

MINUTES

—OF THE—

FOURTEENTH ANNUAL MEETING



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(2) UNION -I- ASSOCIATION.

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Missionary Baptists,

—HELD WITH—

SHADE GROVE CHURCH,

SEARCY COUNTY, ARK., SEPT. 8 TO 11, 1892.

OFFICERS.

ELDER J. J. GOODMAN, Timbo, Ark.,	MODERATOR.
N. N. SUTTERFIELD, Big Flat, Ark.,	CLERK.
A. J. McENTIRE, St. Joe, Ark.,	TREASURER.

Next session convenes with Bethany Church, Stone County, Arkansas,
on Friday before the third Sunday in September, 1893.

MINUTES.

FRIDAY—MORNING SESSION.

The several churches composing the Union Association of Baptists met with Shady Grove Church No. 2, Searcy county, Arkansas, Sept. 8, 1893.

Introductory sermon preached by Eld. Louis Long, followed by Eld. J. J. Goodman, Text, 1st Samuel 17:9.

On the moderator's call for letters from churches twelve presented their letters, and messengers' names were enrolled. See table.

Brethren Jacob King and I. N. Keeling were appointed reading clerk.

The body then went into permanent organization by electing Elder J. J. Goodman moderator and N. N. Sutterfield, clerk.

The moderator called for correspondence, which was accepted by Blue Mountain Association through her messenger, S. T. Cypert; White River Association through her messenger, R. R. Scribner; and Trace Ridge Association through her messenger H. A. McEntire; which brethren were welcomed by the moderator, receiving the hand of fellowship.

The moderator then proceeded to appoint the various committees:

COMMITTEES APPOINTED.

On devotional exercises; J. W. Payne, W. G. Harness, Jessie L. Baker, with the delegates of Shady

Grove church No. 2.

On arrangements: Elders Jacob King, E. Keeling and E. E. Branscum, with the moderator and clerk of the association.

On finance; Elders T. G. Delk, James Pearce and A. R. Stephenson, Sr.

On distribution; Elders W. M. Lay, Louis Long and T. B. Nowling.

On Sabbath schools; R. Miller, W. R. Murphy and J. R. Martin. By motion brother D. Hewitt was added to the committee.

By motion Brother Hewitt was enrolled as representative of our State Mission and Sabbath School Boards, also of the Arkansas Baptist and Book House.

By motion, brethren E. Keeling and T. G. Delk were excused from the committee on devotional exercises.

By motion Brother D. Hewitt was given time to address the committee on Sabbath Schools and our State Board.

By motion a new committee known as the Associational and State Mission Board was created, on which Elders E. E. Branscum, Jacob King, E. Keeling, Louis Long and J. J. Goodman were appointed.

Adjourned till 8 a. m. Saturday. Prayer by Bro. T. B. Nowling.

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SECOND DAY—MORNING SESSION.

The association met on time.

Prayer by Bro. A. R. Stephenson, Jr.

In the absence of the treasurer J. A. McEntire was elected to the position.

Renewed the call for petitionary letters.

Renewed the call for visiting brethren.

Invited visiting ministers of our faith to seats with us.

Called for report of committee on arrangement. Report received, amended and adopted. See report.

Called for report of committee on destitution. Report received and adopted, and committee discharged. See report.

Called for report of committee on Sabbath schools. Report received and amended so as to read as follows:

We find that most of the churches in the bounds of this association are destitute of Sabbath schools, and we recommend that they constitute Sabbath schools and report at the next meeting of the association. Report adopted and committee discharged. See report.

By motion Lone Church with her messengers was received into this association with the understanding that she administer legal baptism and report at the next session of this body.

Adjourned for preaching at 11 a. m., to meet at 3 p. m. Prayer by R. Mills.

EVENING SESSION.

The association met on time.

Prayer by E. Keeling.

By motion the body agreed to furnish Shady Grove Church No. 2 one dollar's worth of minutes.

By motion the subject of Sabbath school was taken up, discussed, and adopted as amended. See report.

Called for report of committee on Associational and State missions. Report received and adopted and committee discharged. See report.

By motion this body put out two missionaries for the year, to begin July '94, and close September 16, to preach to the destitute places in the bounds of this association, who shall have one dollar per day each for their labor. See report.

Adjourned till Monday 8 a. m.

MONDAY—MORNING SESSION.

The association met on time.

Prayer by Brother H. A. McEntire.

The minutes read, corrected and received.

By motion the association by ballot elected Elders Jacob King and T. B. Nowling as missionaries for this associational year, to be subject to the orders of this body.

Called for report of committee on finance. Report received and committee discharged. See report.

By motion the moderator appointed the following named brethren to constitute a missionary board, to-wit: N. N. Sutterfield, W. D. Rushing, J. A. McEntire and

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Sister V. V. Adeline.

The moderator appointed Elder Jacob King a member of the State Board.

The moderator appointed the following named brethren as a board to correspond with the State Mission Board. Elders E. Keeling, E. E. Branscum, Louis Long, N. N. Sutterfield and T. G. Delk.

By motion agreed to pay our missionaries one dollar in cash per day, or its equivalent in produce.

By motion the finance committee turned over to the treasurer the sum of \$15.60, and took his receipt for the same.

By motion the clerk was ordered to have two hundred copies of the minutes printed, and distributed to the several churches in proportion to contribution.

By motion N. N. Sutterfield was appointed to superintend the printing and the distributing of the minutes. Adjourned till 2 p. m.

Prayer by Elder T. G. Delk.

EVENING SESSION.

The association met on time. Prayer by Bro. H. A. McEntire.

Called for report of corresponding messengers. The brethren came forward and rendered their excuse with report, which was received, and the brethren excused.

CORRESPONDING MESSENGERS TO SISTER ASSOCIATIONS.

Crooked Creek, Eld. Louis Long and R. Miller.

White River, Elders Wm. Lay and E. Keeling.

Peedee, Brethren N. N. Sutterfield and J. R. Martin.

Blue Mt., Elders T. G. Delk, E. E. Branscum, T. B. Nowling and J. J. Goodman.

Trace Ridge, W. R. Murphy, N. N. Sutterfield and Eld. T. G. Delk.

Resolutions Nos. 1, 2, 3 and 4 were offered, read and adopted in order. See resolutions.

By motion the treasurer turned over to the clerk \$15.60 and took his receipt for the same.

Be it resolved, that this body meet with Bethany church, Stone county, Ark., on Friday before the third Sunday in September, 1894, at 11 a. m., Elder T. G. Delk to preach the introductory sermon, Elder E. Keeling alternate, who was also appointed to preach the Missionary sermon on Sunday at 11 a. m., T. G. Delk alternate.

Brethren T. G. Delk and I. N. Keeling were appointed Auditing committee to audit the Secretary's and Treasurer's books at our next session.

By motion each delegate will write his own letter and sign the names of moderator and clerk.

Adjourned to meet at the time and place above mentioned.

Prayer by J. J. GOODMAN,
Moderator.

Reports of Committees.

ON ARRANGEMENT,

1. Call the roll and mark absentees.
2. Call for petitionary letters.

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3. Call for correspondence.

4. Invite visiting ministers of our faith and order to seats with us.

5. Call for report of committees.

6. Select a time and place for the next meeting.

7. Select some one, also alternate, to preach the introductory sermon.

8. Arrange correspondence.

ELD. E. KEELING,
Chairman.

ON DESTITUTION.

We your committee, on destitution beg leave to submit the following report: The following places are destitute of Baptist preaching, viz.: Cave Creek, Newton county, Ark., Big Flat, Baxter county, Ark. and all of lower Buffalo and head of Bear Creek. We recommend that this body send a missionary to supply those places

ELD. WM. LAY.

ON SABBATH SCHOOLS.

We, your committee, report the following: We find that most of the churches in our bounds are destitute of Sabbath schools. We also recommend that they establish a Sunday school in each church, and furnish them with good Baptist literature and report at the next session of this body.

J. R. MARTIN,
Chairman.

ON ASSOCIATIONAL AND STATE MISSIONS.

We recommend that this association place in the field two mission-

aries to visit the destitute sections within her bounds. We also recommend that this body constitute a Missionary Board, whose business shall be to collect missionary funds and ask for co-operation of our State mission and Sabbath school board.

ELD. E. KEELING,
Chairman.

ON FINANCE.

We, your committee, beg leave to submit the following report

Walnut Grove, \$1 15; Shady Grove, No. 1, \$1.00; Mountain Star, 50 cts; Bethany, \$1.25; Shady Grove, No. 2, \$1.00; Pleasant View, 50 cts.; Bethlehem, \$1 00; Corinth, \$1.50; Richland, \$1.10; Big Springs, \$1.00; Pleasant Hill, \$1.00. Total, \$9 50.

ELD. T. G. DELK,
Chairman.

RESOLUTIONS.

No 1. We, the Union Association, as an advisory council, advise the several churches composing this body to contribute as much for minute funds as \$2 50 from each church.

ELD. T. G. DELK,
Chairman.

No. 3. Be it resolved that we advise the churches of this association that they do not deal with a member for attending any moral society; and if any church has done so to the exclusion of a member, be it further resolved that we advise said church to rescind the act.

JACOB KING, Chairman.

No. 4. Be it resolved that we tender our thanks to the brethren and friends of this vicinity, for their hospitality in taking care of us during our stay with them.

ELD. JACOB KING,
Chairman.

STATISTICAL TABLE.

CHURCHES.	MESSENGERS.	PASTORS.	CLERKS.	POST OFFICES.	Received by Baptism	Received by Letter	Restored	Dismissed by Letter	Excluded	Died	Membership	Minute Fund
Walnut Grove	A. R. Stephenson, N. G. Harness, T. F. Moody, Alter: J. J. Goodman.	J. J. Goodman	A R Stephenson	Campbell	2	2		2			54	1 15
Bethlehem	John Branscum, O. A. Copeland, James Passmore, Burch Lee, Alter.	Jacob King	O. A. Copeland	Alco	2	4		1			23	1 00
Mt. Star	W. R. Murphy, F. M. Harden, G. W. Bates Alter.	F. M. Harden	W. R. Murphy	Marshall	2					1	15	50
Shady Grove 1.	W. T. Passmore, J. R. Martin, Willie Johnson, J. W. Passmore Alter.	J. R. Martin	W. T. Passmore	Leslie		2		4			20	1 00
Richland	Louis Long, R. Miller, C. Hayes; Pink Hale Alter.	E. Keeling	L. Long	Snow Ball	3						24	1 10
Big Spring	J. W. Payne, J. L. Moore, J. P. Pearce, J. W. Cypert Alter	S. T. Cypert	W. F. Taylor	Timbo		4				3	45	1 00
Pleasant Hill	Wm. Lay, S. J. Styles, I. N. Keeling, H. C. Osbourne, J. T. Thompson Alter.	T. G. Delk	J. T. Thompson	Tomahawk			3		4		20	
Shady Grove 2.	J. A. McEntire, E. Keeling, T. G. Delk, Jesse M. M. Baker Alter.	E. Keeling	John Hancock	St. Joe				3	3		37	1 00
Lone	Jabe Kelley, J. L. Anderson, E. P. Kelley, J. W. Ramsey Alter.	E. E. Branscum	E. P. Kelley	Desoto Springs	14	3	2				25	1 00
Corinth	Jacob King, W. D. Rushing, Sister V. V. Aderline.	Jacob King	Levi McMurtry	Mountain View	5	4		5		2	39	1 50
Pleasant View	N. N. Sutterfield	O. H. Copeland	T. N. Wiley	Big Flat		1	1	1	4	1	14	50
Bethany	T. B. Nowling, E. E. Branscum, W. A. Webb, William Franks.	S. T. Cypert	E. E. Branscum	Timbo	8	7		2			35	1 50
Totals,					48	27	6	18	11	7	353	11 25