

MINUTES
OF THE
Thirty-Fourth Annual Session
OF THE
GRAND PRAIRIE
BAPTIST ASSOCIATION,

HELD WITH
Stuttgart Church, Arkansas County, Ark.,
October 17th, 18th and 19th, 1908.

OFFICERS.

H. J. KELLEY, Moderator, Stuttgart, Arkansas,
J. H. COLEMAN, Vice-Moderator, Hazen, Arkansas,
H. B. DUDLEY, Clerk, DeWitt, Arkansas,
C. W. FOX, Treasurer, DeWitt, Arkansas.

Next Session to be held with Hazen Church, Thursday night
before Third Sunday in October, 1909. 7:30.

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ROBERT FRANKLIN ROUTH

Born in Whitfield County, Georgia, September 18, 1846; died in Hazen, Arkansas, December 17, 1907.

A preacher of the Gospel for more than 30 years, a large part of which time has been spent in Arkansas, and Grand Prairie Association.

He was Moderator of this Association at the time of his death.

"And I heard a voice from heaven saying, Write, Blessed are the dead who die in the Lord from henceforth; yea, saith the Spirit, that they may rest from their labors, for their works follow with them."

PROCEEDINGS.

Friday Evening, October 17th, 1908.

The Thirty Fourth Annual Session of Grand Prairie Baptist Association met this day at 7:30 P. M., with the Stuttgart Baptist Church and was called to order by Vice-Moderator H. J. Kelley.—Prayer by Rev. J. H. Coleman; Song, "Leaning on Everlasting Arm"; Scripture Reading, Rev. W. E. Turner.

On account of absence of Rev. Joe Johnson, who was to preach the Introductory Sermon, and Rev. B. F. House, Alternate, being excused, Rev. W. E. Turner preached a strong doctrinal Sermon from Subject: "The Church, the Bride of Christ and Her Wilderness Experience", from Song of Solomon, 2nd and 8th Chapters, 10th, 11th, 12th, and 5th Verses respectively.

Moved that we set aside the hour from 11 to 12 o'clock Saturday morning for Memorial Services for Rev. R. F. Routh and Rev. R. M. Richardson; carried.

Visiting Brethren were invited to make any remarks and announcements they wished.

Rev. W. T. Jackson of Spring River Association; Rev. S. L. Holloway of Arkadelphia, representing Sunday Schools and State Missions; Bro. V. G. Hinton, representing Baptist Advance; all spoke and said they would be heard from during the Association, and were welcomed to seats in the body.

The Moderator then appointed the Messengers from Stuttgart Church a Committee on Divine Services, and Rev. J. H. Coleman and H. B. Dudley a committee on Order of Business. Adjourned to meet 8:30 o'clock Saturday morning, at which time, Rev. W. T. Jackson would conduct devotional exercises.

Second Day—Saturday.

8:30 A. M.—Devotional exercises conducted by Rev. W. T. Jackson; Song—"What a Friend we have in Jesus."

9:30 A. M.—The Association was called to order. Prayer by Rev. H. Y. Morris. Report of Committee on Order of Business presented and adopted, to-wit:

1. Introductory Sermon;
2. Visiting Brethren;
3. Reading Church Letters;
4. Election of Officers;
5. Corresponding Messengers;
6. Time and Place of holding next meeting;
7. Election of Preachers for next year;
8. Appoiating committees:
 1. Education;
 2. Sunday Schools;
 3. Foreign Mission;
 4. Temperance;
 5. Publication;
 6. Finance;
 7. State Mission;
 8. Orphanage;
 9. Memorial Services of Rev. R. F. Routh and Rev. R. M. Richardson;
 10. Reports.

Rev. J. H. Coleman and Bro. V. G. Hinton were appointed to read the letters from the churches. The following presented, read and messengers enrolled, to-wit:

- Bellview—Sister Bell Horton Sister Lillie McSwain;
 Center Point—Geo. Craig, Sisters Craig and Rounsaville;
 Cross Roads—By letter;
 Corinth—Rev. M. L. Hodges, Bro. Kern J. W. Stewart;
 DeWitt—W. B. Hurt, T. C. Wilkerson, and Sister H. B. Dudley;
 DeVall's Bluff—By letter;
 Hazen—B. A. Shetterly, Sister B. A. Shetterly, and Sister J. H. Coleman;
 Harmony—S. W. Carson, W. L. Carson;
 Mill Bayou—Sister Bell Davenport, Laton Hargrove, Sister Lula Hargrove;
 New Hope—Sisters Janie Scott, T. J. Walters and Bell Lattimer;
 New Home—A. J. Frost, Henry Word;
 New Zion—Thos. Scism. Pat Donovan, and Sister Thos. Scism;
 Oak Grove—Lee Gayden, J. H. Benson;
 Point DeLuce—J. K. Ellenburg, Sister Eula McGahhey;
 Prairie Grove—L. E. Thomas, W. E. Turner, Sister Annie Arnett;
 Rising Sun—W. C. Henderson, W. B. Word, Sister Jas. Norris;
 Stuttgart—Geo. C. Bruce, T. R. Story, H. H. Spiller;
 St. Charles—By letter;
 Almyra—W. M. Webb, Sister C. F. Edwards, Sister J. M. Fuller;

Pleasant Ridge—J. H. Morris, J. B. Ricks;

New Bethel—N. D. Dawson;

Roe—J. H. Crutchfield.

On motion, Gum Wood Church admitted by messenger with understanding letter will be sent Clerk at once.

Gum Wood—A. B. Abrams.

Petitionary Letters called for and Ulm Church presented letter for admission. Committee appointed to investigate letter and report back to Association. Rev. J. H. Coleman, Rev. B. F. House and H. Y. Morris, Committee.

Election of Officers.

Moved, that we suspend the Rules and clerk cast vote for H. J. Kelley, Moderator; carried, and Clerk declared H. J. Kelley elected Moderator. The Ballot was then spread for Vice-Moderator and Rev. J. H. Coleman declared elected.

On motion, Rules suspended and Moderator cast vote of Association for H. B. Dudley, Clerk and C. W. Fox, Treasurer. Carried and they declared elected.

Moderator appointed C. W. Fox, J. H. Bracewell and H. H. Spiller, Finance Committee.

Saturday Forenoon.

11 o'clock—Memorial Services for Rev. R. F. Routh and Rev. R. M. Richardson. The following took part in the services, to-wit: Rev. J. H. Coleman, Rev. H. Y. Morris, Rev. B. F. House, Rev. Joe Johnson, Rev. D. D. Willis, Rev. W. T. Jackson, L. E. Thomas, H. J. Kelley, H. B. Dudley.

Moved and carried that clerk set forth a page in minutes in memory of Bro. R. F. Routh.

On motion adjourned to meet 1:30 P. M.

Saturday, 1:30 P. M.

Association was called to order by singing and prayer, and Moderator appointed following Committees:

Education—Rev. J. H. Coleman, Geo. C. Bruce and B. A. Shetterly.

Sunday School—Sister Annie Arnett, R. A. Henderson and L. E. Thomas;

Foreign Missions—Rev. H. Y. Morris, S. W. Carson and Wm. Webb;

Temperance—Rev. B. F. House, J. H. Benson and H. H. Spiller;

Publication—Rev. Joe Johnson, Sister H. G. Lattimer and W. B. Word;

Woman's Work—Sister H. B. Dudley, Sister J. H. Coleman, and Sister C. P. Edwards;

Digest Letters—Geo. C. Bruce, T. R. Story and W. C. Henderson;

Home Missions—Rev. W. E. Turner, Rev. J. R. Davenport and T. C. Wilkerson;

State Missions—Rev. J. H. Coleman, W. B. Hurt, and R. H. Parker;

B. Y. P. U.—Rev. J. H. Coleman, Bessie Dudley and Sister Brandon;

Executive Board Report.

We, the Executive Board of Grand Prairie Baptist Church, beg leave to report as follows:

We could not carry out our instructions in the matter of employing Rev. J. B. Routh as missionary, as he had contracted with another association, and we failed to find a suitable man for the position and decided not to put a missionary in field for all his time, but we have carried out your instructions in regard to helping mission points already established. they applying to us for aid, to-wit: Mill Bayou Church, \$40.00; Forks of LaGrue, \$24.50; Roe, \$20.00; Bellview \$10.00; the different Churches pledging themselves to raise a similar amount. We have had very small attendance at all our meetings and we regret the Mission spirit has not been what we would like to have seen it. At our last meeting, the Almyra Church asked a loan of \$40.00 to help pay their Pastor, as the fire at that place delayed some who had contributed, to meet their obligations, and we thought best to refer the matter to your next Executive Board.

H. J. KELLEY, Moderator

H. B. DUDLEY, Clerk

Discussed by Rev. D. D. Willis, Rev. J. H. Coleman, Rev. B. F. House, Rev. W. T. Jackson and H. B. Dudley.

On motion, report, adopted.

Treasurer's Report.

I hereby present my Report:

To Amount association mission last year	\$41.28
To clerk and minutes	37.72
To received of Mrs. Latimer	5.00
To received from Roe Church	3.00
Total received	\$87.00
By paid printing minutes	\$30.00
By paid Davenport, Bellview	10.00
By paid Davenport, Forks LaGrue	24.50
By paid Roe Church	20.00
To expended	\$84.50 \$84.50
To balance in my hands	\$ 2.50

Respectfully submitted,

J. R. WULFF, Treas.

Adopted.

Report on Petitionary Letter (Ulm.)

We cannot recommend the reception of the Ulm Church on account of hav-

ing some members who do not agree with Article 2 of constitution.

J. H. COLEMAN

H. Y. MORRIS

B. F. HOUSE.

Moved that a committee of five be appointed to investigate the report of this committee and report as to their findings; carried. Moderator then appointed the following named committee: Eld. W. E. Turner, Eld. C. R. Powell, Eld. S. L. Holloway, J. M. Fuller and W. L. Cole.

Time and Place for Holding Next Meeting.

The following churches were desirous of having the next association meet with them, to-wit: Hazen, DeWitt, Big LaGrue, Pleasant Ridge, Oak Grove and New Home and after vote was taken, Hazen was selected as the next place to hold association and Thursday at 7:30 o'clock before the third Sunday in October, 1909, as the time for holding it.

Rev. Joe Johnson was elected to preach the next Introductory Sermon; with Rev. B. F. House, alternate, and Eld. H. Y. Morris to preach the Missionary Sermon, with Rev. J. H. Bracewell, alternate.

Report on Education.

We, your committee on Christian education, submit the following suggestions:

We feel the need of emphasizing anew the importance of this subject. The prosperity and progress of our church depend largely upon the enlightenment of the membership. Educated men and women give standing and power to membership, but we should be careful that our young people should not be educated away from Christian work; hence, the importance of Christian education. We have two excellent colleges in our state—Ouachita, at Arkadelphia, for young men and women, and Central at Conway, for young women only, and Buckner College for men and women. We urge our people to send their sons and daughters to these Institutions for a college education.

J. H. COLEMAN,

GEO. C. BRUCE,

B. A. SHETTERLY.

Discussed by J. H. Coleman, Rev. C. R. Powell and Rev. S. L. Holloway. Adopted.

Report of Board Trustees

of the Baptist Collegiate Institute at Brinkley, Arkansas.

We are glad to report that we now have some 5000 Baptist in sympathy and

co-operation with our school, including three Associations as follows: Mt. Vernon, Grand Prairie and White River Valley. We have made some substantial advance during the year although not what we had hoped to do. We have felt the panic in our work. We now have the following property: a campus of nearly two acres; valuation, \$1000; two lots with a two story dormitory; valuation, \$2500; pledges and building material, \$2500; total, \$6000. We have also adopted plans for our main building, which we hope to have ready for opening school in not later than September, 1909. The building when complete will cost some \$15,000.

Our financial agent, Rev. J. G. Harris of Brinkley, has worked for us without cost to the board, the Brinkley church allowing him to do this work in connection with his duties as pastor. His expenses have been taken care of without taking it out of the building fund. We are glad to report that he will continue this work.

We recommend the following changes in our constitution, that Sec. II be changed as follows;

Sec. II. That the same shall be controlled and supervised by a Board of Trustees of fifteen members, elected from the district at large, subject to approval of the Association in co-operation with said school.

That Section III be changed as follows;

Sec. III. One third of the members of said Trustees shall annually be retired from office and others, or the same persons be elected to fill the vacancies.

We have elected the following Trustees for the time designated;

1909

J. F. Gardner, Tupelo; J. G. Harris, Brinkley; J. T. Sanders, Forest City; H. B. Dudley, DeWitt; Lee Pendergrass, Helena.

1910

A. Fox, Mariana; G. H. Vineyard, Helena; G. W. Emerson, Clarendon; J. W. Webb, Stuttgart; R. H. Sanders, DeVall's Bluff.

1911

J. H. Coleman, Hazen; J. L. Turner, Cypert; A. Flora, Brinkley; D. H. Gill, Newport; F. L. Gustavus, Moro.

Respt Submitted,

J. H. COLEMAN, Pres.

G. H. VINEYARD, Sec.

Adopted.

Committee on Divine Service reported that Eld. C. R. Powell of the Arkansas Baptist, would preach at 7:30 o'clock to-night.

Adjourned to meet Saturday 7:30 P. M.

Saturday, 7:30 P. M.

Association called to order. Song, Hide Me. Prayer by Rev. J. H. Bracewell. Letters called for:

Big LaGrue—Sister Nixie Allen, Sister Word, R. H. Parker.

Rev. C. R. Powell preached a strong sermon from 3rd verse 2nd chapter Hebrew, "How Shall we Escape if we Neglect so great Salvation."

Moved that we set aside the hour from 9:30 to 11 A. M. Sunday to hear and discuss the report on Sunday Schools. Carried.

Moved we set the hour from 3 P. M. Sunday, for the report and discussion of the report on Temperance; carried.

On motion, the hour from 2 to 3 P. M. Sunday, be set for report and talks on B. Y. P. U.

Executive Board.

The Moderator then appointed the following Executive Board for the coming year:

Almyra—J. M. Fuller,
Big LaGrue—R. H. Parker,
Center Point—J. H. Rounsaville,
Cross Roads—Bro. Toler,
Crooked Creek—W. B. Harville,
DeWitt—W. B. Hurt,
Devall's Bluff—Geo. Cooper,
Hazen—H. G. Miller,
Harmony—S. W. Carson,
Hebron—Jack Simpson,
Humphrey—J. T. Harville,
Fairmount—J. W. Robinson,
Corinth—M. L. Hodges,
Gum Wood—Robt. Woods.
Mill Bayou—R. J. Cobine,

New Bethel—N. D. Dawson,
New Salem—F. G. Shelton,
New Hope—John Scott,
New Home—J. F. Chapman,
Oak Grove—W. L. Cole,
Point DeLuce—H. E. Adams,
Prairie Chapel—R. E. Greenwalt,
Prairie Grove—L. E. Thomas,
Roe—J. H. Crutchfield,
Stuttgart—R. A. Henderson,
Bell View—Henry Turner,
New Zion—Pat Donovan,
Rising Sun—W. C. Henderson,
Forks LaGrue—F. Ray,
Ulm—F. E. Linstaedt,

Report on Publication.

Your Committee on Publication respectfully report as follows:

First of all we recommend to the reading and studying of the Word of God. To our Baptist Host, we would recommend all Baptist Literature, such as the Baptist Advance and Arkansas Baptist, papers published in our own state and we think should be read by all our people as there are none better.

W. J. JOHNSON
BETTIE LATIMER.

Adopted. Adjourned to meet 9:30 Sunday A. M.

Sunday, 9:30 A. M.

Sunday 9:30 A. M. Called to order; song, "How Firm a Foundation." Prayer, Rev. D. D. Willis.

Report on Sunday Schools.

We, your committee on Sunday School Work, submit the following report:

We recognize the S. S. as the teaching service of the church. Our master put great emphasis on teaching. He taught and preached in their synagogues. He often gathered together his disciples and taught them, as in the Sermon on the Mount, Matt. 5-7. The Apostle Paul laid great stress on teaching. So did the early church fathers. Ninety per cent of the conversions comes through the work of the S. S. or teaching service. We regret to know that but eight churches of this Association report Sunday Schools. It is our conviction that each church should have a Baptist S. S., throughout the year.

We further recommend that parents attend the S. S. and discourage the idea that the S. S. is for children only. We further recommend that Sunday Schools be established where no churches exist.

ANNIE A. ARNETT,
R. A. HENDERSON,
L. E. THOMAS.

Discussed by R. A. Henderson, Rev. H. Y. Morris, Sister Arnett, Rev. C. R. Powell, Sister H. B. Dudley, Rev. W. T. Jackson, Rev. S. L. Holloway, Rev. J. H. Coleman, Bro. Greenwalt, Sister Billings, W. L. Webb and Rev. B. F. House. Adopted.

Report of Investigating Committee.

We, your committee appointed to investigate the charges against Ulm Church, would report as follows:

We find the Ulm church was constituted by deacons and minsters in full fellowship in Grand Prairie Association; that it adopted the articles of faith as found in your minutes. After full investigation we recommend that the church be received into the fellowship of this Association.

C. R. POWELL,
W. E. TURNER,
S. L. HOLLOWAY,
J. M. FULLER,
W. L. COLE.

Report adopted.

On motion, Ulm Baptist Church was received into the Association and Moderator extended the right hand of fellowship to Bro. F. E. Linstaedt, messenger, welcoming him to seat in the body.

Sunday— 11 A. M.

Song: "Jesus is Mine." Prayer, Rev. H. Y. Morris. Rev. J. H. Coleman then preached the Missionary Sermon from text Isaiah 53rd chapter. Collection amounting to \$11.16 for Associational mission taken up.

Individual Pledges for Association Mission.

J. H. Bracewell	\$5.00	Mrs. K. B. Gillespie	1.00
Mrs. H. G. Latimer	5.00	Mrs. E. B. Washburn	1.00
Mrs. Mary B. Stine	5.00	Mrs. Billings	1.00
J. M. Fuller	5.00	Mrs. H. H. Spiller	1.00
W. M. Webb	5.00	Mrs. J. M. Fuller	1.00
Mrs. Kate HalliBurton	2.50	Mrs. Robinson	1.00
B. W. Scism	2.50	W. L. Hargrove	1.00
J. H. Rounsaville	2.50	Mrs. Bell Nicholson	1.00
W. C. Henderson	2.50	Miss Lavina Spiller	1.00
T. C. Wilkerson	2.50	H. H. Spiller	1.00
Geo. C. Bruce	2.00	Total	\$49.50

Pledges from Churches, Sunday Schools and B. Y. P. U.

Stuttgart	\$25.00	DeWitt B. Y. P. U.	5.00
Devalls Bluff	25.00	Hazen Ladies Aid	5.00
Hazen	25.00	Center Point	5.00
Pleasant Ridge	10.00	Prairie Chapel	5.00
Roe	5.00	Corinth	5.00
Ulm	5.00	St. Charles	5.00
Bellview	5.00	Mill Bayou	5.00
DeWitt	5.00	Point DeLuce	5.00
DeWitt Ladies Aid	5.00	Oak Grove	2.50
DeWitt S. S.	5.00	Total	\$157.50

Adjourned to meet 2 P. M.

Sunday—2 P. M.

Vice Moderator J. H. Coleman called the Association to order.

Song. Prayer, Rev. M. L. Hodges.

Report on B. Y. P. U. Work.

The Baptist Young People's Union is no new thing in the religious realm.— It is as old as the first young individual God laid His hand on for service. It is only new in form. It is not mere machinery. It is more than organization. It has a solid foundation and a magnificent view. The B. Y. P. U. means working and planning and praying. It means preparation, equipment and development for larger service in the Kingdom of our Lord. It has a two-fold purpose—the protection and the edification of our young people. Here they are schooled and drilled as soldiers to take the place, after awhile, of the veterans who have gone on before. It builds up the church in personal work, in evangelistic work, in mission work and surely our young people are never so safe as when they are doing God's work. Surely the possibilities of our young people, co-operating, organized, taught, trained, developed, and armed, are as boundless as the universe, and as endless as eternity.

We note with profuse gratitude that the B. Y. P. U. in Arkansas has taught the spirit of enlargement. More than ever the various churches throughout the State are beginning to realize the absolute necessity of saving, training and util-

izing the mighty army of our young men and young women. New organizations are being formed and many who have hitherto opposed, have become enthusiastic supporters of the work. From the imperfect reports received we learn that last year there were more than seven hundred and fifty engaged in systematic mission study, and the number is increasing week by week.

Beginning January 1st, 1907, and continuing for seven months, Rev. M. E. Hudson, through the aid of the State Mission Board, was kept in the field as a B. Y. P. U. and Sunday School evangelist. His efficient service added many more unions to the number in the State and brought new life to others already formed.

Realizing that the B. Y. P. U. is logically the hardest service in the church to maintain, because it is training work; also that it is a work of such supreme importance and of such splendid possibilities, we therefore recommend:

First. That all our pastors resolve to take a more enthusiastic and working interest in the B. Y. P. U.

Second. In view of the fact that the B. Y. P. U. assembly at Arkadelphia, last July, was so eminently profitable and helpful, that each pastor be urged to secure a large attendance from his church, to the coming assembly, July 10-16, 1909, at Arkadelphia.

Discussed by J. H. Coleman, S. L. Holloway, H. Y. Morris and H. B. Dudley. Adopted.

Temperance.

Your committee on Temperance would report that our hearts rejoice in the advance move that is being made along the line of temperance, and we urge that every Baptist place himself on record as temperance worker until the saloon is banished from our land.

We recommend that this body memorialize the Anti-Saloon league of Arkansas to take a position for and work for state wide prohibition.

B. F. HOUSE,
J. H. BENSON,
H. H. SPILLER.

Discussed by Wm. Webb, Geo. C. Bruce, J. W. Burris, V. G. Hinton, S. L. Holloway and J. H. Coleman. Adopted.

Foreign Mission.

We, your committee on Foreign Mission, beg leave to report the following: That it is a fact that we as Baptist hold that the Word of God should be the man of our counsel, and should be willingly obeyed by us as His people, and as He gave the great commission to go into all the world and preach the Gospel to every creature:

Therefore, it is our imperative duty to obey the command, believing that it was given to us, therefore we would recommend that the churches of this association put forth a greater effort along this line of the Lord's Work, and that the Pastors preach at least one sermon annually and take a collection for For-

eign Mission. That we may be able thereby to send the Gospel to those who have it not.

Respectfully submitted,

H. Y. MORRIS
S. W. CARSON
W. M. WEBB.

Discussed by Rev. J. H. Coleman. Adopted.

Home Mission.

We, your Committee, submit the following report:

As the starting point of Missions by Command of the Lord Jesus, was to be Jerusalem and the Home land, we as Baptist believe in Home Mission and thus preaching the Gospel in every section and corner of our land and in our sister Republic of Mexico and the Islands of Cuba and Porto Rico. We believe that the church has the right to decide the channel or method by which this mission work is to be done, and that the Pastors preach on missions and take collections in their churches and that the people be instructed so that they may give intelligently to these interests.

W. E. TURNER
J. R. DAVENPORT
T. C. WILKINSON

Adopted.

Women's Mission Union Report.

To help carry out the command, Go ye into all the world and preach the Gospel, we the committee find that the Women's Mission Union is a great help in carrying out the commissions, as it is the means of raising many dollars, and by this means help to support the missionaries. We would also urge all churches to organize and maintain a society, to read the Women's Column in the Baptist Advance, and keep in touch with the work all over the state, always remembering that it was to a woman that Jesus first said, "Go tell the news of the resurrection".

(MRS.) H. B. DUDLEY
(MRS.) J. H. COLEMAN
(MRS.) C. F. EDWARDS

Discussed by Rev. S. L. Holloway, Rev. J. H. Coleman, V. G. Hinton, Sisters Dudley and Coleman. Adopted.

State Mission.

Your committee on State Mission would report as follows:

We rejoice that our Heavenly Father has so richly blessed us in the work of State Missions. These great blessings given us and this great opportunity open to us should bring us to our knees, and bring us to do our best in the great work. Last year the Lord gave to the Missionaries of our convention the joy of leading 5009 souls to trust the savior and be saved. These Baptised 3330.— There were 99 of these Missionaries. We have not at hand any of the statistics of the work done by the State General Association.

Let us brethren, join hearts and souls in this great work, trusting God for

his guidance, and laying ourselves on His altar for this great work.

W. B. HURT
J. H. COLEMAN
R. H. PARKER

Adopted.

Report on Finance.

We, your committee report the following:

Received of Association Missions	\$85.42
Received for Minutes and Clerk	32.47
Received from old pledges	42.50
Received collection Association Missions	11.16
Received for State Mission	1.00
Total amount received	\$172.55

Respectfully Submitted,

H. H. SPILLER
C. W. FOX
J. H. ROUNSAVILLE

Adopted.

On motion, a collection for Clerk's salary was taken up, amounting to \$6.50 from the several churches.

Resolution of Thanks.

Resolved, that we the messengers, members and visitors extend our hearty thanks to the Stuttgart church, and citizens for your kindness and courtesies extended to us on our visit to you. Your kindness has been unsurpassed and it is impossible for us to find words to express our thanks to you. May God's richest blessings rest upon you and bless every effort you put forth here upon earth.

Adopted.

On motion, the Clerk was instructed to have 500 minutes printed and that they be distributed according to membership.

After a few remarks by the Moderator H. J. Kelley, and extension of parting hand, the Association adjourned to meet with the Hazen Church, Hazen, Ark, on Thursday night 7:30 before the 3rd Lord's day in Oct., 1909.

H. J. KELLEY, Moderator.

H. B. DUDLEY, Clerk.

Ordained Ministers.

W. E. TURNER, Almyra,	A. J. FROST, Des Arc,
J. R. DAVENPORT, Almyra,	L. C. BAUER, DeWitt
D. D. WILLIS, Hazen,	J. H. COLEMAN, Hazen,
JOE JOHNSON, Hazen,	H. Y. MORRIS, Carlisle.
R. A. ROBERSON, Arkadelphia,	C. C. KERR, Carlisle,
J. H. BRACEWELL, Ulm.	

Licensed Ministers.

M. L. HODGES.

STATISTICAL TABLE.

NAMES OF CHURCHES	INCREASE			DECREASE			Total Membership	Sundays Schools	Minutes and Clerk's Fees	Pastor's Salary	Association Mission	State Mission	Home Mission	Foreign Missions	Value of Church Property	Orphans' Home	NAMES OF PASTORS		NAMES OF CLERKS			
	By Baptism	By Letter	By Restored	By Decease	By Expulsion	By Letter											AND	P. O. ADDRESS.	AND	P. O. ADDRESS.		
Almyra				6	1	2	31	1	\$1 50	\$150 00	\$11 00					\$8 00	W. E. Turner,	Almyra, Arkansas	J. M. Fuller,	Almyra		
Big LaGrue			1	6	6	7	66	1	2 00	80 00	5 00						J. R. Davenport,	Almyra	R. H. Parker,	Van		
Bellview				5	1		61	1	1 50	25 00							J. R. Davenport,	Almyra	Lillie McSwain,	Ethel		
Center Point		2		2	2	12	95		2 00		4 00						Joe Johnson,	Hazen	D. B. Scott,	Hazen		
Cross Roads	11	2		5			65		1 00	50 00	3 60						Wade H. Pharr,	Carlisle	Sam Stone,	Hickory Plains		
Corinth	11	13	4				45	1	75	84 00							J. H. Bracewell,	Ulm	Julius Stewart,	Humphrey		
Crooked Creek							*38															
DeWitt	3	4		4	1	2	102	1	3 40	400 00	47 50	18 71	3 75	5 00	2000	76 05	L. C. Bauer,	DeWitt	J. B. Wofford,	DeWitt		
DeVall's Bluff	24	20	2	7	1		121	1	1 50	367 10	5 00	73 50	27 50	30 00	900	25 25	J. H. Coleman,	Hazen	Mrs. D. J. Swinney,	DeVall's Bluff		
Fairmount							*11															
Forks LaGrue							*59															
Gum Woods							*42															
Hazen	1	8		5			132	1	1 00	400 00		95 45	12 00	15 00	900	5 60	J. H. Coleman,	Hazen	R. H. Hazen,	Hazen		
Harmony	4	3					44		75		5 00						W. J. Johnson,	Hazen	S. W. Carson,	Carlisle		
Hebron																						
Humphrey																						
Mill Bayou	3			1			26		1 50	100 00						5 00	J. R. Davenport,	Almyra	Walter Watts,	Almyra		
New Bethel							30		50						300		L. H. Dodsen,		Geo. Garren,	Carlisle		
New Salem																						
New Hope	3		1	3	2	2	61	1	2 12	100 00							J. R. Davenport,	Almyra	Mrs. T. J. Walters,	Almyra		
New Home	9				3		28		40								C. C. Kerr		Emma Johnson,	Des Arc		
New Zion	2	1					48		1 00	100 00							W. E. Turner,	Almyra	Pat Donaval,	Tichnor		
Oak Grove	10	5	3	3		1	63		1 47		5 00						W. J. Johnson,	Hazen	J. H. Benson,	Carlisle		
Prairie Chapel																						
Prairie Grove							19	1	68						45			W. E. Turner,		Gillett		
Pleasant Ridge	9	18	2		1	2	84	1	1 30	50 00	5 50				1000		W. H. Pharr,	Carlisle	E. W. Williams,	Carlisle		
Pt. Deluce							93		1 00	100 00							J. R. Davenport,	Almyra	H. E. Adams,	DeLuce		
Rising Sun				3		1	64	1	75	50 00	5 00				500		W. E. Turner,	Almyra	W. B. Word,	Crockett's Bluff		
Roe		2		1	1		14		50	50 00	3 00	14 00					J. H. Bracewell,	Ulm	J. H. Crutchfield,	Roe		
Stuttgart	7	51		4			127	1	3 00	521 25	14 75	60 70	24 33	23 33	2500	62 00			J. H. Smith,	Stuttgart		
St. Charles		6			1		32		60	72 00							J. H. Bracewell,	Ulm	Mrs. Elsie Cotner,	St. Charles		
Ulm		11					11	1	1 00	16 00	1 51	1 00					J. H. Bracewell,	Ulm	F. E. Lenstaet,	Ulm		
Totals,	97	110	13	55	20	29	1612	13	31	22715.35	116	36	263	36	67	58	73	33	81	45	181	90