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GRAND PRAIRIE BAPTIST ASSOCIATION,

—HELD WITH—

STUTT GART CHURCH, ARKANSAS COUNTY, ARK.,

—ON—

OCTOBER 14, 15 AND 16, 1893.

D. S. CANNON, Moderator, De Witt, Ark. :- :-
:- :- :- *N. G. WILLIAMS, Clerk, St. Charles, Ark.*

The next session will be held with Point Deluce Baptist Church, Arkansas County, Ark., commencing on Saturday before the fourth Sunday in October, 1894, at 10 A. M.

PROCEEDINGS.

The GRAND PRAIRIE BAPTIST ASSOCIATION assembled in the meeting house of the First Baptist Church in the city of Stuttgart. Was called to order by the Moderator, J B Saunders. Sung, Jesus Lover of My Soul. Prayer was then offered by Eld. T. K. Flinn. The congregation then sung Lift up Your Eyes, Behold and See.

Motion to defer the preaching of the Introductory Sermon until 11 A. M. Carried.

A motion to adjourn until 11 A. M., or till DeWitt train arrived. Carried.

Reassembled, congregation sung, Meet Me There. The Introductory Sermon was then preached by Eld. N. G. Williams, from Rom 1: 14-16. Prayer was then offered by Eld. D. S. Cannon. The body then took recess until 1:30 P. M.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The body reassembled at 1:30 P. M., and sung, All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name. Prayer by Bro. J. A. Ragan. Bros. Elmer Moon and Theo W. Smith were appointed Reading Clerks.

Letters from the Churches were called for and, as presented, read, from which the following roll of members were made.

Salem Church.—J. M. Gibson, J. T. Robison, J. M. Thomson.

Hazen.—H. G. Miller, J. H. Holiman, Eld, T. K. Flinn.

Big Lagrue.—D. T. Watkins and Sister Dosia Parker.

Rising Sun.—J. A. Ragan, J. C. Ragan, L. C. Swarty.

De Witt.—Mark Miller, S. Coffey and Sister Minnie Ireland.
 Stuttgart.—H. B. Dudley, A. H. Seokland, W Theo. Smith.
 Pleasant Ridge.—J. I. Karr S D Jenkins.

Center Point.—Eld B. F. House, E. Y. McCain, H Y. Morris,
 J. M. Minton.

Cross Roads.—J. W. Highfill and Sister T. L. Highfill.

St. Charles.—J. N. Worthy and Abbie Bass.

Fairmount.—John Gage, G. W Belcher, J G. Rice.

Point Deluce.—L. E Thomas, J. L. Adams and Sister Lizzie
 Thomas.

New Hope.—J. L. Cooper, Elmer Moon and Sister Bettie
 Webb.

Beulah.—John Roach and Sister Roach.

Bellevue.—Sisters N. C. Turner, Bell Horton and Lizzie
 McSwain.

Oak Grove.—G. W. Edmonson, W. L. Cole and Sister E. J.
 Cole.

Petitionary letters called for and Hurricane Church and Cash
 Prairie Church presented letters, and by vote of the body they
 were admitted to membership. The Messengers from the two
 Churches then received the right hand of fellowship by the
 Moderator for the body, and their names were enrolled

Cash Prairie.—Jackson Barker, S. K. Downs and Sister
 Downs.

Hurricane.—Bro. Catlett and W. B. Cloud.

Grand Prairie, no letter, but by vote of the body Bro. A. J.
 Alderson was received as a Messenger from that Church.

The body then went into an election for officers for the next
 Associational year, and while the vote was being counted the
 congregation sung Jesus Lover of My Soul. Prayer by Bro. R. H.
 Parker. Again sung Jesus Thou art the Sinners Friend. Again
 Prayer by W. L. Cole.

Election of officers resulted in the choice of Eld. D. S. Cannon,
 Moderator; N. G. Williams, Clerk; R. H. Parker, Treasurer.

Committee on Finance.—J. A. Ragan, J. N. Worthy, Elmer
 Moon.

Report on Education deferred until 10 A. M., Monday morning.

Report on Sunday Schools was set for Sunday 3 P. M.

Committee on Religious Exercise reported that Eld. D. S. Cannon preach tonight; Eld. R. F. Routh preach the Missionary Sermon 11 A. M. Sunday; Prof J. W. Conger to conduct Sunday school mass meeting 9:30 A. M. Sunday.

Committee on Temperance asked for further time, and 9 A. M. Monday morning was set to make the report.

Correspondence from sister associations called for; none present.

Correspondence Returned.—Mt. Vernon, J. B. Sanders; Southern Baptist Convention, W. Theo Smith; Baptist State Convention, W. Theo. Smith, S. K. Downs, T. J. McCuin.

The following resolution was offered by Bro. J. L. Sanders:

Resolved, That we recommend Bro. Theo. Smith as a suitable member of the Executive Board of the Arkansas Baptist State Convention from Grand Prairie Baptist Association, if the Convention in its wisdom should so enlarge its Executive Board.

A resolution was offered by J. B. Sanders for information. Referred to evening session.

Adjourned to 7 P. M.

EVENING SESSION.

The body came together Sang, Children of the Heavenly King. Sermon by Eld. D. S. Cannon from Titus 3: 16. Prayer by Eld. B. F. House.

After the sermon, the body was called to order by the Moderator, D. S. Cannon. Letters from Churches not present at the Afternoon Session called for: Crooked Creek presented letters and Messengers, Bros. Thomas Harvill and Lee Flynn. Bro. J. S. Wood was received as a Messenger from Caroline Association and invited to a seat in the body.

The resolution offered by Bro. J. B. Sanders at the Afternoon Session was then taken up and is as follows:

Resolved, That the Baptist Young People's Union and Ladies' Aid Societies acting independently of the local Churches be discouraged.

After a heated discussion the resolution was adopted.

SUNDAY.

MORNING SESSION

Sunday school mass meeting was opened at 9:30 by song, Only Trusting. Prayer by Bro. J. W. Conger. The meeting was then addressed by Prof. J. W. Conger, president of Ouachita College. The address was full of instruction and worthy a place in the warmest affections of every heart who heard it. After which No. 26 "Harvest Bells" was sung. The Sunday school gave way for the further discussion of the Sunday question.

Eld. W. A. Clark then addressed the meeting in his usual calm, soul-stirring way. The congregation then sung No. 48 "Harvest Bells." We then had a stirring address from Eld. R. C. Medaris, full of the spirit of grace; after which Hymn 154 "Harvest Bells" was sung by the congregation. Bro J. B. Sanders then gave a short, feeling talk, encouraging the Churches to greater effort in Sunday school work.

The Committee on Religious Exercises reported that Eld. R. C. Medaris preach the Missionary sermon at 11 A. M. Eld. B. F. House preach at the M. E. Church South at 11 A. M. Eld. W. A. Clark supply the M. E. Church at 11 A. M.

Collections were taken up for Associational Missions amounting to \$13.95 from Bro. Medaris' congregation, and from Bro. Clark's congregation, \$3.33; total collection \$17.27.

Sunday Evening—Eld. W. A. Clark to preach at the Baptist Church. Eld. R. F. Routh at the M. E. Church South. Eld. D. S. Cannon at the Campbellite Church, and Eld. R. C. Medaris at the M. E. Church.

EVENING SESSION.

Opened with song and prayer by Eld. R. F. Routh. Report on Sunday schools was then read by Bro. A. H. Seokland. Song by choir.

Eld. R. C. Medaris then addressed the body in the interest of Sunday schools and their work and took pledges to support State Sunday school work of the Southern Baptist Convention Sunday School Board, amounting to \$32. The report was adopted as read.

Eld. W. A. Clark then addressed the Association in the interest of the *Arkansas Baptist*.

The body then listened to an address from Bro. J. W. Conger on Education and the work that Ouachita College is doing for the Baptists of Arkansas.

The body then adjourned until 9 A. M. Monday morning.

MONDAY.

MORNING SESSION.

The body reassembled. Moderator in the chair. Hymn, Amazing Grace was sung. Prayer by Eld. T. K. Flinn. Minutes of Saturday and Sunday read and adopted.

On motion Bro Johnathan Carpenter was received as Messenger from Bayou Meta Church.

Report on Temperance was then called for, read by Bro. R. H. Parker; after much discussion adopted.

Motion to limit speeches to five minutes carried.

By a vote of the body the Committee on Education was granted thirty minutes to formulate a report and report the same to the body. The report made was adopted.

Report on Foreign Missions, read by Eld. B. House, was adopted without discussion, and a collection taken as recommended in the report amounting to \$4.11, to be forwarded to Secretary Foreign Mission Board, Richmond, Va.

Eld. B. F. House offered the following resolution.

Resolved, That this Association request the Churches hereafter to endeavor to send Messengers that have interest sufficient to prompt them to remain with us until the business of the Association is finished. Adopted.

On motion the Moderator appointed Eld. N. G. Williams, Eld. R. F. Routh and Bro. A. H. Seokland a Committee on Home Missions as a standing Committee of the Association

By vote of the body the next meeting of the Association will be held with the Point Deluce Baptist Church on Saturday 10 A. M., before the fourth Sunday in October, 1894.

On motion the Treasurer was granted further time in which to make his report and that the former Treasurer make his final report. Adopted.

Eld. B. F. House was elected to preach the next Introductory Sermon; Eld. D. S. Cannon, Alternate. Eld. R. F. Routh was elected to preach the next Missionary Sermon, Sunday, 11 A. M., and Eld. N. G. Williams, Alternate.

A motion was made and sustained that the Association pay the Clerk for his work in bringing out the Minutes of 1892, paid up to that date, leaving the Association due Clerk ten dollars for his services for 1893.

Congregation then sung, Come Thou Fount of Every Blessing. Prayer by Bro. J. A. Ragan.

Resolution by Bro. S. K. Downs:

Resolved, That the articles in our Constitution creating officers of this Association be amended so as to read: Moderator and Vice Moderator.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The Association reassembled at 1 P. M. Sang Am I a Soldier of the Cross. Prayer by Bro. J. B. Sanders. Sang 'Tis Religion that Can Give. The brethren were then called upon to repeat the verse of scripture that gave them the greatest comfort in the hour of trouble. Many quotations were given.

Resolved, That we hereby tender our sincere thanks to the First Baptist Church of Stuttgart, and citizens generally, for the

bountiful hospitality shown us during our stay with them. Also to the M. E. Church and M. E. Church South, and Main Street Church, for the use of their houses of worship on Sunday. That we shall always remember our Association with the citizens of Stuttgart as among the most pleasant in the history of the Grand Prairie Baptist Association.

Standing Committees were then announced by the Moderator as follows:

Education.—A. H. Seokland, W. H. Haliburton, J. H. Merritt, Sunday School.—H. B. Dudley, J. A. Gilliland, W. Theo. Smith.

Publication.—R. L. Davis, T. K. Flinn, H. G. Miller.

Foreign Mission.—R. H. Parker, J. N. Worthy, L. S. Bass.

Home Mission.—N. G. Williams, R. F. Routh, A. H. Seokland.

Temperance.—Elmer Moon, Lee Cooper, Newt. Lindsey.

Prayer was again offered, by Eld. R. F. Routh.

Report of the Executive Board was then read by the Clerk. Adopted as read.

An election for Missionary was held, resulting in the election of Eld. R. F. Routh as Missionary of the Grand Prairie Baptist Association, the Executive Board to contract with him, provided he accepted the charge.

The following were chosen as the Executive Board:

Lagrué, R. H. Parker, Stuttgart, W. Theo. Smith, Hazen, H. G. Miller, Salem, W. C. Lockett, Rising Sun, Wm. Ragan, De Witt, E. J. Jones, Pleasant Ridge, R. A. Ricks, Cross Roads, J. W. Highfill, Center Point, H. Y. Morriss, St. Charles, D. S. Ross, Grand Prairie, J. J. Alderson, Fairmount, G. W. Belcher, Point Deluce, T. E. Thomas, Oak Grove, W. L. Cole, New Hope, Elmer Moon, Beulah, P. G. Huffman, Bellevue, Henry Turner, Crooked Creek, T. Harvell, Cash Prairie, Jackson Barker, Hurricane, W. H. V. Cloud

S. K. Downs, the former Treasurer, made his report and turned over what cash he had in the treasury to R. H. Parker, Treasurer. The Treasurer's report was read and adopted.

The Association then adjourned, to meet with Point Deluce Baptist Church, nine miles south of De Witt, Saturday 10 A. M. before the fourth Sunday in October, 1894.

D. S. CANNON, MODERATOR.

N. G. WILLIAMS, Clerk.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES.

REPORT ON EDUCATION.

Your Committee on Education would respectfully submit the following report: We believe in an educated ministry. By an educated ministry we mean men who are well posted in the doctrines of the Bible and are competent to present and defend them before the people. We need educated preachers, both in the head and heart. Likewise, our Sunday School teachers should be educated men and women, full of the spirit of Christ. The best way to accomplish the above is for the Baptists to sustain and support the common school system of our State, and also our own Academies and Colleges, that are being built in different localities. We do not believe that there is any necessity for Baptists to send their children outside of our State to acquire a higher education as long as Ouachita College, Central Baptist Female College, and Mountain Home College, have room for pupils.

H. G. MILLER,
T. K. FLINN,
Committee.

REPORT ON PUBLICATION.

Your Committee on Publications report that we urge upon our people the great necessity of familiarizing themselves with our denominational work. In order to do this we recommend first, the reading and study of the book of all books, the Bible. Secondly, the *Arkansas Baptist*, which is altogether worthy of our patronage

and study, and should be in every Baptist household within the bounds of the Grand Prairie Baptist Association. For our Sunday School literature, we recommend *Kind Words* and the publications of the American Baptist Publication Society.

R. F. ROUTH, for Committee.

FOREIGN MISSIONS.

Your Committee on Foreign Missions report as follows: The opportunities to labor for the Master in foreign fields in which God is blessing the work, should elicit the profoundest gratitude of every Christian heart, and the gracious manner in which God is answering the prayers of his people for more laborers is indeed gratifying; and demands our giving, even to a sacrifice, to the spread of the gospel to earth's remotest bounds. We therefore recommend, first, that a collection be now taken, to be forwarded to the Secretary of the Foreign Mission Board, Richmond, Va. And would further recommend that every pastor take a collection from each one of his Churches by April 1, 1894, and forward the same to the Foreign Board, Richmond, Va.

B. F. HOUSE, for Committee.

TEMPERANCE

Your Committee to which was referred the subject of Temperance report as follows: Temperance in everything, is the scriptural injunction, and we would therefore recommend temperance in all vocations of life, but more especially in the use of alcoholic drinks. We would further recommend, to this Association and to the Christian world, that they unite their forces in opposition to strong drink; that they use every opportunity afforded them to crush with unrelenting hand the manufacture or sale of whiskey in all its forms as a beverage, for it is the urse of call curses to the human family. As such, and in view of this fact, we should come boldly to the front, as Christians, as laymen, and as ministers of the gospel. Preach and pray, talk and sing, for the annihilation of the cursed thing. Respectfully submitted,

R. H. PARKER, for Committee.

EXECUTIVE BOARD.

Your Board met with Salem Baptist Church, on Saturday before the fifth Sunday in October, 1892, this being its first meeting. Your Board, at this time, employed Eld. T. K. Flinn as Missionary, he agreeing to take the Mission work of this Association for what money was on hand in the treasury, together with what pledges had been made by individuals and Churches, he to be the collecting agent of the Board and report collections to the Board. It was further understood that if the collections, together with the cash in the treasury and pledges collected should exceed \$300, all over \$300 should be turned over to the Treasurer of the Board for the incoming Associational year, he to retain \$300 for his services. And that the Board is not bound by contract to our Missionary for any part of his salary only as far as we were able to collect. But we earnestly urge the collection of all unpaid pledges as far as possible, and send to Bro. T. K. Flinn, Hazen, Ark.

The two next meetings were with the Stuttgart Church, namely, January and April, 1893. Our next meeting was with the St. Charles Church, Saturday before the fifth Sunday in July, 1893, at which times and places the Missionary made his quarterly reports. Your Board would recommend that this body, while now in session, elect its own Missionary, believing that it would give more general satisfaction, and that the Missionary co-operate with the Sunday School Board of the Baptist State Convention.

J. B. SANDERS, President.

N. G. WILLIAMS, Clerk.

MISSIONARY.

The Missionary of the Grand Prairie Baptist Association would report as follows: Churches organized, 3. Baptisms, 2. Miles traveled, 2,000. Public prayers, 240. Sermons preached, 106. Months work done, 7. Amount received on field and from treasury, \$93. Respectfully submitted,

T. K. FLINN, Missionary.

SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

Your Committee on Sunday Schools, report and recommend the same to your prayerful consideration. We would also say that at our fifth Sunday meeting last April, all were so favorably impressed with the text [Whom should we employ as teachers in our Sunday Schools?] as discussed by Bro A. H. Seokland, that we, your Committee, were requested by a unanimous vote of that meeting to adopt the whole as our report on Sunday Schools to this Association and ask the body to adopt the same, believing the future welfare of the Baptist Churches depends on how and who has the religious training of our children. Now who will we employ to take charge of our Sunday Schools?

Resolved, That we widen the work of the State Sunday School Board, and urge our Churches to co-operate with said Board in contributing liberally to its work.

To organize and put in successful working order a Sunday School, the selection of a Superintendent and teachers as nearly up to the following standard as possible would certainly make a successful Sunday School; but, on the other hand, if a Superintendent or teacher is selected, and given charge of a school or class just to humor him or her because they would not attend or take part unless they held these positions. Such a school would not amount to much. But to the main question: What kind of men and women shall we employ as Superintendents and teachers in a Baptist Sunday School?

A Superintendent for a Baptist Sunday School should be a Baptist true and tried; he should have the full confidence of his Church, the love of the children, the respect of his neighbors. He should have that in his make-up that would cause the children to be glad to see him, and feel at ease in his presence, let it be in the school-room, the streets, or in the alleys. He should be a man of considerable originality, capable and willing to comment understandingly on every lesson brought before the school. He should be a Bible student, a sound but simple reasoner, so that he need not follow the same old rut fifty-two Sunday mornings in the year, and above all, he should be the first one at the Sunday School and

the last one away. In short, he should be the very best and jolliest hearted Christian in the whole Church, ready and willing to work for the school at any and all times. But God pity the school and have mercy on that Superintendent who comes late, as a rule, and for an excuse says: "Only for being your Superintendent, I could not have been here today."

Now as to teachers. If there are two Bible classes, namely, senior and junior, the senior Bible class should by all means be taught by the senior deacon. Of course he is a Baptist, and I would really feel sorry for the Church whose senior deacon could not fill the position with credit to himself, of benefit to the Church, and the glory of God. But the junior Bible class is perhaps the hardest one in the whole school to properly govern and instruct. Therefore, its teachers should be selected by the Superintendent and deacons; with care. Why? Because this class has the most irregular attendance of any class in the school, for in this class we find about all the transients. If the day is fine no other place to go to, a new dress, or friend to show off, this class gets them, provided they take any part at all. Therefore, when this element mingles with our regular school, great care should be taken by its teachers so as to keep all in harmony with the lesson.

Now the teacher may be a man or woman; I would not have a dude or a flirt, but one of mature years; a sound Baptist, a Bible reader, thinker and talker, and should be very apt at giving answers, explanations and references; instead of asking questions, which is too often the case with many teachers. Doctrinal arguments should not be encouraged in this class by the teacher, but the Sermon on the Mount and the Lord's Prayer may be repeated every Sunday with great profit to the class, and the teacher should be just light hearted enough, and show to the world that the Christian Sunday School life is the happiest life of all.

If there are two intermediate classes, namely, boys and girls, I would have for the boys' class, one of our young sisters as teacher; one that is a true and consistent member of a Baptist Church, whose conduct and daily walk is such as to be the pride of all. I would have her bright and jolly, accomplished in music and lan-

guage, and an unlimited amount of patience, with a thorough knowledge of the Bible, and a complete trust in God. Such a one would be one of the great helpers in the upbuilding of the Church.

If there be but one intermediate class, as is the case here in our school, I would select for teacher just the same as though they were all girls, and the teacher would be one of the middle-aged mothers who had reached just that point in her own home life where, on account of her own little ones, she was realizing the full responsibility of her life before God. She, too, must be a consistent Baptist, a Bible reader, and be constantly on the watch for something wherewith to instruct and interest her class. In addition to this, she should be able to sing, tell Bible stories, and be willing to pray for and with her class, just as she does with and for her own loved ones at home.

But we now come to the cradle of the Church, the primary and infant classes, and the teachers, God bless them; yes, God bless class and teacher. As teacher I would have one of the mothers in Israel, one that had lived a true and upright Christian all her life and had brought up children of her own, and perhaps grandchildren. One that is alone now except perhaps, the senior deacon, who has been her companion all these years, and now that her own and her grandchildren are away from her, she being alone, so to speak, to her would fall the task from my hands to gather these little ones around her every Sunday morning and tell them the same old story that was told to me over forty years ago by just such a dear old mother. How the babe was found in the manger; how the shepherds heard, saw and even felt the wonderful news of peace and good will unto men. How the rich and wise men saw the star in the east and by it were guided to where the Savior lay, and how Herod the cruel king tried to kill that little boy, and how the boy grew in wisdom and to manhood, then suffered, was crucified and died that you and I, my brethren and sisters, might have everlasting life.

Oh, I thank God, when I look back over all these years, and remember how this same good old mother said to me, "Albert, all this was done for you; as He lived and taught, go thou and do

likewise " I failed to comprehend it all then. I could not understand it as I do now, but brethren and sisters, long years after that good old mother was dead and gone, and with temptations, danger and death was all around me, the teachings of this good old mother in my boyhood days, I verily believe, was a safe-guard and consolation to me. So now I feel that all would be well could such a one be secured for this class, that in the years to come a few who are bright boys now could then look back and bless her and her teachings, what a blessed consolation that would be.

Now, in conclusion. I have had my say and have said it boldly, without fear or favor, and as briefly as I could, with the light God gave me to see my duty. God knows I could not bar or prevent anyone from attending our Sunday schools, but invite everyone to come. Still, when you ask me who shall we employ as teachers of our Sunday schools, being Baptists, I feel that it is our duty to do as General Washington one night before an important battle was to be fought, his order to his subordinates being to see that none but Americans be placed on guard. The great Napoleon, it is said, lost the battle of Waterloo because he trusted others in preference to his own French generals at that battle. William I, Emperor of Germany, when he at the head of his army marched out from the Fatherland across the Rhine into Alsace and Lorraine, his imperative command was that only the veterans of the Imperial Guard should be placed in advance and on the flanks. All this to convince us that it is our duty to see that only Baptists should be put on guard and placed in command in our Baptist Sunday schools.

A. H. SEOKLAND, Chm'n.

ORDAINED MINISTERS.

B. F. House, Hazen.
D S. Cannon, De Witt.
R. F. Routh, Fairmount.
W. D. Hargraves, Hazen.
J. R. B. Davis, Hazen.
T. K. Flinn, Hazen.
N. G. Williams, St. Charles.

LICENTIATES.

W. H. V. Cloud, Roe.

CHURCHES, PASTORS, CLERKS, MESSENGERS AND POSTOFFICES.

CHURCHES.	MESSENGERS.	PASTORS.	POSTOFFICE'S	CLERKS.	POSTOFFICE'S
Bellevue	Sisters N. Turner, B. Horton, L. McSwain....	N. G. Williams..	St. Charles....	L. W. Padgett...	Ethel.
Salem	J. M. Gibson, J. T. Robinson, J. M. Thomson...	B. F. House....	Hazen.....	J. M. Thomson..	Violet.
Beulah	John Roach, Sister C. Roach	N. G. Williams..	St. Charles....	P. G. Huffman..	Gillett.
Point Deluce	S. E. Thomas, John Adams L. Thomas....	R. F. Routh....	Fairmount....	W. C. Honeywell.	Deluce.
Hurricane.....	W. H. V. Cloud, W. O. Catlett.....	T. K. Flinn.....	Hazen.....	W. Vandenburg.	Devall Bluff.
Hazen	H. G. Miller Y. H. Hollaman, T. K. Flinn..			G. H. Hollaman.	Hazen
New Hope.	J. L. Cooper, Elmer Moon Bettie Webb...	R. F. Routh....	Fairmount....	Elmore Moon...	Hagler.
Stuttgart.....	H. B. Dudley, W. T. Smith, A. H. Seokland			H. B. Dudley....	- tuttgart.
Big Lagrue	R. H. Parker, D. T. Wadkins, Dossie Parker	R. F. Routh....	Fairmount....	R. H. Parker....	St. Charles.
Pleasant Ridge.....	J. Henson, J. I. Keer	T. K. Flinn	Hazen.....	R. L. Ricks.....	Barrettsville.
Cash Prairie.	A. J. Barker, S. K. Downs, Sister Downs...	T. K. Flinn, Miss.	Hazen.....	J. A. Thomson..	Stuttgart.
Center Point.....	B. F. House J. M. Minton, E. J. McCuin...	B. F. House..	Hazen.....	W. T. Frost....	Hazen.
De Witt.....	Mark Miller Minnie Ireland, S. Coffy.....	J. B. Perminter.	Brinkley	S. Coffy.....	De Witt.
St. Charles	J. N. Worthy Abbie Bass.....	R. F. Routh	Fairmount....	Abbie C. Bass..	St. Charles.
Rising Sun	J. A. Ragan, J. L. Ragan, L. Swartz.....	B. F. House....	Hazen.....	J. C. Ragan.....	Sassafras.
Cross Roads	J. W. Highfill, Sister Highfill.....	W. D. Hargrave.		J. T. Hammon..	
Oak Grove.....	G. W. Edmouson, W. L. Cole, Sister E. Y. Cole	B. F. House	Hazen.....	Wm. Cole.....	Hamilton.
Fairmount	John Grace, G. W. Belcher	D. S. Cannon....	De Witt.....	W. B. Harvill...	Fairmount.
Crooked Creek					
Bayou Metra.....					

STATISTICAL.

CHURCHES.	MEMBERSHIP.							Licentiate.	Sunday sch'ls.	Minute fund.	Associational Missions.	Pastor's Salary.	Value Church property.	Contributions, other purp's.	Prayer M'ting.	Days of meeting.
	Baptized.	Rec by Let.	Rec by rel'n	Restored.	Dismissed.	Excluded.	Deceased.									
Bellevue.....	9	7		1				64		\$1 05					1	4
Salem.....	5	6		1	7	1		36		75		\$75				3
Beulah.....						1		11		75						3
Point Deluce.....					1	1		54		1 50		75				2
Hurricane.....			5	10				15	1	1 10	\$25 00					4
Hazen.....	3		11		2	1		68	1	1 50	10 00	100	\$300	\$114		4
New Hope.....	11	1	1	6				94	2	2 00		100				3
Stuttgart.....	1	6		1	3	5	13	2	1	1 60	5 00	123				
Big Lagrue.....	3		1	3	5	13		87		1 80		100	1000	101	1	1
Pleasant Ridge.....	2		1		4			35		50	6 55	18	200		1	3
Cash Prairie.....								5		50						4
Center Point.....	8	2		3	4	19	2	104		1 75			350			4
De Witt.....	25	6	7					57	1	2 00		400			1	2
St. Charles.....								26	1	1 00					1	4
Rising Sun.....	2					2		38		1 15						1
Cross Roads.....	18			1	1	2	1	47		1 00						3
Oak Grove.....	10		1	1	5		1	43		75	1 00					3
Fairmount.....	15		3	1	1	4		39		1 50	75					8
Crooked Creek.....	11	1						17								
Bayou Metra.....								20								
Totals.....	123	34	35	17	42	54	6	910	1	6	\$22 20	\$48 30	\$991	\$2 350	\$215	6