

PROCEEDINGS.

The Greenbrier Baptist Association met in its thirtieth annual session, with Macedonia Church at Greenbrier, Friday, October 23, 1913.

At 10 o'clock a. m. the body was called order by the moderator, who read a Scriptural lesson from the fourth chapter of Hebrews, after which prayer was offered by P. H. Glover. In the absence of the clerk the moderator appointed H. H. Melton clerk pro tem. Then letters from the several churches were called for and read by W. E. McCollum and P. H. Glover and messengers' names enrolled.

On motion the introductory sermon was postponed till later, and the association went into permanent organization by electing S. W. Cotton moderator, P. H. Glover clerk, and J. M. Bryant treasurer.

On motion the body suspended the regular order of business to select the next place of meeting, which resulted in the choice of Mount Olive, Guy, Ark. Association then adjourned till 2 o'clock p. m.

At 2 o'clock p. m. association reassembled. Prayer by H. Sanders. Renewed the call for letters, when a letter from New Home Church was read and messengers' names enrolled. On motion T. J. Crook's name was enrolled as a messenger from Old Liberty.

A call was made for petitionary letters, when a letter asking for admission into our union was read from Damascus Church. Whereupon the moderator appointed a committee to investigate the legality of its constitution. The committee reporting favorably, a motion was made to receive the church upon its letter. After discussion the vote was taken and the motion lost. Then a motion was made to reconsider the vote on the reception of the church. The vote being taken it stood 22 in favor, and 18 against reception. The moderator declared the motion carried, and the church received, the moderator extending the right hand of fellowship to messengers.

The moderator appointed J. O. Cantrell and deacons of Macedonia Church as a committee on divine service. He also announced the appointment of the several committees.

The report on Association Missions was read and adopted as follows:

Your committee on Association Missions submit the following report: There are near two thousand Baptists in Greenbrier Association with that great army of soldiers for Christ. We are not doing what we could or ought to do in supplying the destitute points in our bounds with the gospel. There are several needy points that have but little or no preaching.

Therefore we recommend that this association place a man in its field to labor Saturdays and Sundays in the winter and spring months, and full time in the summer. We would further recommend that the association while in session point out some of the most needy points so that our missionary may be better prepared to enter his field of labor, and we urge all our churches to heartily support our missionary with their contributions and prayers.

H. P. GLOVER,
R. A. CLEMENTS,
J. M. BRYANT.

Committee.

On motion the association went into the election of the missionary, which resulted in the choice of E. T. Herring, fixing his salary at \$2.50 a day for actual service.

Devotional committee reported that Brother Whittington would preach at 7:30 tonight and Brother Hendrickson tomorrow at 11 o'clock a. m. Then adjourned until 7:30. Prayer by Brother Cantrell.

At 7:30 a large congregation assembled in the church house, and after song service prayer was offered by Dr. Conger. Then followed the sermon by Brother Whittington from Exodus 3:18. It was a great sermon and was listened to with marked attention by the entire audience, after which the association adjourned till tomorrow morning at 8:30.

Saturday morning 8.30 the association reassembled. Prayer was offered by Brother Batson, after which the moderator read the rules of decorum, then renewed the call for letters, when letters from Vilonia, Oak Bowery and New Liberty were read and names of messengers enrolled.

The moderator called for reports of committees, when the report of the committee on Home Missions was read and after

being spoken to by Brother Conger, Whittington and the moderator, was adopted as follows:

We, your committee report the following:

We understand by home missions that it is the work of the spread of the gospel in all the South, Cuba and Panama. Home missions is endeavoring to help preach the gospel to the colored people by co-operating with their general bodies in every way we can. Then there is a great need in reaching the foreigners with the gospel as they come to us. Then there is the work of establishing schools in the mountain districts where they have few advantages along this line.

Then last, but not least, is the city problem. We are losing more people here than anywhere. We recommend that this work receive our hearty support and and prayers.

Respectfully submitted,

J. P. KISSINGER,

C. H. FULLER,

G. W. HANKINS.

Committee on State Missions made their report, and after being spoken to by Brothers Conger, Whittington, Cheek and Sanders, was adopted as follows:

It was the spirit of missions that brought the Savior to earth, and his farewell to his disciples was: "Be witnesses of me both in Jerusalem, Judea, Samoa and to the uttermost part of the earth." State Missions means the preaching of the gospel in Arkansas by God-called and church-sent men. Therefore we recommend that our churches at once take collections and that the same be sent by the messengers to State Association and State Convention that our State missionaries may be fully paid for their labors.

W. H. WOODWARD.

A. L. CHAMBERS,

A. J. MILLS.

Report on Christian Education was read and after being spoken to by Brothers Melton, Batson and Conger, was adopted as follows:

Your committee on Christian Education report the following:

The demand for Christian education upon the part of all classes of people is greater than ever before. All of our schools are full. The people in general are more in touch with educational work than ever before. This has been brought about by educa-

tion campaigns, and by sending out a great deal of literature, both in the form of tracts and our denominational papers.

It will be through our educational institutions that we will be able to meet the demands and needs of our young people and establish ourselves as a denomination permanently in the hearts of the people.

They are also the hope of our preachers in the future to get educated and equipped for their work. Ouachita and Central Colleges have long been a source of supplies for our denomination along this line, and we recommend that we give them our hearty support, and remember them much in our prayers. They are for us and we ought to patronize them by sending our boys and girls to these two schools when we send them away from home to school.

Respectfully submitted,

OTTO WHITTINGTON,

H. H. MELTON,

A. B. GRIGGS.

After which the body took five minutes recess, then came together by singing. After a delightful and soul-stirring sermon by Brother W. L. Hendrickson on the promises of God to his chosen people, adjourned till 2 o'clock p. m.

At 2 o'clock p. m. the association was called to order by the moderator. Prayer by Dr. Conger. On motion the time of meeting of the association was changed from Thursday before the fourth Sunday to Thursday before the first Sunday in October.

Report on Foreign Missions was read and adopted as follows:

We, your committee of Foreign Missions, report the following:

We are commanded by Christ to go into all the world and preach the gospel to every creature. Therefore we recommend that all our churches make regular contributions to Foreign Missions and that all our pastors preach on missions, and urge upon their churches to support this worthy cause, that more work may be done along this line.

H. P. GLOVER,

W. M. GRABLE,

F. H. WEBB.

On motion the Executive Committee was elected as follows: J. M. Sims, W. H. Woodward, R. A. Clements, and F. C. Flournoy. Also a motion carried that in case Brother E. T. Herring, missionary-elect, should not accept the work, that the executive committee be authorized to employ a man on the same terms.

Report of the Finance Committee was read and adopted as follows:

Your Committee on Finance beg to submit the following.

We have received from the churches through their messengers the following amounts:

Association Missions	\$39.05
State Missions	4.43
Foreign Missions	1.00
Texarkana Orphanage	7.52
Monticello Orphanage	2.55
Printing Minutes	31.60
Total	<hr/> \$87.15

W. E. MCCOLLUM,

J. E. COBB,

F. H. WEBB.

Report on Orphans' Home was read and adopted as follows:

Your committee on Orphans' Home beg leave to report that the Baptists of Arkansas have two Orphans' Homes, one situated at Texarkana, and the other at Monticello. In these homes are 210 orphan children who are depending on the Baptists of Arkansas for food and raiment and proper training. We are glad to report that the churches of this association have all along contributed to the support of these helpless children, but are sorry they have not done what they could or should have done in this noble work. Therefore we recommend that all of the churches inclose their contributions and contribute regularly to this worthy enterprise. We also recommend that a collection now be taken for the homes.

J. M. BRYANT,

J. J. ROBINSON,

J. B. TILLEY.

Devotional committee reported preaching tonight by Brother W. E. Roberts, and tomorrow at 11 a. m. by P. H. Glover.

Missionary's report read and adopted as follows:

Dear Brethren: I beg to submit the following as my report:

Days of labor 37; sermons preached, 48; miles traveled 298; number of visits 21; amount received on salary, \$67.82. Balance due, \$20.98. In addition to this I have preached at Marcus Hill, 7 sermons; at New Home, 4 sermons; at Enola, 1 sermon; at Guy, 3 sermons. I have held five funeral services, for all of which there is no charge. Brother E. T. Herring helped me two days in a

meeting at Chinguapin, for which I think he ought to be paid \$5.00.

Respectfully,

H. P. GLOVER, *Missionary.*

The report on obituaries follows:

Your committee would report that the letters from the various churches report a total of 17 deaths among us last year. We are thankful for God's mercies toward us.

J. O. CANTRELL,

F. C. FLOURNOY,

J. A. CARDIN.

Sunday-School report read and adopted as follows:

Your committee on Sunday Schools would report that the following churches only have Sunday Schools: Conway, Pleasant Valley, Macedonia, Mount Vernon, Smyrna, Marcus Hill, Vilonia, Oak Bowery, Damascus, and Bethlehem. We urge all the churches to line up for better and more Sunday Schools, as we believe this is the way to increase our efficiency as workers in the churches.

W. C. KELSO,

T. J. CROOK,

W. E. MCCOLLUM.

Treasury reports as follows:

Balance on hand from last year.....	\$ 16.81
Collected on the field	52.01
Collected from Finance Committee.....	87.51

Total	\$156.33
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Paid missionary	\$ 89.80
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Paid Minutes	31.60
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Paid Orphans' Home Monticello.....	2.55
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Paid Orphans' Home Texarkana.....	7.52
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Paid Foreign Missions.....	1.00
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Paid State Missions	5.43
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Total	\$137.90
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Balance on hand	\$ 18.43
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J. M. BRYANT, *Treasurer.*

The Executive Committee made their report which was adopted as follows:

Your Executive Committee beg to report that at our first

meeting, on Saturday before the fifth Sunday in June, 1913, after prayerful deliberation we left the selection of the destitute points to the best judgment of our missionary. The association having agreed to pay him \$2.50 a day for his services we agreed to do what we could to raise his salary, which we are glad to report has been paid in full. We urge the committee now elected to work earnestly to meet the needs of the missionary for the ensuing year.

J. M. BRYANT, *Chairman.*

On motion the following resolutions were adopted.

Resolved, That the missionary report his work through our Baptist state papers, and also through the county papers.

Resolved, That the clerk superintend the printing of the minutes and that he retain \$10.00 for his services.

Resolved, That we hereby tender our most hearty thanks to the church and citizens of Greenbrier for their kind hospitality during the session of this association.

On motion the association adjourned to meet with Mount Olive Church on Thursday before the first Sunday in October, 1914.

S. W. COTTON, *Moderator.*

P. H. GLOVER, *Clerk.*

Constitution.

Article 1.—This Association shall be composed of members chosen by the different churches of our union, together with the ministers, who, on producing their credentials, shall be entitled to seats.

Art. 2.—This Association shall be known as Greenbrier Baptist Association.

Art. 3.—Each church composing this Association shall be entitled to three delegates until the church numbers one hundred, and then one for each additional fifty.

Art. 4.—The object of this Association will be to devise measures to promote the Redeemer's Kingdom on earth, and to meet at such times and places as she may appoint.

Art. 5.—This Association shall be considered an advisory council, and shall have no power to legislate for the churches or lord it over God's heritage.

Art. 6.—Other churches may be admitted into this body when they signify a wish to do so by letter and delegates, provided they be deemed orthodox, which shall be determined by their abstract of faith and church government.

Art. 7.—The officers of this Association shall be a Moderator, Clerk and Treasurer, who shall be chosen by ballot at each session and hold their offices until their successors are properly qualified. The Treasurer shall be a member of the Executive Board.

Art. 8.—The Clerk shall keep a regular file of Minutes of the Association and turn the same over to his successor in office.

Art. 9.—It shall be the duty of each church composing this body to send up such contributions in money to each annual meeting as shall be necessary to defray the expenses of this Association, and each church shall be furnished with Minutes in proportion to the amount thus furnished.

Art. 10.—It shall be the duty of each church to send up to each annual meeting of this body a letter containing a brief history of her progress since the last session, with the following particulars, to-wit: Her prosperity or adversity; the names of delegates, pastors, deacons, ordained or licensed ministers; her increase by baptism; by letter; by exclusion; died; total membership; her contribution for pastor's salary; other home expenses;

Association Missions; State Missions; Home Missions; Foreign Missions; ministerial education; number of Sunday School pupils; number of officers and teachers; name of postoffice of superintendent; amount contributed by the Sunday Schools; value of church property; time of regular conference meeting.

Art. 11.—Any church may send any query asking advice of this Association.

Art. 12.—It shall be the duty of the Clerk to keep a full and fair record of the proceedings of this Association and to superintend the printing and distribution of the Minutes; for his services he shall receive such remuneration as the Association may from time to time think proper.

Art. 13.—It shall be the duty of the Treasurer to receive and account for all moneys paid to him for use of the Association, according to its order.

Art. 14.—Amendments to this Constitution may be made at any session of this Association, when two-thirds of the members present shall deem it necessary.

ARTICLES OF FAITH.

Article 1.—We believe there is only one true and living God, revealed to us under the personal and relative distinction of Father, Son and Holy Ghost.

Art. 2.—We believe that the Scriptures comprising the Old and New Testaments are the Word of God, and the only correct rule of faith and practice.

Art. 3.—We believe in the doctrine of election, as founded in the foreknowledge of God, through Sanctification of the Spirit unto obedience and belief of the truth.

Art. 4.—We believe that man was created upright, but by voluntary transgressions fell from that holy state, and consequently became dead in trespasses and sin.

Art. 5.—We believe that sinners are justified in the sight of God only by the imputed righteousness of Jesus Christ, through faith in His name.

Art. 6.—We believe in the final preservation of all the saints in grace.

Art. 7.—We believe in the resurrection of the dead and general judgment, and that the felicity of the righteous and the punishment of the wicked will be eternal.

Art. 8.—We believe that a church is a congregation of baptized believers who meet statedly and have covenant together to maintain the ordinances, discharge the duties and enjoy the privi-

leges set forth in the New Testament as pertaining to the Church of Christ.

Art. 9.—We believe that no minister has the right to administer the ordinances of the Gospel unless he has been regularly baptized, called, and come under the imposition of the hands of a proper Presbytery.

Art. 10.—We believe that baptism and the Lord's Supper are both positive institutions and the only ordinance of the Church of Christ, and that believers are the only proper subjects, and that immersion alone is baptism.

Art. 11.—We believe that regularly baptized believers only have a right to commune at the Lord's table.

Art. 12.—We believe that the Lord's day should be observed as a day of rest and devotion.

RULES OF DECORUM.

1. This Association shall be opened and closed with prayer.
2. The officers of this Association shall be chosen by a majority of the members present by ballot.

3. It shall be the duty of the Moderator to see that order is kept according to the rules of decorum.

4. Any member being dissatisfied with the decision of the Moderator may appeal to the Association, provided it is done the same day.

5. One member may speak at a time; he shall address the Moderator, and on obtaining the floor, shall proceed without interruption, unless he depart from the subject or use personal reflections.

6. No member shall be allowed to speak more than twice on the same subject without obtaining leave of the Association.

7. No practice shall be allowed that is calculated to interrupt a member while speaking.

8. Every motion made and seconded, after time given for debate, shall be put to the Association unless previously withdrawn, and the Moderator shall announce the decision of the Association, unless a division is called for.

9. All questions shall be decided by a majority of the members present.

10. No appellation but that of "Brother" shall be used by members addressing each other during the session of the Association.

11. The Moderator shall have the same privilege of speech as

any other member, provided the chair be filled, and also vote in case of a tie to give the casting vote.

12. The names of members may be called as often as the Association may deem necessary, and no member shall withdraw himself from the Association without leave of the Moderator.

13. These rules shall be read at the opening of each session and oftener if necessary.

14. These rules may be amended at any session of this body by a majority of the members present.

ORDER OF BUSINESS.

1. Read letters from the churches.
2. Election of officers.
3. Reception of new churches.
4. Invite our faith to seats.
5. Call for correspondents.
6. Appointment of committees.
7. Report of committees.
8. General business.
9. Appointment of correspondents.
10. Time and place of next meeting.
11. Appointment of ministers to preach the Introductory and Missionary sermons.
12. Adjournment.

LIST OF ORDAINED MINISTERS.

P. H. Glover, Greenbrier.	Otto Whittington, Conway.
J. O. Cantrell, Greenbrier.	H. H. Melton, Conway.
S. W. Cotton, Greenbrier.	J. A. Batson, Conway.
W. C. Kelso, Greenbrier.	J. E. Atwater, Conway.
C. H. Cheek, Greenbrier.	R. M. Scott, Conway.
I. M. Polk, Enola.	W. E. Roberts, Vilonia.
H. Sanders, Enola.	A. F. Bush, Vilonia.
G. W. Dalton, Enola.	R. L. Hendrickson, Guy.
M. M. Kelley, Saltillo.	H. P. Glover, Guy.
E. T. Herring, Quitman.	J. R. Giddens, Conway.

LICENTIATES.

J. M. C. Vaughter, Conway.	Frank Patton, Greenbrier
Rupert Gately, Damascus.	Vergil Townson, Quitman.

ROLL OF PASTORS, CLERKS AND MESSENGERS.

CHURCHES.	PASTORS.	POSTOFFICE.	CLERKS.	POSTOFFICE	MESSENGERS.
Conway.....	Otto Whittington.	Conway.....	A. J. Meadors...	Conway.....	Otto Whittington, J. W. Conger.
Oak Bowery	W. E. Roberts...	Vilonia.....	Jesse Martin.....	Conway.....	John Hook, J. Martin, R. Guatney.
New Liberty	A. P. Scofield...	Little Rock.....	J. H. Hall.....	Conway, Rt. 1...	
Spring Hill	R. L. Hendrickson.	Guy.....	J. B. Tilley.....	Linder.....	J. T. Milam, E. W. Milam.
Happy Hollow ..	H. H. Melton....	Conway.....	B. F. Bass.....	Vilonia, Rt. 4....	B. F. Bass, W. J. Bass, Joe Fulmer.
Bethlehem	J. M. Megee.....	Damascus.....	W. M. Langston.	Wooster.....	T. F. Clements, R. A. Clements, W. M. Langston
Vilonia.....	B. C. Adams.....	Vilonia.....	G. D. Waller...	Vilonia.....	
Macedonia.....	J. O. Cantrell...	Greenbrier			G. W. Hankins, D. A. Glover, W. E. McCollum.
Needs Creek	J. O. Cantrell...	Greenbrier	F. C. Flournoy...	Linder.....	C. W. Abrams, A. J. Mills.
Pleasant Valley	H. H. Melton....	Conway.....	E. C. Martin....	Wooster.....	C. H. Fuller.
Mt. Vernon.....	W. V. Walls.....	Beebe.....	S. H. Keathley...	Mt. Vernon.....	
New Home	R. L. Hendrickson.	Guy.....	V. C. Gray.....	Guy.....	W. M. Grable, V. C. Gray.
Smyrna.....	L. C. Langley...	Hammons ville...	J. M. Fowikes...	Hammons ville...	A. H. Hoffman, A. B. Griggs, E. H. Fowikes.
Sulphur Springs.	R. L. Hendrickso	Guy.....	L. H. Livingston	Quitman.....	F. H. Webb, E. E. Brinkley.
Marcus Hill	E. T. Herring...	Quitman.....	J. E. Cobb.....	Holland.....	W. H. Woodward, J. E. Cobb.
Star Gap.....	E. T. Herring...	Quitman.....	J. A. Cardin....	Holland.....	J. A. Cardin.
Old Liberty.....	J. R. Giddens...	Conway.....	W. A. Phillips...	Conway.....	T. J. Crook.
Mt. Zion.....	P. H. Glover....	Greenbrier.....	J. N. Matthews...	Eno'a.....	J. M. Bryant.
Bristol.....	C. N. Davis.....		J. Adkinson.....	Bristol.....	H. E. H. Fowikes, U. R. Smith.
Mt. Olive.....	J. M. Megee.....	Damascus.....	J. B. Allen.....	Guy.....	J. P. Kessinger, W. A. Tucker.
Damascus.....	Joe Stark.....		Dona Machant...	Damascus.....	Martin Edwards, J. Winningham.

STATISTICAL TABLE.

CHURCHES.	Mem' ship Last Year.....	Rec'd by Baptism.....	Rec'd by Lette for Rec'ld	Restored.....	Dismissed by Letter.....	Died.....	Excluded.....	Peresent Membership.....	S. S. Officers & Teachers.....	S. S. Scholars.....	Minutes.....	Associational Missions.....	State Missions.....	Home Missions.....	Foreign Missions.....	Texarkana O. H.....	Monticello O. H.....	S. S. Expenses.....	Other Expenses.....	Pastor's Salary.....	Total Contributions.....	Value Ch. Property.....
Conway	399	46	99	21	3	..	520	20	595	\$ 5.00	..	\$ 643.50	\$ 150.00	\$ 150.50	..	\$ 2.00	\$ 202.53	\$ 218.00	\$ 15.00	\$4,954.21	\$ 35,000	
Mt. Zion	124	8	..	5	3	..	107	..	..	.40	4.15	1.37	..	..	1.75	.87	..	..	..	8.54	..
Happy Hollow	50	5	..	1	6	..	45	..	..	1.00	3.60	..	3.03	..	..	2.35	..	..	..	69.88	..
Star Gap	48	8	1	..	..	2	54	..	..	.75	5.25	..	..	..	3.00	..	..	..	25.00	31.00	3.00
Mt. Olive .....	..	8	4	..	..	..	197	..	..	1.20	8.55	1.21	..	..	..	..	..	..	68.00	..	..
Marcus Hill	65	1	7	2	1	..	69	6	60	1.85	5.20	..	..	..	2.05	..	..	5.25	40.00	..	400.00
Sulphur Springs No. 2 .....	..	2	..	1	1	..	33	..	..	.55	..	..	2.05	..	..	..	..	..	32.90	..	350.00
Vilonia .....	..	7	7	3	..	4	..	..	..	1.00	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	150.00	..	..
Smyrna .....	..	2	..	1	1	..	36	5	49	1.00	4.00	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	100.00	..	300.00
Macedonia .....	..	2	10	2	4	1	88	10	125	1.10	6.00	..	..	25.00	..	..	15.00	..	..	..	150.00
Needs Creek	116	..	3	2	..	..	117	..	..	1.15	1.82	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	700.00
Pleasant Valley	54	6	1	..	4	..	54	..	..	.90	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	50.00	..	500.00
Mt. Vernon .....	..	4	1	1	1	..	57	5	40	1.00	..	20.00	15.00	15.00	..	10.00	8.00	..	150.00	..	..
New Home	102	3	..	4	1	..	100	..	..	1.20	5.00	5.00	..	..	2.55	..	..	15.00	50.00	78.75	500.00
Oak Bowery	92	37	9	7	2	1	142	4	115	2.45	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	75.00	..	300.00
Spring Hill	97	3	4	..	5	1	95	7	75	1.00	5.00	..	..	..	3.00	..	10.00	6.00	50.00	..	500.00
Bethlehem .....	..	..	..	2	1	..	128	..	..	1.00	9.00	..	..	2.03	9.50	..	..	..	..	..	..
New Liberty	119	4	1	..	2	19	103	..	..	..	..	..	3.00	3.00	..	..	..	..	100.00	..	..
Old Liberty .....	..	..	..	5	..	..	40	..	..	1.00	..	2.85	..	..	3.35	..	..	..	60.00	..	500.00
Bristol .....	..	2	3	2	..	..	49	..	143	1.35	3.75	..	..	..	.50	..	5.00	161.40	35.65	..	400.00
Damascus	20	19	43	1	1	..	82	..	70	2.00	..	8.00	2.00	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Total	1266	163	196	8	70	20	38	2116	59	1272	\$ 26.90	\$ 71.37	\$ 684.93	\$ 175.08	\$ 170.53	\$ 27.70	\$ 15.22	\$ 225.53	\$ 405.85	\$2,463.55	\$5,143.38	\$40,450