

SEPTEMBER 15, 16 AND 17, 1894.

P MANNING, Moderator, Paris, Ark. .: :: IRA A. HUCKABY, Clerk, Dandanelle, Ark.



MINUTES

OF THE

FORTIETH ANNUAL SESSION

OF THE

Dardanelle Baptist Association

HELD WITH

NEW BETREL CHURCH,

ON

SEPTEMBER 15, 16 AND 17, 1894.

Next Association to be held with Unity Baptist Church, Yell County, commencing Saturday before the third Sunday in September, 1895.

ORDER OF BUSINESS.

- 1. Thirty minutes to devotional exercises.
- 2. After a recess of about 15 minutes, Introductory Sermon.
 - 3. After the usual intermission, call the body to order.
- 4. After singing and prayer, call for Letters from Churches.
- After reading the Letters and enrolling the Messengers, go into the election of officers and form a permanent organization.
 - 6. Call for Petitionary Letters.
 - 7. Invite visiting brethren to seats in the body.
 - 8. Appoint Committee on Divine Services.
 - 9. Elect Mission Board.
- 10. Appoint the usual Committees, and others at the discretion of the body.
 - 11. Grant Letters of Dismission, if any are called for.
 - 12. Call for Correspondence
 - 13. Appoint Messengers to other bodies
 - 14. Reports of usual Committees, at will.
 - 15. Miscellaneous business.
 - 16 Appoint time and place of holding the next session.
- 17. Adjourn to time and place of holding next session of the body.

 D. D. SWINDALL.

CONSTITUTION.

ARTICLE 1. This body shall be known as the Dardanelle Baptist Association.

ART. 2. It shall be composed of Messengers from Baptist Churches known to be in good standing. Each church with afty members or less shall be entitled to three Messengers; and churches with more than one hundred members shall be entitled to one Messenger for each succeeding hundred.

ART. 3. The officers shall be a Moderator, Clerk and Treasurer, who shall be elected by ballot, unless ordered by a two-thirds vote, at each annual session, and shall continue in office

till their successors are chosen.

ART. 4. It shall be the duty of the Moderator to preside over the body according to parliamentary usage. The Clerk thall keep a correct record of the proceedings, attend to the publication and distribution of the minutes, keep a regular file of printed minutes of every session of this body, and deliver over the same to his successor in office. The Treasurer shall take charge of the funds of the Association, holding them subject to the order of the body.

ART. 5. The objects of the Association shall be: 1. To promote fellowship among the churches, secure unanimity of faith, and cultivate the piety of its members. 2. To labor for Domestic and Foreign missions and encourage the circulation and reading of Baptist literature. 3. An especial object shall be to encourage and provide assistance for the rising ministry, and for this purpose to establish an institution of learning in

our midst as soon as practicable.

ART. 6. This body shall in no case interfere with the internal regulations of the churches, but will act as an advisory council whenever it may be necessary. It, however, claims authority over its own members, the Messengers from the churches, and will withdraw from and disown all churches that lepart from the principles of this compact by becoming heterolox in faith or disorderly in practice.

ART. 7 Newly organized churches, or churches dismissed

from other Associations, may be admitted into this body upon their petitioning by letter and Messengers at our annual meeting, and by their Messengers agreeing to the abstract of principles herewith published.

ART. 8. Churches may be dismissed from this Association upon application at an annual meeting, for the purpose of forming a new Association; but any church departing from us without being regularly dismissed shall be regarded as disorderly.

ART. 9. A quorum to do business in this Association shall consist of at least two-thirds of the Messengers who may assemble at its session.

ART. 10. This Association shall adjourn each day during its session for divine services.

ART. 11. This Constitution may be altered or amended at any meeting of this Association by the concurring voice of two-thirds of the members who are in attendance.

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and churches with more thand somewhere shall be entitled to one additional 50 members.

adopted at The 60 Th annual Session at Belleville, 1914.

PROCEEDINGS.

GILKY, YELL COUNTY, ARK., September 15, 1894.

The Dardanelle Baptist Association met with New Bethel (hurch, Gilky, Yell County, Ark., on Saturday, September 15, 1894, at 10 A. M. After the usual devotional exercises, the body was called to order by the Moderator.

Eld. W. N. Dodd, appointee to preach the introductory sermon, was absent. On motion, Eld, W. E. Logan, the alternate, was excused, and Eld. W. A. Clark, of Little Rock, was invited to preach, which he did, taking Acts 1: 1 for a text. Prayer by Eld. J. R. G. W. N. Adams.

Adjourned until 2 P. M.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

At 2 P. M. the Association reassembled, and was led in prayer by the Moderator.

The letters from the churches were read, and the names of

their messengers enrolled.

Eld. T. P. Manning was re-elected Moderator and Ira A. Huckaby, Clerk and Treasurer.

The pastor and deacons of New Bethel church, W. D. Hogan and W. R. Blair were appointed a Committee on Divine Services.

Bros. T. D. Merritt, J. S. Gray and E H. Walk were appointed Finance committee.

Letters were presented from Bluffton and Friendship churches, asking for membership in the body. On motion they were received and their messengers enrolled.

Corresponding messengers were recognized as follows:

Eld. H. L. Been, from Concord Association; J R. Hunnicutt, John Hunnicutt and Eld. J. W. Richardson, from Macedonia; Eld. W. A. Clark from the Arkansas State Baptist Convention; W. W. Sims, from Buckville; Eld. J. F. Brewer was enrolled as a visitor from Concord; Eld. W. H. Nall, from the Pine Bluff Association; Eld. J. R. G. W. N. Adams as a member of Iowa Park church, Texas.

Return Correspondents were appointed as follows:

Bros W. D. Hogan and Wiley Nobles, to Concord Association; Elds. S. D. Ferrin and W. D. Pippin, to Fourche Valley; W. E. Logan and T. M. Merchant, to Macedonia; Wiley Nobles and L. A. Robertson, to Buckville; W. L. Puckett, W. E. Weems, E. H. Stafford and I. A. Huckaby, to Russellville; T. P. Manning, T. D. Merritt, W. D. Moffit and A. H. Autry, to the Arkansas State Baptist Convention; T. M. Merchant and J. H. Dilday, to Buckner; J. S. Gray, to Clear Creek; E. R. Bland, to the Southern Baptist Convention.

Adjourned till Monday, at 8:30 A. M. Benediction by Eld. J. Young.

Eld J. F. Brewer preached at 7:30 P. M., from I John 5:1. Subject, The relationship existing between God and the believer in Him. Eld J. W. Richardson preached at Salem at the same time.

In the intermission, the following committees were appointed:

Domestic Missions,—J. G. Taylor, W. L. Puckett, J. N. Stone, Publication —W. N. Womack, W. D. Moffitt, D. M. Ballenger, Sunday Schools.—J. F. Brice, W. D. Hogan, N. Peterson.

Temperance. J. S. Gray, J. C. Brooks, S. D. Ferrin.

Education.—M. P. Blair, T. M. Merchant, M. L. Stewart, W. L. Puckett.

Documents.—E. H. Gray, W. W. Brooks, W. C. Womack.

Deceased Ministers.—L. A. Robertson, W. E. Pippin, A. M.

Bass.

Nominations.—Jno. Young, E. H. Stafford, G. A. Moore.

Foreign Missions.—W. E. Logan, L. G. Earles, J. H. Dilday.

SUNDAY SERVICES.

At 11 A. M. Eld. T. P. Manning preached the missionary sermon, from Matt. 28: 19, 20 and Mark 16: 15, 16. A collection for missions was taken, amounting to \$16.40.

At 3 P. M. Eld. W. A. Clark preached on the subject of Christian Union.

Eld. E. H. Stafford preached at 7:30 P. M., and Eld. T. M. Merchant preached at Salem Church at the same hour, his subject being the story of the Prodigal Son.

MONDAY.

MORNING SESSION.

The roll was called and absentees marked. Minutes of proceedings on Saturday and Sunday read and approved.

J B. Smith, J. N. Stone, M. L. Stewart, T. D. Merrit and John Young were elected Mission board.

J. F. Brice read report of Committee on Sunday schools. After some discussion, the report was re-committed.

The report on Publication was read by Eld. W. D. Moffit: Publication. - Knowing the value or necessity of good reading or a good paper in every family, we would urge the reading of the Scriptures first and last of all. Next to that we believe it to be the duty of every Baptist to take and read the ARKANSAS BAPTIST. as we consider it one of the best publications, full of truth and information that every Baptist family needs. We believe it is right and just for us to support our own paper. We can not see how any family can do without our state paper. We not only can see what our people are doing throughout the state, but it is encouraging to see the progress of our denomination, even in this state. There are other good papers we could recommend, but first take your own paper. And we would also urge the use of our own Sunday school literature, published at Nashville, Tenn., as it belongs to our Southern Baptist Convention, and we are helping ourselves by subscribing to it. Also would recommend the reading of the Home

Field for missionary news. Let all take the above-named publications and read more, and we will work more.

W. N. WOMACK, Chm'n.

Discussed by Bros. Clark, Blair and Moffit, and adopted.

W. L. Puckett read report of Committee on Education. With the report was submitted a proposition from the Stockholders of Belleville High school to sell or donate to the Association the said High school property. The report and proposition were discussed by Bros. Manning, Logan, Puckett and Moffit The report was adopted and proposition of the stockholders was referred to a committee consisting of Bros. W. E. Logan, W. L. Puckett, T. P. Manning, E. H. Gray and T. D. Merritt, which committee was instructed to confer with the stockholders and report at the next meeting of the Association. The report read as follows:

Education.—We, your Committee on Education, feel the great importance of this vital question, and that Baptists should keep abreast with the great educational interests of the land. For this reason we point with pride to Ouachita Baptist College, located at Arkadelphia, Ark.; Mountain Home College, Mountain Home, Ark.; and Central Female College, Conway, Ark. We further recommend for the consideration of the Association the proposition of the Belleville High School, located at Belleville, Ark., which proposition we hereby submit and ask to be made a part of the report.

Proposition.—We, the owners of Belleville Academy, submit the following proposition for your consideration: We agree, on our part, to deed to your church Bellville Academy and land thereto belonging, so long as you run a good high school successfully, giving free tuition to all persons studying for the ministry of all Protestant denominations. And if, at any time, said school should fail to be a first-class high school, then the property is to revert to us. Further, we will take \$800 in cash for the house. We could not give possession of the academy before July 1, 1895. It is further agreed that if a successful high school or a chartered college is

run for a time of ten successive years, then the deed is to be

Jan. F. Choate, W. L. Heck, I. N. Martin, J. B. Heck, W. H. Ferguson.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

M. P. BLAIR, Chm'n.

The Committee on Finance submitted the following report, which was adopted:

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Total	15

T. D. MERRITT, Chm'n.

The Committee on Sunday Schools made the following report, which was adopted:

Sunday Schools.—We report progress in certain localities, but and deficiency in others. Therefore, we recommend an urgent effort on the part of churches and pastors to organize a live Sunday whool in every church.

J. F. Brice, Chm'n.

Preaching at 11 o'clock by Eld. J. W. Richardson, from the text found in John 17: 15. Subject, The relation which the bollever sustains to Christ.

Adjourned to 1:30 P. M.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

At 1:30 the Association reassembled, and the Moderator read Psalms 84, followed by prayer by Eld. Been.

The following reports were submitted by the respective committees and adopted by the Association:

Domestic Missions —We recommend the continuation of misllonary work within the bounds of this Association, as we find there in very great destitution We would recommend the employment of an active and faithful missionary capable of good and efficient work.

J. G. Taylor, Chm'n.

Deceased Ministers,-Your committee begs leave to report that

God in his goodness has preserved the lives of our ministers, for which we feel very thankful to him, and pray his blessings in the future.

L. A. ROBERTSON, Chm'n.

Documents.—Your committee would report that the churches at New Hope, Mt. Zion No. 2 and Lick Creek ask for the next meeting of the Association.

E. H. GRAY, Chm'n.

Temperance —It is with joy we report that through our influence the whisky traffic is being driven out of our country. Therefore, we urge our members, pastors and ministers to unite in suppressing this curse and never stop as long as there is a single drop under the sun, and pray the Lord Jesus Christ to help us in this work.

J. S. Gray, Chm'n,

This report was discussed by Elds. Brewer, J. S. Gray, Merchant Young and Manning.

Mission Board .- At a meeting held at Marvinville in October, at which all the members were present, it was agreed that on account of the bad weather and bad roads during the winter months, it would not be practicable to begin missionary operations before April 1. It was further agreed to employ Eld. T. P. Manning to serve as missionary from April 1 to the meeting of the Association, for which we agreed to pay him \$300. He was instructed to take collections for his work and to co-operate with the State Sunday School Board. At a meeting held at Prairie View in March, the board instructed him to have regular appointments at Roseville, Delaware, Bluffton and Sugar Grove, and to put in the remainder of his time at his discretion. Following is an itemized report of his work: Number of miles traveled, 1,500; families visited, 260; sermons preached, 205; Sunday school talks, 6; baptisms, 4; professions, 19; church organized, 1, (Bluffton, thirteen members); churches resuscitated, 2; protracted meetings, 7; collected by puplic contribution, \$32,55; collected on original pledges, \$77.60.

T. P. MANNING, Missionary.

Eld. T. M. Merchant pledged two weeks of his time to the mission work and submitted the following report: Sermons preached,

16; bsptisms, 4; received by letter, 1. We have paid Eld. Manning \$295.55, leaving a balance due him of \$3.65. We feel confident there are enough good pledges still unpaid to settle this amount.

JNO. YOUNG, Chm'n.

Discussed by Elds. Manning and Merchant.

Nominations.—We report Eld. F. P. Turner to preach the introductory sermon; Eld. W. E. Logan, alternate; and Eld. A. H. Autry to preach the missionary sermon at 11 o'clock on Sunday; Eld. Dodd, alternate.

JNo. Young, Chm'n.

Foreign Missions.—Whereas, we find that the Lord, in his word, has commanded and demands of the churches to preach the gospel to all nations, and we understand it is through the preached gospel that the world is to be saved, Therefore, we recommend that we begin the work at home at once to carry it to the utmost parts of the earth.

W. E. Logan, Chm'n.

Eld. J. F. Brice offered the following resolution, which was adopted:

Resolved.—That the Clerk be instructed to have the constitution of this body printed in the minutes.

It was agreed to hold the next session of this body with Unity Church, at Chickalah, on Saturday before the third Sunday in September, 1895.

On motion, a resolution was adopted tendering the thanks of the Association to New Bethel Courch and the people of the community for the hospitality with which the messengers and visitors have been entertained; and to the Moderator and Clerk for their dignified and efficient services during the session.

On motion, the clerk was instructed to have 800 copies of the minutes printed, and was allowed \$20 for his services.

Upon a call for pledges for mission work during the next year the following amounts were pledged:

Antioch	.\$10	001	Brought forward	\$ 73	50
Caney Creek	. 5	00	M. L. Stewart	1	25
Macedonia	. 10	00	P. C. Moss	1	25
M. Byrd	. 5	00	B. S. Smith (Pd.)	1	00
J. M. Corley	2	00	L. G. Earles	. 2	00
Brier Creek	. 5	00	Centerville	. 2	50
Lick Creek	. 5	00	Dardanelle	. 30	00
Wiley Nobles (Pd.)	. 1	00	Zion Hul	2	00
A M. Bass	. 1	00	New Hope	10	00
Baker's Creek	. 2	50	Pilgrim Rest	. 5	00
Bethel No. 2	. 3	00	C. D. Owens	. 1	00
Magazine	. 20	00	Friendship	2	50
D. M. Ballenger	. 2	00	J. F. Brewer	. 10	00
W. R. Wilkerson	. 2	00	T. P. Manning	25	00
Carried forward	\$73	50	Total	\$167	00

Eld. T. M. Merchant pledged his services to hold one meeting under the direction of the board.

Adjourned to meet with Unity Church on Saturday before the third Sunday in September, 1895, at 10 A. M.

Sang a hymn and extended the parting hand.

Prayer by Eld. Jno. Young. Benediction by Eld. E. H. Gray.

T. P. MANNING, MODERATOR.

IRA A. HUCKABY, Clerk.

Balance on hand.....

TREASURER'S REPORT.

Receipts.	
Received of Finance Committee, 1893	\$ 70 15
Received for missions from churches and individuals, 1894	120 60
	\$190 75
Disbursements.	
For printing minutes	\$ 20 00
For Clerk's salary	20 00
Paid T. P. Manning	
For blanks and postage	2 05
	\$188 65

Note.—The collections on Sunday school and mission funds sent in the letters were also paid to Bro. Manning, and will appear in the report next year. This report was not read before the body.

ORDAINED MINISTERS.

T. K. Whitlow	Centerville
A. H. Autry	
R. R Elmore	Denville
T. M. Merchant.	
R. T Little	Booneville
W. N Womack	Morrison's Bluff
Jno. Young	
S D. Ferrin	
L. G. Earles	
E H Stafford	
J. H. Dilday	Belleville
J. F. Brice	
C. C. Hogan	Corley
E H Gray	Corley
T. P. Manning	
M. O Sanders	
J. S Gray	
L. A. Robertson	Bluffton
W. E. Pippin	
W. D. Moffitt	
W. E. Logan	Belleville
W. N. Dodd	

CHURCH	es. Postoffice.	COUNTY.	PASTORS.	CLERKS.	MESSENGERS.				
	Corley	. Logan C	C. C. Hogan	T. W. Kern.	E. H. Gray, W. D Hogan J. N. Cowger.				
Cane Creek	Prairie View	Logan J	. S. Gray	W. K. Surguine.	J. S. Gray, G W. Parks, W. K. Surguine. No. from 1892.				
Ellsworth	Blane	Logan	************		No. from 1892.				
5 Liberty Spring	Belleville	Yell	***** *******		No. from 1808				
Macedonia	Morrison's Bluff	Logan		W. R. Blair	M P. Bair, W. N. Womack, J. H. Grav.				
Paris		Logan J	. F. Brewer	A. T. Fitzgerald	D. S. N. Baxley, M. Byrd, S. Opdyke,				
Pleasant Grov	e Dublin	. Logan		W. A. Hall	M. No. from 1893 M. P. B. air, W. N. Womack, J. H. Gray, D. S. N. Baxley, M. Byrd, S. Opdyke, Letter.				
Pleasant Hill		. Logan	strate green street	W. J. Redden	No. from 1893,				
	Paris	Logan M	I. O. Sanders	W. J. Redden	J. M. Corley.				
Bakers Creek.	Riley Belleville	Velt V	W. H. Loren	L. C. Bigbee	H M. Cherry. W E Logan, F. M. Madden, W. D. Moffit.				
	Magazine	Logan	H Stafford	S A Ribelin	Letter				
Brier Creek	Maggie	Logan J	no. Young	J. W. Walker	tetter. T. M. Merchant, J. A. Mayfield, W. L. Pucket N. Z. Heurv. Jno. Ladd, C. D. Owens. M. G. McMillau. G. A. Moore.				
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	Booneville	Logan. F	R. T. Little	J. W. Skinner.	G. A. Moore,				
	Revilee	Logan E	H. Gray	T. M. Riley	A. M. Bas., J. L. Bass, Wiley Nobles, T. D. Merritt, J. G. Taylor.				
Magazine	Magazine	Vell V	H Sufford	W. T. Berry	T. D. Merritt, J. G. Taylor.				
Mt. Pisgah	Stafford Belleville	Yell	H Dildey	WR Kennington	J. W. Horn, T. A. Barnes. J. H. Dilday, J. G. Parker.				
New Highton	er Manning	Yell	V E. Logan	W E Downs	John Dlibeck				
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} Bethlehem	Rover Bluffton	. Yell V	V. H. Nall	V. B. Burruss	Jno, Burrus D. M. Ballenger.				
Bluffton	Bluffton	Yell		B A. Carpenter.	B. A. Carpenter.				
Friendship.	Bluffton	Vall p	A. Robertson	J. C. WIISOH,	L. A. Robertson. J. R. Gren J. F. Chesney.				
Mt. Tarmel	Briggerille	Veil	V. H. Nall	I D Gallison	W R. Wilkerson.				
New Bethel	Gilkey	Yeliv	V. E. Logan	P. C. Moss	M. L. Stewart, P. C. Moss, C. E. Chester.				
Salem	Balloon		V H. Nall	W. T. W Brooks	M. L. Stewart, P. C. Moss, C. E. Chester, W. A. Ford, G. W. Gossett, J. A. Ford,				
Zion	Jennings Falls.	Yell V	V. D. Mottit	Wm. Hughes	M. V. Carden, Wm. Hughes.				
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Spring Creek.	Belleville	. Yell J	. F. Brice	G W. Woodson.	R. R. Flmore, W. M. Woodson, W. W. Brook				
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STATISTICAL TABLE.

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