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FIRST DAY.

MORNING SESSION.

The South Western Baptist Association met pursuant to adjournment, with Bethesda church, Little River county, Ark., on Saturday, October 11, 1890.

The body was called to order by Eld. J. H. Denson, (former clerk.) A motion then prevailed that Eld. J. H. Denson be chosen Moderator and C. M. Powell, Clerk, for the preliminary organization.

The brethren sang "Amazing Grace, how sweet the sound," and the Moderator read the 34th division of the Psalms, the body again sang, "Oh, for a closer walk with God," and was led in prayer by Eld. M. M. Cochran. The Moderator then called for letters from the various churches; appointed Eld. J. D. Rogers and J. H. Rivers to read same. After letters were read and delegates enrolled by the Clerk, the body adjourned for the annual sermon, which was delivered by Elder M. M. Cochran, from Eph. iv., 13, in which he gave a beautiful line of christian forgiveness and development.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

After enjoying refreshments the body again convened at 1:30.

The Moderator called for additional letters, and by motion Eld. J. R. Kearney was enrolled as a delegate from Liberty church, Bro. J. W. Hubbard and Elder Thos. Dulany were enrolled from Brownstown church.

The Clerk called the roll of churches and delegates and noted absentees. A motion prevailed to suspend the rules and elect Moderator and Clerk by acclamation. Bro. J. H. Rivers then moved to make the organization permanent by retaining Eld. J. H. Denson Moderator and C. M. Powell clerk. Carried.

By motion Eld. W. L. White, of New Prospect, and Bro. D. S. Leeper, from Cana, were enrolled as delegates.

The Moderator then called for petitionary letters, and the following were enrolled and, by motion, received, and right hand extended to delegates by Moderator—New Life, Pine Forest, Cedar Hill, Red Colony, Holly Creek and Mt. Calvary.

A motion prevailed that the Moderator appoint the usual committees and announce the same.

Committee on Divine Services—Bro. Joe. Holman and the delegates from this (Bethesda) church.

× Committee on Finance—Bros. M. F. Dennis, G. S. Provence and I. E. Skaggs.

The brethren then sang "I am Waiting," after which the Committee on Divine Services submitted the following partial report: Preaching to night at church by Brethren P. M. Compton and I. E. Skaggs; at Wright school house, Eld. W. L. White; Ever Green school house, Eld. J. C. Goss and W. B. Seargeant; at Austin school house, Elds. Y. R. Harbin and W. A. Ingle; prayer meeting 9 o'clock Sunday morning at church, conducted by Deacon T. M. Moncrief.

By motion, adjourned until 8:30, Monday morning, with prayer by Eld. W. L. White.

The additional committees were announced Sunday morning, as follows:

Committee on Temperance—L. J. Townsend, P. M. Compton, F. T. Wilkerson.

Committee on Sabbath Schools—T. B. Holman, John Barry, G. W. Coulter.

Committee on Home Missions—J. D. Rogers, J. H. Rivers, T. M. Moncrief.

Committee on Foreign Missions—Y. R. Harbin, C. H. Benson, W. A. Powell.

Committee on Ministerial Education—M. M. Cochran, C. M. Powell, G. W. Gaston.

Committee on Documents—Thos. Dulany, G. W. Smith, G. B. Parker.

Committee on Literature—W. A. Ingle, D. F. Barkley, A. C. Ferguson.

Committee on Destitution—J. D. Rogers, I. E. Skaggs, D. N. Humphreys.

Committee on State Missions—C. M. Powell, Peter Simpson, J. C. Blackburn.

Committee on Obituaries—T. M. Moncrief, H. G. Dove, D. B. Chauncy.

Committee on Ouachita College—M. M. Cochran, J. R. Kearney, N. M. Pipkin.

The Committee on Divine Services made the following announcements Sunday morning: At church, Missionary Sermon at 11 o'clock, by Eld. J. H. Denson; at 3 o'clock, Eld. Thos. Dulany; at night, Eld. W. A. Ingle; at Austin school house, Elds. J. R. Kearney and J. C. Goss; at Wright's school house, Elds. I. E. Skaggs and P. M. Compton; at Rocky Comfort, Eld. C. W. Strickland; at Oak Hill, Elds. M. M. Cochran and Y. R. Harbin. The Sunday services were of an excellent character, several brethren made feeling talks in the prayer meeting, and a spiritual feeling seemed to pervade the audience. Bro. Denson gave one of his excellent missionary sermons at 11 o'clock to a large and attentive audience, and a liberal contribution followed. At 3 o'clock Bro. Dulany gave one of those soul-stirring Gospel sermons, which moved almost the entire audience to tears, and a general hand shaking, of the old-fashioned kind, concluded the services.

SECOND DAY.

MORNING SESSION.

Monday, Oct. 13, at 9, a. m., the body met pursuant to adjournment, Bro. Denson presiding, and was duly opened by reading the 91st Psalm, and prayer by Eld. J. C. Goss.

Minutes, to date, read, corrected and approved.

Moderator renewed call for letters from churches, and the following responded—read by Bros Cochran and Hearndon, Brownstown, Mineral Springs and Social Hill. Moderator called for corresponding messengers. No response. Eld. Y. R. Harbin then offered a resolution to district the association; pending which Bro. M. F. Dennis offered a substitute to refer to special committee, and by motion the substitute was adopted, and the Moderator appointed the following brethren as said committee—M. F. Dennis, Peter Simpson, Joe Holman, T. M. Moncrief and H. Hearndon, and by request of Bro. Simpson Eld. J. D. Rogers was added to the committee.

Committee on Documents submitted their report, which by motion was tabled, to be taken up at the will of the body.

Committee on Destitution submitted their report, which by motion was recommitted.

Committee on Sabbath Schools submitted their report, which, on motion, was adopted. (See Appendix A.)

Committee on Foreign Missions submitted their report, which, on motion, was adopted. (See Appendix B.)

The body then sang "Savior more than Life to me," and a contribution for Foreign missions was made, amounting to \$10.45.

Committee on Literature submitted their report, which was amended and adopted. (See Appendix C.)

Bro. E. F. Friedell, of Texarkana Association, was invited to a seat as a visiting brother.

Committee on Obituaries submitted their report, which, on motion, was adopted. (See Appendix D.)

Committee on Ouachita College submitted their re-

port, which was, by motion, adopted. (See Appendix E.)

Committee on Destitution again submitted their report, which was adopted without discussion. (See appendix F.)

Committee on Divine Services announced that Eld. C. W. Strickland would preach at the church at 11 o'clock, whereupon the body adjourned for that purpose, with prayer by Eld. Y. R. Harbin.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The body re-assembled at 2 o'clock, with song and prayer by Eld. P. M. Compton.

Committee on Education submitted their report, which was adopted. (See Appendix G.)

Committee on Finance submitted their report, which was adopted. (See Appendix H.)

By motion report on Documents was taken from the table and a motion to amend by substituting Sardis church instead of Brownstown church was lost and a motion to adopt the original report carried. (See Appendix I.)

The Home Mission Board submitted their annual report, which was adopted. (See Appendix J.)

Committee on Home Missions submitted their report which was tabled.

Committee on Districting the Association, submitted their report which was amended by inserting the words "At least one of the members of the Home Mission Board shall meet with each District in their 5th Sunday Mission meetings," and upon motion was adopted. (See Appendix K.)

Bro. W. F. Davis then moved that the present Home Mission Board be retained for the ensuing year, which unanimously prevailed. A motion that two members be added to the Home Mission Board from 1st District carried, and Bros. F. T. Wilkerson and J. J. Moore were unanimously elected as such additional members to said Board

By motion the report on Home Missions was taken

from the table, and upon motion was adopted. (See Appendix L.)

Committee on Divine Services announced preaching to-night at church by Eld. J. R. Kearney. at Wright's school house by Eld. Y. R. Harbin.

By motion it was agreed that five (5) should constitute a quorum of the Home Mission Board.

Committee on Temperance submitted their report, and by motion was recommitted.

The Treasurer submitted his annual report, which was by motion adopted. (See Appendix M.)

The Committee on State Missions submitted their report, which was on motion adopted. (See Appendix N.)

A Motion to adjourn until 8:30 Tuesday morning carried. Prayer by Eld. W. L. White.

THIRD DAY.

MORNING SESSION.

Tuesday, Oct. 14th at 8:30 the body met pursuant to adjournment, sung "How Firm a Foundation". Moderator read 39th Psalm. Eld. W. B. Seargeant led in prayer.

Minutes of Monday's transactions read, corrected, and approved.

The body was called to prayer, led by Eld. J. H. Denson, to invoke God's direction in the selection of Missionaries for the several districts, after which a motion prevailed to have a ten minutes recess, for the purpose of consulting upon this matter. After recess, body re-assembled by singing "I am Coming Lord to Thee."

Committee on Temperance submitted their report again and by motion was recommitted with instructions that Elds. J. D. Rogers and Thos. Dulany be added to the committee.

A resolution was offered by Bro. G. S. Provence, "That we tender our hearty thanks to this church and

community for their kind hospitality during this Association." Adopted.

By motion the clerk was instructed to have published, 1,100 Minutes, 300 of which shall be for the benefit of our Missionaries, the remainder to be distributed among the churches.

Motion by Eld. Y. R. Harbin, that the clerk be paid \$15.00 for his services. Carried.

Committee on Temperance again submitted their report and on motion was adopted. (See Appendix O.)

By motion the surplus Minute fund, if any, was donated to the Foreign Mission Board.

Bro. E. F. Friedell of Texarkana Association addressed the body in the interest of the Inter State College located at Texarkana, Ark. Whereupon the following Brethren were suggested as Trustees in that College—Eld. J. D. Rogers, Thos. Scott, and G. A. Vaughn.

Resolution by Eld. J. D. Rogers, That we tender our hearty thanks to the Moderator and Clerk for their efficient services during this Association. Adopted.

By motion the following Missionaries were elected by acclamation: For 1st District, Eld. Thos. Dulany; 2nd District, Eld. J. H. Denson; 3rd District, Eld. D. R. Manahan.

By motion the Moderator appointed the following corresponding messengers to Sister Associations: Red River Association—Eld. C. W. Strickland, Eld. M. M. Cochran, and Peter Simpson; Union Association—Eld. J. D. Rogers, Eld. C. M. Powell, and H. G. Dove; Caddo Association—Eld. W. B. Seargeant, David Cornish, and H. A. Jones; Ouachita Association—Bro. J. H. Rivers, Elds. L. D. Tate and P. M. Compton; Texarkana Association—Eld. John Barry, C. W. Strickland, C. M. Powell, and Bro. F. T. Wilkerson.

By motion the following places were named for the first meeting of the several Districts, on Sunday at 9 o'clock before the 5th Sunday in November 1890:

First District—Cana church, Introductory sermon (subject to criticism) on Saturday at 11 o'clock, by C.

M. Powell. Missionary sermon on Sunday at 11 o'clock by Eld. J. D. Rogers.

2nd District meet at Sardis church, Introductory sermon on Saturday at 11 o'clock, by Eld. W. L. White. Missionary sermon on Sunday at 11 o'clock, by Eld. M. M. Cochran.

3rd District meet at Antioch church, Introductory sermon Saturday at 11 o'clock by Eld. T. H. Westbrooks.

Eld. M. M. Cochran then moved that Bro. C. M. Powell with Eld. J. D. Rogers alternate, preach the annual sermon at the next Association at Brownstown church, on Saturday at 11 o'clock, before the 2nd Sunday in October, 1890. Carried.

It was also resolved, that Eld. C. W. Strickland, with Eld. J. H. Denson alternate, preach the Missionary sermon at 11 o'clock Sunday at the next Association.

By motion the Moderator appointed Eld. J. D. Rogers, with T. M. Moncrief, alternate, as delegates to State Convention at Eureka Springs.

By motion Eld. J. H. Denson was elected as delegate to the Southern Baptist Convention at Birmingham, Alabama.

By motion the present Board of Ministerial Education was retained, with C. M. Powell added as chairman, in the stead of J. H. Black (removed.)

By motion the Board of Ministerial Education was instructed to apply the funds at their disposal to the assistance of Bro. I. E. Skaggs for the ensuing year, whereupon the following pledges were made by the brethren for educational purposes: Eld. John Barry, \$5; Bro. John W. Hubbard, for Brownstown church, \$5; Eld. W. B. Seargeant, for Sweet Home church, \$5; Bro. Peter Simpson, \$5; Eld. Joe H. Denson, \$5; Eld. M. M. Cochran, \$2.50.

Motion to adjourn to meet with Brownstown church, Sevier county, Ark., at 9 o'clock a. m., on Saturday before the 2nd Sabbath in October, 1891. Carried.

The body then sang "Oh, think of the Home over there," while they engaged in an old fashion hand-

shaking, after which engaged in the closing prayer by Eld. M. M. Cochran.

Thus closed another very harmonious, and we trust profitable gathering of the South Western Association.

By C. M. POWELL,
CLERK.

ELD. JOE H. DENSON,
MODERATOR.

PROGRAM OF ANNUAL DISTRICT MEETING.

TO BE HELD WITH

COUNTY LINE CHURCH,

—ON—

Friday Before the 5th Sunday in August, 1891.

INTRODUCTORY SERMON—Subject to Criticism—at
11, a. m., on Friday, by C. M. POWELL.

ESSAY—Intermediate State of Man—By ELDER C. W.
STRICKLAND.

ESSAY—Duties of Deacons—By DEACON H. HEARN-
DON.



APPENDIX.

[A]

SABBATH SCHOOLS—Your Committee on Sabbath Schools report: From the best information gathered there is a serious lack of interest throughout the country in the Sabbath School work; we would therefore recommend that the laity take hold of this all-important work, as the prosperity of the cause largely rests upon them in all the channels of church work, and this is certainly a very important work of the church, for we are taught in the Scriptures that we should bring our children up in the fear and admonition of the Lord, and we pray that the Lord may direct the brotherhood in the Sabbath School work, and that we may soon learn that the teaching the Scriptures to our children is equally important with that of hearing the gospel ourselves.

THOS. B. HOLMAN, Ch'm.

[B]

FOREIGN MISSIONS—Your Committee on Foreign Missions report: There is no department in Christian work that furnishes more gratifying results than Foreign Mission work. God is abundantly blessing every effort put forth, and every dollar contributed to send the Gospel to the "Far off Fields" which have it not. God's blessings upon what we have done should encourage us to do more.

We recommend that pending the adoption of this report, a collection for Foreign Missions taken, also, that each church of this Association do something during the year for this work.

Y. R. HARBIN, Ch'm.

[C]

LITERATURE—We your Committee on Literature report: (1) We recommend the word of God including the old and new Testament as the only true guide in faith and practice. (2) We recommend the Arkansas Baptist, and pray that its circulation may increase until it reaches every Baptist family in the State. We also recommend Foreign Missions Journal, Richmond, Va. (3) We recommend for Sunday Schools, Kind Words Series of Lesson Helps, Atlanta, Ga. (4) We recommend for song service, Harvest Bells, by W. E. Penn, Eureka Springs, Ark. W. A. INGLE, Ch'm.

[D]

OBITUARIES—Your Committee on Obituaries report: Since we last met we find quite a number have passed to their reward. Among others we mention Sister Mary Pender and Bro. John Hamilton, of Hopewell church, but we bow in humble submission to God's will in all things. T. M. MONCRIEF, Ch'm.

[E]

OUACHITA COLLEGE—Your Committee on Ouachita College report: That this institution of learning is one of which we, as a denomination, have reason to be proud. The success, already attained, is exceedingly gratifying, while the prospects for future good are very flattering.

To all our brethren desiring to patronize such an institution, we take pleasure in recommending this as one, both worthy of, and deserving a liberal support from our denomination. M. M. COCHRAN, Ch'm.

[F]

DESTITUTION—Your Committee on Destitution would report: In Sevier county, beginning at Valley school house, south to Masonic Hall; extending down Rolling Fork to Rock Spring school house; thence extending down Little River embracing old Paraclista. In Howard county, the northern portion embracing Mt. Zion camp ground, Cross Roads church, Pine Hill and Friendship, and the territory around Dr. Jones'; the south western portion embracing Saratoga, extending to Little

River and Saline. In Little River county, south western portion embracing Richmond and Rocky Comfort.

J. D. ROGERS, Ch'm.

[a]

MINISTERIAL EDUCATION—Your Committee on Ministerial Education would report: This question is one which we cannot, as a denomination, afford to neglect. The demand for an educated ministry is annually increasing and while we would not urge that an education is indispensable to preaching the gospel, yet the growth in the interest of education upon the part of the masses will necessarily increase the demand for an educated ministry, for our ministry must be able to defend the truth of God's word against the prevailing errors of the day, as well as meet and refute infidelity in all its delusive forms. We would therefore recommend that if there be a deserving brother who has made commendable efforts to secure an education, and if, needing assistance, this association give such assistance, remembering that in so doing we are giving to Christ.

M. M. COCHRAN, Ch'm.

[H]

FINANCE—We your Committee on Finance report the following amounts brought up from the different churches:

For Minutes	\$20 50.
For Home Missions (including Sunday's collection)	\$3.00.
For Foreign Missions (including Monday's collection)....	11 50.
For Ministerial Education.....	25.

M. F. FENNIS, Ch'm.

[I]

DOCUMENTS—Your Committee on Documents report: Sardis and Brownstown churches, both of Sevier county, have petitioned for the next session of this body. We recommend therefore that the next session of this body be held with Brownstown church.

THOS. DULANY, Ch'm.

[J]

HOME MISSION BOARD—We your Home Mission Board beg leave to submit the following report:

Received from the Churches, Public and Private collections \$25.10

Paid out the following amounts:

To Joe H. Denson, Missionary to Bunch's school house	\$13.00.
P. M. Compton, assistance at Rock Springs	15 00.
J. M. Copeland and H. G. York at Sulphur Springs church	12 00.
T. H. Westbrook at Holly Creek church	10 50.
Y. R. Harbin at Social Hill church	10 00.
M. M. Cochran at State Line church	7 50.
Bro. Daugherty at Lockesburg	10 00.
Bro. Redwine at State Line church	3 75.
T. H. Westbrook Missionary in North Howard	13 00.
C. M. Powell Missionary in Little River county, 2 months and ten days at \$40.00 per month	83 33.
J. D. Rogers, assisting Bro. Powell in Little River co.	10 00.
C. W. Strickland, assisting Bro. Powell in Little River co.	18 00.
Total amount for Mission work during the year	\$218.08
Leaving a balance in the treasury of	67 91.

We hope that some good has been done. You are the judges however, of the evidences of good being done. We are sorry that more work has not been done, but with the means at hand, and the best lights before us, we believe we have done "what we could." Being frail men, we ask forgiveness for any mistakes or errors we may have committed. The body is free from debt, and all parties are satisfied as far as we know.

Respectfully submitted, JOE HOLMAN, CH'M.

[K]

DISTRICTING ASSOCIATION—Your special Committee appointed to district the Association for more efficient work in our Missions, would report the following proposed districts: 1st District shall include all the churches in the territory west of Little River. 2nd District shall include all the churches in the territory east of Little River and the Nation line, and west of the Saline river. 3rd District shall include all the churches in the territory east of the Saline river to the east boundary of the Association, and would further recommend that each district hold quarterly meetings embracing the 5th Sunday for the first, second, and third quarters of the Associational year, and the fourth quarter the three districts shall meet together at the place appointed for the annual District meetings, said districts to exist under the following rules and regulations: (1) Each district shall elect its own Moderator and Clerk. (2) One or more members of the Home Mission Board shall meet each district in its quarterly meetings. (3) That each district elect a Missionary to supply the destitution in its own bounds, provided however, that

this body elect the Missionaries for the ensuing year.
 (4) In the event any Missionary so elected fail to serve, the Home Mission Board shall supply such district by appointment, said board to have the supervision of said work as heretofore, and prosecute the same according to the means supplied.

M. F. DENNIS, Ch'm.

[L]

HOME MISSIONS—Your Committee on Home Missions would report: After careful investigation we find the Home Mission work in a prosperous condition. A large portion of the destitution heretofore reported have been supplied with churches and preaching, for which we thank God and take courage, and would earnestly urge the church to greater efforts in forwarding the good work.

J. D. ROGERS, Ch'm.

[M]

TREASURER'S REPORT.

Joe H. Dennis in account with South Western Baptist Association:

	To Home Mission Fund, .	Dr.	Cr.
To bal. on hand as per settlement at Oct. session 1890.		\$29 39	
To amt. received at New Salem in Dec. 1890.		26 10	
" " " at Lockesburg in March 1890.		67 47	
" " " at Mineral Springs in June 1890.		32 03	
" " " at Mt. Carmel in August 1890.		27 40	
" " " at present session,		55 00	
By amt. paid for Missionary work as per order of Board, March 30, 1890.			\$41 00
By amt. paid for Missionary work as per order of Board,			20 00
" " " " " " " " " "			24 25
" " " " " " " " " "			65 03
" " " carried down to balance,			62 71
		<hr/> 721 99	<hr/> 248 20
To amt. brought down to Treasurer's debit,		62 71	

To Foreign Mission Fund

	Dr.	Cr.
To bal. on hand per settlement in Oct. 1890,	20	
" amount received at New Salem in Dec. 1890,	2 20	
" " " at Lockesburg in March 1890,	15 03	
" " " at Mineral Springs in June 1890,	3 00	
" " " at Mt. Carmel in August 1890,	10	
" " " present session Oct. 1890.	11 50	
By amt. paid Bro. Searcy, sec'y F. M. B., Mar. 30, 1890,		17 25
" " brought down to balance,		13 80
	<hr/> 31 03	<hr/> 31 03
Amount brought down to Treasurer's debit.	13 80	

	Dr	Cr
To State Mission Fund		
To amt. received at Leesburg in March 1899.	\$1 00	
By amt. paid Bro. Black for Bro. Maynard		1 00
	<u>1 00</u>	<u>1 00</u>
To Minute Fund		
To bal. on hand as per settlement Oct. session 1898.	\$52 30	
" amt received at present session Oct. 1899.	34 30	
By amt paid for printing Minutes and postage.		23 20
" " " " for services.		15 00
" " carried down to balance.		30 60
	<u>86 60</u>	<u>86 60</u>
To amount down to Treasurer's debit.	70 00	
To Ministerial Education Fund		
To amount received at present session Oct. 1899.	15	

J. E. H. PLESSON Treasurer

[N]

STATE MISSIONS—Your Committee on State Missions submitted the following report: We find State Missions in a more flourishing condition than has been heretofore, and while we should not neglect our home work, we feel like encouraging the work of State Missions. We therefore recommend the co-operation of this body with the State Board, and that each and every one acquaint themselves with the workings of the State Board that we may understand each other so that our work may be more harmonious, and good cause prosper throughout the state, to the honor and glory of the Father.

C. M. POWELL, CH'M.

[O]

TEMPERANCE—Your Committee on Temperance would report: Owing to the great evils growing out of the use of intoxicating liquors as a beverage, and when we consider the annual destruction of life and happiness, as well as the souls of men growing out of the intemperate use of intoxicants it becomes us as an Association, as churches and as individuals to do all in our power to discourage intemperance, and encourage temperance everywhere, and we urge upon the churches to use such rigid discipline as will prohibit the persistent use of whiskey among thier membership.

L. G. TOWNSEND, CH'M.

ARTICLES OF FAITH.

ART. I. We believe in one true and living God, the Father, the Word, and the Holy Ghost.

ART. II. We believe that the Holy Bible, including the Old and the New Testament, is the Word of God, and furnishes the only rule of faith and practice.

ART. III. We believe in the doctrine of election "according to the foreknowledge of God, the Father, through sanctification of the Spirit unto obedience and the sprinkling of the blood of Jesus Christ."

ART. IV. We believe in the doctrine of original sin by the fall of Adam.

ART. V. We believe in man's incapacity, by his own free will and ability, to recover himself from the fallen state in which he is by nature.

ART. VI. We believe that sinners are justified in the sight of God, by the imputed righteousness of Christ only.

ART. VII. We believe that the saints shall be preserved in grace and never finally fall away.

ART. VIII. We believe that baptism and the Lord's supper are the ordinances of Jesus Christ, and that true believers are the only subjects of baptism, and that immersion is the Apostolic mode.

ART. IX. We believe in the resurrection of the dead, and in the general judgement, and that the felicity of the righteous and the punishment of the wicked shall be eternal.

ART. X. We believe that no Minister has any right to administer the ordinances of the Gospel, except one who is regularly baptized, called, and came under the inspiration of hands by a presbytery.

ART. XI. We believe that none but regularly baptised members have a right to commune at the Lord's table.

ART. XII. We believe that the Lord's day should be observed as a day of rest and religious devotion.

STATISTICAL TABLE.

CHURCHES	COUNTY	NAMES OF DELEGATES.	BAPTISM MEETING	BAPTIZED BY LETTER	RECEIVED BY LETTER	EXCLUDED BY LETTER	DECEASED	TOTAL MEMB.	PASTOR	POST OFFICE
Social Hill	Little River.	J H Drake.	3	1				3	Y R Harbin.	Little River.
Pine Forest.	"	S Y Lyeend, G W Conter, J A Andrews.	2	1	2			3	C M Powell.	"
St. Calvary.	"	W E Kinaworth, J T Barkman, John Barry.	2	1	1			3	"	Minick.
Bethesda	"	J D Rogers, W Wright, W I Wright.	2	1	1	10		3	J D Rogers.	Minneola.
Gana	"	Y R Harbin, J J Moore, J R Moore.	2	1	1	10		3	M M Cochran.	Little River.
New Hope	"	I Beard, C D Arnold, J J Tramel.	2	1	1	5		3	Y R Harbin.	Rocky Comfort.
St. Zion	"	N M Pipkin, W S Love, Chas. Barnett.	2	1	1	5		3	C M Powell.	Richop.
Palmetto	"	F C Braden, W H Bond, W A Crow.	2	1	1	5		3	M M Cochran.	Little River.
Bethel	"	F T Wilson, E Mosely.	1	1	1	5		3	J D Rogers.	Peytonville.
Hopewell	"	D R Chaney.	1	1	1	5		3	"	Millwood.
Refugee Springs	"	H J Braden, William Treadway.	1	1	1	5		3	M M Cochran.	Little River.
Chapel Hill	Sevier.	D N Humphrey, G F Johnson, T J Townson.	2	1	1	5		3	J H Denson.	Chapel Hill.
New Life	"	G W Gaston, T T Benson.	2	1	1	5		3	"	"
Brownstown	"	J W Hubbard, Thos. Dulaney, H Hearldon.	2	1	1	5		3	W Strickland.	Brownstown.
Cedar Hill	Howard.	J C Blackburn, Sam Holly, M French.	2	1	1	5		3	P M Compton.	Galena.
New Prospect	Sevier.	M M Cochran, W L White, W H Harrison.	2	1	1	5		3	M M Cochran.	Brownstown.
Union	"	J H Denson, T R Holman, G W Smith.	1	1	1	5		3	Thos. Dulaney.	Lockesburg.
Damascus.	"	G B Parker, A J Purcell, Lee Johnson.	1	1	1	5		3	"	"
Pleasant Hill	"	W J Cox, W C Benson.	2	1	1	5		3	J T Westbrook.	"
West Colony.	"	M M Hornum, D Suggs, G H Benson.	2	1	1	5		3	"	"
Sartola.	"	R A Maddox, M Leeper, Joe Holman.	2	1	1	5		3	T H Westbrook.	"
Oak Hill	"	J L Shackelford, A C Ferguson, M H Turner.	2	1	1	5		3	"	"
St. Pleasant	"	W A Ingle, W J Humphrey, G S Province.	2	1	1	5		3	W E Todd.	Norwoodville.
Farristaville	"	No Delegates.	4					4	"	Chapel Hill.
Fair View	"	"	4					4	"	Farristaville.
Lockesburg	"	"	3					3	"	Lockesburg.
State Line.	"	"							"	Terrebonne.
Mineral Springs	Howard.	W R Freeman, F Reville, H C Crofton.	4		4	15		3	C W Strickland.	Mineral Springs.
Brushy Creek	"	W A Canaday, J C Goss, James Seals.	4		4	15		3	J C Goss.	New Hope.
Ozan	Hempstead.	G A Lewis, H C King.	3		3	9		3	J Bennett.	Ozan.
Zion	"	I Webb, D F Barkley, J B Hall.	4		4	9		10	"	"
Holly Creek	Howard.	H H Bennett, — Bryant, — Dean.	3		3	9		3	H H Bennett.	Centre Point.
Antioch	Hempstead.	W H Jones, I Y Compton, Peter Simpson.	1		1	2		2	J Bennett.	Nashville.
Liberty	Howard.	F M Moncrief, W E Fitch, J R Kearney.	3		3	9		3	C W Strickland.	Barker.

County Line.	"	W F Davis, J R McEburn.	1		1	2		1	C W Strickland.	Nashville.
St. Carmel	"	J H Rivers, W C Walters, P M Compton.	1		1	2		1	P M Compton.	Rosedale.
Sweet Home	"	W B Sargeant.	1		1	2		1	H G York.	Nathan.
Amity.	"	M F Dennis, C M Powell, W A Powell.	1		1	2		1	J D Rogers.	Nashville.
Pleasant Valley	"	W M Ferguson, John Cox, W P Craig.	3		3	4		1	H G York.	"
Columbus	Hempstead.	H D Dore, D W Hutchins.	1		1	2		1	C W Strickland.	Columbus.
New Home	Howard.	I E Shaggs, M Pain, J O Bowers.	1		1	2		1	T K Westbrook.	Centre Point.
Centre Point	"	No Delegates.	2					2	"	"
Fellowship	"	"	1					1	"	"
Wine Creek	"	"							"	"
New Salem	"	"	3					3	"	Nashville.
Sulphur Springs	"	"	2					2	"	Plenary.
Totals.			161		161	11	16	172		Nathan.

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