



MINUTES

OF THE

Seventy-Second Annual Session

OF THE

LIBERTY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

HELD WITH THE

HOLLY GROVE BAPTIST CHURCH

Nine Miles West of Junction City

September 20, 21 and 22, 1917

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WHAT BAPTISTS BELIEVE

Article 1. We believe that the Holy Scriptures of the Old and New Testament are the inspired words of God, constituting the only sufficient rule of faith and practice by which any question of doctrine or discipline should be determined. See Psalm 19:7; Isa. 8:20; II Timothy 3:15, 17; II Peter 1:21; Revelation 22:18, 19.

Art. 2. We believe that there is but one living and true God. He is revealed to us under the personal distinction of Father, Son or Word and Holy Ghost, but as one in divine essence, infinite in every natural and moral excellence. Deut. 6:4, 14:5, 31:25; Matt. 28:19; John 1:1, 2, 3, 14, 15, 30; 14:26; 15:26; Acts 2:3, 4; Rom. 9:15; I Cor. 3:16, 6:19; II Cor 13:14; I Tim. 2:16; Rev. 1:8.

Art. 3. We believe that man was holy but by a wilful violation of the law of his Maker, he fell into a state of sinfulness and brought death upon his race, they being by natural descent in the unholy image of Adam, are children of wrath by nature, and without spiritual power to live a holy life and happy state. Gen. 1:27, 28, 31; 2:16, 17; 3:1, 6; Eccles. 8:27; Jere. 17:9, 10; Rom. 5:12; 7:13; Ephe. 2:3; II John 1:8.

Art. 4. We believe that the only way of deliverance from sin and death is by the sacrifice of Jesus Christ, the eternal word, who offered himself without spot to God, having become incarnate and suffered the just for the unjust that he might redeem us to God by the sacrifice of Himself. See Luke 1:26, 35; John 1:14; 3:16; Acts 4:12; Romans 3:20; Titus 2:1.

Art. 5. We believe that God has set forth His Son to be the propitiation for the sins of the whole world and where the Gospel is preached it is the duty of all men to repent and believe in Jesus Christ, that they may be saved, and if they do not, their rejection of the Gospel is occasioned by their love of sin and aversion to holiness. See John 1:12; 3:15, 20; Acts 17:30; Romans 3:26; I John 2:2.

Art. 6. We believe that election is the sovereign exercise of that eternal love, by which God hath according to His infinite wisdom chosen His people in Christ before the foundation of the world and hath predestinated them into the adoption of children through sanctification of the spirit and belief of the truth and doth keep them by His power through faith unto salvation. Isaiah 46:9, 10; John 3:6, 8; 15:16; Romans 8:29; 30:9; II John 2:13.

Art. 7. We believe that there will be a resurrection of the just and the unjust; that Christ will come to judge both the living and the dead. Then those who shall have died or are then living impenitent and unreconciled to God, shall be sentenced to endless punishment according to their works; and those who shall have died or are then living in a state of justification through Christ Jesus shall be completely delivered from the dominion of sin and judged to endless happiness in heaven. John 5:28, 29; Cor. 5:10; Rev. 20:12, 15; I Thes. 4:14, 17.

Art. 8. We believe that a Christian church is a congregation of baptised believers who meet statedly and have covenanted together to maintain the ordinances, discharge the duties and enjoy the privileges set forth in the New Testament as appertaining to the church of God. Rev. 2:7; Acts 2:41, 42; II Cor. 1:1; Romans 1:1, 4, 5; Gal. 1:1, 2.

Art. 9. We believe that the baptism of believers in the name of the

Father, and the Son and the Holy Ghost is a positive institution of Jesus Christ, and is only validly performed when the whole body is immersed in water by an authorized administrator in good standing with an orderly church. Matt 28:18, 20; Mark 14:15, 16, Acts 2:18, 41; 8:36; 38; 10:47, 48; Colos. 2:12; Rom. 6:3, 4

Art. 10. We believe the Lord's Supper is a positive institution of Jesus Christ, enjoined on all baptised believers who are in fellowship with each other and members of an orderly church, and that such Christians should commune together at the Lord's table, and such only. Matt. 26:26, 28; I Cor. 11:23, 26; Acts 5:41. 42.

Art. 11. We believe that each christian church has the right to receive into her body those persons who give satisfactory evidence of repentance toward God, and faith in the Lord Jesus Christ, and willingly submit to baptism or bear sufficient evidence of having been regularly baptized. Mark 16:18; Acts 2:41, 46; I Cor. 3:11, 17; Eph. 19:22.

Art. 12 We believe that the first day of each week should be observed as the Christian Sabbath, a day of rest from common labor or worldly business, and devoted to religious duties. Luke 4:16, 24; 1:6; Jno. 20, 26; Acts 12:11, 16; 20:7; 1. Cor. 16:1, 2; Col. 2:16, 19; Rev. 1:10.

OUR CHURCH COVENANT

Having been led, as we believe, by the spirit of God, to receive the Lord Jesus Christ as our Saviour, and on the profession of our faith, having been baptized in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost, we do now in the presence of God, Angels, and this assembly, most solemnly and joyfully enter into covenant with one another, as one body in Christ.

We engage therefore by the aid of the Holy Spirit, to walk together in christian love; to strive for the advancement of this church, in knowledge, holiness and comfort; to promote its prosperity and spirituality; to sustain its worship, ordinances, discipline and doctrines; to contribute cheerfully and regularly to the support of the ministry, the expenses of the church, the relief of the poor and the spread of the gospel through all nations.

We also engage to maintain family and secret devotion; to religiously educate our children; to seek the salvation of our kindred and acquaintance; to walk circumspectly in the world; to be just in our dealings, faithful in our engagements and exemplary in our deportment; to avoid all tattling, back-biting and excessive anger; to abstain from the sale and use of intoxicating drinks as a beverage, and to be zealous in our efforts to advance the Kingdom of our Saviour.

We further engage to watch over one another in brotherly love; to remember each other in prayer; to aid each other in sickness and distress; to cultivate christian sympathy in feeling, and courtesy in speech; to be slow to take offence, but always ready for reconciliation, and mindful of the rules of our Saviour to secure it without delay.

We moreover engage that when we remove from this place, we will, as soon as possible, unite with some other church, where we can carry out the spirit of this covenant and the principles of God's word.

OUR PRAYER FOR YOU

Now the God of Peace, who brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus, that Great Shepherd of the Sheep, through the blood of the Everlasting Covenant, make you perfect in every good work to do His will; working in you that which is well pleasing in His sight, through Jesus Christ; to whom be glory forever and ever. Amen.

Please accept this with the compliments of your missionary.

John T. Walters.

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Minutes Liberty Baptist Association

Thursday, September 20th, 1917

On September 20, 1917, the Liberty Baptist Association convened with Holly Grove church in its Seventy-Second Annual Session and was called to order by the moderator, W. A. Moore, at 7:30 p. m., and opened with prayer.

Upon motion duly made and carried, the association proceeded to the election of officers, the moderator announcing that he having served the full time for which the constitution of the Association rendered eligible, his re-election would not be permissible, and as the same state of fact applied to the clerk, Geo. W. Mason, it would be necessary to elect a new moderator and clerk.

Whereupon, M. P. Muse was duly elected moderator and J. W. Warren clerk. Moderator Muse, upon taking the chair thanked the Association for the honor which it had conferred upon him, and expressed the hope that the results of the session might be a great spiritual uplift and inspiration to those present to be carried back to their churches and dissiminated throughout the bounds of the association.

The organization having been completed, brother Jesse Attaway, on behalf of Holly Grove church, delivered to the messengers a whole-soul welcome, which was warmly appreciated by the messengers, and to which, on behalf of the messengers, Rev. John T. Walters responded in words of hearty appreciation.

The hour for the preaching of the introductory sermon having arrived, the moderator announced that Rev. A. Worthington, who was appointed to preach said sermon had found it impossible to be present on account of sickness in his family, whereupon, by request of the Association, Dr. J. W. Conger, of Conway, filled the appointment in an address on Christian Education, in which he forcibly emphasized the value of our denominational schools and colleges and strongly impressed the importance of lending to them patronage and financial support.

The moderator announced the following committee on order of business: E. F. Cole, Jesse Attaway and J. T. Watlers.

Motion made and carried that the Association adjourn to meet at 9 a. m. tomorrow.

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 21.

Association convened at 9:30 a. m. Opened with scriptural reading by Dr. J. W. Conger and prayer by Rev. J. S. Comperr.

Minutes of last evening read and approved.

The committee on order of business submitted the following report, which was adopted:

We, your committee on order of business, beg leave to report that they have adopted the following order in which the various matters and subjects to be considered by the association shall be presented:

1. Orphans' Home.
2. Publication.
3. State Missions.
4. Foreign Missions.
5. Home Missions.
6. Laymen's Movement.
7. Associational Missions.
8. Sunday Schools.
9. Christian and Ministerial Education.
10. Stewartship.
11. W. M. U.
12. B. Y. P. U.
13. Temperance.
14. Nominations.
15. Ministerial Relief.
16. Finance.
17. Obituaries.

Respectfully submitted,

J. T. WALTERS,
E. COLE,

Committee.

The following committees were announced by the moderator:

Foreign Missions.—Dr. L. T. Mays, Albert Voss and G. W. Newton.

Orphans' Home.—W. O. Taylor, John Whelis and W. J. Ward.

Publication.—Paul Lawrence and Will Jones.

State Missions.—J. T. Walters, J. Mason and Wm. Pratt.

Associational Missions.—J. W. Pratt, Will Dumas and J. F. Gathright.

Home Missions.—E. Cole, A. J. Harrell and W. J. Harris.

Laymen's Movement.—A. R. Britt, C. A. Matthews and H. A. Mayfield.

Sunday Schools.—E. J. Sawyer, L. F. Duke and A. Flenniken.

Ministerial and Christian Education—Dr. W. A. Moore, John Gresham and Geo. Hanry.

Stewartship.—J. T. Walters, J. T. Primm and M. C. Nash.

W. M. U.—Mrs. A. Britt, Mrs. Stephens and Mrs. Mary Stewart.

B. Y. P. U.—Miss Ballard, Lloyd Tucker and G. B. Wooley.

Temperance.—W. F. Bass, Will Johnson and R. C. Summers.

Nominations.—B. F. Rogers, R. L. Stevens and J. B. Lyon.

Ministerial Relief.—J. U. H. Whorton, B. W. Reeves and Mason.

Finance.—H. W. Goodwin, W. C. Tanner and Jesse Attaway.

Obituaries.—W. F. Little, J. U. H. Whorton and A. B. Sessom.

Upon motion made and carried, the regular order of business was suspended, and Rev. W. F. Dorris was invited to address the association in behalf of the Orphans' Home, which he did in an earnest appeal in behalf of the fatherless and motherless children of Arkansas.

The committee of Divine Services reported that Dr. L. T. Mays would preach at 11 o'clock a. m. E. Cole at 7:30 p. m.

Letters presented by the various churches were read.

At 11 o'clock Dr. L. T. Mays preached an inspiring sermon on "The Key Man," from the text, "I deliver unto you the key of kingdom of heaven."

At 12 o'clock, noon, the association took recess until 1:30 p. m. Association convened at 1:40 p. m., opened with prayer.

The committee on Foreign Missions made the following report, which was ably discussed by Dr. L. T. Mays and Rev. J. S. Compere, and adopted, to-wit:

REPORT ON FOREIGN MISSIONS.

Last year was the greatest year in Southern Baptist history of Foreign Mission achievement. A total of \$961,970.48 was raised, which included \$180,000 debt, amount contributed to Judson Centennial and to current support. This is the greatest advance ever made by any denomination in the South in contributions to Foreign Missions in a single year. If Southern Baptists had raised \$38,092.52 more, they would have reached the round million dollar mark.

The above record was made possible both by the large number who contributed and the large gifts of a few who recognized the extreme necessities of our Foreign Mission work.

The expenses of the work were reduced by nearly \$10,000. 90.7 per cent of the money given was applied to the foreign field and only 9.3 per cent was required to meet all home expenditures.

6,347 converts were baptized, 12,930 students were enrolled in our schools, and missionary doctors treated 67,556 patients. We have at present 458 churches with 47,161 members. 115 of the churches are self-supporting. The members contributed last year \$132,371.05.

There is immediate and urgent need of a large number of missionaries for evangelistic, medical, school and other departments of the work. To meet this need the Board was able to send out but twelve missionaries at its annual meeting. This number is not one-fourth of the number needed. Of the 458 churches most of them have inadequate houses of worship, and more than one-half of these have no houses at all.

Obedying the wish of the convention which met in New Orleans in May, the board has been compelled to assume obligations which amount to \$165,000 more than Southern Baptists contributed to current support last year, and this amount leaves more than \$200,000 in urgent needs unprovided for.

States, associations, churches and individuals are earnestly besought greatly to increase their contributions to this work in order to save it from the peril of growing obligations and enable the board to enter new fields to which providence has thrown the doors wide open and waving harvests invite us.

Some devoted friends are giving the board Liberty Bonds which they purchased to help their country, and others are investing in the board's Annuity Bonds which pay good dividends. Such examples are recommended to all our people.

The world war is breaking up old ties, destroying superstitions and opening up new field for missionary endeavor. Chief among these are Turkey and Russia. In these countries Baptists have no

regular missionary work supported by American Baptists. Yet in Russia there are Baptists who have heroically proclaimed the truth in spite of severe persecutions and imprisonment. Russians are Greek Catholics and practice immersion for baptism, the revolution there is opening the minds of these one hundred and seventy millions of people to see the deception of the priesthood and be ready to hear the gospel. This is the mightiest baptist opportunity of many centuries. To the question, "Will our Foreign Board seize it?" It replies, "Will you Baptist people out of your abundance supply the means?"

In Turkey, also, the close of the war will leave thirty millions of Mohammedans, who know not Christ, but with hearts more willing than hitherto, to receive him. To the call of Mars, the god of war, our nation has answered with eight billions of dollars—eight thousand millions of dollars with which to kill men. This is more than has been spent in foreign mission work since the time that Christ, on the day of his ascension, gave the command for us to win the world for him. And there have passed nineteen hundred years and one thousand million of people have not heard his name. How quietly we respond to Mars. How slow are we to heed Christ's command.

Respectfully submitted,

L. T. MAYS,
A. R. VOSS,
G. W. NEWTON,

Committee.

The committee on State Missions made its report, which, after full discussion, was adopted as follows:

The way for a Baptist Church to become "a glorions church, not having spot or wrinkle or any such thing" is for it to be intensely missionary in doctrine and practice.

State Missions may be defined as the united effort of Arkansas Baptists to get everybody in Arkansas saved and into Baptist churches and then to get them to give proper support to all the enterprises of the Kingdom of God, both for Arkansas and all the world. We believe the Great Commission was given to Baptist churches.

There is great destitution in all the sections of the state. There are a million souls lost in Arkansas. It is perfectly safe to say that sixteen thousand souls go from Arkansas to hell every year. We can save them if we will. What an opportunity this presents to Arkansas Baptists. They will listen to our preaching. Whenever we send the messengers they do listen. And the obligations rests upon the Christian people of Arkansas to give them the gospel. No others either can or will do this work. (See catechism for other facts.)

Last year the churches co-operating through the State Convention put forward State Missions thus:

Missionaries and other workers	65
Conversions	3,134
Baptisms	2,281
Additions	3,010
Amount raised for State Missions	\$25,598

The present year gives promise of being far better than last year. The amount of money that we need to raise for State Missions to put us out of debt at the Convention at Jonesboro December 5 is at least \$40,000.

So your Committee urges the following:

1. That every pastor get all possible information about State Missions to his people and endeavor to secure an offering from every church member and every organization in every church.

2. That the pastors and active laymen during the meeting of this Association get together and organize themselves and make plans to reach every church in the Association for an offering to State Missions before December 1.

3. That the churches of this Association do their very best to raise at least the amounts asked of them by the Executive Board.

Committee:

JNO. T. WALTERS.

PUBLICATION

The committee on Publications, made the following report, which was adopted:

We offer the following, knowing that the destiny of our churches rests on the kind of literature our people read. First, we urge a careful and prayerful study of the Bible. Second, we, the parents, need to see to the kind of reading material our children have, for as the baby is fed with the proper food, it grows; so does the mind if it has the proper literature. Third, we know there is much poison literature and its purpose is for evil. Fourth, we urge all to read the Baptist Advance.

PAUL LAURENCE,

W. H. JONES,

F. M. BARDIN,

Committee.

The committee on Christian and Ministerial Education, made the following report, which was adopted with hearty enthusiasm:

CHRISTIAN AND MINISTERIAL EDUCATION.

Your committee on Christian Education would report as below:

Without well-equipped Baptist schools all of our Baptist work would suffer and come to a standstill. We look to our Baptist schools for most of our trained workers in pulpit and pew, as well as on mission fields. Ninety-five out of every hundred of our foreign missionaries come from Baptist schools. So Christian Education and its support must be put on the same basis with Missions.

Arkansas Baptists have two great Christian Colleges—Ouachita, for boys and girls, at Arkadelphia, C. E. Dicken, D. D., president; Central, for girls, at Conway, J. W. Conger, LL. D., president. Last year Ouachita had 287 students, and Central had 202. These schools have rendered a service to the Baptist cause in Arkansas, the value of which can never be estimated.

We now have two mountain schools. One of these is at Maynard, with W. A. Cummings as principal, and the other at Mountain Home, with H. F. Vermillion as principal.

The education of preachers is one great object in Christian Education. The denomination that fails to provide for the education of its preachers will die as a denomination. Last year there were 40 young preachers in Ouachita College and several in the

Mountain Home and Maynard schools. They receive free tuition, and some help on other expenses when it is necessary. The Bible Department in Ouachita is arranged with special reference to the preachers, but the classes are open to all, and Bible is required of all who graduate.

This Committee hopes that all of our preachers will preach often each year on the needs and benefits of Baptist schools, that every church in the Association will make a good offering for our schools and for the education of young preachers this year, and that our people will send their children to our Baptist schools.

W. A. MOORE,
J. P. GRESHAM,
GEORGE HENRY,
Committee.

At 5:30 p. m. the Association adjourned until 7:30 p. m.
Reconvened at 7:30 p. m.

The committee on Temperance submitted their report, which was discussed by W. F. Bass, and adopted, as follows:

TEMPERANCE

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

There have been many steps in progress of temperance in Arkansas.

We reached a great climax when state-wide prohibition was adopted. When our legislature sealed that with a "bone dry" law, it caused all Zion to rejoice, and now the national government comes with a still broader sword and cuts out the manufacture of alcoholic drink from any food product whatever, and the coming congress promises to put up a desperate fight for a constitutional amendment for nation-wide prohibition.

We also have splendid laws against the sale of cigarets and other narcotics.

We recommend that each Baptist be a committee of one to see that all temperance laws be assisted by the civil authorities, and if a resolution is presented to congress providing for the submission of a constitutional amendment for national prohibition, that at least one letter be written from each church to the congressman and senators of this state urging them to support it by their votes and influence.

W. F. BASS,
W. C. JOHNSON,
R. S. SAMMERS,
Committee.

The hour for preaching having arrived, further business of the Association was suspended, and Rev. E. Cole preached a strong sermon from the text, "Speak to the children of Israel that they go forward."

On motion, the Association adjourned to meet at 8:30 a. m. tomorrow.

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 22.

The Association convened at 9 o'clock a. m., opened with prayer by Rev. Lee Stocks, scriptural reading by Rev. Paul Lawrence and prayer—Voss.

Minutes of previous day read and approved.
Committee on Divine Services reported that Rev. J. S. Compere would preach at 11 o'clock.

The committee on Home Missions submitted its report, which was adopted without discussion, as follows:

HOME MISSIONS.

Our Home Mission Board at Atlanta, Georgia, has the distinction of reporting yearly more converts and baptisms through the work of its missionaries than have ever been reported by another Home Mission Board in America, though several of these expend more money than our board does.

Our board last year reported 37,724 baptisms, 22,945 of which were creditable directly to Home Missions, while the rest were creditable to co-operative agencies. Last year the total receipts of the board for all objects were \$474,792, while the administrative costs were \$22,638, or only 4.7 per cent. This suggests great economy in administration. While we applaud a wise economy, we must not forget that efficiency in secular business has nearly always required considerably larger administrative costs than this.

Our board must not only wisely expend money; it must aid in nurturing and instructing the sources of its supply, which are among nearly 3,000,000 Baptists, most of whom belong to churches with only once-a-month preaching by absentee pastors. To do this service with any real effectiveness will necessitate some expense. We would encourage our board in incurring expenses required for efficiency.

The great world war is a challenge to every moral and spiritual resource in America. Hundreds of thousands of homes will experience a new soul-hunger, a new sense of need, in the giving of their sons to fight in the nation's armies for justice and democracy. The American farmer must feed the world. The farmer's church, already in need of inspiration and new methods that it may serve a new rural world, must be the center from which the farmer shall gain added understanding and courage to do his part for God and for country. Southern Baptists must do their full share to save and to serve the religious needs of our American boys in the camps, and to protect them from the foul birds of prey that gather in the wake of every army.

Realizing that new and heavier burdens must in this crisis be borne by Baptists of the South in the Home Mission Field, the Southern Baptist Convention at New Orleans instructed the board to pursue its work on the basis of an apportionment of \$505,193, and the annual meeting of the board in June planned the year's work on that basis. It is the first time Southern Baptists have undertaken to raise half a million for Home Missions, but the abounding needs and opportunities call for it. Our Baptists people are prosperous. They can enjoy their prosperity without moral deterioration only by serving God and country and men with their substance. Patriotism and true religion call us to a large support of Home Missions.

In Evangelism and Church Building and Enlistment in Cuba and Panama and the Southern Highlands, among foreigners and negroes and Indians, through co-operative missions in such needy states as New Mexico and Arkansas and Oklahoma and Louisiana and Florida, in cities and towns and country-side, our board has

a great work, and the pressing needs which grow out of the war are in addition.

We recommend: First, that earnest prayer be made for the work of the Home Mission Board and that our pastors be asked to preach at least once during the year upon Home Missions. Second, that this Association accept its apportionment for Home Missions as suggested by our state body, and that we apportion this amount among our churches (through the executive committee or a special committee), and publish the apportionment in our minutes. Third, that our churches be encouraged to form mission study classes in "Baptist Missions in the South" and "Country Church in the South," the two unusually popular mission study books of the home board. Also that our churches should order and make a larger use of the full and interesting lot of tracts about each phase of the work of the board. The tracts are free on application. The books are, each, cloth 60 cents, paper 40 cents. All orders for literature or books should be directed to Publicity Department, Baptist Home Mission Board, Atlanta, Georgia.

Respectfully submitted,

E. H. HUDSON,
A. J. HARRELL,
M. J. HARRISON,

Committee.

The committee on Nominations made the following report, which was adopted:

NOMINATIONS.

We, your committee on nomination, recommend that the next session of Liberty Association be held with the Camden Baptist church at Camden, Arkansas. We recommend that Brother T. L. Mays preach the Association sermon, with Jno. T. Walters alternate.

Messenger to Southern Baptist Convention.—L. T. Mays, with A. Worthington, alternate. State Mission Board.—Wm. Wright, Vice President. Foreign Mission Board.—E. Cole, Vice President. Home Mission Board.—W. O. Taylor. Members Executive Board Liberty Association.—Geo. W. Mason, L. T. Mays, J. T. Walters, W. O. Taylor, A. Worthington, Wm. Wright, J. G. Muse and J. W. H. Wharton.

Respectfully submitted,

B. F. ROGERS,
J. R. SAVERS,
J. R. LYONS,

Committee.

Next session of Liberty Association to convene on Thursday before fourth Sunday in September, 1918, at 7 o'clock p. m.

The following report was submitted by the committee on Laymen's Movement, and after interesting discussion by A. R. Britt and other laymen, was adopted:

LAYMEN'S MOVEMENT.

We, your committee duly appointed, beg to make the following report:

We have found manifested a growing interest, by the layman in this Association, and in the bounds of the Southern Baptist

Convention in this, one of the most important movements fostered by the Baptists of the Southern Baptist Convention. It is a movement, through the instrumentality of the zealous members of the church of the living Christ to arouse church members, far and near of the serious responsibilities, that rest on their shoulders, in assisting the ministers of the gospel of carrying out the Great Commission of our Lord and Master. The layman cannot preach, yet by his consistent living and systematic giving, his daily walk and spiritual consecration, he can let his light so shine, as to constrain others to do and say the things, that will be approved of both by God and man.

There should not be a shade difference in the life of a preacher and that of a layman, in their spiritual life, one is the shepherd, the other the sheep, one to point to Him, who is the Life, the Light, the Way, the other to bear the glad tidings, in song, in speech, and in Christlike living. The crying need is that men may awake to the full consciousness to their obligations to the church, to their fellow-man and to their God, and that each man is individually responsible for his influence over his fellowman and promulgating the gospel of our Lord and Master. Paul says we shall wrok, "Till we all come in the unity of the faith, and of the knowledge of the son of God, unto a perfect man, unto the measure of the stature of the fulness of Christ." We want men trained for service, in all that the word service means, as we are admonished to give our bodies a living sacrifice unto God. The layman movement is seeking to have men consecrate their lives, their hearts, their souls and their bodies, and their means to the cause of Jesus Christ, that may not be self-possessed, but Christ possessed, that they may see, what Paul saw, what Steven saw and what Willingham and thousands of others have seen, a crucified Christ and a benighted and lost world.

We recommend that the Association employ a layman and put him in the field in this Association, to enlist men to a more active service, and that this Association co-operate with him in his labors, and by this means we reach most of the laymen in our Association. This consecrated layman will carry the gospel to every nook and corner, to the school houses, to the man who does not attend church, to the indifferent and to the home, and by doing this we will build up waste places, we will re-kindle fires, spiritual fires that are now smoldering, new covenants will be made with God, and the gospel will be read, which will be for the upbuilding of our Lords Kinkdom on earth, and we recommend that reports be sent by such laymen to this Association at its future sessions.

Respectfully submitted,

A. R. BRITT, Chairman.

H. A. MAYFIELD,

Committee.

The hour for divine services having arrived, further business was suspended, and Rev. J. S. Compere preached an inspiring sermon on "Stewardship."

There not being room in the house to accommodate the audience at this hour, Rev. Paul Lawrence preached a strong sermon to a large audience on the outside.

At the close of Rev. Compere's sermon, a motion was made and enthusiastically adopted, requesting him to publish his sermon

in pamphlet form for distribution among the churches of the Association.

At this hour a cash collection for the Orphan's Home was taken, resulting in the collection of \$30.36.

The association adjourned to 1:30 p. m.

Reconvened at 1:30 p. m., opened with prayer by Rev. W. O. Taylor.

The committee on Stewardship made the following report, which was adopted:

STEWARDSHIP.

Your committee beg leave submit, for the first time in history of Liberty Baptist Association, our report on Stewardship:

Every human being of sound mind is a steward. The things that we possess are not our own. They belong to God; they are to be used according to God's will and for his glory... and to God each one must give an account of his stewardship. Whether the accounting shall be joyous or filled with disappointment depends on whether or not we have been good stewards. We are born into the world as stewards. We may deny that we are stewards, but that does not change the fact, just as it would not change the fact for us to deny that we are children of our parents.

The doctrine is as old as the human race, and the Bible is full of it. It applies to every single thing that we possess and to everything that we do. "What hast thou that thou didst not receive?" "A man can receive nothing, except it has been given him from heaven."—1 Cor. 4:7 & John 3:27. We are to administer all that we have "as good stewards of the manifold grace of God."—1 Peter 4:10.

We recommend and urge:

1. That pastors preach often on stewardship, taking pains to teach the people what the Bible says on this subject.

2. That classes be organized in all our churches to study this vitally important doctrine. Books can be had for such classes, free of cost, from J. S. Compere, 410 Donaghey Building, Little Rock, Ark.

3. That literature on stewardship and tithing be circulated and read everywhere.

4. That every member of every church in this association strive to be a "good steward of the manifold grace of God."

Respectfully submitted,

J. W. T. WALTERS.

REPORT ON OLD MINISTERS RELIEF

Your committee regret that in the little while given us for the preparation of this report that we had no opportunity for gathering of data as to the needs or statistics of the work along this line in Arkansas. But we apprehend the increasing need of greater interest and activity in the effort to aid in the support temporarily of the old and indigent ministers of our state. We have an Old Ministers Relief Board located at Little Rock, of which Rev. E. J. A. McKinney is secretary and treasurer, and our pastors ought to encourage and lead their churches in collections for the support of that board in its noble work. It is a reproach to our denomination that we have not made a greater

progress helping provide for the needs of those dear old men of God. We ought not only to take collections at every meeting of the Association, but every church ought to make an effort to have every member to join in the work to see that not one of our old worn-out ministers shall come to the end of his glorious work in adject poverty or want.

Respectfully submitted,

J. U. H. WHARTON,
B. W. REEVES, Chairman,
W. E. MASON,
Committee.

The following report made by the committee on Ministerial Relief was adopted:

MINISTERIAL RELIEF.

Moved and carried that it be made a part of the duty of the executive committee of the association to ask for contribution for the relief of indigent ministers, contribute to the relief of such persons when the committee has means for such contribution, and to report to the Association the name and condition of all ministers who are indigent.

The matter of employing a missionary for the Association, as well as that of finding a layman to take supervision of the Laymen's Movement in the Association, were, by vote of the Association, left to the discretion of the executive board.

The committee on Associational Missions, reported as follows, which was adopted:

ASSOCIATIONAL MISSIONS.

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

To take the world for Christ, for us, means, first, to take Liberty Association. To do this will require more than the present crossfire system of half supported pastors, and a Summer Missionary. What has been done in the past has been good, but we cannot stand still; we must mount up or go down. Sameness means decay—slowly, but truly.

Liberty has long been considered one of the best associations in the state. That we may hold our exalted place, and make ourselves worthy of our stewardship we must revise our program and go to work with a zeal that our Lord will not deny.

Therefore we recommend and urge:

1. That the Executive Committee fill the present vacancy with a good strong full time Associational Missionary. And that the churches and pastors give him their hearty support—morally, spiritually and financially.

2. That the present crossfire system of pastors be discouraged by mapping out the Association into "Fields," and urging that each "field" locate and use one pastor. This will naturally mean better service for the churches, and better support for the pastors.

Respectfully submitted.

J. W. PRATT,
W. T. DUMAS,

Committee.

The committee on Orphans' Home, made report, which was

adopted, as follows, the subject having been previously discussed:

ORPHANAGE.

God, who is a "Father to the fatherless," has provided for the care of the orphans. Visiting the widows and orphans in their affliction is declared to be "pure and undefiled religion." In accord with God's plan we have been caring for the orphans at the Monticello Home for 23 years. More than 600 of these unfortunate children have shared a place in our Home.

Since January 1, 1916, we have secured homes in good families for more than 160 of these children. We now have 65 children in the Home. We are hoping to reduce the number to 50 by the meeting of the convention in December.

The debt on the Home July 1, 1917, was \$12,500. Our campaign to pay the debt by the convention gives good promise of success. All of the current expenses of the Home amount to about \$750 a month.

The present management of the Home is entirely satisfactory; the farm has been well worked and a fine crop has been produced; the premises are clean and sanitary; and the children are, with probably the fewest exceptions in the history of the Home, well and happy. A strong religious sentiment prevails. Most of the children are Christians, a number of them having been received into the church the past year.

We recommend:

1. Regular monthly offerings in every Sunday School, and the amount forwarded promptly to J. S. Rogers, General Secretary, 410 Donaghey Building, Little Rock.

2. That every church take as large an offering as possible and forward it to Brother Rogers.

3. That every Woman's Missionary Society join in this debt-paying campaign and send their offerings in promptly to the general office.

4. That a cash and pledge offering be now taken for this purpose. Every Baptist is expected to do his bit for the orphans.

Respectfully submitted,

W. O. TAYLOR,

W. J. WARD,

J. T. WHEELUS.

Committee.

The committee on Finance reported as follows, which was adopted:

FINANCE.

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

There were 33 churches represented and amounts for all purposes collected are as follows:

Minister and Clerk	\$ 90.27
Orphanage	24.32
Cash Collected	30.56

Home Missions	4.02
Foreign Missions	6.77
Total	\$155.94

Respectfully submitted,

H. W. GOODWIN,

W. C. TANNER,

JESSE ATTAWAY,

Committee.

	Ministers.....	Orphanage.....	Home Missions.....	Foreign Missions.....	Old Ministers.....
El Dorado	\$10.00				
Camden	7.50				
Champagnolle	2.00		3.02	2.52	
Midway	2.00				
Hillsboro	2.50	3.00			
Ebenezer	2.00				
Lisbon	1.25	1.05			
New Hope	1.95	3.50			
Liberty	1.50				
Hopewell No. 3	2.50				
Hutting	5.00				
Union	2.57				
Cave Creek	1.50				
Zion Hill	1.00	3.02		3.25	
Mt. Moriah	2.05				
Vernon Hill	1.50	5.00			
Mt. Union	3.00				
Upland	2.50				
Urbanna	2.50				
Wesson	2.50				
Three Creeks	2.75	15.57	3.02	5.77	
Springhill	3.50				
Knowlas Chapel	2.00				
Pleasant Grove	2.60	1.75			
Gallilee	1.50				
Elliott	2.50				
Holly Grove	4.00				
Okalona	2.25	5.00			
Lawson	2.70				
Victoria (Shony-	3.00				
Orphanage		30.56			
Hopewell No. 1	3.00	2.00			
Philadelphia	1.25				
Norphlet	2.00	1.00		1.00	
Cash collected					15.25

H. W. Goodwin offered the following resolution, which was unanimously adopted:

RESOLUTION.

Resolved, that a vote of thanks be extended to the good and hospitable people of Holly Grove Church and vicinity for their splendid and courteous manner in which they have entertained this body,

Resolved further that we thank our able Moderator and efficient Clerk for their services rendered, and clerk be allowed \$25.00 for his services.

H. W. GOODWIN.

The following report of the committee on Sunday Schools was adopted:

SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

The committee reported on Sunday Schools. By motion the report was adopted but a mass meeting will be held tomorrow at 10:00 o'clock on Sunday School work.

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

The importance of Bible Schools in all of our churches is greatly stressed, both by pastors and layety.

The Bible School is of no modern origin. It dates back to the School of Prophets in the days of Elijah.

The Sunday School of today, as instituted by Robert Raikes, is based on the Word of God, taken from Matt. 28:19-29:1. "Go ye therefore, and teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Ghost; so teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you, and lo, I am with you always, even unto the ends of the earth."

The Bible School is classed in our church life as the teaching department of the church.

At no other time do we have the opportunity to teach and train in the principles and doctrines of the Bible.

When we see from statistics that 90 per cent of our church membership comes from the S. S. we cannot help but realize the importance of a good live S. S. in every Baptist church in Liberty Association.

We find from the record, 28 Sunday Schools reported at our last Association, with 2,263 pupils enrolled.

We are glad to note that they are all using our own Southern Baptist Literature. We commend the graded system wherever practicable and if possible every church maintain a training class and at least a weekly teachers' meeting.

We recommend and insist that every church that hasn't a S. S. organize one immediately, so that in our next meeting of this Association every church will be able to report a Bible School. Already the Lord has done great things, whereof we are glad, but let us remember there remaineth yet much to be done in the kingdom.

We recommend that every Sunday School set apart One Sunday in Each Month to contribute to the Orphans' Home.

Respectfully submitted,

A. FLENNIKEN.

The committee on B. Y. P. U. Work submitted its report, which was adopted as follows:

REPORT OF B. Y. P. U. WORK.

Your committee on B. Y. P. U. beg to submit the report as follows:

From last years' report at the Association we learn that out of forty-five churches reporting, only about one-third report organized B. Y. P. U. work. This ought not to be so, for the fact that a church without such an organization is not a full developed body, and is not doing the training that the young people stand in need of.

So far as reports show there has been no new organization during the past year but where B. Y. P. U. work has once held sway. You find no falling away.

From the B. Y. P. U. come some of our young preachers. In our own Association we have some such men.

Today, as never before, we need to be trained prepared. Most every day we see some of our young men being called into service, and when called to service they are called to be trained, and it is necessary to be trained for war it should be more so for the Kingdom.

"If for the Nation why not for Jesus?"

Again we urge and recommend that every pastor present go back to their churches with a determination to make B. Y. P. U. work a special work.

Respectfully submitted,

G. WOOLEY,
LOYD TUCKER,
MRS. BALLARD,

Committee.

The report of the W. M. U. Work, after having been interestingly discussed by Mesdames A. R. Britt, W. A. Jones, W. L. McWilliams and Aylmer Flenniken, was adopted:

The Woman's Missionary Union of the Lierty Baptist Association held their annual meeting on Saturday afternoon, September 22, at the Holly Grove Church. Owing to the rush of business of the Association the meeting was not called to order until 3:30 p. m. The President, Mrs. Alymer Flenniken, presided, and written reports from five societies were read by the secretary. Those reporting were Camden, El Dorado, Junction City, Strong and Three Creeks, with a total \$133.12 for the year's work.

Ladies were present from the following country churches, but had no organization: Holly Grove, Urbanna, Midway, Wesson, New Hope, Lisbon, Knowles Chapel, Union and Norphleet. We hope soon to have them all enlisted in the work.

The following officers were re-elected for the coming year:

Mrs. Aylmer Flenniken, President; Mrs. Stevens, Vice President; Wrs. W. F. Williams, Secretary; A. O. Ballard, Association Superintendent.

Mrs. Flenniken very briefly told of the year's work, but the time was too short to even begin plans of the coming year's work, although we hope to make each day count much for our Master.

MRS. FLENNIKEN, President.
MRS. WILLIAMS, Secretary.

The committee on Obituaries reported as follows, which was adopted:

OBITUARIES.

Your committee on Obituaries has found that the Angel of Death has taken from our number during the past year, the following brethren and sisters:

Jno. C. Cessor, Mrs. Fred Jenkins, Mrs. J. A. Finley, J. M. Campbell, Mrs. Clara Davis, Mrs. Leon, W. H. Jerry, Sarah E. Ward, Bob Shimpach, B. T. Attaway, J. Y. Stephens, Ethel Murphy, Lottie Taylor, Elizabeth A. Jones, Mrs. J. D. Allen, Mrs. A. C. Jones, A. J. Cameron, Mrs. N. Lloyd, Mrs. J. H. Rainey, Mr. J. H. Rainey, W. E. Atkinosn, Mrs. W. A. Perry, Mrs T. M. Penson, Mrs. Claud Rowland, Elizabeth Rowland and Nena Jones.

We feel that their home going is a distinct loss in the churches to which they belonged. We bow in humble submission to the will of our Heavenly Father who is too wise to err and too good to visit upon us any affliction not designed for our good.

We find the total number of death to be 26.

Respectfully submitted,

GEO. HANRY, Committee.

PLEDGES FOR ORPHANS HOME.

For Year 1917-18.

Camden	\$300.00	New Hope	20.00
Ebenezer	10.00	Norphlet	5.00
El Dorado	300.00	Three Creeks	25.00
Galilee	10.00	Union	10.00
Holly Grove	20.00	Upland	5.00
Hopewell, No. 1	5.00	Urbana	20.00
Huttig	50.00	Vernon Hill	5.00
Junction City	75.00	Victoria	25.00
Knowles Chapel	5.00	Wesson	25.00
Midway	15.00	Zion Hill	5.00
Total			\$935.00

Moderator Muse appointed the following chairmen to report on these respective subjects at the 1918 session in Camden:

1. Orphan Home—Dr. W. A. Moore.
2. Publications—Dr. J. U. H. Wharton.
3. State Missions—E. Cale.
4. Foreign Missions—Dr. L. T. Mayes.
5. Associational Missions—W. O. Taylor.
6. Home Missions—J. T. Walters.
7. Laymen's Movement—B. G. Rogers.
8. Sunday Schools—Geo. W. Mason.
9. Christian Education—Wm. Wright.
10. Stewardship—A. Worthington.
11. W. M. U. Work—Mrs. Albert Rowell.
12. B. Y. P. U. Work—W. E. B. Lochridge.
13. Temperance—Rev. Loyd Tucker.
14. Nomination—Jno. W. Pratt.
15. Ministerial Relief—J. C. Sawyers.
16. Finance—H. W. Goodwin.
17. Obituaries—B. W. Reeves.

CLOSING REMARKS.

Sunday afternoon there closed at Holly Grove Church one of the best meetings in history of Liberty Association. Best, because of the auspicious weather, prosperous crops, unstinted hospitality, fine representation, big attendance, liberal gifts, new emphasis on laymen's work, and best because best of all there was not one misconduct note sounded.

J. W. WARREN, Clerk.

Messengers representing the various churches answered to roll call as follows:

Camden Church—J. W. Warren, Geo. W. Newton.

Champagnolle—Geo. Armer, Sadie Stephens.

Cane Creek—J. E. Green.

Ebenezer—A. J. Harrell, Brutus Harrell.

El Dorado—Dr. Livingston Mays, Mrs. Aylmer Flenniken,

Albert Britt and wife, H. W. Goodwin and wife, B. W. Reeves.

Elliott—B. F. Rogers.

Emmanuel—No messenger.

Felsenthal—No messenger.

Galilee—J. W. Pratt, Francis Jones, Jim Fitzgearl.

Hopewell, No. 1—J. A. Mason, Richard Roberson, J. O. Owens, Jr.

Hopewell, No. 2—No messenger.

Hilsboro—W. H. Murry, Miss Grace Murry, Miss Mida Jordon.

Huttig—A. R. Voss, W. C. Thompson, E. Col.e

Holly Grove—John Wheelons, O. M. Attaway, E. Sayers, A. G. Elland, R. L. Wasson.

Junction City—J. T. Walters, W. A. Moore, Mrs. W. A. Moore, M. P. Muse, W. C. Tanner, Miss Robbie Cullins, Mrs. W. C. Tanner.

Knowles Chapel—Miss W. T. Ballard.

Louann—Not represented.

Liberty—R. C. Summers, W. R. Jerry.

Lisbon—Sallie Crawford, Leila Lee.

Lawson—L. W. Chaney, W. M. Ramsey, J. W. Perry.

Midway—E. D. Primm, Mrs. A. V. Primm, H. A. Mayfield, A. R. Sessoms.

Mt. Moriah—J. B. Lyon, W. F. Pratt, Lillie Gordon.

Mt. Union—F. J. Davidson.

Norphlet—Rev. C. L. Stocks and wife.

New Hope—B. F. McCuller, A. C. Hanry, Geo. L. Hanry, Mrs. Cleone Hanry.

Okolona—F. M. Barden.

Philadelphia—H. M. Stegall, Jessie Anderson, Thos. Horne, Maggie Hulbert, Daisy Horne.

Pleasant Grove—Not represented.

Spring Hill—M. J. Taylor, W. Faitheree, W. J. Anglin.

Strong—Rev. J. U. H. Whorton.

Three Creeks—T. R. Ellen, Mrs. J. C. Ellen, A. C. Jones, E. L. McGraw, Tom Byrd, Walter Cameron, Mrs. Mary Stewart, W. H. Jones and wife.

Upland—G. L. Swilly, W. C. Johnson.

Urbana—J. R. Stevens, Mrs. J. R. Stevens, L. J. Tucker, Mrs. L. J. Tucker.

Union—Miss Cleone Stegall, W. R. Crain, T. J. Groves, S. Davidson.

Vernon Hill—J. H. Grimm, J. . Primm, Geo. Wilson, O. Dumas.
Wesson—J. H. Gulley, Jno. P. Gresham, W. F. Bass, Mrs.
John atum, W. O. Taylor, E. H. Hudson, Mrs. J. H. Gulley.
Zion Hill—W. J. Ward.

In some instances the letter was filled after roll call, in which cases the messengers are listed as reported in the letter.

PASTORS AND CUERKS AND THEIR POSTOFFICES

CHURCH.	PASTOR	POST OFFICE	CLERK	POST OFFICE.
Camden	W. M. Wright	Camden	E. L. Perry	Camden
Cane Creek	Henry Atkins	Urbana	M. A. Morrison	Strong
Champagnolle	B. F. Neal	Farmersville, La.	J. B. Armour	Champagnolle
Ebenezer	B. F. Neal	Farmersville, La.	J. H. Dumas	El Dorado
Elliott			B. F. Rogers	Elliott
Emmanuel			C. Q. Murphy	Louann
Feisenthal	W. F. Smith	Marion, La.	S. R. Lane	Felsenthal
Gallelee	E. H. Hudson	Wesson	Eva Jones	El Dorado
Hillsboro			W. H. Murray	Holishoro
Holly Grove	A. Worthington	Lawson	L. Attaway	Junction City
Hopewell, No. 1	J. D. Waller	Wesson	J. W. Owne, Jr.	Trull
Hopewell No. 3			J. C. Neely	Louann
Huttig	E. Cole	Huttig	J. B. Crockett	Huttig
Junction City	J. T. Walters	Junction City	J. G. Muse	Junction City
Knowles Chapel			C. L. Torrence	Sandy Bend
Lawson	A. Worthington	Lawson	J. W. Honeycut	Lawson
Liberty	D. K. Sawyer	Randolph, La.	W. F. Ward	Lawson
Lisbon			May Willett	Lisbon
Miday	A. Worthington	Lawson	J. H. Scarbrough	El Dorado, Rt. 1
Mt. Moriah	C. P. Kinard	Summerfield, La.	T. D. Sawyer	Randolph, La.
Mt. Union	D. K. Sawyer	Randolph, La.	J. B. Thurkill	Eldorado, Rt. 1
New Hope	W. O. Taylor	Wesson	G. L. Hanry	Wesson
Norphlet	B. F. Neal	Farmersville, La.	E. G. Murphy	Norphlet
Okolona	Henry Adkins	Strong	W. E. Gathright	Strong
Philadelphia	A. Worthington	Lawson	H. M. Stegall	Wilmington
Pleasant Grove	C. P. Kinard	Summerfield, La.	H. I. Ogden	El Dorado
Strong	J. U. H. Whorton	Strong	J. R. Harrison	Strong
Spring Hill	C. P. Kinard	Summerfield, La.	M. R. Tullis	Caledonia
Three Creeks	J. T. Walters	Junction City	J. C. Ellen	Three Creeks
Union	A. Worthington	Lawson	G. L. Graves	Junio
Upland	D. K. Sawyer	Randolph, La.	C. C. Mayfield	Upland
Urbana	J. U. H. Whorton	Strong	G. G. Simmons	Urbana
Vernon Hill	Paul Lawrence	Smackover	Ed. Jackson	El Dorado
Wesson	J. T. Walters	Junction City	Mrs. Ino. Tatum	Wesson
Zion Hill	W. F. Little		Marvin Ward	El Dorado

W. M. U. PRESIDENTS AND SECRETARIES

CHURCH	PRESIDENT	SECRETARY	POSTOFFICE
Camden	Mrs. N. S. Word	Mrs. C. L. Terrell	Camden
ElDorado	Mrs. Will McWilliams	Mrs. T. T. Sheppard	ElDorado
Huttig	Mrs. D. M. Clauney	Mrs. W. H. Moore	Huttig
Junction City	Mrs. W. McDonald	Mrs. J. C. Cargile	Junction City
Lawson	Maggie Erisby	Annie Hughes	Lawson
Strong	Mrs. Dr. Colvin	Mrs. A. P. Kirby	Strong

B. Y. P. U. PRESIDENTS AND SECRETARIES

CHURCH	PRESIDENT	SECRETARY	POSTOFFICE
Camden	Thos. Watts	Mrs. Edna Schafer	Camden
ElDorado	Aylmer Flenniken		ElDorado
Huttig	Pearce Heard	Varline Heard	Huttig
Galilee	Grover Pratt	Mrs. Carrie Calvert	ElDorado
Knowles Chapel	H. C. Ballard	Miss Attie L. Duke	Sandy Bend
Wesson	Mrs. L. W. Hartsell	Miss R. Stringfellow	Wesson

SUNDAY SCHOOL SUPERINTENDENTS

CHURCH	SUPERINTENDENT	POSTOFFICE
Camden	S. B. Lide	Camden
Ebenezer	H. H. Loverett	ElDorado
ElDorado	Geo. W. Mason	ElDorado
Elliott	B. F. Rogers	Elliott
Felsenthal	S. R. Lane	Felsenthal
Galilee	R. J. Taylor	ElDorado
Holly Grove	J. M. Attaway	Junction City
Hopewell No. 1	J. A. Taylor	Trull
Huttig	W. H. Wheeler	Huttig
Junction City	S. L. Muse	Junction City
Knowles Chapel	Ollie Canady	Sandy Bend
Lawson	J. M. Grabes	Lawson
Liberty	J. K. Lovett, Jr.	ElDorado
Midway	A. B. Sessoms	Shuler
Mt. Moriah	Homer Pratt	Blancard Springs
New Hope	Geo. L. Hanry	Three Cheers
Norphlet	E. G. Burphy	Norphlet
Philadelphia	T. J. Willoughby	Wilmington
Spring Hill	Jordan Pace	Randolph, La.
Strong	F. Tucker	Strong
Three Cheers	W. H. Jones	Three Cheers
Union	R. W. Gaddy	Juno
Urbana	J. R. Stevens	Urbana
Vernon Hill	Geo. Wilson	ElDorado
Wesson	H. B. Prothro	Wesson
Vion Hill	J. P. Foster	Wesson

MINISTERS

Holding membership in the Association as reported by the letters from the various Churches to the Association.

Ordained.

T. M. Bates, Morphet	C. B. Rogers
E. Cole, Huttig	C. L. Stocks, Norphlet
L. F. Duke	D. K. Sawyer, Rondlph, La.
B. C. Green, Lawson	W. G. Simmons, Urbana
A. Hinson, ElDorado	W. O. Taylor, Wesson
R. Hester, Strong	J. D. Waller, Emerson
E. H. Hudson	Jno. T. Walters, Junction City
Paul Lawrence, Lisbon	A. Worthington, Lawson
W. F. Little, ElDorado	W. M. Wright, Camden
L. T. Mays, ElDorado	J. U. H. Worthon, Strong
W. S. Parker	

Licensed.

Guy Bates, Lawson	J. W. Taylor, Juno
W. F. Bass, Wesson	A. K. Voss, Huttig
A. C. Chaney, Lawson	G. R. Wooley, Strong
W. F. B. Lockridge, Camden	Thos. Watts, Camden
W. J. Newson	L. J. Tucker
J. R. Pratt, Blanchard Springs	Jesse Willoughby, Wilmington

STATISTICAL TABLE

Names of Churches.	Membership.										Sunday Schools.					
	Increase					Decrease					No. Schools	No. Pupils	No. Teachers	Kind of Literature	Baptized this Year	S. S. Expenses
	Baptized	By Letter	By Restoration	Total Increase	Total Last Year	By Letter	By Ex. or Eva	By Death	Total Decrease	Total this Year						
Camden.....	1	12	4	17	313	23	2	4	29	301	2	275	21	S. B. C.	\$303.64
Cane Creek.....	1	1		2	51	2		1	3	50						
Champagnolle.....					48					48						
Emmanuel.....					44	2	1		3	41						
ElDorado.....	8	17		25	719	22		2	24	720	1	700	20	S. B. C.	7	208.83
Elliott.....	2	1		3	79	4	2		6	76	1	40	4	S. B. C.	2	10.00
Ebenezer.....	5	4		9	79	1			1	87	1	50	4	S. B. C.		3.75
Felsenthal.....		3		3	50	1			1	52	1	44	4	S. B. C.		15.59
Galilee.....	1	2		3	67	4	1	1	6	64	1	44	4	S. B. C.	1	6.96
Hillsboro.....					60	5			5	55						
Huttig.....	4	11		15	204	12	1	1	14	205	1	276	22	S. B. C.	4	77.06
Hopewell No. 1.....	1	2		3	49					52	1	30	3	S. B. C.		3.85
Hopewell No. 3.....	1	2		3	73	3		1	4	72	1	40	4	S. B. C.	1	10.00
Holly Grove.....	7	6		13	111	4		1	5	119	1	35	4	S. B. C.	2	4.10
Junction City.....	9	2		11	180	6			6	185	1	95	10	S. B. C.	9	34.40
Knowles Chapel.....					68					68	1	40	4	S. B. C.		9.80
Lisbon.....					92	4			4	88						
Liberty.....	1			1	64			1	1	64						
Lawson.....		5		5	60	8			8	59	1	67	4	S. B. C.		9.82
Mt. Union.....	3	3		6	60	2			2	64						
Mt. Moriah.....	1	6		7	75	2		1	3	79	1	34	4	S. B. C.		
Midway.....	21	8	3	32	111	1	3	2	6	137	1	52	3	S. B. C.	11	1.17
New Hope.....	14	15	1	30	90	5			5	115	1	50	3	S. B. C.	6	
Norphet.....	2	6		8	57	1	1	1	3	62	1	40	5	S. B. C.		
Okolona.....	7	2	1	10	60					70				S. B. C.		
Philadelphia.....	3	1		4	109	2			2	111	1	43	3	S. B. C.	3	
Pleasant Grove.....	5	13		18	46	4		1	5	59						
Strong.....	6	4		10	165	7	2	1	10	165	1	65	6	S. B. C.	4	32.89
Spring Hill.....					92	4		2	6	86	1	77	3	S. B. C.		3.25
Three Cheers.....	6	4		10	136	7		3	10	136	1	60	5	S. B. C.		8.00
Urbana.....		5		5	26					31	1	88	4	S. B. C.		10.00
Union.....	4	1		5	261	13		2	15	251	1	60	4	S. B. C.	1	11.00
Upland.....	3	1		4	78	3	2		5	77	1	40	3	S. B. C.	1	
Vernon Hill.....	15	2	1	18	75					93	1	81	4	S. B. C.	15	5.00
Wesson.....		5	1	6	121	7		2	9	118	1	70	7	S. B. C.		44.13
Zion Hill.....	3			3	55	2	2	1	5	53	1	40	4	S. B. C.	3	4.00

FINANCIAL STATEMENT

Contributions to Various Objects.

Pastor's Salary	Building and Repair on Churches	Incidentals	Visiting Ministers	The Poor	Asso. Missions	State Missions	Home Missions	Foreign Missions	Woman's Missionary Union	Through Sunday Schools	Orphans' Home	College and Schools	Ministerial Education	Other Objects	Total	Total Church Property
1800.00		\$641.59		\$250.00	\$ 40.00	\$400.00	\$274.50	\$723.50	\$482.80	\$512.26	\$594.17	\$160.50		\$ 40.25	\$5228.15	\$20000.00
			21.32												21.32	250.00
100.00			24.02		2.51		3.02	2.52							132.07	250.00
25.00											5.00				30.00	
2100.00	207.38	100.00	50.00	60.95	1.00	496.50	292.85	208.40	447.88	608.83	326.51	76.75	40.00	54.66	5058.92	10000.00
125.00	5.00		6.00		23.70	54.30	5.00	5.00			25.00	5.70			264.70	500.00
79.00		6.00	25.00			10.00	6.75	6.75			26.11				161.61	250.00
87.27			21.85												124.71	800.00
60.15		15.20	31.61		5.50	4.79	5.20	5.25		21.36	11.10		2.25		143.26	1000.00
100.00			16.00												116.00	1000.00
875.00	102.74	202.10	105.40	10.00	50.01	159.75	66.88	71.83	337.67	192.58	115.00	45.00		2.50	2478.95	6000.00
50.00		1.00	2.50		1.50						2.00				60.85	1150.00
	40.00		75.00	10.00		2.50	2.50	2.50							142.50	1000.00
120.00		20.00	55.75			10.25	5.00			8.15	21.85		1.62		238.27	800.00
600.00		258.12	120.00	5.50	29.50	60.00	46.46	57.19	139.50	198.94	153.70	40.00	71.10	5.00	1488.97	2500.00
						2.83					5.00		1.50		18.63	800.00
											1.05				1.05	400.00
25.50															25.50	500.00
100.00	150.00	26.45	14.95			29.30				19.88	12.50		6.00		346.57	1200.00
55.50															55.50	700.00
40.00															40.00	325.00
17.50		8.90	117.10	14.00							11.00		7.75		177.42	800.00
80.00			44.00			3.60	3.80				5.85				157.25	400.00
75.00						.50	.50	1.00							77.00	500.00
			21.00												21.00	600.00
75.00			10.54			4.55					3.19				93.28	1500.00
33.75	32.00		15.50								1.75				82.00	500.00
500.00	238.00		55.00	10.00	1.00	8.00	11.90	17.00	176.65	41.58	98.96		2.00		1192.98	2000.00
17.10			14.50												34.85	400.00
150.00			40.25			12.75	10.80	12.60			80.00	8.00	10.00		332.40	
120.00		5.95	36.50		11.33	9.00	8.00	12.00		51.43	19.87		3.21	2.50	238.36	70.00
150.00		17.00	55.00			15.00					77.67				325.67	1000.00
77.00	150.00	16.00			5.00	5.00	.85	.85			1.12				255.82	
40.00		1.00	25.00								5.00				76.00	
151.75	363.30	12.18	64.00		120.00	16.60	4.00	19.55		64.13	26.70	7.15	5.00		834.36	1800.00
75.00			26.15					3.25			3.02		3.00		114.42	1050.00