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Thursday morning, Sept. 5th, 1889; Association met pursuant to adjournment at 11 o'clock, a. m. Eld. Broadway preached the introductory sermon. The body was then called to order by the Moderator, Clerk being absent, J. C. L. Presson was elected clerk pro tem. Eld. W. W. Reed and Asa Robertson were appointed to read the letters from the churches. The regular order of business was suspended and petitionary letters called for and the following churches came forward, viz:

Mt. Zion, Centre Ridge and Martinville.

The Moderator extended the right hand of fellowship to the messengers. The body then went into permanent organization by electing J. K. Broadway Moderator and E. A. Woolverton, Clerk. W. L. Woolverton was elected Treasurer. The Moderator appointed Bros. Horton, Ledbetter and Russell committees on devotional service.

Bros. Reed, Furguson and Robertson were appointed committee on order of business. Motion carried to adjourn 'till 7:30 o'clock, p. m.

### EVENING SESSION.

Body met at 7:30, p. m., a very feeling prayer was offered by Eld. J. Mayall. Bro. Muirhead preached from the text "And I say also unto thee, that thou art Peter and upon this rock I will build my church and the gates of hell shall not prevail against it"—Matt. 16-18. After preaching body went into executive session. Bro. John Kimball, J. W. Rambo, S. T. Cypert, T. L. Thompson and J. A. Melton were received as corresponding messengers from Blue Mountain Association.

Bro. J. H. Whisenant came forward as messenger from Union Association, but correspondence was refused on the statement of Eld. J. W. S. Leslie and others that they were irregular in their organization and baptism.

Bro. J. Mayall was received as agent for the Arkansas Baptist and Baptist Book House, Little Rock. Correspondence with the Union Association was made the special order for 2 o'clock to-morrow.

Adjourned to 8:30 to-morrow morning.

### FRIDAY MORNING.

Met at 8:30 o'clock. Committee on order of business read their report which was adopted with some amendments. Eld. T. Moody came forward as messenger from Russellville Association and was received.

The body went into election for time and place of holding next meeting, which resulted in the choice of Cleveland, to meet on Thursday before second Sabbath in Sept. 1890, at 11 o'clock, a. m. Introductory sermon to be preached by Eld. J. W. S. Leslie with Eld. J. Mayall, alternate. The Moderator then appointed the following committees:

ON MINISTERIAL EDUCATION.—J. W. S. Leslie, P. H. Coal, R. F. Muirhead.

FOREIGN MISSION.—J. Mayall, W. A. Morrison, Andrew Harris.

DESTITUTION.—G. W. Reid, T. H. Mayall, Isaac Horton.

PUBLICATION.—J. Mayall, D. H. Honeycutt, J. W. Furguson.

ON PROHIBITION.—W. W. Reid, A. A. Noland, E. A. Hicks.

ON FINANCE.—John Russell, F. S. Leslie, R. F. Parish.

ON QUERRIES.—J. W. S. Leslie, G. W. Wright, David Horton.

ON WOMAN'S WORK.—J. C. L. Presson, W. T. Neal.

Motion to adjourn for dinner carried. Mount Sinai was received by petitionary letter.

## AFTERNOON SESSION

Motion carried that Bro. J. Mayall be heard in the interest of our state paper and the Baptist Book House at Little Rock. Bro. Mayall very ably set forth the claims of our state paper. On motion the following resolution was adopted:

**RESOLVED**—That we submit the following amendment to the Constitution of this body:

That each church shall contribute for associational purposes as follows:

For printing 2 1-2 cents per member and for missions 10 cts. per member to be sent by messengers bearing the annual letters at each annual meeting. This amendment to be voted on at the next meeting of this association.

The report on Ministerial Education was read and pending the discussion a collection was taken up which resulted as follows in cash: For College debt \$2.50; for education of young ministers \$4.25, and \$6.50 in pledges. It was resolved by the body to put one young minister in school during the present year and assist him to pay his board and tuition. On vote the report on Ministerial Education was adopted. Bro. John Kimball asked that this association take into consideration the legality of his baptism, which had been questioned by some of our preachers. On motion it was made the order of business after preaching at 7:30, p. m.

## FRIDAY NIGHT.

Met at 7:30 p. m. Preaching by J. W. S. Leslie. The body then went into consideration of the legality of the baptism of Eld. John Kimball. The testimony showed that the church that baptised Bro. Kimball was a regular organized Baptist church and in order, but the person that baptised him was a little beclouded. On motion the question was tabled. Adjourned to 8:30 tomorrow.

## SATURDAY.

Met at 8:30, a. m. Committee on Foreign Missions made their report. On motion the report was re-submitted and the committee be continued till next meeting of this body, at which time they shall make their report. The committee on prohibition made report which was adopted. Committee on destitution made their report which was adopted. Report on destitution was read and adopted. Report on publications read and adopted.

The body then went into election of Executive Board which resulted in the choice of J. M. W. Massengale, E. A. Woolverton, L. F. Daniels and Wm. Noland. M. S. Kirkland was the choice of the body for Missionary for the next year.

Correspondence were appointed as follows: Blue Mountain Association, M. A. Boyd, J. W. Furguson, J. Mayall; Red River, J. Mayall, J. W. S. Leslie, Asa Robertson; Russellville, M. S. Kirkland, E. A. Woolverton, R. F. Muirhead; Green Briar, G. W. Reid, W. W. Duncan, J. Mayall; State Convention, Asa Robertson, M. S. Kirkland, J. Mayall, E. A. Woolverton, G. W. Wright and J. W. S. Leslie, alternate Southern Baptist Convention, J. Mayall and M. S. Kirkland alternate. A special committee consisting of J. W. Todd, J. K. Broadway, J. Mayall and M. S. Kirkland was chosen for the purpose of acting with the Executive Board in the appointment of some person as beneficiary of this Association.

New Prospect church was received by petitionary letter.

On motion it was ordered that the clerk superintend the printing and distribution of the minutes of this meeting and have \$8.00 for his services. A resolution of thanks offered by J. Mayall to the people of the neighborhood

for their kind entertainment during the sitting of the body on motion was adopted.

#### MINISTERIAL EDUCATION.

Adjourned to meet at Cleveland on Thursday before the second Sabbath in Sept. 1890.

Report of committee on Ministerial Education. The Pedo-Baptist world are doing all in their power and using every means to educate their preachers. Thereby fitting and qualifying them to diffuse more of their Anti-christian doctrines among the perishing millions of fallen humanity. We think in order to meet these false doctrines that we should have an educated ministry. We would recommend therefore that each church encourage and assist in this work as far as possible. And we would recommend the Ouachita Baptist College as a suitable place to educate our young ministers.

J. W. S. LESLIE, Chairman.

#### PUBLICATIONS.

Your committee on publications would report as follows: We find that there is an increased interest among our baptist people in taking, reading and circulating baptist literature. And the outlook for the future is flattering. We find that our books and papers are second to none in the world for deep learning and first class mechanical work.

1st. We would recommend that the Bible continue to be our standard of faith and practice, and our constant study.

2nd. We would recommend Eld. J. Mayall in his work for the Arkansas Baptist and circulating our baptist literature.

3rd. That each family should take and read our state paper.

Respectfully submitted,

A. B. LEADBETTER, Chr'm.

#### DESTITUTION.

We find that the following places need assistance from this body, to-wit: Springfield and Martinville, and that Choctaw, Jerusalem and the Crowell Mountain should be occupied as soon as possible.

Respectfully submitted,

G. W. REID, Chr'm.

#### PROHIBITION.

We are glad to report that there is a growing sentiment in this Association in favor of prohibition. The cause is growing stronger as we note from the sale of whiskey being voted out and petitioned away from our villages and towns and away from our churches and school houses. Brethren stand to your post against this monster evil. Vote it down and petition it away at every opportunity. Let us stand firm and make a bold front.

Respectfully,

W. W. REID, Chr'm.

#### REPORT OF FINANCE COMMITTEE.

Your committee would report as follows:

For printing minutes	\$ 23.65
On College debt	2.50
Educational fund	4.25
Domestic Missions	29.35
Foreign Missions	2.20
To pay fare of delegate S. B. C.	1.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$62.95</b>
Paid over to clerk	\$64.95
Leaving a balance not appropriated	2.00

## CLERK'S STATEMENT.

	Dr.
Received in cash at the association for College debt	\$2.50
For Educational Fund	4.25
Sent up by churches for minutes	23.65
" " " " " D. Missions	29.35
Collected by board " "	29.50
For expenses to S. B. convention	1.00
Foreign Missions	2.20
State Missions	2.00
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Paid M. S. Kirkland	\$50.00
" for printing	13.50
" Clerk's fees	8.00
" on State and Foreign Missions	4.20
" College fund to J. Mayall	2.50
" as fare to J. Mayall	1.00
Balance in Treasury	16.25

## ARTICLES OF FAITH.

1. We believe that the Scriptures comprising the Old and New Testaments are the word of God and only rule of faith and practice.
2. We believe in the living God; Father, Son and Holy Ghost.
3. We believe in the doctrine of original sin by the fall of Adam.
4. We believe that man is in a state of total depravity, by reason of which he is incapacitated to recover himself from the effects thereof.
5. We believe that sinners are justified in the sight of God, alone, by the imputed righteousness of Jesus Christ.
6. We believe in the doctrine of election. That God hath from the beginning chosen us unto salvation through justification of the spirit and belief of the truth.
7. We believe in the perseverance of the saints, and they who believe shall be finally and eternally saved.
8. We believe that baptism is the immersion of a regenerated person in water by a regularly ordained minister of the Gospel.
9. We believe church membership to be a pre-requisite to the Lord's Supper.
10. We believe a Gospel Church is a body of true believers in Christ who have been regularly baptised on a profession of faith in Christ.
11. We believe in the resurrection of the bodies of all persons and a future and general judgment, and that the happiness of the righteous and the punishment of the wicked will be eternal.
12. We believe in the work of missions, Home, Foreign and Domestic.

# STATISTICAL TABLE.

CHURCHES.	MESSENGERS.	PASTORS.	CLERKS.	Rec'd. Baptism	Letter Restored	Dis'md. Died	Excluded Letter	Membership	Contrib't'n.	
									Minutes	Education
1 Antioch	J. S. Broadaway, J. T. Russell, Jas. Stover	J. K. Broadaway	W. H. Sugg	1	8	2	2	72	\$2.25	6.50
2 Canaan	J. W. S. Lessley, Isaac & D. H. Horton	J. W. S. Lessley	J. S. Thornton	8			4	30	1.50	
3 Cedar Creek	Not Represented	B. M. Stephen								
4 Centre Ridge	W. W. Reed	J. Mayall	W. J. Simms	6	4	1		20	1.00	1.00
5 Cleveland	Represented by letter	M. S. Kirkland	T. Nutt	10	4	1	1	34	1.00	4.75
6 DeSoto	J. J. Boyd, W. W. Acre, J. W. Furguson	J. W. S. Lesley	J. W. Furguson.	1	2	2	4	32	1.00	2.60
7 Lone Grove	A. A. Noland, E. A. Hicks, Honeycutt	H. W. Melton	J. C. McCleary	4	1	3		36	1.00	
8 Lone Oak	M. S. Kirkland	H. W. Melton	E. E. Rainwater	15				48	1.10	10.00
9 Martinsville	G. W. Reed, W. W. Duncan	B. M. Stephens	W. O. Christian					19		
10 Mt. Gilead	L. F. Daniel	J. K. Broadaway	W. T. Tolson	3	3		9	32	1.10	5.00
11 Mt. Moriah	S. F. Lesley	M. Stracner	S. F. Lesley	1	3	1	7	56	75	1.75
12 Mt. Pleasant	Represented by letter	G. W. Ford	S. A. Trout		1			35	1.00	
13 Mt. Sinal	A. B. Leadbetter, Andrew Harris	J. W. S. Lesley	A. B. Leadbetter					4	50	
14 Mt. View	E. A. Woolverton, F. I. Gontcher, Tom Mayall	H. H. Russell	J. C. Emmons	2			1	53	1.65	5.00
15 New prospect	Represented by letter	J. W. S. Lesley	Jesse Vinson				2	7	50	
16 Pleasant Springs	B. F. Morris, P. H. Coal	B. M. Stephens	J. H. Wright	3	4	1	11	42	1.25	5.00
17 Pleasant Valley	A. H. Brickey, A. Morrison	W. A. Hutto	A. A. Brown	1	3		2	65	2.50	5.00
18 Sardis	John Ward, R. F. Muirhead	W. P. Gillam	J. M. W. Masengal	4	6		2	16	109	1.00
19 Springfield	Represented by letter	M. S. Kirkland	B. F. Spies.	4				13	75	
20 Union Hill	J. C. L. Presson, G. W. Wright	J. Mayall	J. S. Winningham		3		6	3	48	3.50
21 Usebia	J. L. Ward	M. McGee	J. F. Sims	4	4	1	5	29	1.00	
22 Valley Home.	R. F. Parish, J. T. Pike, W. Neal	M. Stracner	S. A. Neal	1				28	75	
23 Zion Hill	M. C. & J. M. Bridges, C. L. Boyd	C. L. Boyd,	J. M. Bridges					45	1.00	
24 Witt's Springs	Not represented							22		
25 Providence	Not represented.							7		

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