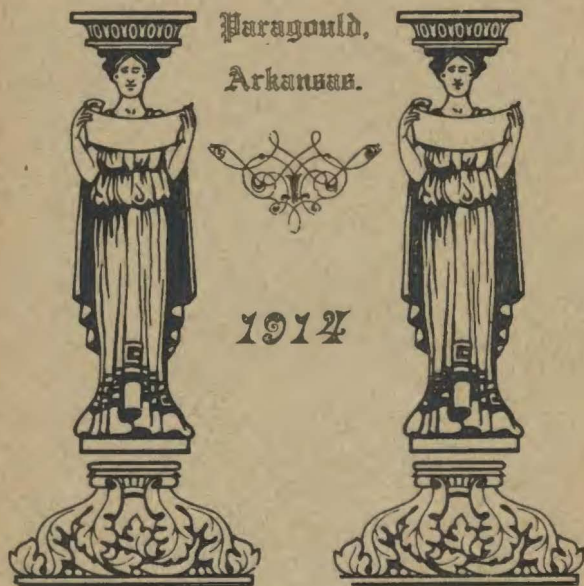


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OFFICERS

J. D. J. FAULKNER, Gainesville	- -	- -	Moderator
R. L. LEWIS, Piggott,	- -	- -	Clerk
V. A. PHILLIPS, Paragould	-	- -	Treasurer

Paragould Second Baptist Church, September, 23rd, 1914.

The forty-fifth annual meeting of the Gainesville Missionary Baptist Association convened at 10:00 o'clock a. m., Elder R. L. Lewis conducting the devotional exercises, after which Dr. R. M. Inlow, of Little Rock, preached a wonderful sermon on these words: "I would hear this man for myself." Association then adjourned to 2 p. m. with benediction by Elder E. J. Teague.

The afternoon session opened with singing. and prayer by Elder E. D. Cooper. The following churches presented

letters, which were read by Brothers Lewis and Harvey:

Bethel (Clay county) —G. W. Hopper, J. T. Meharg, A. H. Pruett

Bethlehem—J. F. Green, W. W. Robertson, J. H. Graves

Big Creek—Geo. E. Bishop, C. J. Bell, C. H. Bishop

Black River—Sarah Bass, Ida Holmes, Will Igleheart

Blooming Grove—G. R. Beckley, E. R. Crews

Brown's Chapel—W. A. Branch, Emma White, C. E.

Waddell

Center Hill—W. L. Emmert, W. H. Foster, Mabel Grooms

Epsaby—Trula Cole, N. R. Cole

Fairview—M. L. Sammons, J. F. Fitzgerald, Vester

Baldrige

Gainesville—C. W. Stevens, Clara Dunn, W. J. Hathcock

Greenway—Sadie Thomas, J. W. Bowden

Hopewell—J. T. Nowel, L. M. Clarida, J. R. Cooper

Jone's Ridge—Pearl Benson, Mabel Rooker

Main Shore—G. W. Howard, F. Howard, Jessie Fletcher

Marmaduke—O. C. Harvey, W. A. Jones, Jim Boone

Mt. Tabor—H. A. Underwood, Everett Hollis, H. A. Seal

New Friendship—Ed Walker, Hall Burton, D. McIlanay

New Haven—J. T. Smith, Clara Norton, Mrs. J. T. Smith

New Home—Ed Brewer, G. A. Croker, J. A. Stairs

New Hope—Jas. M. Brown, H. C. Nettles, John Latta

New Light—T. D. Lawrence, J. L. Pinkston

Nutt's Chapel—Lem Tomlinson, T. G. Atchison

Paragould (Second)—John Hateley, Aubrey Remley, Lee

Weatherford

Peach Orchard—M. Emmerson, Almeda Emmerson,  
Elizabeth Esera

Piggott—Nettie Wheeler, R. L. Lewis, Rella Dudley

Pilot Grove—Lester Underwood, A. G. Cagle

Pleasant Grove (at Finch)—W. D. Hester, E. W. Newsom

Pleasant Hope—G. S. Bogan, O. H. Payne

Post Oak—C. M. Garrett, C. D. Holcomb, B. B. Batton

Providence—John Hill, Robert White, Trula Cole

Rector—G. R. Tyler, E. J. Teague, Mrs. A. J. Sides  
Rock Hill—C. D. Morrice, Lola Rogers, Stella Rogers  
Salem—E. Renard

Spring Grove—W. P. Hutchins, G. C. Hall, J. B. Cooper  
St. Francis—Delber King, Forest Evans

Stonewall—Albert Williams, L. Lafferty, Mrs. N. B. Eads

Union Grove—R. H. Farley, G. H. Faulkner

Wanderer's Home—Sam Pillow, J. W. Roschel

The following officers were elected for the ensuing year:

Elder J. D. J. Faulkner, Moderator

Elder R. L. Lewis, Clerk

V. A. Phillips, Treasurer

After prayer by Elder E. J. Teague, the body proceeded to business.

Call for petitionary letters—none.

Visiting brethren invited to seats with us; W. J. Ward, Cape Girardeau, Mo., E. J. A. McKinney and R. M. Inlow, Little Rock, the former of the Baptist Advance, the latter State Secretary Convention, J. N. Robinson, W. C. Wood, T. B. Kitchens, Mt. Zion Association. J. A. Smith, Little Rock, Treasurer State Association.

The Moderator appointed the following Committees:

Arrangements—G. R. Tyler, John Hill, E. J. Teague

Divine Service—Pastor and Deacons Second Church

Finance—C. D. Morrice, O. C. Harvey

Prayer Meeting—A. G. Oagle, Hall Burton, O. H. Payne, E. Edington, Mabel Rooker, Pearl Benson

Sunday Schools—J. K. Browning, El Walker, Albert Williams, Mrs. N. B. Eads, G. B. Bogan, Vestor Baldrige

Temperance—W. A. Branch, G. W. Howard, J. R. Cooper, Roscoe Dunn, J. R. Hall, Clara Norton, Chapel Rogers

Ministers and Post office—G. E. Bishop, T. G. Atchison, Lem Tomlinson, G. W. Hopper, J. T. Meharg, Ab Pruett

Infirm Ministers—W. P. Hutchins, E. J. Teague, Lester Underwood, Robert White, Francis Howard, Lara Dunn

Orphans' Home—Mesdames Bella Dudley, A. J. Sides, J. T. Smith, Mabel Grooms, and D. McHaney, M. L. Sammons John T. Smith

Associational Missions—E. D. Cooper, G. A. Croker, Everett Hollis, Jim Boone, J. H. Graves, Ed Brewer

State Missions—G. R. Tyler, M. Emmerson, R. H. Farley, H. A. Seal, W. C. Jones, J. W. Roschel

Home Missions—G. H. Frazier, C. E. Waldell, B. V. Bowden, W. L. Eumert,



N. H. Foster, Neal Taylor  
Foreign Missions—J. F. Fitzgerald, L. M. Clarida, N. R. Cole, Thomas Harvie,  
Lula Cole, Elizabeth Esera  
Ministerial and Christian Education—W. C. Wood, T. B. Kitchen, E. R. Crews,  
G. R. Blackley, Emma White, Stella Rogers, C. H. Bishop  
Publications—E. J. A. McKlinney, Geo. C. Hall, T. D. Lawrence, Aubrey Remley,  
E. Renard, J. D. Wagster  
Obituaries—C. J. Bell, Jessie Fletcher, Almeda Emmerson, John Hateley, Lee  
Weatherford, Sam Pillow

## ARRANGEMENTS

The Committee on Arrangements Reported Outline of  
Work as Follows:

1. Roll call
2. Presenting petitionary letters
3. Invitation to visiting brethren
4. Committees as follows:

Executive Board  
Missionaries  
Praper Meeting  
Sunday Schools  
Temperance  
Ministers and Postoffice  
Infirm Ministers  
Orphan's Home  
Associational Missions  
State Missions  
Home Missions  
Foreign Missions  
Ministerial and Christian Education  
Publications  
Obituaries  
Finance

5. Report of Treasurer
6. Miscellaneous Business
7. Queries and Resolutions

Report was adopted and committee released  
The body adjourned to 7:30 p. m.

At 7:30 the work was resumed promptly, prayer by Elder  
G. H. Faulkner, and several spirited talks by the congrega-  
tion, after which Elder R. M. Inlow made an excellent address  
on Ministerial Education and State Missions. At the close of

his address pledges were taken as follows:

Paragould (2nd) Church	-	\$50.00	Marmaduke	-	-	\$10.00
Pleasant Hill	-	\$5.00	Friendship	-	-	\$10.00
Jone's Ridge	-	\$5.00	Brown's Chapel	-	-	\$5.00

Union Grove, Epsaby, Peach Orchard, Bethel and Pleasant Grove promised to take collections for the above work. Adjourned to Thursday 9:00 a. m.

## THURSDAY MORNING

At 9:00 o'clock business was resumed, after prayer by Elder Hall. Minutes read and adopted.

Committee on Prayermeeting reported as follows:

It is one great duty of a church to maintain a prayer meeting. Without regular prayer services a church is without spiritual strength, and we insist that each pastor assist his members in organizing and maintaining a good prayer meeting. We should have prayer in our homes, and we would be better prepared to work for the Lord.

Talks by E. J. Teague, J. N. Robinson, J. R. Hall and C. Watkins and Report adopted.

Sunday School Committee reported as follows:

We fully realize that Christian education is important for training the next generation, and that is reached in a great measure through Sunday School effort. We should diligently study God's Word, and urge that all churches organize and maintain an evergreen Sunday School.

Talks by R. L. Lewis, Forest Evans, G. R. Tyler, W. C. Wood, J. R. Hall, C. D. Morrice, G. O. Light, J. D. J. Faulkner and J. H. Boone.

Adjourned with benediction by Elder J. R. Hall to 1:30, p. m., for preaching service by Elder E. J. A. McKinney, text from Matthew 16:26. The sermon emphasized the value of sacrifice of our lives for the benefit of the cause of Christ and humanity,

## THURSDAY AFTERNOON

After prayer by Elder G. R. Tyler business was resumed, and the Sunday School report was adopted.

Committee on Ministers and Postoffice reported as follows:

### REGULAR ORDAINED MINISTERS

Butler, E. C. Piggott, Ark. Cagle, A. G. Piggott, Ark.

Cooper, E.D. Paragould, Ark. Emmons, F.B. Paragould, Ark.  
 Estes. R. C., Peach Orchard, Ark., Faulkner, G. H., Walcott  
 Ark., Faulkner, J. D. J., Gainesville, Ark., Farmer, W. D.  
 Rector, Ark., Gossett, W. H., Marmaduke, Ark., Gower, W.  
 C., Piggott, Ark., Green, P. P., Pollard, Ark., Hall, J. R.,  
 Marmaduke, Ark., Joiner, J. K., Piggott, Ark., Kerr, Ira,  
 Piggott, Ark., Kirkland, R. L. Paragould, Ark., Lewis, R. L.  
 Piggott, Ark., Merideth, W. H., Paragould, Ark., Nowel, J.  
 T., Marmaduke, Ark., Pinkston, J. L., Boydsville, Ark., Re-  
 nard, E., Boydsville, Ark., Rogers, R. C., Paragould, Ark.,  
 Settlemois, J. N., Piggott, Ark., Stairs, J. A., Marmaduke  
 Ark., Teague, E. J., Rector, Ark., Tyler, G. R., Rector, Ark.  
 Underwood, W. R. Piggott, Ark., Walker, W. L. Halliday,  
 Ark., Watkins, C., Paragould, Ark.

#### LICENSED MINISTERS

Alexander, W. F.,	Gainesville,	Ark.
Bateman, J. B.,	“ “	“ “
Church, J. H.,	Paragould,	“ “
Hollis, J. W.,	Senath,	Mo.
Hollis, Everett,	Piggott,	Ark.
Remley, Aubrey,	Paragould,	“ “
Wilson, L. P.,	“ “	“ “

Committee on Temperance reported as follows:

As intemperance is one of the greatest evils in our land, the harder should be the fight against it. We believe that all christians should pledge themselves against it in every form. There is no compromising ground. We are either for it or against it, and should be registered on the side that we are on. We cannot play our part in the drama but once, and our acts should be based on definite principles against the making, the transportstion and selling in our country.

A moderate dram drinker in the church is dangerous for after these the young are apt to pattern themselves. And the church is falling short of her duty that knowingly permits the use of alcohol in any form by its members—"Woe unto him that causes another to stumble."



Elder E. J. A. McKinney discussed the report very ably, and same was adopted.

Report on Associational Missions was read and the following parties discussed the report, to-wit: E. D. Cooper, R. L. Lewis, G. R. Tyler, J. R. Hall and C. D. Morrice. The report is as follows:

Associational Missions. All of us now this means work here in the bounds of our association. This work should surely interest every Baptist in this association. We find that our Associational Board has been limited on the account of insufficient means, in supplying the destitution in our bounds, and did not employ a regular missionary, but supplied a few places by suppling the salary of pastors of weak churches. This we believe is a necessary work, but surely we should do more than this, and reach all destitute places possible with the pure gospel truth. False doctrine is being taught in every place that offers opportunity. If the whole truth is ever preached the Baptists must preach it. If we believe this as we should, we will surely do more and give more for this work. Our preachers should preach in destitute places near their regular appointments and meet error with the truth of Christ, without any help from the Board.

The following resolution was here adopted:

Be it resolved by this association that no claim shall be allowed, or paid, any one, for mission work until ordered by a majority of the association; unless prior to doing any such work satisfactory arrangements therefor have been made with the mission board of the association.

Committee on Orphan's Home reported as follows:

We beg leave to report that the pledges made last year for the Home at Monticello would have completed the debt, but as the pledges were sent in they had to be used for present needs. It takes something to feed and clothe 179 children. We think it noble work and the institution is some-



thing we as Baptists should be proud of. Therefore, we recommend that a collection be taken now and pledges made for the home.

Report was approved and after being discussed by G. R. Tyler cash collection of \$23.57 was made and subscription as follows promised:

Bethlehem	\$5.00	Paragould, (2nd) Aid,	\$5.00
Bethel,	\$5.00	Hall, A. M.,	\$20.00
Blooming Grove,	collection	Tyler, G. R.,	\$2.50
Brown's Chapel	\$20.00	Piggott,	\$15.00
Black River	\$20.00	Piggott, W. M. U.	\$10.00
Fpsaby,	collection	Peach Orchard,	\$5.00
Fairview,	\$5.00	Providence,	\$5.00
Friendship,	\$15.00	Pilot Grove,	\$5.00
Gainesville,	\$5.00	Post Oak,	\$10.00
Greenway,	collection	Pleasant Grove	collection
Hopewell,	collection	Rector,	\$10.00
Jone's Ridge,	\$5.00	Rector Aid,	\$5.00
Mt. Tabor,	\$5.00	Rock Hill church,	\$20.00
Marmaduke,	\$60.00	Rock Hill, S. S.	collection
New Hope	\$10.00	Spring Grove,	collection
Nut's Chapel	\$5.00	Stonewall,	collection
New Light,	\$5.00	St. Francis,	\$22.50
Paragould, (2nd)	\$25.00	Union Grove,	collection.

### INFIRM MINISTERS

Report of Infirm Ministers Adopted as Follows:

We gladly report that our association has none among our aged ministers save those who are graciously blessed with means of support. God has not only blessed their labors spiritually but has also blest them financially.

Your committee would respectfully recommend that the association keep a standing Lookout committee for the purpose of locating all such worthy brethern who may need our assistance, and in the event that they find any who are infirm and in need that they proceed to raise funds among the

churches for their support and place in the hands of the Executive board to be distributed where same is needed. Respectfully submitted.

The body adjourned to Friday morning at 9 o'clock.

Thursday evening at 7:30 Elder R. L. Lewis preached a strong discourse on the subject of "Mathematical Problems, or Christian Growth."

### FRIDAY MORNING.

The morning session opened at 9 o'clock with prayer by Elder E. D. Cooper. Minutes were read and adopted.

### HOME MISSIONS.

The following report on Home Missions was read and adopted:

As the work to be done by Home Missions is to educate and christianize in the ways of right the heathen, the foreigner, and the Negro of our own southern, and also organize and equip workers in the cause of Christ, the churches should contribute liberally to this cause: for the light that shines brightest at home will reflect its rays farthest away from home, and therefore we recommend that the churches form some system of contributing regularly to Home Missions. And also that the pastors and messengers here present impress upon the churches the necessity of systematic work in the way of missions. There are times when actions speak louder than words, and this should be the case here. Therefore, this work should be given your early attention.

Collection for Building fund for Greenway church was made at this time and resulted in donation of \$14.62.

### STATE MISSIONS.

Report on State Missions, after discussion by Elder W. C. Wood, was adopted as follows;

If Baptists have a missions to one man they have a mission to every man—If they have a mission to every man their field to Arkansas includes every man, woman and child in the state. Today we outnumber any other denomi-

nation in the state, having about 115,000 white Baptists and nearly 100,000 Negro Baptists, or a total of 215,000. But with this goodly number of White Baptists we are yet far short of our possibilities numerically speaking. Even according to the proportion of Baptists to total white population in some other southern states we must double our membership to equal them. Compared with other denominations in Arkansas our showing is good; but in comparison to what our people have achieved in some other states we have much yet to do. Our weak points are our towns and cities, Mississippi river front and mountain sections. In the towns of northeast quarter of the state the Methodists outnumber us nearly two to one: while in south Arkansas the ratio is about 10 to 7 in favor of the Methodists. In So. Ark. in the country there are 10,000 Baptists. The Baptists south of the Arkansas river is twice as great in proportion to white population as it is north of that river. This all shows that this association is at least on the borderland of Arkansas' greatest destitution.

Last year the work of the Baptist State Convention showed nearly \$14,000.00 raised for State Missions, and 1268 baptisms and 1162 additions otherwise, making a total of 2430 additions. Twelve churches were organized, 39 meeting houses were built and repaired, and 82 Sunday Schools organized. There are now 45 missionaries at work in various ways in the employment of State Convention—some as missionary pastors, association missionaries, evangelists, colporters, workers among the women and the Sunday Schools.

The churches of the state have been asked to contribute \$20,800.00, to this work for this year. We recommend that the pastors and churches see that offerings are taken wherever possible for State Missions and sent to R. M. Inlow, General Secretary, Little Rock, before Nov. 1st. next or at least by the meeting of the State convention on No. 12th.

## EXECUTIVE BOARD.

Reports of Executive Board was as follows:

To the 45th Session of the Gainesville Association:

We your Executive Committee beg to submit the following report:

Prior to the Adjournment of the 44th Session of this Association, held with the Marmaduke Baptist Church in 1913, we met and organized electing Bro. J. B. Walden President and G. O. Light Secretary and Treasurer.

Just prior to the adjournment of the said session of the Association, through our Secretary, we asked all the Pastor's, Messengers and members present that were expecting aid for the ensuing year to make out a written request and submit same to our body at its session to be held at Greenway Church the Fifth Sun. in Jan., 1914 to the end that a careful estimate of our work could be made and the work properly outlined for this year. But no reports or requests were submitted.

Subsequently to that time, your Chairman and Secretary with the consent of Bro. J. F. Sain agreed with Bro. J. R. Hall to take care of the Church at Walnut Ridge and the Mission about two and one half miles South East of Marmaduke for the sum of \$200. per year. His report to this board shows that he has faithfully pastored those two places and also cared for the church at Nutt's Chapel, which was pastorless and unable to employ a pastor.

This represents all the contracts of the Board but we have the following claims submitted, as follows: Pilot Grove, Bomar's Chapel, Greenway, Bethel, New Haven and Nutt's Chapel and we have allowed them \$10.00 each except Bomar's Chapel we allow the sum of \$45.00 and Mission Point \$20.00. We have been forced to reduce the allowances to these amounts from the fact that the claims or applications were not made at the beginning of the years work so we could arrange to meet the requirements of a greater allowance.



We believe that we have reached the destitute place within the bonds of our Association and if we have not we crave to be advised by the brotherhood. We beg to state that we have known that we had but a limited amount to work with and have tried to manage our work so that we would cover the field without incurring a debt and with the least possible expense consistant with a proper regard for the duty and privilege imposed upon us.

We have received \$186.16 and paid Bro. J. R. Hall \$25.00 leaving a balance in our hands of \$161.16.

Respectfully Submitted,

J. H. Walden, Chairman.

G. O. Light, Secretary.

## FOREIGN MISSIONS

Report on Foreign Missions, after reading and being discussed by Elder W. C. Wood, was adopted as follows:

Our missionaries report a year of gratifying success. The report shows 380 churches, 5,252 baptisms, 635 native workers, 9,376 students in our schools, including 420 in our Theological Seminaries and Training Schools. In nearly all of our fields our schools have been filled to overflowing. The number of baptisms is the largest ever reported in one year. In nearly all the fields there has been an increase in the number of converts baptised. This is true even in Mexico amidst the terrors of war. The largest number of baptisms reported by any one mission is that of 1,831 baptisms in North China Mission. These statistics are only an index to the far-reaching results of the work of our missionaries. Many of the greatest fruits of mission work cannot be expressed in figures.

The receipts of the Board for the current support of the work amount to \$587,458.07. This sum falls far short of the apportionment of \$646,500 fixed by the last Convention, and leaves a deficit of \$68,000 on the work. It is gratifying to note, however, that most of the states made an encouraging advance over the contributions of last year.

## Ministerial and Christian Education

Reports of Ministerial and Christian Education were read and discussed by Eld. W. C. Wood, and adopted as follows:

### MINISTERIAL EDUCATION

By Ministerial Education we mean the education of young preachers. We take it for granted that you see the importance of an educated ministry. We desire in this report to address ourselves to the practical side of the problem. We have the school, we have the preacher boys, we have the money. The problem is to get the school, the money and the boys hooked up together. This is the problem. Ouachita College does not charge preachers any tuition. But many of the young ministers who go there have not enough money to pay their board and buy their clothing and books. The problem with us is, to give our money to help these God-called young men in paying their board so that they may be enabled to go to school. The Board of Ministerial Education at Ouachita College ascertains whether a young man applicant is worthy and whether he intends to make the ministry his life work. They then recommend that he be aided by their Board. No one receives more than \$7.50 per month—many receive less, according to the young man's need. When we give our money to the Ministerial Education we are to understand that it is to help young ministers to buy food and clothes while they are going to school. Let the churches take a collection for this object before the close of school next June, and send it to Bro. Inlow at Little Rock, and he will send it to the Board of Ministerial Education at Ouachita. Ouachita will have in training this year not less than fifty young ministers, and could have fifty more if the Baptists of Arkansas would give their money sufficiently to help them. This work is worthy and calls for both money and prayers.

### CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

By Christian Education we mean the fostering and maintaining of Christian schools. As it is important to edu-

cate our young preachers in Baptist schools, and of like importance to educate all our young people in Baptist schools, it therefore becomes necessary for us to maintain Baptist schools. Too often we are willing for our schools to run, as long as they will not call on us for money to help them run. Ouachita and Central Colleges stand as monuments to the sacrificing brotherhood of past years. These schools we have as a priceless heritage. We cannot do without them, but to keep them we must maintain them. Ouachita College is not self sustaining, that is, the income from tuition is not large enough to pay the running expenses of the school each year. Therefore we as Baptists of Arkansas are called upon to contribute of our means to help maintain these schools. Such contributions are contributions to Christian Education. Teaching is part of the great Kingdom program. If we neglect it we will die, because teaching is fundamental. Will we do our part in this great work? Let the churches take liberal collections for Christian Education each year, just as we do for missions. In this we will be helping on Christ's Kingdom. Send all money to Bro. R. M. Inlow, Little Rock, Ark.

Adjourned to 1:30 p. m.

11 a. m., sermon by Elder E. D. Cooper from Job 42:5-6, subject "Beautiful Paraphrases of the Inward Life."

## FRIDAY AFTERNOON

Work was resumed with prayer by Elder J. N. Robinson.

## PUBLICATION REPORT

Publication report was read and adopted, to-wit:

The right kind of reading is a thing of first importance. We need to take heed how we read and to what we read. Our own Baptist people realize this and hence are making efforts to supply with right kind of literature. We should be diligent in the circulation of such literature among others, and should keep our own homes supplied with it. The dis-



semination of tracts and papers advocating the false are a broad in the land. Our hope against these things is to give them that which stands for the truth. We therefore recommend:

1. The putting into our homes Baptist books, such as Grace Truman, Little Baptist, Pendleton's Church Manual, and other books that will teach and inspire our people.

2. That we recommend our own Sunday school literature for the Baptist Sunday schools.

3. That the information, inspiration and education every home should have in it at least the State Baptist paper. Every Baptist in a state should want to know what the brethren are doing in such state. We urge the taking and reading of the Baptist advance, and of any other good Baptist papers.

4. That the Foreign Mission Journal, Home Field and Orphan's Gem should be taken and read that our people may know about Foreign Missions, Home Missions and Orphan's Home. They can be had in clubs of 10 at 25-cts per year.

### RESOLUTION

Resolved by Big Creek Church, assembled in conference that the following request be granted: We ask the association to appoint a committee to investigate the scripturalness of the church at Stonewall in regard to its organization.

Acting upon this resolution, the following resolution was adopted by the body, to-wit:—

That a committee of five be appointed by the Moderator to investigate the grounds of organization of Stonewall church and if irregularities are found to try to rectify the same and to report findings and results at our next regular meeting. The Moderator appointed brethren, G. R. Tyler, J. R. Hall, E. D. Cooper, J. J. Burton and J. B. Waldron.

### OBITUARIES

Report on obituaries was read, revised and adopted as follows:



We find that since our last associational meeting the Almighty Father has seen fit in His Infinite wisdom to call from their labors the following brethren and sisters:

Fairview—J. W. Hicks, J. R. Medcalf, E. R. Reynolds, Caroline Bratton.

Big Creek—Sister Dungan.

Rock Hill—Joe Rainwater, N. J. Dyre.

Greenway—Serah Jones, Mary E. Langley.

Marmaduke—Sister Mirrow.

Paragould—(2nd)—Allce Moore.

Salem—Lue Tucker, Florence Maynard.

Main Shore—John Murphey.

Wanderer's Home—Ida Pollard.

Pleasant Hill—Agnes Stewart, Anna Bolin.

Mt. Tabor—Etta Cook.

Rector—Sister Lape, and Alexander.

New Home—Emma Breaner.

Hopewell—J. O. Montgomery, J. L. Pentecost, Lizzie Morgan and R. D. French,

Jone's Rrdge—Tom Compton.

New Hope—Elizabeth Keith.

Epsaby—Sister McElender.

Providence—H. Melton, and G. W. Rutlidge.

New Friendship—Alice Weatherly.

Iiggait—Mildred Wheeler.

Collection for New Haven, for the purchase of shingles for the new church building, to cash \$27.60 and pledge by Bro. Emmons for \$5.00 was taken.

Post Oak church was the place selected for the next meeting of the association, and the time was changed to Wednesday before the 4th Sunday in October 1915.

Elder R. L. Lewis was selected to preach the annual sermon at next associational meeting, and Elder G. R. Tyler, alternate.

Reports from W. M. U's were called for and the following responded; with letters: Rector, Piggott, Marmaduke and Paragould (2nd)—see statistical chart in back of minute.

## FINANCIAL REPORT

Finance committee reported as follows:

Received from the various churches for:

Associational	Missions	\$117.65
State	"	19.02
Home	"	9.89
Foreign	"	27.15
Orphan's Home		87.92
Ministerial Education		3.63
Minister's Relief		1.63
Minutes		49.35
Colportage		316.49

Motion carried that the association raise and place in the hands of the Executive Board \$800.00.

Motion carried that the Clerk have 600 minutes printed, sending them to the clerks of the churches, and for his services and postage be allowed \$15.00.

Motion carried that any member of this association visiting any other association be considered a legal corresponding messenger to said body.

Elder R. L. Lewis was selected representative to Southern Baptist Convention which meets at Houston, Texas next May. Elder G. R. Tyler was selected as alternate.

Hat collection for minute fund amounted to \$5.06

## RESOLUTIONS.

The following resolutions were adopted:

Resolved that all churches of Gainesville Association observe President Wilson's proclamation setting apart the first Sunday in October for prayer for peace.

Resolved that we the messengers of Gainesville Association wish to thank the good people of Paragould, especially

the Second Baptist church for the kind and generous treatment we have received at their hands during this session. May the Lord bestow His richest blessing upon you; the prayer is in this body.

Motion to adjourn after the giving of the parting hand and singing, followed with the benediction prayer by Elder G. H. Faulkner.

The body adjourned to meet with Post Oak church, Wednesday morning before the 4th Sunday in October, 1915.

The old Erectic Board was re-elected.

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# Churches

MEMBERSHIP										CONTRIBUTIONS					Orphans Home			Minutes	TOTAL	Val. Church Property	Building and Repairs	
Increase				Decrease		MISSIONS			Min. ED.	S. S.	Sal-ary	Vis-Min.	Inci-ental	Church	S.	Aid						
Bap.	Letter	Rel.	res.	Letter	Death	Exclu.	Total	Asso.									State	Home	For.			
2							45	\$ 5.25	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$ 50.00	\$28.17	\$	\$5.00	\$	\$	\$1.00	\$117.15	\$800	\$27.73
1				2	1		31	5.00	7.00		3.80			92.25	7.00		1.00		1.25	153.60	1000	21.00
4	2			6	1	1	33	11.00	5.00		22.00		4.70	125.00	10.00		2.00		1.00	180.70	50	
1	2			2			31		1.00	1.00	1.00		35.00	115.00				.25	154.25	1500		
1				1	2		115	10.12			4.10		5.00	125.00	15.00	2.00	11.50		2.00	174.72	800	
5	8						64	16.44	6.00	4.50	4.50		6.32	118.00			18.40	1.50	189.96	1000		
3							55	1.00	.50	.50	.50	1.25	5.69	43.95		5.00	10.00	.50	86.64	900	20.75	
13	2				1	2	42						5.00	50.00	11.60	2.00	7.00	1.25	79.85	000		
4	1				4		89	3.25	1.25	1.25	1.25		2.25	59.80	12.25			6.65	1.55	89.54	800	
5	4		1		1	3	35	4.00	5.00					36.10	2.25	2.00		1.20	.80	51.44	750	
5	4			3	4	1	168	4.50						50.00	33.60		10.00	1.00	621.55	700	526.95	
							23						7.00	101.00	2.00	13.50	2.65	10.83	1.40	142.88	1000	
7					1	1	68	4.00	1.50	2.50	2.50		9.00	18.00	15.00	7.50	3.22	1.10	64.32	1000		
7	18		2	2	1	4	240	36.00	7.00		10.00	10.00	(8.30)	500.00	38.09	192.50	6.25	61.99	3.00	964.98	850	
7				2	1	1	53	2.00						60.00	14.20		7.50	1.25	84.95	400		
11	4						150	28.00	4.50	4.50	4.50	10.00	20.50	175.00	(1.65)	17.00	15.00	2.00	342.50	1000		
7	6		1				30						7.00	19.00	12.00				75	91.75		53.00
9				3	1	2	59	1.75						25.00		1.50	2.25	1.00	37.00	500	5.50	
5	2		10		1	4	230	10.00					21.73	135.00	22.21		10.00	3.00	201.94	1200		
4	1			3		8	70			5.00				100.00		64.00	5.00	1.00	175.00	500		
11	2			5			32	8.00										.50	8.50			
3	2			17	1	2	192		6.00				111.38	306.72	60.00	25.00		2.00	843.10	2500	337.00	
1	17						22						10.00	42.00	10.00			.50	68.58			
2	5			6	1	3	189	25.00		1.65			139.11	362.00	95.00	61.15	13.00	26.10	3.00	806.90	2500	78.20
18	2			1		1	22				3.00			40.00				1.00	41.00			
3					2		41	1.50		1.00			12.00	100.00		15.00	1.00	.50	206.00	800	75.00	
5	1			4	1		130	5.05					6.50	60.00	25.00	1.00	5.00	1.00	103.55	800		
18	6					5	43	5.00	6.36					35.00			2.10	1.50	49.90	800		
5	10			5	2		102	5.00					5.00	100.00			5.16	62.25	1.50	197.32	500	80.72
5				6	2		144	12.95					114.24	400.00		54.93	12.15	2.00	1323.52	6000	705.00	
5	1			2	2		120	9.00		15.75	25.00		14.60	175.65		27.15		1.40	268.55	1500		
18	6			2		6	82	5.00						38.60				.50	44.10	600		
5	4			5		3	20	4.00					30.00	80.00		50.00	22.43	1.50	187.93	600		
11	1		1				70	10.00	1.77	1.05	1.00	2.30	9.00	60.00		40.50	13.39	1.00	143.01	1000	3.00	
6				1		1	25						6.75	35.78		12.25		1.00	55.78			
					1	2	59	4.70	2.02	3.40	1.40		3.02	100.00	5.75		3.50	1.10	124.89	500		
							63	10.00	5.00					100.00	16.85			1.50	133.35	600		
Mem.	Meet.																					
36	33									1.65	3.00					13.00		26.10		89.75		46.00
26	12															5.00		62.25		169.75		102.50
25								10.00				5.00		10.00		10.00				35.00		
18									6.00							8.09				137.80		113.80