

# **MINUTES**

**OF THE  
Nineteenth Annual Session**

**OF THE  
HOWARD COUNTY BAPTIST  
ASSOCIATION**

**Held With County Line Church  
Nashville, Arkansas.**

**October 21-22-23, 1911**

## **OFFICERS**

Moderator. - J. T. M. Holt, Bingen, Ark.  
Clerk - - Edd Compton, Nashville, Ark.

**NEXT MEETING WILL BE HELD AT  
CENTRE POINT CHURCH, BEGIN-  
NING 4TH SATURDAY IN OCT. 1912**

# PROCEEDINGS

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The Nineteenth session of the Howard County Association was called to order at 10 o'clock A. M. by the Moderator, J. T. M. Holt. This session was held at the County Line Church. After singing "How Firm a Foundation," the moderator read the 4th Chapter of 2nd Timothy and led the devotional services:

The Moderator declared the Association ready for business. The following bretheren were appointed as Reading Clerks: C. R. Pole, E. Hodge, L. F. Westbrooks and C. A. Raven.

The clerk then proceeded to enroll the messengers from the different churches as follows:

**Mineral Springs.** C. I. Davis, C. M. Series and E. Hodge

**Dierks.** J. H. Murry G. M. Waters and Oscar Cook

**Yellow Creek.** W S Gathright, C. C. Clayton

**Central Baptist Church.** A. H. Cagle, Tom Richardson and E. E. Hudspeth

**Bethany.** T. H. Westbrooks, J. T. Wynn and C H Teppet

**Pleasant Grove.** J. M. Harper, J. F. Box and E. H. Askew

**Ozan No. 2.** Eld. T L Epten, W S Leslie and J T M Holt

**Antioch.** A. J. Cabiness, L M Byers and Ed Compton

**Clear Springs.** Frank Hall, J. W. Hampton and J. O. Bowers

**Brushy Creek** (by letter)

**Athens** Rufus Burt, George Sanders and J. L. Simmons.

The hour having arrived for the preaching, the body voted to suspend the order of business and hear the introductory sermon by Eld. A. J. Cabiness. Theme: "The Five Fold Duty of the Christian"

## AFTERNOON SESSION

The body was called to order by the Moderator

Devotion service led by Elder Tom Westbrook. The enrollment of messengers was taken up again

**Cedar Hill.** C. A. Ravan, Chas. Turner and Pless Wisenbunt  
**Zion.** J. B. Ball J. H. Hiff and F. R. Murphy  
**Unity.** D A Clark, S A Lewis and R S Clark  
**County Line.** T. R. Glasgiew, S. G. Feemster and W. R. Walker  
**New Home.** J M Payne, L C Ayers and Melard Tarns.  
**Oak Hill.** W. J. Morgan, Ben Allen and O. O. Gilpin  
**Rosedale.** John McWharton, Joe Tollett and John Farley.  
**Centre Point.** R. N. Owens, M. C. Pope and Tom Farley  
**Amity.** M. F. Dennis, J. D. Allison, and F. V Bettis  
**Harmony.** W. M. Jones, T. H. Canaday and J. M. Parish  
**Pleasant View.** James Reames, V E Anderson.  
**Independence.** J. A. Farley, W. H Young and A J Strickland  
**Sweet Home.** Will McFarland, E. E. Ellis and Grover McFarlan  
**Pleasant Valley.** S. B. Ponder, Tom Stone, and Sam Copeland  
**Providence.** M. F. Baker, Jesse Hooker and H. H. Hosey  
**Fellowship.** W. J. McBay, J. W Glasgow and C. E. Greenhaw

The Moderator called for petitionary letters and two were received. The letter from New Mt. Zion was read and adopted. The following named persons were seated as delegates from that church, T: E. Cotten, C. O. Milton and A. R. Smith.

The letter from Mineola church was adopted as read. The following were seated as delegates: J. W. Jones, M J Jones and Sister Barnard

The Moderator then called for corresponding delegates from sister associations

Southwestern Association, Eld. C. R. Pole, E. Brinkley and D. W. Hill Pike Association, O A. Featherston. Pine Bluff Association, Elder M P Mattheny

After roll call of delegates the body proceeded to elect a moderator and clerk for the ensuing year

On motion the rules were suspended and the present moderator was re-elected by acclamation for the ensuing year. The present clerk was re-elected in the same manner for the same time

The following named persons volunteered to attend the adjacent associations: Southwestern—A. J. Cabiness and C. A. Raven Union—E. Hodge. Pike Association—L. M. Byers and J. M. Copeland. Red River—A. H Cagle

It was voted that this body meet with Centre Point Church October 1912

On motion the Fifth Sunday Meeting is to meet with New Mt. Zion church in January 1912

The following committees were appointed. Names to-wit: S. A. Lewis, C A Raven and the Pastor and messengers of this church.

Committee to arrange a program for the Fifth Sunday Meeting viz: T. E. Cotten, J. M. Harper and M C Pope

The committee on Divine Services made the following report  
At night 7:30 o'clock—Eld. T H Westbrook; Sunday-school mass meeting at 9:30—Lee Beane. Sunday at 11 a. m.—Eld. M. P. Matheny. 3 p m—Eld. T H Carter; 7:30—C. R Pole

On motion the Association adjourned to 8 a m Monday.

### NIGHT SESSION

Preaching at 7:30 by Eld. T H Westrbooks. Theme "Individually Responsibility"

### SUNDAY MORNING SESSION

Sunday School mass meeting conducted by Bro. Lee Bean Bretheren C R Pole, M. P. Matheny, T. H. Carter and J T M Holt spoke on behalf of Sunday school work

The Moderator announced the appointment of the following committees:

- On State Missions—L. M. Byers, P. C. Clayton, W. S Gathright
- On Literature—R. N. Owens, J. T. Wynn, Thos. Richardson
- On Destitutions—Lee Beane, C O Mettaa and Isaac Ross.
- On Foreign Missions—T. L. Epton, Frank Wynn and S. G. Feemster
- On Prayer Meeting. . D. A. Clark, Ben Allen and J. M. Payne
- On Young Peoples Work. . T. R. Glasgow, R. D. Owens, and J. D. Allison
- On Woman's Work. . M. F. Dennis, H. M. Jones, T. H. Canaday



On Sunday School Work M. C. Pope, W. R. Walker, and C. H. Series

On Ministerial Education E. Hodge, A. H. Cagle, W. J. Kirby

On Ministerial Support J. M. Harper, T. E. Cotton Jas. Reams  
On Evils of Intemperance—A. J. Cabines, George Sanders, and W. S. Leslie

On Nominations—John McWhorter, R. J. Burt, W. S. Gathright  
On Orphans Home—J. H. Westbrooks, W. A. C. Turner and E. E. Hudspeth.

Obituaries—J. W. Morgan, J. W. Glasgow and L. C. Ayers

Preaching at 11 a. m. by Rev. M. P. Matheny, Text—Jeremiah 6-16. Collections to the amount of \$15.20 for Home Missions, received by M. P. Matheny

### SUNDAY AFTERNOON SESSION

The Association met at 3 p. m. After songs and prayer, Eld. T. H. Carter proceeded to preach, his Text from 21 chap. of St. Luke. A collection was taken for the Orphans Home at Texarkana amounting to \$5.30

Preaching at 8 p. m. by Elder C. R. Pole. Text 14 chap. of St. John.

### MONDAY MORNING SESSION Oct. 23

The Association was called to order by the Moderator, and after reading the 135 Psalm and prayer by the moderator, the association declared ready for business. No committee being ready to report, the Secretary made the following report:

Received for Minutes and Clerks Fund	\$30.90
" " State Missions	\$50.53
" " Associated Missions	\$54.11
" " Foreign Missions	\$2.60
" " Orphans Home	\$45.31
Total	\$183.45



is plain that if one teaches he must know how to teach and if he would know how to teach he must study; We recommend that all of our Preachers who can possibly do so, do all within their power to obtain the best possible education. To this end we take pleasure in recommending Union High School, Bodcaw Ark. We further recommend that our churches take collections and do all they can by their prayers, counsel and money to assist our young preachers in preparing themselves for their life's work.

Committee E. HODGE  
A. H. CAGLE  
W. H. McRAY.

Motion to adopt; Discussed by J. T. M. Holt. E. B. Jones and J. M. Copeland. Carried

The Committee on Woman's Work made the following report:

We, your Committee on Woman's Work, beg leave to make the following report: Whereas we see in the New Testament that wholly women during the days of Christ and the Apostles did minister to Christ of their substance, Luke 8:2-3, and a sister whose name is Phoebe, Roman 10:1-3, and others did much to assist Christ and the Apostles with temporal things while Christ and the Apostles preached. Therefore we especially recommend that the sisters do what they can in helping their pastors, in visiting and looking after the sick, and securing help for the Orphans Home at Texarkana, Ark.

Committee M. F. DENNIS  
T. H. CANADAY  
H. M. JONES

Motion to adopt; discussed by Eld. M. P. Matheny. Carried

Committee on Intemperance made the following report:

Intemperance is no less a moral means, a palatial issue, and as drunkenness expels reason, distempers the body, diminishes the heart, diminishes the strength and inflames the blood. Also causes internal and external and incurable wounds to the soul, body and mind. Besides this what he foods is converted into deadly poisons. Lands flowing with milk and honey are neglected, unpoverished and made barren. Rulers reduced to tyrants, homes converted into hovels, wives to widows, children to orphans, and hap-

pinest to disappointment, regret and woe and law and order defied. Therefore to prevent the above evils, to enforce law to secure peace and order. We recommend that our churches do not tolerate habitual dram drinking among their members, report to and assist our law officers in the enforcement of all liquor laws and also that they, with other denominations, and all who are friends to temperance do their utmost effort to secure such temperance laws as will suppress the manufacture and sales of all intoxicating liquors.

Committee

A. J. CABINES  
GEO. SANDERS  
W. S. LESLIE

Motion to adopt. After speeches by O. A. Featherston, A. J. Cabines, B. M. Copeland, J. M. Copeland, J. T. Richardson and J. T. M. Holt, carried

Speech by Prof. E. E. Austin, after which the association adjourned to 1:30 o'clock.

### MONDAY AFTERNOON SESSION

The Association was called to order by the Modera or. Devotional services led by Elder S. M. Copeland. The body was declared ready for business.

Committee on Nominations made the following report:

We, your committee submit the following report: We recommend that this body elect one Missionary while in session. We further recommend that our committee see after the work and see that the missionary is supported by the churches. And we recommend that he put in his full time in the destitute places in the bounds of this association. We recommend that Eld. Tom Westbrook preach the introductory sermon and Eld. James Turner, following.

Committee.

JOHN McWHORTER  
R. J. BURT  
W. S. GATHRIGHT

Motion to adopt. Carried. By motion the body proceeded to elect the missionaries by ballot. Elders C. R. Pole, O. A. Featherston were appointed as tellers to determine the election. Elder James Turner was elected.

The Committee on Sunday School Work made the following

report:

We your committee notice from the reports coming in from various churches that some of them have no Sunday Schools. Since we believe that the Sunday Schools if properly conducted, is a very efficient way of edifying the church members and instituting into the minds of their children truths that will be treasures to them when they become old. Therefore we would recommend that all the churches organize a Sunday School and strive to make them successful to the end that the churches may become stronger in the faith and knowledge of the Lord through the scriptures. We recommend that to make a Sunday School prosperous the church should elect the most influential members to superintend and teach. Those that are well grounded in the faith and are apt to teach, we recommend the Landmark Literature be used in our Sunday Schools.

Committee      W. R. WALKER  
C. M. SERLES  
M. C. POPE

Motion to adopt      Carried.

Committee on Destitution made the following report:

We find, by investigation that almost all parts of this association has with the exception of some few points, Baptist preaching; exceptions between Nathan and Newhope and another district known as China, east of Dierks, Saratoga and the country in about Duckett. These two last named places were added to the report. We urge that this matter be looked after at once.

Committee      L. H. BEANE  
C. O. MELTAN  
L. H. ROSS

Motion to adopt.      Carried

Committee on Orphans Home made the following report:

Something over 3 years ago we purchased a building costing \$7,000. There is a balance due now of \$2,500, About \$5,000 has been our expenses for improvements. The property is now worth \$20,000. The home has been well managed and is an honor and a credit to us. There is now 27 children being cared for. We recommend to the churches that a systematic means of giving be

adopted by each church. We recommend that the Sunday School collections for one Sunday in each month be set apart for the benefit of the Orphans' Home at Texarkana.

Committee,

T. H. WESTBROOKS

D. N. TURNER

E. E. HUDSPETH

Motion to adopt. Discussed by A. J. Cabanis and E. Hodge. Carried.

The Committee on Young Peoples Work made the following report:

As we have no regular organized work for the young people we recommend a good, live Sunday School as a means of developing them in church work. We also recommend the Bible [as an all sufficient faith. We further suggest that every man ought to take a good church paper and encourage the young people to read and keep themselves informed as to the work of the churches. We also think that the churches should send more young men as messengers to our annual meetings and by this means encourage them and also learn them to take an interest in the work.

Committee

T. R. GLASGOW

R. N. OWENS

J. D. ALLISON

Motion to adopt. Carried

Committee on Foreign Missions made the following report:

Foreign missions means the preaching of the gospel in other lands besides our own. Our Landmark people have missionaries in Persia, Syria, Mexico and Italy. They are faithful servants of God and deserve our prayers, sympathies and contributions. We especially recommend the work of L. M. Glassi of Italy, who during this present time has broken from Episcopacy among Convention Baptists, and has now organized an independent Baptist Church in the city of Rome. [Let our churches stand by these God called men in their work. Send contributions for this work to Elder J. E. Scarboro, Magnolia, Ark.

Committee

J. M. COPELAND

S. G. FEEMSTER

Discussed by A. J. Cabanis and J. T. M. Holt.

Committee on State Missions made the following report:

Finding from the word of God that the commission to preach the gospel and to evangelize the world was delivered to the churches and not to the ministry nor other organized bodies separate from the churches and that they were to go from Jerusalem to Judea, Samaria and the utmost parts of the earth, Therefore we recommend that our churches arouse from their lethargy and come to the rescue of our state missionaries and help to supply the destitution within the bounds of our state with some Baptist preaching and thus honor and obey those loving hearts who has sent them forth to break the bread of life to perishing millions of the earth. We also recommend that our churches take stated collections for our State Mission work. Committee

L. M. BYERS  
J. W. HAMPTON  
P. C. CLAYTON

Motion to adopt Discussed by Elders L. M. Byers and C. R. Pole. Carried

Committee on Ministerial Support made the following report:

As the commission to preach the gospel to earths remotest bounds was given to churches of Jesus Christ, Though the spirit called and church sent preachers Mat. 28:19-20, Mark 16:15, Roman 10:14-15. Also as the laborer is worth his hire, and that the gospel be not further hindered and that the preacher brethren be wholly committed to the work, we recommend that the churches of the association give their pastors a living support

Committee

JAS. M. BEANE  
T. E. COTTEN  
J. E. HARPER

Motion to adopt, after discussion by A. J. Cabanis, C. R. Pole and M. P. Matheny. Carried

The Committee on Prayermeeting made the following report:

Believing as we do that prayer is the key that unlocks the door of mercy to the throne of God, we recommend that a prayermeeting be organized in all the churches, to meet as often as practicable, and the young people be encouraged to attend these prayer meetings and take



a part in the service.

Committee

D. A. CLARK  
BEN ALLEN  
J. M. PANE

Motion to adopt. Carried

Committee on Obituaries make the following report:

Since our last association it has pleased our Heavenly Father to call from us several of our beloved bretheren and sisters, yet in the death of these we bow in humble submission to his will.

Committee

E. HODGE  
W. J. MORGAN  
L. C. AYERS

Adopted.

The Finance Committee made the following report:

Amount sent up by the churches:

Minutes and Clerk's Fund.....	\$34.64
Associational Missions.....	\$61.87
State Missions.....	\$6.50
Home Missions.....	\$3.10
Orphans Home.....	\$3.30

Amount collected at the sitting of the Association for Home Missions \$15.20. For Orphans Home 36.59.

Subscriptions taken for Orphans Home at Texarkana.

Central Baptist Church.....	25.00
Antioch Church.....	15.00
County Line Church.....	15.00
Ozan No. 2, Church.....	10.00
Zion Church.....	10.00
Mineral Spring Church.....	10.00
Holly Creek Church.....	10.00
Cedar Hill Church.....	5.00
Pleasant Grove Church.....	12.50
A. J. Cabanis.....	2.50
Total.....	115.00

To be paid during this associational year.

Treasure of the Committees report: Our brother J. A. Turner has worked 95 days. Results, 55 Conversions, 51 additions to the church and 52 Baptisms.

Elder J. L. Epton one of our Missionaries did some work but we regret to say that on account of sickness Bro. Epton is not able to be present and has not sent in any report except he collected amount equal to his salary. The committee recommends Bro. J. A. Turner as Missionary for our association for half time.

#### Treasurers Report, Receipts:

Elder L. M. Byers Fifth Sunday Meeting	\$31.22,
Edd Compton May the 15	54.11
Joe Canon June the 5	129.50,
M. Z. Chesshir " " 8	25.00,
Fifth Sunday Meeting July the 29	34.41,
Elder C. M. Byers Aug. the 7	26.10,
W. M. Burgess Oct. the 23	36.87,
Amt. collected at County Line	
	Total \$337.29,

Disbursements.	To J. A. Turner	\$148. 69
	Balance	\$186.00,
	E. HODGE, Cha'rman	
	E. E. HUDSPETH, Secretary	

Treasure report balanced and found correct, this Oct. 23 1911  
Auditing Committee J. H. Hipp, L. M. Ponder, W. A. Tomey.

Resolution of thanks and appreciation for the kind hospitable manner of this Church and vicinity in entertaining the messengers. By motion this Association adjourned to meet with Centre Point Church Saturday before the 4th Sunday in Oct. 1912.

After singing a song and prayer by Elder M. P. Matheny, the Association was declared adjourned.

J. T. M. HOLT, Moderator.  
EDD COMPTON, Clerk !

## Ordained Ministers and their Postoffices

L. M. Byers ..... Doyle  
 J. L. Epton ..... Bingen  
 A. J. Cabanis ..... Nashville  
 J. M. Copeland ..... Nashville  
 E. E. Ellis ..... Martha  
 John McWhorter, Centre Pt.  
 R. B. Littlefield ..... Lebanon

J. H. Westbrooks ..... Martha  
 C. H. Tippet ..... Martha  
 L. H. Beane ..... Dierks  
 G. C. Bandy ..... Nashville  
 J. L. Bagget ..... Dierks  
 James Turner ..... Umpire  
 T. J. Richardson Mineral Sp.

## Licensed Ministers

J. A. Farley ..... Martha  
 F. D. Wynn ..... Martha  
 J. H. Reaves ..... Dixon

L. M. Mathews ..... Tokio  
 Algeria Hester ..... Dierks

## Chnrch Clerks And Their Postoffices

J. B. Chandler Centre Point  
 W. H. Canady ..... Paul  
 L. C. Ayers ..... Centre Point  
 T. S. Burgess ..... Nashville  
 N. R. Lewis ..... Clow  
 O. O. Gilpin ..... Martha  
 W. D. Davis ..... Nashville  
 J. L. Simmons ..... Athens  
 D. A. Jones ..... Martha  
 R. L. Cagle ..... " " " "  
 J. R. Dowdle Mineral Spg.s  
 J. F. Dennis ..... Nashville  
 Frank Hall ..... Martha  
 J. W. Towney, ..... Nashville  
 H. H. Hosey, ..... Schaal

J. B. Sullivan ..... Nashville  
 H. C. Seales ..... Henry  
 P. C. Clayton ..... McNab  
 Joe Cannon ..... Centre Point  
 J. F. Box ..... Dixon  
 J. H. Holt ..... Bingen  
 B. Clark ..... Nashville  
 R. D. Beane ..... Dierks  
 W. M. Burgess ..... Umpire  
 T. M. Runnells, Mineral Spg.  
 R. B. Porter ..... Nathan  
 C. E. Greenhaw ..... Dierks  
 G. E. Farley ..... Nashville  
 Lee Barnard ..... Centre Point

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## ORDER OF BUSINESS.

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1. Devotional; 2. Call for letters; 3. Appointment of Committees to read letters; 4. Call for petitionary letters; 5. Roll of messengers; 6. Election of officers; 7. Call for corresponding messengers; 8. Inviting visiting brethren to seats; 9. Appointment of committee; 10. Miscellaneous business; 11. Call for reports committees

## STATISTICAL TABLE

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