. J. HENSON.

*South Concord to meet with Poteau Church, Scott County, on Satur-
day before 3rd Sunday in October, 1891*

Introductory Sermon, A. H. AUTRY.
Alternate, R. P. CLABORNE.
Missionary Sermon, J. D. RASBERRY.
Alternate, J. N. PENNINGTON.

MINUTES.

The Concord Association met in its twentieth Annual Session at Oak Grove, Sebastian County, Arkansas, Sept. 27, 1890. At 11 o'clock a. m., in the absence of Bro. J. F. O'Neal, who had been previously appointed to preach the Introductory Sermon, Bro. Nobles who was alternate was called to the stand, and he excused himself. On motion, Bro. L. Quinn was requested to preach the Introductory Sermon, which he did, giving us an earnest and edifying discourse on the importance of giving the body as a sacrifice to God.

Bro. C. B. Neal, Moderator of one wing of the Association then came forward and made a statement concerning the settlement of our past difficulty, and closed by inviting every delegate from churches of the other wing of the Association to come forward, so that he and they might give to each other the hand of fellowship. On behalf of Bro. L. F. Patterson, Moderator of the other wing of the Association, he invited all those belonging to his wing of the Association, to come forward while they and Bro. Patterson gave to each other the hand of fellowship. The delegates from the two wings were also invited to extend to each other the hand of fellowship. Then followed a grand old-fashioned hand-shaking, and tears of joy and gratitude came freely, as brethren so long separated, grasped each other's hand in token that peace and fellowship was restored. Thus was ratified the union which had been made by the committees appointed last year by the two wings of the Association. This was truly a happy day for Concord Association. To see the differences of the past, over which there has been so much contention, consigned to

oblivion, and the brethren of this grand old body once more united in the grand and glorious cause so dear to us God be praised for such a reunion.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

At 2 o'clock p. m., the Association was again convened by Bro. L. F. Patterson, assisted by Bro. C. B. Neal. Bro. Patterson read the 35th chapter of Isaiah. Prayer by Bro. D. C. Yeargin. W. B. Herndon was then appointed, in the absence of Bro. H. N. Smith, the other clerk, to assist C. C. Stalcup as clerk. Letters were then called for, and Bro. A. H. Autrey and W. L. Compere were appointed as reading clerks. Letters were presented and read.

ROLL OF MESSENGERS.

Sharon—Thos Hilton J M Ray D L Hendrix	Prairie Grove—L B Flynn J Jetton T S Pi-
Hackett—Jas Edmondson W Hooks D C	per
Yeargin	Mt Nebo—D L Moore Z L Wright T F Rodden
Shiloh—Jas Warren R Godwin E S Amos.	Greenwood—C B Neal
Lee Speight	Mt Hope—A S Jackson H F Mosley
Oak Grove—H L Bean A H Autry L Bean	Pleasant Grove—M A Williams N D Fuller
B R Townly	J M Bird
Poteau—J W Condry P E Windham J A	Center Valley—J W Nobles Wiley Nobles
Denton M R Dedmon	Sam'l Martin
Pleasant Grove—L B Plumber L L Burns	Pleasant Grove No 2—J C Brownfield J M
J W Tripp F H White	Kuykendoll C W Owens
New Home—R E Watson G W Pearce J W	Fellowship—A A Spiller
Stafton	Pleasant Valley—Wm Peck ——— Willman
Waldron—J S Mitabel J M Singleton W B	Echo—J J Holland
Herndon	Oak Bower—J W Mashburn R H Brown P
Judson—J W Ming	C Mays L H McLendon
Huntington—F M Alexander J A Finney	Pilgrim's Rest—R P Ciaborne J P Byers J
Center Point—L Wolf W J Malone	J Alexander
Mill Creek—M Karr A J Henson J W Rice	Prairie View—W R Powell W A Redmond
F M Vanlandingham	Thos Bolinger
New Providence—J H Anderson	Barber—J J Aydlett B Hicks W O May
Grand Prairie—R W Austin J T Mayfield G	Hopewell—L Mitchell J M Moore W S
W Tignor	Hooker
White Oak—A G Patterson G R Muchter J	Cedar Grove—W D Looper S T Jones A H
L Bryant	Farmer
Pine Mountain—I M Powel W H Cary	Bloomer—J S Hamilton S J Herriman L B
Cedar Creek—H H Travis P White F D Mc-	Ellis
Aleb	Oak Valley—Thos Edwards D Hopkins
Amity—H J Roberts Daniel Chaplain W J	—— Sheperd
Baker	Sulphur Springs—T H B McAlester G T
Oak Bend—J T Harkins G T Slaton G W	Matthews Jo Williams Wm Martin
Barrett	Mt Harmony—E J Wallace A D Chronister
Union Grove—W N Dodson J C Ervin S	J P Babb
Franks J W Boles	James' Fork—R M Evans E Ross J T Heav-
Rock Creek—Jos Phillips M Condry B F	ner
Haddox	Dayton—L F Patterson Wm Tyler M V
Vesta—Jno Neshbot C F Spiller W A Ted-	Gann W S Bray B D Barnes
ford	Palestine—A Florence W A Vineyard
	Providence—J C Whitto E J Peters

NOTE—This roll may not be correct, as it was not verified by the Association.—(CLERK.)

The Moderator then appointed the Pastor and Deacons of Oak Grove church, committee on Divine Services.

The Association then went into an election of officers, which resulted as follows:

L. F. PATTERSON, of Dayton, Moderator.

C. C. STALCUP, of Enterprise, Clerk.

J. T. MAYFIELD, of Dahoma, Treasurer.

Committee on Divine Service report for preaching to-night:

W. L. Compere, at Planter; J. H. Blaylock, at Oak Grove; J. N. Pennington, at Sulphur Springs; W. M. Morris, at Biswell Springs; R. P. Claborne, at Union Grove; J. H. Buckner, at Greenwood.

At Bro. R. H. McConnell's request, he was released as a delegate, and Bro. A. H. Autrey substituted in his stead.

On motion, the regular order of business was suspended and Bro. J. H. Buckner, of Buckner College, was introduced and spoke in favor of that College, and in a few concise remarks presented the claims of the College to the Baptists of Arkansas.

On motion, adjourned until 8:30 a. m., Monday.

SUNDAY EXERCISES.

At 10 o'clock Sunday morning, convened in Sunday School Mass Meeting, with Bro. P. C. Mays in the chair. At this meeting the Sunday School question was discussed by Brethren Finney, McAlister, Frost, and others.

The Moderator appointed the following committees:

Woman's Work. J. N. Pennington, P. C. Mays, L. H. McLendon, A. L. Brown.

Foreign Missions. T. H. B. McAlister, J. J. Holland, B. F. Haddock.

Ministerial Education. D. C. Yeargin, A. H. Autrey, R. P. Claborne.

Obituaries. J. W. Nobles, E. Ross, Jas. White.

Temperance. R. P. Claborne, G. T. Mathews, J. D. Denton.

Queries. D. M. Bryant, N. A. Carpenter, A. J. Henson.

Home Missions. T. H. B. McAlister, W. B. Herndon, G. T. Mathews.

Finance. J. W. Mashburn, J. S. Mitchell, S. J. Herriman.

Sunday Schools. W. B. Herndon, H. J. Roberts, T. A. Rippy, G. W.

Tignor.

Religious Literature. J. T. Mayfield, D. L. Moore, Jas. Edmondson.

Ministerial Support. A. H. Autrey, J. A. Finney, B. D. Barnes, H. L. Been.

At 11 o'clock, Bro. J. H. Pennington preached on Missions in the M. E. Church, and Bro. W. L. Compere in the Baptist Church; and, at the close of each sermon, a collection was taken up which amounted in all to \$41.00 in cash with a small amount of pledges.

MONDAY, SEPT. 29, 1890.

At 8:30 o'clock a. m., the Association was convened by singing, and the Moderator read the 13th chapter of I Cor. Prayer by H. L. Been. Minutes of previous meetings read and approved.

A call was then made for petitionary letters, and responded to by Booneville, Mt. Zion, Providence and Planter, and on motion they were all admitted.

On motion, Bro. W. M. Morris was admitted as a visitor from Short Mountain Association.

On motion, Bro. Rice was excused.

On motion, Bro. J. H. Blaylock was admitted as a visitor from Dardanelle Association.

Report of Committees was called for, and report on Temperance presented, and discussed by Brethren Claborne, Watson, Yeargin, McConnell, Blaylock and the Moderator, and adopted. See Appendix M.

A petitionary letter was then presented from Boles Church, in Scott county, and on motion, the Church was admitted.

Committee on Ministerial Support made report, which was discussed by Brethren Autrey, Blaylock, Compere and Mays, and further discussion suspended till after preaching.

At 11 o'clock, preaching by Bro. R. P. Claborne, from James 1:27.

At 2 o'clock, the Association was convened by singing. Prayer by Bro. McAlister.

On motion, Bro. J. C. Mayfield was received as corresponding messenger from Russellville Association, and Bro. A. J. Rippy was also admitted from Shiloh Association, Cook County, Texas.

The rules were now suspended, and the following resolution was presented:

WHEREAS, That by the grace of God, we are now one body, and to Him be the thanks; and

WHEREAS, The present size of this body is too burdensome to the christian hospitality of any one community; therefore be it

RESOLVED, That we now resolve this body into two or more independent associational bodies, to hold fraternal intercourse one with the other; and this resolution doth further pray that a committee of judicious brethren be appointed to suggest means and boundaries for our separation. The above resolution was adopted, and the following brethren appointed as a committee to effect such division: Mays, Claborne, McAlister, Holland, Watson, Autry and McLendon.

On motion, Bro. A. R. Hill was admitted as corresponding messenger from Dardanelle Association. The regular order of business was then taken up, and discussion of report on Ministerial support resumed by Bro. L. Been, and others, and adopted. See appendix B.

Report of committee on Sunday Schools read and adopted. See appendix C.

REPORT OF FINANCE COMMITTEE.

Foreign Missions.....	\$41.20
Home Missions.....	13.55
Indian Missions.....	2.30
Associational Missions.....	20.65
Minutes.....	64.05

Report on Religious Literature read, amended, and adopted. See appendix E.

Report on Foreign Missions was read and adopted. See appendix F.

Report on Woman's Work read and adopted. See Appendix G.

Committee on Associational Missions made report, and, after an animated discussion, it was adopted. See appendix H.

On motion, adjourned until 8.30 a. m. to-morrow. Prayer by Bro. Mays.

TUESDAY MORNING, SEPT. 30, 1890.

The Association met pursuant to adjournment. The Moderator read the 51st Psalm. Prayer by Bro. Edmondson. The minutes of yesterday were read and approved.

Committee on Obituaries report, which was re-committed.

Committee on Ministerial Education make report which was discussed and adopted. During the discussion, \$23.40 in cash, and pledges \$9.00, was raised for that purpose, which amount was ordered turned over to the State Board of Ministerial Education. See appendix I.

Special Committee on Division of the Association made report, which was discussed and adopted. See appendix J.

On motion, a committee of three was appointed to make an equitable division of the Associational means. Appointed brethren Watson, McLendon and Claborne.

On motion, a committee on time and place of meeting was appointed, consisting of brethren Mays, Pennington, Been and Windham.

On motion, Bro. Mays was appointed a missionary in the destitute portion of the Choctaw Nation.

Executive Board, Bro. Barnes, chairman, made its report which was adopted. See appendix K.

Executive Board, Bro. McAlister, chairman, made its report which was adopted. See appendix L.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

Received for Minutes.....	\$64.05
Received for Associational Missions.....	20.65
Received for Home Missions.....	13.55
Received for Foreign Missions.....	41.20
Received for Indian Missions.....	2.30

Total Receipts.	<u>\$141.75</u>
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By amount paid clerk for Minutes.....	\$64.05
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By amount on hand to balance.....	-- 77.70
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Committee on Obituaries again report. See appendix A.

On motion, a memorial page was set apart in our minutes, for our deceased members.

Committee on Queries report. See appendix N.

Special committee on division of funds report, and pending discussion, adjourn for preaching.

At 11 a. m., preaching by Bro. P. C. Mays on the Second Coming of Christ.

At 1 p. m., the Association was called together by singing. Prayer by Bro. A. G. Patterson.

Report on division of funds adopted. See appendix O.

Report on Nominations. See appendix D.

On motion, Sunday collection for missions instructed to be forwarded to I. T. Tichenor, Atlanta, Ga., to be expended on our work in Cuba.

On motion, the home mission funds belonging to South Concord were divided, and paid to Bros. Jas. Edmondson and W. B. Herndon.

Treasurers Report of South Concord adopted. See appendix P.

On motion, \$18.70 was appropriated out of funds not instructed as to how to be appropriated, for Bro. A. J. Henson as a balance due him by Executive Board.

The following messengers were appointed:

To State Convention. A. H. Autry, D. C. Yeargin, G. W. Tignor, T. H. B. McAlister, and W. B. Herndon.

To General Association: J. J. Holland, D. C. Yeargin, W. B. Herndon, A. A. Spiller.

To Southern Baptist Convention: L. F. Patterson, A. H. Autry.

Correspondents were appointed, as follows:

To Russellville Association: A. J. Henson.

To Clear Creek Association: H. L. Been, A. H. Autry, G. W. Tignor, A. L. Brown, Henry Carr.

To Short Mountain Association: P. E. Windham, L. F. Patterson, A. A. Spiller.

To Ouachita Association: J. J. Holland, A. G. Patterson, I. H. McLendon, R. P. Claborne.

To Dardanelle Association: J. W. Nobles, G. T. Watson, A. G. Patterson, N. A. Carpenter, R. P. Claborne.

On motion, clerk was allowed \$15.00 for services, and remainder minute funds to be applied to printing and distributing minutes.

On motion, thanks of this body was tendered Oak Grove Church and community for their hospitality.

There being no further business before the body, the Moderator then made a few remarks, after which all engaged in singing a parting hymn and extending the parting hand, and after prayer the Association adjourned.

APPENDIX A.

REPORT ON OBITUARIES.

Your committee on Obituaries would report, after examining the letters from the Churches of Concord Association, we find that thirty-two of our brethren and sisters have fallen asleep in Jesus.

Brother Hazzard Been, a member of Oak Grove Church, one of the oldest members of this body and a life member of this Association, departed this life April 14, 1890, in the 74th year of his age, in the full triumph of a living faith. His last words were, "I have been here long enough, it is all right."

Sister Talitha Ware, a member of the same Church, departed this life April 6, 1890, in the full triumphs of a living faith.

Brother Wm. S. Young, a minister of the gospel, a member of West Harmony Church, departed this life Oct. 1889. He also departed in the full triumphs of faith.

Sister Young, his wife, died April, 1890 in the triumphs of faith.

Brother Thos. Suggs, of James' Fork Church, departed this life Sept., 1890. He died in the faith.

Brother Thos Echols, of Providence Church, departed Dec., 1889. Age, 87 years; his prospects bright; he had kept the faith.

Sister Catherine Woody, of same Church, departed March, 1889. She lived a consistent Christian.

Sister Fanny Thomas, of Sulphur Springs Church, departed June 22, 1890, in the 62nd year of her age, who expressed herself perfectly resigned.

Sister Jane C. Morgan, an aged sister, has left us since last we met, as has also sister Charlotte Cahoon, June 13, 1890, aged 84 years.

Brother G. W. Long also died, June, 1890.

We regret that we do not find from the letters the names and dates of others, and would earnestly recommend that each Church of this Association send names and dates in their letters to this body, of their deceased members. Higher eulogies on their christian virtues we know not to pronounce than that expressed by the Revelator: "Blessed are the dead who die in the Lord, that they may rest from their labor, and their works do follow them."

Let us who remain, who look for the second coming of Jesus, work while it is called to-day; bouyed with the consolation that when this earthly house of this tabernacle is dissolved, we have a building of God, a house not made with hands, eternal, in the Heavens.

Respectfully submitted:

J. W. NOBLES, Chairman.

APPENDIX B.

REPORT ON MINISTERIAL SUPPORT.

We all agree to the Bible doctrine, that they which "preach the gospel shall live of the gospel;" that, if they administer spiritual things, they should reap the necessary carnal things for their support. Notwithstanding the clearness of this doctrine, our preachers are not generally supported as they should be, and we suggest two reasons why they are not. First—Our preachers do not generally teach their churches and congregations the Bible doctrine of ministerial support; neither do they make the demand for their labor as they perform their work. Secondly—The churches do not avail themselves of the facilities in hand to inform themselves on this subject; and, therefore do not realize their responsibility to their pastors; nor appreciate their labor as they should.

Therefore, we recommend that the ministry be more diligent in teaching the churches their duty to their pastors, and that the churches be careful to inform themselves as to their duty to their pastors, and contribute to their support as the Lord has prospered them.

A. H. AUTRY, Chairman.

APPENDIX C.

REPORT ON SABBATH SCHOOLS.

We find, from the best information we can gather from the various churches, that the Shnday school work is badly neglected in most of our churches; there being but few of our churches that have Baptist Sunday schools. This is a sad fact; when we consider the obligation resting on us as parents and as christians, and the importance of teaching the truth to our children, which is able to make us wise unto salvation, and that there is no better place to teach the truth than in the Sunday school. We, therefore, recommend that steps be taken at once to organize a Sunday school in each of our churches, however small it may be.

W. B. HERNDON, Chairman.

APPENDIX D.

REPORT ON NOMINATIONS.

Your committee on nominations recommend that North Concord meet at Sharon Church, three miles north of Chisomville, on Saturday before the fourth Sunday in September, 1891, at 11 o'clock a. m.; and that Bro. T. H. B. McAlister preach the introductory sermon, H. L. Been, alternate; Missionary sermon, Bro. D. C. Yeargin, A. J. Henson, alternate.

Also, that South Concord meet at Poteau Church, six miles west of Waldron, Scott county, Saturday before third Sunday in October, 1891, at 11 o'clock a. m., Bro. A. H. Autry to preach the Introductory Sermon, and R. P. Claborn, alternate; Missionary sermon by Bro. J. D. Raspberry, alternate, J. N. Pennington.

Executive Committee of North Concord: R. H. McConnell, R. L. Been, T. H. B. McAlister, A. L. Brown, G. W. Tignor.

Executive Committee of South Concord: W. V. Gann, B. D. Barne, Wm. Tyler, J. W. Cross, G. A. Graves.

Respectfully,

P. C. MAVS, Chairman.

APPENDIX E.

REPORT ON RELIGIOUS LITERATURE.

We, your committee to whom was submitted the subject of Religious Literature, would respectfully recommend Kind Words and its series, The American Baptist Publication Society Series, Arkansas Baptist, Home Field and Foreign Mission Journal.

J. T. MAYFIELD, Chairman.

APPENDIX F.

REPORT ON FOREIGN MISSIONS.

Your committee beg leave to report, that in our judgment the subject is one of great and vital importance, and demands our immediate attention. The Master did give to his Church the great commission to preach the gospel to every creature. We believe it to be the duty of each, and every member to aid in this *grand* and *glorious* work; and as we have a well organized system of Foreign Missions, we earnestly insist on all the churches in the Association making liberal contributions for this purpose; and that the pastors be requested to take collections for this purpose, and report the same to the Executive Board. We also recommend the pastors to arrange a Ladies' Missionary Society in each church, and that these societies report to the Executive Board.

Respectfully,

J. J. HOLLAND, Chairman.

APPENDIX G.

WOMAN'S WORK.

Your Committee, recognizing the acknowledged influence of

women in society, families, Sabbath Schools, Churches, systematic economy, labor and devotion, we recommend

1. That there be an effort put forth by all the pastors and churches within the bounds of this Association to organize Woman's Aid Societies in all the churches.

2. That said societies meet not less than four times a year, and when practicable once a month.

3. That an effort be made to have all the members of the churches and others to become active, or honorary members of the aid society.

4. That all female members (active or honorary) pay two and a half cents a month, and that all males pay five cents a month, or that each society regulate its dues to suit its convenience.

J. N. PENNINGTON, Chairman.

APPENDIX H.

REPORT ON ASSOCIATIONAL MISSIONS.

Your committee on Associational Missions would report, that it makes us feel sad to know that there has been next to nothing done in the great work the past year, especially so, since there is so much destitution in our bounds. There are still in our bounds important rural districts, also towns and villages rising up like magic, being filled up with energetic, intelligent, business people, that are without Baptist preaching. For instance, Mansfield is an important railroad town, and has not a Baptist church, or any Baptist preaching in it. Other points of great importance, too numerous to mention, are in the same sad condition.

We do, therefore, recommend that this Association put at least two active missionaries in the field for their whole time, and that the churches composing this body be advised if possible to raise at least from \$5.00 to \$25.00 each for this great work. We further recommend that the messengers composing this body be requested to recommend that the foregoing recommendations be carried out by their respective churches, and that the money, or at least the greater part of it, be raised within the next three months, while there is money in the country; and that all the money be reported to the Executive Board for their disposal.

Respectfully submitted,

T. H. B. McALISTER, Chairman.

APPENDIX I.

REPORT ON MINISTERIAL EDUCATION.

Your committee on Ministerial Education beg leave to report that we are glad to know that the subject of general education and also the education of young ministers is now receiving special attention among our people; and, feeling the great need of a more efficient ministry, we, therefore, urge our churches to see that our young ministers be encouraged to avail themselves of the provisions made by our denomination to qualify themselves for preaching the gospel. We further recommend Ouachita College, located at Arkadelphia, as a good school for literary

training and the Seminary, at Louisville, Kentucky, for thorough theological training.

Respectfully,

D. C. YEARGIN,

R. P. CLABORNE, A. H. AUTRY.

APPENDIX J.

REPORT ON FRATERNAL SEPARATION.

We, the committee, recommend that the territory now composing Concord Association be divided into two parts, Backbone Mountain being the dividing line. The territory including the churches on the south side of the mountain to be known as the "South Concord Association," and that lying on the north side to be known as the "North Concord Association."

P. C. MAYS.

APPENDIX K.

REPORT ON SOUTH CONCORD ASSOCIATION.

Your Executive Committee would report that we met at Dayton, Ark., on Saturday before the fourth Sunday in Oct., 1889, and contracted with Bro. James Edmondson, as financial agent, at \$1.50 per day for the days labored in visiting the churches to raise means to support the missionary. He labored eighteen days, and collected \$30.25 in cash and \$38.75 in pledges. At a called meeting in June, 1890, we appointed Eld. W. B. Herndon and Eld. James Edmondson as missionaries and they labored as follows:

Missionary Report of W. B. Herndon for 1890. Days labored, 182; Sermons, 165; Miles traveled, 1949; Conversions, 33; Baptisms, 5; Restored, 2; Received by letter, 10; Religious visits, 258; Churches organized, 1; Deacons ordained, 2; Sunday Schools organized, 2.

AMOUNT RECEIVED.

From the Board of the General Association of Western Arkansas and Indian Territory.....\$50.00.

Jones Creek Church.....21.25.

Fellowship Church.....2.15.

Sister Malone of Waldron.....4.25.

Boles Church.....5.50.

Total.....\$83.15.

W. B. HERNDON, Missionary.

Missionary Report of James Edmondson.

Days of labor.....62

Miles traveled.....450

Preached Sermons.....25

Exhortations.....12

Baptised.....6

Received from Treasurer Executive Board.....\$30.25.

B. D. BARNES,

JAMES EDMONDSON,

Secretary of Board.

Missionary.

APPENDIX L.

REPORT ON NORTH CONCORD ASSOCIATION.

We, the Executive Committee, appointed by the Moderator at the last session of said Association, beg leave to say that the board has met three times this year. We have transacted but very little business. First business was for the Secretary to write to all the churches in the bounds of the Association to use their best efforts to raise funds for home missions, upon which the Secretary has received from Prairie Grove, Shiloh and Oak Bend the amount of \$2.75 which has been turned into the treasury of this body. Next there was a request sent in from Vesta for help from the board to pay their pastor for services rendered them for which the board asked the Treasurer to send it to them and help in the time of need. Next Order of business was that the Secretary of the Board write to Treasurer to pay Bro. A. J. Henson \$30.00 for services rendered by him to the Shiloh Church, \$11.30 of which was paid by him, that being all the funds on hand in Treasury. Done by order of Committee.

J. W. MASHBURN, Secretary.

APPENDIX M.

REPORT ON TEMPERANCE.

Your Committee submit the following report on Temperance:

We believe the use of ardent spirits a great barrier to national prosperity. It destroys human happiness; it causes the innocent to suffer and the guilty to go unpunished, in many instances. We believe it to be one of the greatest evils that the human family has to contend with. Therefore, we recommend that our churches deal promptly with all members who use it as a beverage.

R. P. CLAYBORN, Chairman.

APPENDIX N.

REPORT ON QUERIES.

We, your committee on Queries, beg leave to report that we find one church requesting that our Articles of Faith be printed in our minutes. Therefore we recommend that our Articles of Faith be printed in our minutes.

Respectfully submitted,

N. A. CARPENTER,

A. J. HENSON.

APPENDIX O.

DIVISION OF ASSOCIATIONAL FUNDS.

We recommend an equal division of all home and associational mission funds now in the hands of the treasurer of this body, paid in at this session.

J. T. WATSON.

APPENDIX P

REPORT OF TREASURER OF SOUTH CONCORD.

Received of James Edmondson, financial agent of the Executive Board for Home Missions, \$30.25. Paid to Eld. James Edmondson for services as agent, \$12.00. Paid to Elder James Edmondson for missionary services, \$18.25. Total paid, \$30.25.

B. D. BARNES, Treasurer.

ARTICLES OF FAITH.

1. We believe there is one, and only one, true and living God, Jehovah; and that in the God-head there are three persons, the Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

2. We believe that the scriptures of the Old and New Testaments are the inspired Word of God; constituting the only, and all sufficient, standard of faith, doctrine, discipline and practice.

3. We believe that election is the sovereign exercise of that eternal love by which God hath, according to his infinite wisdom, chosen his people in Christ, before the world was; and hath predestinated them unto the adoption of children, through sanctification and belief of the truth, and doth keep them by his power through faith unto salvation.

4. We believe that man was created holy, but by wilful violation of the laws of his maker, he fell into a state of sinfulness, and brought death upon his race, who, being by natural descent in the unholy image of Adam, and by nature the children of wrath, and without natural or spiritual ability to live a holy life or attain to a happy state.

5. We believe that sinners are saved by grace, through faith in Jesus Christ, and in no other way.

6. We believe that in order to be saved, sinners must be regenerated, or born again; that regeneration is effected by the power of the Holy Spirit in connection with divine truth; that proper evidences thereof are repentance, faith, and obedience unto Christ.

7. We believe that such, only, are true believers as endure to the end in holiness of life; and they are kept by the power of God through faith unto salvation.

8. We believe the scriptures teach that repentance, faith and sacred duties are inseparable graces, wrought in our souls by the regenerating Spirit of God.

9. A Christian Church is a congregation of immersed believers, who meet stately and have covenanted together to maintain the ordinances of Christ, discharge the duties and enjoy the privileges in the New Testament appertaining to the Church of Jesus Christ.

10. The only proper officers of a Christian Church are bishops, or pastors, and deacons.

11. Christian baptism is the immersion of a believer in the name of the Father, Son and Holy Spirit, by a regularly ordained minister, in good order.

12. The Lord's Supper is a positive commemoration ordinance of Jesus Christ, to be observed in the churches as such, in remembrance of Christ, and to show forth his death till he comes.

13. The first day of the week is the Lord's day, and should be observed as a day of rest from common labor, and all worldly business, and devoted to religious duties.

14. We believe in the resurrection of the dead, and a general judgment; and that the felicity of the righteous, and the punishment of the wicked, will be eternal.

IN MEMORY

—†OF†—

OUR DEAD.

1889-1890.

May they Rest in Peace.

ORDER OF BUSINESS.

1. Call of Association to order by former Moderator, or if absent by Clerk or Moderator pro tem.
2. Reading letters and enrolling messengers.
3. Election of officers by ballot.
4. Call for petitionary letters.
5. Appointment of Finance Committee.
6. Appointment of Committees on Divine Service.
7. Call for letters and messengers from corresponding Associations.
8. Visiting brethren invited to seats.
9. Appointment of Committees.
10. Appointment of corresponding messengers.
11. Miscellaneous.
12. Call Roll.
13. Calling for report of Committees.
14. New business.
15. Appointment of next place of meeting.
16. Reading minutes.
17. Valedictory by Moderator. Prayer and parting hymn.

STATISTICAL TABLE.

CHURCHES.	POST OFFICE.	COUNTY.	PASTOR.	CLERK.	REC'D BY BAPT.	REC'D BY LET'R.	DISC'D	RES.	EXC.	DEAD	TOTAL	DAYS MEET- ING.	FOR MIN- UTES.	MIN- SIONS.
1 Hackett City.	Hackett City	Sebastian	D C Yeargin	J H Maxwell	16	17	6	0	0	0	31	2	22 25	\$
2 Oak Grove.	Greenwood	Sebastian	D C Yeargin	H L Bean	3	11	9	0	0	2	33	1	2 50	---
3 Waldron.	Waldron	Scott	F Patten son	H N Smith	5	15	4	0	1	4	105	2	1 70	5 85
4 Booneville.	Booneville	Logan	A H Autry	I J Cowce	32	0	0	0	0	1	47	0	2 00	---
5 James Fork.	Peoria	Sebastian	G W Evans	D L Vaughn	8	20	10	3	1	1	69	3	1 70	---
6 Center Point.	Magazine	Logan	D M Bryant	G A Bryant	0	2	2	0	0	0	27	4	1 70	---
7 Shuloh.	Belva	Scott	D M Bryant	S C Binning	8	5	11	0	1	1	31	3	1 50	---
8 Greenwood.	Greenwood	Sebastian	J D Rasberry	C B Neal	0	0	8	0	2	2	30	2	1 50	---
9 Hunter.	Greenwood	Sebastian	J T Watson	R J Harn	5	4	35	0	0	1	44	3	1 75	8 50
10 Dayton.	Dayton	"	T H Turner	B D Barnes	2	0	7	0	0	1	155	2	1 05	---
11 New Provid'nce	Hackett City	"	J M Tedbetter	J E Malone	5	7	7	0	0	0	44	2	1 75	---
12 Cedar Creek.	Gibson	Scott	T H B McAlister	D H Blair	5	4	7	0	0	0	33	4	1 50	---
13 Oak Bend.	Gammed	"	J F O'Neal	J T Harkins	1	3	0	0	1	0	29	3	1 0	---
14 Providence.	Milltown	Sebastian	H L Bean	J C White	1	8	3	0	2	2	12	2	1 50	---
15 White Oak	hismville	Logan	D M Bryant	P M Taylor	1	2	3	0	0	0	18	0	1 00	---
16 Vesta.	Vesta	"	F P Turner	J C Morgan	0	5	0	0	0	1	33	1	1 50	1 25
17 Grand Prairie	Dahona	"	J F O'Neal	G W Tignor	0	7	17	0	1	0	14	4	1 00	---
18 Elbo.	Rel o	Scott	J D Rasberry	S C Hall	0	5	6	0	1	0	8	0	1 00	---
19 Boies.	Boies	Scott	W B Herndon	A B Crekwell	0	6	0	0	0	0	19	0	1 00	---
20 Rock Creek.	Mansfield	Sebastian	R P Gibson	M Condry	0	0	0	0	0	0	95	0	1 50	---
21 Mount H. p.	National	Logan	J F O'Neal	H F Mosley	1	9	5	1	0	0	26	3	1 50	2 30
22 Mount Nefc.	Excelsior	Sebastian	D L Moore	Z L Wright	3	1	4	0	2	1	45	0	1 50	---
23 Mill Creek.	Donita	Franklin	A J Henson	F A Van'd'gham	4	5	18	0	2	0	37	2	1 50	6 63
24 Huntington.	Huntington	Sebastian	T H B McAlister	J A Finny	17	0	0	4	0	6	148	3	2 35	5 00
25 New Hmc.	authron	Scott	L B Blackburn	D S Delaughter	0	0	2	1	4	0	59	2	1 00	1 03
26 Poteau.	Waldron	Scott	L F Patterson	I M Hon	15	1	7	1	1	0	25	4	1 50	3 20
27 Center Valley	Runsv'ic	Sebastian	J F O'Neal	N A Martin	6	0	6	1	0	0	63	3	1 50	---
28 Pleasant Valley	Slatonville	Sebastian	Jas Edmondson	H Newcomb	0	0	3	1	2	1	76	0	1 25	---
29 Mount 71 n.	"	"	D C Yeargin	H K Basinger	0	4	1	2	1	0	50	0	1 00	1 09
30 Fellowship	Witcherville	Sebastian	J D Rasberry	G H Council	2	0	8	0	1	0	49	3	1 25	---
31 Prairie Grove.	Charlston	Franklin	A J Henson	S Pepper	0	0	5	0	0	1	27	0	1 00	---
32 Palestine.	Witcherville	Sebastian	D L Moore	W Rany	0	2	0	2	0	0	31	4	1 00	---
33 Judson.	Greenwood	"	D L Moore	L. cv Johnson	7	22	6	1	3	1	65	1	1 50	3 05
34 Pilgrims' Fest.	Mansfield	"	R P Claiborne	P A Watts	0	0	7	0	0	1	31	4	1 00	---
35 Cedar Grove.	Crow	Scott	Lce Blackburn	ST Jones	15	8	29	0	4	3	70	1	2 55	---
36 Sulphur Spr'gs	Greenwood	Sebastian	D M Bryant	I J Fuller	0	0	24	0	5	0	16	0	1 00	---
37 Howell.	Long Ridge	Logan	G W Evans	W H Simms	26	7	11	0	3	2	31	1	2 00	---
38 W Harmony.	Hartford	Sebastian	I W Nobles	S J Daniels	1	2	8	0	1	0	47	0	1 00	---
39 Oak Valley.	Lavaca	"	G T Mathews	S J Herriman	6	6	7	1	0	0	116	3	1 75	9 75
40 Bloomer	Bloomer	"	T H B McAlister	U M Brown	3	13	5	0	7	4	65	4	2 25	---
41 Oak Bower.	Lavaca	"	J F O'Neal	J N Gilliam	0	4	7	0	1	0	75	1	1 00	---
42 Prairie View.	Charleston	Franklin	J N Pennington	W S Shilton	22	6	7	1	1	0	51	2	1 00	---
43 Union Grove.	Booneville	Logan	J W Miller	H J Roberts	0	0	21	0	0	0	73	0	1 50	---
44 Amity.	Hackett City	Sebastian	J N Pennington	J J Alett	0	2	14	1	4	0	41	1	1 00	---
45 Glendale.	Barber	Scott	I W Nobles	W H Cary	1	7	0	0	1	1	71	3	1 50	2 15
46 Pine Mountain	Leon	Franklin	L T Hall	L M Loving	2	2	15	0	7	2	41	1	1 00	---
47 Sharon.	Caulkville	"	R P Claiborne	T J. v. v.	0	0	8	0	0	1	38	1	1 00	---
48 Pl'snt Grove 1	Waldron	Scott	L F Patten son	T B Williams	1	6	15	0	0	0	41	1	1 00	---
49 Pl'snt Grove 1	Greeridge	"	J M L. c. l. well	J M L. c. l. well	7	6	4	2	0	0	24	4	1 00	---
50 Pl'snt Grove 2	Fuller	"	R M Evans	J M L. c. l. well	7	6	4	2	0	0	24	4	1 00	---

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