



MINUTES

—OF THE—

NINETEENTH ANNUAL SESSION

—OF THE—

UNITED ASSOCIATION

OF THE MISSIONARY BAPTIST

HELD WITH

PLEASANT VALLEY CHURCH, VAN BUREN COUNTY, ARK.,
SEPTEMBER 7, 8 AND 9, 1893.

OFFICERS:

ELDER B. M. STEPHENS, Moderator, Springfield, Ark., ASA
ROBERTSON, Clerk, Formosa, Ark., E. A. WOOL-
VERTON, Treasurer, Centre Ridge, Ark.

NEXT MEETING, THURSDAY, BEFORE THE SECOND
SABBATH IN SEPTEMBER, 1894, AT SPRING-
FIELD, OONWAY COUNTY, ARK.

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MINUTES.

The United Association met in its nineteenth annual session, with Pleasant Valley church, on Thursday before the second Sabbath in September, A. D., 1893, at 11 o'clock a. m.

Introductory sermon was preached by Eld. T. Moody, from Matthew 28th chapter and nineteenth verse.

The body was called to order by Eld. T. Moody.

On motion the body adjourned to meet at 2 p. m.

EVENING SESSION.

The body met at 2 p. m. after prayer by Brother Stephens.

The letters from the churches composing the association were called for.

Brethren McReynolds and Loggins were appointed reading clerks.

The letters were read and messengers names enrolled. (See table.)

The body then went into permanent organization.

Brethren J. W. Rambo and Denney from Trace Ridge Association were appointed tellers.

The result of the vote was for Eld. B. M. Stephens, moderator; Brother Asa Robertson, clerk; and Brother E. A. Woolverton, treasurer.

The moderator called for petitionary letters, when Caney Valley church presented letter for membership.

On motion the letter was received, and Caney Valley church received into the fellowship of this body.

At this point there was a resolution offered by Eld. M. S. Kirkland.

Resolved, That this body meet at 8 a. m., adjourn at 12 m., meet at 2 p. m., adjourn at 5 p. m.

Preaching at night by Eld. J. R. Pennington from Jude. 3 v.

FRIDAY.

MORNING SESSION.

Body met at 8 o'clock a. m. Prayer by Elder G. W. Ford.

On motion the regular order of business was suspended to arrange correspondence when the following brethren volunteered to visit sister association's.

Little Red River association. S. A. Neal and Andy Farm.

Russellville association. Eld. M. S. Kirkland, McReynolds and J. Mayall. Meets first Sunday in October.

Pedu association. Brethren S. B. Barnett, J. R. Pennington. Meets 28th September, 1893.

Trace Ridge association. Brethren J. B. Millsaps and J. R. Rennington.

White River association. Brethren Joe Castley, T. Moody, S. B. Barnett and J. R. Pennington.

Fourche Valley association. Eld. J. Mayall, T. Moody and J. B. Loggins.

State Convention. Brethren B. M. Stephens, M. S. Kirkland, J. Mayall, J. B. Loggins and Asa Robertson.

By motion it was requested that Brother Asa Robertson be made a member of the State Board.

On motion, the rules of order were suspended, and that the body select the place to hold the next session of this body, which resulted in Springfield, Conway county, Ark., and Eld. J. McGee to preach the introductory sermon, and Eld. M. S. Kirkland, alternate.

The moderator called for reports of committees, when the committee on prohibition made their report.

On motion the regular order of business was suspended when messengers from Desoto church asked for a letter of dismission, which was granted and the clerk requested to write the same.

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Body adjourned to meet at 2 p. m.

Preaching at 11 o'clock by Eld. B. M. Stephens, Ephesians, 4 ch., 4 v.

EVENING SESSION.

Body met at 2 p. m. Prayer by Eld. J. M. McGee.

Moderator called for corresponding messenger when Eld. Vimo Turner from Green Brier association reported. R. G. Lafferty from Little Red River reported and their names were enrolled.

SATURDAY.

MORNING SESSION.

Body met at 8 o'clock a. m. Prayer by Bro. S. B. Barnett.

ON FOREIGN MISSION'S.

Your committee on Foreign missions beg to make the following report.

First. Foreign mission work is a success and God is blessing it, this should encourage us. It is God's work and we are co-workers with him.

Second. The foreign mission work came from God, see what the master said to the church, "Go teach all nations," we must be made acquainted with the plans of mission work. The foreign mission board of the Southern Baptist convention calls upon you to help in this great work. A part of the work is upon us, let us come to the front and do the best we can and God will bless us and his cause.

Respectfully submitted,

ELD. J. MAYALL,

T. MOODY,

JOHN WRIGHT.

A collection was taken up for foreign missions by Eld. J. Mayall, amounting to \$7.75.

On motion body adjourned for preaching, by Elder J. K. Braudaway from Matthew 5 ch.

Body met at 2 p. m., prayer by Elder T. Moody.

REPORT ON DESTITUTION.

Your committee on destitution make the following report :

There are some destitute places in this association and we recommend that this body lay some plans by which they can be reached. This is a very important work and demands your immediate attention. We have the truth, and as Missionary Baptists let us give it to those who have it not.

Respectfully submitted,

J. MAYALL,

J. B. MILSAPS,

Committee.

The body then elected Elder J. K. Braudaway as missionary for the ensuing associational year..

On motion that the body elect the same brethren who were elected last year on finance board, carried.

On motion that the clerk superintend the printing of the minutes, and have five dollars for his services, carried.

RESOLVED, That each church send by their messengers to this body, the amount they will pledge for associational purposes, at its next meeting at Springfield, Ark.

Body adjourned for preaching by Elder R. H. Lafferty, from Matthew xxi, 13.

After preaching, a resolution of thanks was tendered the good people of Damascus and vicinity for their generous hospitality during the sitting of the body.

A hymn was sung—"God be with you till we meet again"—and the parting hand given.

The body then adjourned to meet with Springfield church on Thursday before the second Sunday in September, A. D. 1894, at 11 o'clock,

ELDER B. M. STEPHENS, Moderator.

ASA ROCINSON, Clerk.

ON PROHIBITION.

We, your committee on prohibition, beg leave to report the following :

Believing that the excessive use of intoxicating drink has been and is the cause of more crime and shame than all other evils combined, and believing the present saloon system to be the worst legitimate evil with which we have to contend, and in view of the fact that but a few years ago there were but few whose voices were heard in opposition to this monster evil, but now the masses are being heard all over our blessed land, and at the ballot box their sentiments expressed against this great evil, we feel that we should thank God and take courage; and we recommend that every effort be put forth to exterminate this evil from among us.

Respectfully submitted,

JESSIE FORD, Chairman.

COMMITTEE ON MINISTERIAL EDUCATION.

Your committee beg leave to make the following report:

We are now living in an age of educational progress; a time when men and women cannot act judiciously without first being informed. Now, brethren, we have the *truth* in regard to salvation. If such be the case, should we not be willing, at any sacrifice, to give this truth to the perishing millions of earth? This cannot be done successfully by an uneducated ministry. We believe that churches should contribute annually to assist worthy young ministers to obtain an education. We can point with pride to the institutions of learning that have been reared all over our state by the Missionary Baptist denomination, and would ask the question, What have we done to assist in this grand and noble work? Brethren, shall we go to record that we have done nothing in the work of building colleges, while many of our brethren in the state have been financially ruined by being forced to give up all they had or see our colleges go down. Let us begin now to assist in this work. Let each church send up each year to the association their contribution, and let the association see that the money is well spent in educating the worthy young ministers.

Respectfull submitted,

J. K. BRAUDAWAY, Chairman.

RESOLUTION.

RESOLVED, That this association adopt the following plan of mission work for the ensuing year.

That the board secure some place of worship at Clinton, Van Buren county, Ark., and that a preacher be employed to hold a protracted meeting at said place at the most convenient season and that pledges be taken at this meeting of the associating to support the work.

The pledges were then made, which are as follows:

Pleasant Hill	\$5 00
Solgohachie	2 00
Pleasant Valley	5 00
Cash by R. P. McReynolds	50
Cash by B. M. Stephens	50
Cleveland church	2 50
Cash by F. M. Thomas	50
Antioch church	5 00
Valley Home	3 00
J. M. Crawford	1 00
Cash by J. W. Harris	25
J. W. Yancey	1 00
E. A. Woolverton	2 00
W. F. Kirkland	1 00

ON PUBLICATION.

We, your committee on publication, beg leave to make the following report:

We have many good and deserving publications published in the interest of our denomination, and there are many others that we do not think either sound or instructive that we would warn our brethern against had we the space in this report.

We recommend first, the Holy Bible, next the Arkansas Baptist as being a sound exponent of Bible and Baptist doctrines, and it being our own state paper we believe that it is our first duty as Baptists to patronize our own paper.

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Next we recommend the American Baptist as a good and safe paper to place in the hands of our young people, it being the most outspoken paper in the land on the evils of Romanism. Exposing its infamy.

Respectfully submitted.

A. H. WILSON,
J. M. MASENGILL,
M. S. KIRKLAND;

Committee.

MISSIONARY'S REPORT.

Work done: Seven sermons at Liberty Springs, four in Gulf, one on mountain, at Brother Campbell's three.

Miles traveled, 180.

It is believed by your missionary that a good work could be done by building a house of worship on the mountain, between the Gulf and Liberty Springs. By this method the settlements could be reached.

Respectfully submitted.

A. H. WILSON.

ON SABBATH SCHOOLS.

We, your committee on Sabbath schools, report the following, inasmuch as the future prospects of the glorious body of Christ, the church must depend on the rising generation, and as we believe early training in the word of God to be essential to the qualification of the future men and women, and as the Sabbath school is the best place for early training, for good on tender minds, we recommend that the few schools reported be urged to go on in the work of Sabbath school training, and those churches which have no school be urged to organize at once and report at the next meeting of this body; and further recommend that the pastors of churches urge upon their people the need of Sabbath schools.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON FINANCE.

RECEIPTS.

Received for Associational Missions	\$20 15
" " State	2 00
" " Foreign	9 25
" " Printing	18 65
Total	\$50 05

DISBURSEMENTS.

Paid A. H. Wilson for preaching	\$15 05
" State Board	2 00
" Foreign Mission Board	9 25
" Clerk fees	5 00
" Printing minutes and distributing	13 65
Balance	5 10
Total	\$50 05

E. A. WOOLVERTON, *Chairman.*

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The church at _____ to the United Association—Greeting:

We send brethren _____ and _____ as messengers to sit with you in your deliberations.

REMARKS.

ORDAINED MINISTERS.	LICENSED MINISTERS.

CHANGES IN MEMBERSHIP SINCE LAST YEAR.

Total in last report.....	Number of officers and teachers.....
Baptized.....	Number of scholars.....
Received by letter.....	Total in Sabbath school.....
Restored.....	Contributed for Ass'n'l Missions.....
Total additions.....	State Missions.....
Died.....	Home Missions.....
Dismissed by letter.....	Foreign Missions.....
Excluded.....	Pastors salary.....
Total diminution.....	For other purposes.....
Present membership.....	Send cash for printing.....
Number of Sabbath schools.....	Total contributions.....

Eld. _____ is our pastor. Our days of meeting are _____ Done by order of church on _____ day of _____ 189_____

Moderator.

Clerk.

P. O. _____

County, Arkansas.

STATISTICAL TABLE.

Churches.	Clerks.	Postoffice.	Pastor.	Days of Meet- ing	Membership	RECEIVED.			DISMISSED.		Per Minutes	MISSIONS			DELEGATES.	
						Baptized	Letter	Restored	Death	Letter		Excluded	Am'n	State		Foreign
1 Antioch*	W. H. Sogg	Scotland	J. W. Yancey	2	96	15	13		4	6	1	1 25	\$ 3 40		J. K. Brandaway, J. H. Anderson and W. H. Harden.	
2 Casey Valley	F. M. Thomas		A. H. Wilson		21	9									F. M. Thomas and W. J. Fields.	
3 Cedar Creek	A. J. Smith	Martinsville	B. M. Stephens		44	1	3			15	1	1 00			J. H. Barton and J. W. New.	
4 Cleveland*	A. E. Carlisle	Cleveland	T. Moody	2-4	62	2				6	1	1 00			R. L. Moore, J. H. Taylor and T. Moody.	
5 DeSoto	J. W. Ferguson	Duff	C. P. Colbert		26	4	4			2		1 00	\$ 2 00		J. W. Ferguson, O. M. McElroy and Eld Pennington.	
6 Lone Grove*	W. F. Noland	Solgohachie	A. H. Wilson	1	24	4	2	4				1 00			J. H. Ridling, J. W. Walker and W. Z. Willis.	
7 Lone Oak	E. E. Rainwater	Morrilton	A. H. Wilson	1	22			2	5	3		50			M. V. Poteet, E. E. Rainwater and J. F. Denton.	
8 Matinville*	W. W. Dunkin	Martinsville	T. Moody	1	25				1			75			A. C. Spruel, J. P. Burky and D. Nix.	
9 Mt. Gilead	H. C. Lawless		J. B. Millsaps	1	28	5	5			1	1	80	50 \$ 50		Jos. Costly, Thos. Graham and J. B. Millsaps.	
10 Mt. Moriah*	D. M. DeWitt	Bee Branch	J. C. Griswood	1	87	15	7	2		6	1	1 00			C. N. DeWitt, R. L. Hendrickson and Gen. Wittingham.	
11 Mt. Pleasant*	H. E. Hawkins	Plummersville	A. H. Wilson		27	3		1	1	4		75	\$ 3 25		A. H. Wilson, J. F. Ford and J. H. McCraven.	
12 Mountain View*	E. A. Woolverton	Centre Ridge	H. H. Russell	3	57	16	2	2		2		90			E. A. Woolverton, F. I. Goatcher and J. M. Crawford.	
13 Mt. Sinai					15											
14 Plummersville*	J. B. Loggins	Plummersville	M. S. Kirkland		53		1		1		3				J. B. Loggins, Wm. Buses and M. S. Kirkland.	
15 Pleasant Hill	W. J. Sims	Centre Ridge	J. H. Yancey	4	25	7	4			2	3	75			J. Mayall, J. W. Mayall and R. B. Gordon.	
16 Pleasant Springs	S. C. Moore	Arthur	B. M. Stephens	4	47	3		2		7	1	1 00			N. C. Moore, J. Hewett, and J. D. Wright.	
17 Pleasant Valley*	H. Tindal	Damascus	J. M. Magee	3	82		7			5	2	1 50	\$ 5 00		J. W. Spires, H. P. Hutto and H. Tindal.	
18 Sardis	M. W. Masingill	Old Hickory	J. Mayall	2	70				1	9	1	1 00			J. H. Jones, R. P. McReynolds and Masingill.	
19 Springfield*	H. F. Hutto	Springfield	B. M. Stephens	1-3	68	19	24	1				1 25			B. M. Stephens, J. F. Norwood and B. F. Spires.	
20 Solgohachie*	J. W. Brandaway	Solgohachie	B. H. Bearden	3	25	6	2	1				50			C. L. Cook, S. A. Saxson and W. J. Holder.	
21 Union Hill	M. G. Brewer	Formosa	T. C. Ford	1	63	11	3			3	1	75			J. W. Harris, Asa Robertson and W. F. Wittingham.	
22 Uerbia	J. L. Word	Quitman	J. W. Yancey	2	56	9	2	6		3	1	75			J. L. Ward, Isaac Hood and W. M. Peterson.	
23 Valley Home	J. T. Pike	Morgantou	Wm. Sims	4	30						2	1 00		1 00	S. B. Barnett, W. N. Boon and S. A. Neal.	
					1000	125	81	19	9	77	22	\$18 70	\$14 75	\$ 3 50	\$ 1 50	