

MINUTES

-OF THE-

TWENTY-SECOND ANNUAL SESSION

-OF THE-

United Association,

-HELD WITH-

Pleasant Springs Church,

-ON-

September 10, 11 and 12 1896.

Next Association to be held with Mountain View Church. Conway County, Arkansas, Commencing on Thursday, Before the Second Sunday in September, 1897.

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※PROCEEDINGS. 美

PLEASANT SPRINGS -CHURCH, Conway County, Arkansas, September 10, 11 and 12, 1896.

The United Association met with Pleasant Springs Church on Thursday, September 10th, 1896.

Introductory sermon preached by alternate, J. K. Braudaway, after which the body adjourned to meet at 2 p. m.

THURSDAY-EVENING SESSION.

Body met at 2 p. m. Prayer by moderator,

The moderator announced as the regular order of business the reading of letters from the churches and messengers' names enrolled. Reading clerks: E. A. Wolverton and, A. R. Robertson.

The next business was the electing of Moderator, Treasurer and Clerk. The ballot having been spread, Eld. J. K. Braudaway was declared duly elected Moderator, E. A. Wolverton, Treasurer and A. R. Robertson, Clerk

B. M. Stephens, J. F. Norwood and J. Mayall were appointed committee on order of business.

Moderator called for corresponding messengers, when the following brethren reported: Peede Association, H. F. Watkins; Russellville Association, meets Oct. 6, 1896, F. M. Taylor, H. L. Bowers and Alfred Brickey; Greenbriar Association, G. W. Ford.

Committee on devotion-D. B. Norwood, W. W. Dunkin and J. J. Stanton.

Motion to adjourn to meet tomorrow at 9 o'clock a. m. lost.

Messengers to sister associations :

Russellville Association, J. Mayall and J. F. Ford; Fourche Valley Association, T. Moody; Greenbriar Associntion, J. F. Ford and A. J. Farmer; Pedee Association, D. F. Blackburn, J. Mayall and A. R. Robertson; Little Red River Association, J. K. Braudaway; Trace Ridge Association, E. A. Wolverton; State Convention, Elder J. Mayall, E. A. Wolverton and A. R. Robertson; Crooked Creek Association.

On motion to drop correspondence carried.

Motion to adjourn to meet tomorrow at 9 o'clock carried. Prayer by Bro Taylor. Preaching at night by Elder J. F. Ford.

Visiting brethren and sisters are as follows :

M. C. Ford and J. F. Ford from Mt. Pleasant Church; T. W. Scroggins and W J. Sims, Pleasant Hill Church; M. G. Breetr, Union Hill Church; H. C. Vaughan, Pleasant, Valley Church; Allen Scroggins, George Bell, L. N. Woolverton, Sisters M A. Woolverton, Lizzie and Charity Parks M. E. and Narsiss Owens, Mrs. J. M. Dillon, all from Mountain View Church.

PRIDAY-MORNING SESSION.

Body met at 9 a. m. Prayer by E. A. Wolverton.

The moderator proceeded to appoint the several committees, to-wit :

Prohibition-B. M. Stephens, chairman.

Foreign Missions-R. L. Hendrixson, chairman.

Obituaries-J. J. Webb, chairman.

Publication-J. F. Ford, chairman.

Destitution-J. S. Dixon, chairman.

State Missions-Eld. J. Mayall, chairman.

Finance-E. A. Wolverton, Allen Scroggins and T. J. Lockhart.

The moderator appointed Elder J. Mayall as a member of the state finance board.

At this point the body selected Mountain View church as the place for holding the next meeting, and Elder B. M. Stephens to preach the introductory sermon, Elder T. Moody, alternate.

Associational missions taken up and discussed

Motion to adjourn until 2 o'clock p. m., pending discussion, prevailed.

EVENING SESSION.

Body met at 2 p. m. Report taken up which was pending at adjournment. After discussion the report was recommitted, and a motion to table carried.

On motion the clerk was authorized to superintend the printing of the minutes and be paid five dollars for his services.

On motion the clerk cast the ballot for the executive board consisting of the following brethren: D. D. Brewer, J. F. Ford, B. F. Jones and J. G. Dixon.

A resolution of thanks was tendered the good people of Pleasant Springs Church and vicinity for their kindness and hospitality during the sitting of the body, and to the moderator for his services.

On motion the body adjourned to meet with Mountain View Church on Thursday before the second Sunday in September, 1897.

Closing prayer by Bro. Bowers.

A song was sung "God be with you 'till we meet again," and the parting hand was given.

Preaching at night by Elder G. W. Ford.

Reports of committees are as follows:

Publication—Your committee on publication beg leave to submit the following: We recommend first of all a careful and prayerful study of the Bible as the only rule of faith and practice. We would further recommend that our brethren take and read our denominational papers, 1st the Arkansas Baptist; second the Baptist Standard and the American Baptist Flag, all of which we heartily recommend as sound in doctrine. We recommend the use of D. B. Ray's literature in our Sunday schools or the Southern Baptist series, either of which we heartily endorse. 4th, we recommend the study of mission journals, that we may better understand our duty to our heavenly Master.

Respectfully submitted, J. F. FORD, Chairman.

Foreign Missions—We your committee on foreign missions submit the following: We believe that Jesus Christ tasted death for every man according to the Scriptures, and that God's Word tells us plainly that it shall come to pass that whosoever shall call on the name of the Lord Jesus Christ shall be saved, and that Paul asked how shall they call on Him in whom they have not believed? and how shall they believe in Him of whom they have not heard? and how shall they hear without a preacher? and how shall he preach except he be sent, and our Savior said, Go ye therefore and teach all nations, etc. We recommend, therefore. and urge that our people, who claim to be the pillar and ground of the truth, use all their power and energies and money that they can spare for the promulgation of the same to the uttermost parts of the earth. Respectfully submitted,

R. L. HENDRIXSON, Chairman.

State Missions—Your committee on state missions submit the following: This work is under the supervision of the state board. Its object is to supply the destitute towns and villages in the state with the Gospel. You are invited to assist in this work. Ist by your prayers, 2d by encouraging the board in contributing of our means. The state evangelist, the chapel-car and the missionaries have done a good work. Your committee invite attention of the state board to the rural districts, we feel this is a necessity to get them to support the state work. May God bless the state board and its work, and hasten the time when every town and village in our state shall rejoice through the preaching of the Gospel. ELD. J. MAYALL, Chairman.

Prohibition—We your committee on prohibition report that the use and sale of intoxicants is the greatest evil nationally and politically and dangerous to the perpetuity of the government, also dangerous to the church of Christ and stands in the way of civilization. We further recommend that each member of the Baptist church consider himself an officer in the cause of temperance, and especially that each pastor preach one sermon on temperance.

B. M. STEPHENS, Chairman.

Obituaries---We your committee on obituaries submit the following: We rejoice to report that, while death has been abroad in the land, that through the goodness and mercy of God our ministerial army has not diminished by death since the last meeting of this body; while some of them have been debarred the privilege of meeting with us through afflictions, let u: pray for them that they soon be restored to health and return to the battle field to fight for the Lord.

Respectfully submitted, J. J. WEBB, Chairman.

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REPORT ON MINISTERIAL EDUCATION.

We, your committee would beg leave to submit the following ministerial education subject, in which all should be interested, but more especially the great Baptist brotherhood. As this is a day of knowledge and research, as a people we cannot afford to sit idly by and let the world and other denominations ontstrip our ministry in point of literary attainments. While we at the same time deplore the fact that too many of our educated ministry are wont at times to largely display such attainments to the almost utter neglect of the study of God's Word and the public declamation of the holy Scriptures. Therefore your committee earnestly insist on the holy Scriptures being the chief text book, coupled with that holy consecration and soul earnestness before a throne of grace in agonizing prayer, that alone can prepare the minister for efficient work in his heavenly calling. We further recommend that all true ministers be encouraged by our means as God shall enable us to assist them in qualifying themselves for the great work of life.

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MISSIONARY'S REPORT.

To the United Association :

DEAR BRETHREN.—As your missionary I have visited most all the churches and endeavored to instill the spirit of missions. As to missionary work proper, I have occupied Clinton, preaching once a month during the year.

SUMMARY.

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

We have paid during the year associational missions aounting to \$61.25. We believe that \$100 could be very profitably spent during the next associatinal year in missionary work in the association.

The amounts received from the different churches for printing are as follows :

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Pleasant Hill,	-			•	-	1.00
Harmony,	-		-	-		1.00
Eglantine,	-			•	-	1.00
Pleasant Valley			•	-		1.10
Union Hill,	-			-	-	75
Solgohachia,	-		-	-	•	70
Cedar Creek,	-	-		-	•	75
Sardis, -	-		-	-	•	65
Lone Oak,	-	-		•	-	1.00
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For all purpose	es,			-	8	75.50
Received from		irer,	-			15.10
For clerk's sala	Iry,	-		•		5.00

Respectfully submitted,

For printing,

E. A. WOOLVERTON, Chairman.

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A. R. ROBERTSON, Clerk,

STATISTICAL TABLE.

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