

PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

SEVENTEENTH ANNUAL SESSION

OF THE

BUCKVILLE  
APTIST ASSOCIATION

HELD WITH

SHADY GROVE CHURCH NO. 1

SEPTEMBER 22, 1906

ELD. M. C. MELTON, Gladstone, Moderator  
J. T. BLAKELY, Story, Clerk and Treasurer

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Next session will be held with Refuge Church;  
near Story, Montgomery County, Saturday be-  
fore fourth Sunday in September, 1907, at 10 a. m.

# PROCEEDINGS

The Buckville Baptist Association met with Shady Grove Church No. 1, Perry County, Arkansas, in its 17th annual session, September 22, 1906.

Called to order by the Moderator, Eld. M. C. Melton, at 10 a. m. Devotional exercises were conducted by Eld. W. L. Cockrell. He read 2nd chapter of Hebrews and led in prayer.

Introductory sermon was preached by Eld. E. C. Chitwood, followed by Eld. H. A. Belote.

Recess till 2 o'clock.

## AFTERNOON SESSION

Called to order by the Moderator, who read 133rd Psalm. Bro. Chitwood led in prayer.

The Moderator appointed Bro. W. H. Osborn, Bro. C. C. Barrows, and Bro. A. R. Chitwood a Committee on Credentials. Letters were read from the following churches, and messengers' names enrolled as follows:

New Home—Eld. W. L. Cockrell and A. R. Chitwood.

White Plains—W. H. Osborn.

Shady Grove No. 1—S. Tillery, Davis McGie, and Thomas Tilley.

Concord—C. C. Barrows, Hillery Cambie, and Norfleet Barrows.

Buckville—James Shaffield.

Glazier Poe—W. J. Holland.

Mt. Zion—J. R. Harper.

Refuge—B. P. Owens, E. Q. Lester, and J. T. Blakely.

Pleasant Hill—N. L. Tedford and S. M. Qualls.

Shady Grove No. 2—A. B. Chitwood and Eld. E. P. Chitwood.

Pleasant Ridge—Houston Richardson.

Cedar Glades—Eld. H. A. Belote and F. F. Watson.

Mt. Pleasant—M. S. Jackson and P. G. Muse.

Crystal Hill—

Fowler's Springs—David Fowler, C. F. Guerin, and Mrs. Mattie Guerin.

Bethlehem—

Mt. Tabor—Eld. M. C. Melton and W. L. Pitts.

Sweet Home—Eld. E. B. Laughter.

Harvey's Chapel—W. J. Ross and L. D. Ritter.

Marble—Z. T. Young, Jasper Sims, and Abraham Howard.

New Prospect—

The body then went into the election of officers for the ensuing year. Bro. A. R. Chitwood and Bro. Tyler acted as tellers. They announced the vote as follows: Eld. M. C. Melton, Moderator, and J. T. Blakely, Clerk and Treasurer. The Moderator appointed as a Committee on Divine Service, the messengers of Shady Grove No. 1, and Bro. C. F. Guerin, Bro. N. L. Tedford, and Bro. W. J. Holland. They announced that Bro. Cockrell would preach Saturday night, followed by Bro. Dowthitt.

On motion, Eld. Dowthitt was received as corresponding messenger from Dardanelle Association. On motion, a recess was taken till Monday morning at 9 o'clock.

#### SATURDAY NIGHT

The people met at the church house at 7:30 o'clock.

Eld. W. L. Cockrell preached, followed by Eld. Dowthitt.

#### SUNDAY MORNING

The body met at 9 o'clock. Devotional exercises were conducted by Bro. A. R. Chitwood. At 11 o'clock Bro. Shepard and Bro. Ragsdale both being absent, the committee selected Bro. E. P. Chitwood to preach the annual missionary sermon. His text was 2nd Timothy 4:2. He was followed by Bro. M. C. Melton, after which a collection of \$11.20 was taken for associational missions.

#### AFTERNOON SESSION

At 4 o'clock Eld. M. C. Melton preached. Text, Ephesians 2:8, followed by Eld. E. B. Laughter, after which Bro. W. L. Cockrell asked the people for a contribution for Bro. Phillips and wife, who are old and afflicted and not able to support themselves. \$10.08 was donated.

#### SUNDAY NIGHT

At 7:30 o'clock Eld. H. A. Belote preached, Text, Acts 3:6, followed by Eld. W. L. Cockrell. Bro. Cockrell and Bro. Tyler offered an invitation to the unsaved to come to the altar for prayer. Many came forward, and at least one soul was saved. Shady Grove No. 1 offered an opportunity for membership, and two joined by experience and baptism, and one by letter.

#### MONDAY MORNING

Called to order by the Moderator at 9 o'clock, who read 34th Psalms and led in prayer.

Roll was called with 36 messengers present. The Modera-

ter appointed as corresponding messengers to the Caddo River Association, Bro. N. L. Tedford, Bro. E. Q. Laster, and Bro. Sam Qualls; to the Dardanelle Association, Bro. C. C. Barrows, Eld. E. B. Laughter, and Bro. W. H. Cumbie; to the Saline Association, Eld. W. L. Cockrell, Bro. David Fowler, and Bro. L. D. Ritter; to the Washita Association, Bro. A. R. Chitwood and Bro. W. L. Pitts. Report of the Committee on Home Missions read and adopted. (See reports.) Report of the Committee on Foreign Missions read and adopted. Report of the Committee on Associational Missions read, and, after being discussed by Bro. Cockrell, Bro. Chitwood, Bro. Fowler, Bro. Guerin, Bro. Laughter, Bro. Melton, and others, was adopted.

Report of the Committee on Sunday-schools read and, after being discussed by Bro. Cockrell and Bro. Melton was adopted.

Report of the Committee on Nominations read and adopted. Report of the Committee on Documents read, and pending its adoption a recess was taken till 2 o'clock.

At 11:30 o'clock the congregation met at the waters, where Eld. Dowthitt baptized two happy souls.

#### AFTERNOON SESSION

Called to order by the Moderator.

Report of the Committee on Documents was deferred for a while. Report of the Committee on Ministerial Support read and, after much discussion, was adopted. Report of the Committee on Temperance read and, after being discussed, was adopted. Finance Committee made its report, which was adopted. Missionary E. P. Chitwood made his report, which was adopted.

On motion, the report of the Committee on Documents was called up and rejected.

On motion, the Committee on Documents was dropped.

The selection of the next place for the Association to meet was decided by a vote of the messengers.

Refuge, Harvey's Chapel, Concord, Marble, and White Plains called for the next session of the Association. Refuge was selected by one majority, which was made unanimous. On motion, the pledge of Bro. S. H. Vanlandingham, deceased, was cancelled. On motion, Bro. W. P. Anthony, Bro. Henry Phillips, and Bro. Shepard, who are in bad health, were relieved of paying their pledges. Missionary Board made its report,

which was adopted. The Missionary Board, consisting of M. S. Jackson, J. T. Blakely, and J. G. McLane, was re-elected.

Report of the Treasurer read and adopted.

On motion, the Clerk was instructed to have 400 copies of the minutes printed, and distribute them in proportion to the minute fund of each church, and have for his services the balance of the minute fund. \$2.25 was raised to supplement this. Pledges amounting to \$22.00 were made for associational missions. Resolutions No.'s 1, 2, and 4 were adopted.

Resolution No. 3, changing the time of meeting of the Association from Saturday till Friday before the fourth Sunday in September, failed to be adopted.

The minutes were read and adopted.

On motion, the body adjourned to meet with Refuge Church, near Story, Montgomery County, Arkansas, Saturday before the fourth Sunday in September, 1907, at 10 a. m. A song was sung, the parting hand extended, and Eld. E. P. Chitwood led the closing prayer.

ELD. M. C. MELTON, MODERATOR.

J. T. BLAKELY, CLERK.

#### REMARKS

Peace and harmony prevailed throughout the entire session. No ill-feeling was manifested. The hospitality of the people around Shady Grove was unbounded. I received the letters of Prairie Grove and Washita Churches after the Association adjourned. I have inserted their reports in the statistical table.

J. T. BLAKELY.

#### REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

We, your Committee on Home Missions, report as follows:

We consider it our indispensable duty to spread the Gospel of Jesus Christ to the lost in the bounds of our home mission. We believe God would bless us more abundantly if we were more loyal on this line by giving of our means. We believe it has been laid on us by the great head of the church. We recommend that each church take up a collection for our missionaries.

Committee { C. F. Guerin,  
                  { P. G. Muse,  
                  { L. D. Ritter.

We, your Committee on Foreign Missions, report as follows:

We learn from God's Word that the Grand Commission was given to the church, and the command is to carry the Gospel to

every creature. Brethren, the Lord is blessing his people abundantly in the goods of this world; therefore, can we be content while souls are perishing for the Gospel? Brethren, it is a privilege as well as a duty to engage in this great work of sending the Gospel to every creature. We recommend that each church take collections for Foreign Missions.

Committee { W. L. Cockrell,  
H. A. Belote,  
W. H. Osborn.

We, your Committee on Temperance, report as follows:

The people are awakening to a knowledge of their duties on this important subject. We read in the Bible that wine is a mocker, and that no drunkard can enter heaven; and as dram drinking leads up to the awful habit, we therefore recommend that the churches teach the members against this awful habit, and that ministers preach against it.

Committee { A. R. Chitwood,  
B. P. Owen,  
S. T. Tillery.

We, your Committee on Obituaries and Condolence, report as follows:

It has pleased our Heavenly Father to call home thirteen of our brothers and sisters during the past year. Bro. S. H. Vanlandingham and Sister Mary Graves, of Mt. Zion Church; Bro. W. P. Self and Sister M. S. Boyd, of White Plains; Sister Nancy Blakely and Sister Sofrona Aldridge, of Refuge; Bro. Thomas Vaughn, of Marble; Sisters Ellen Fox and Vica Muse, of Mt. Tabor; and four others whose names were not given in the letters. Resolved, That we extend our heartfelt sympathy to the bereaved ones.

Committee { W. L. Pitts,  
Jasper Sims,  
J. R. Harper.

We, your Committee on Associational Missions, submit the following report:

We are sad to report the condition of mission work for the past year. Brethren, we feel the need of more energetic work from individual churches: We feel that the pastors fail to teach along this line as they should. We recommend that the preachers and churches wake up to a sense of their duties more in the future than in the past.

Committee { E. P. Chitwood,  
David Fowler,  
C. C. Barrows.

We, your Committee on Ministerial Support, submit the following report:

We believe in supporting the ministers who faithfully preach the Word, for this is according to the Scriptures. We recommend that the churches pay their pastors liberal wages for their services.

Committee { M. S. Jackson,  
N. L. Tedford,  
W. J. Holland.

We, your Committee on Nominations, report as follows:

That Elder W. L. Cockrell preach the Introductory Sermon, with Elder E. B. Laughter as alternate; Elder J. W. Shepard preach the Missionary Sermon, with Elder M. C. Melton as alternate, at the next session of the Association.

Committee { W. J. Ross,  
Z. T. Young,  
D. McGie.

Your Missionary submits the following report:

Days labored, 11. Paid in full.

E. P. Chitwood.

We, your Committee on Finance, report as follows:

Received for minute fund, \$21.75; for Associational Missions, \$7.70; Orphans' Home, \$1.47.

Committee { M. S. Jackson,  
C. C. Barrows,  
E. Q. Lasseter.

The Missionary Board submits the following report:

Balance on hand from last year, \$4.78; Received on pledges this year, \$21.00. We employed Bro. E. P. Chitwood 11 days, have paid him \$11.00; balance on hand, \$14.78.

M. S. Jackson, Chairman.

J. T. Blakely, Secretary.

We, your Committee on Sunday-schools, report as follows:

We find there are 25 churches in the Buckville Association; 21 are represented, and only 7 churches report Sunday-schools to train their children and instruct the older ones. We believe those churches that have had no Sunday-schools have missed a great deal, as our lessons have been on the Life of Christ in the completion of the great plan of salvation. We urge every church to have ever green schools, using Baptist literature, or, if Baptist literature cannot be used, then use the Bible. God bless the teachers and superintendents.

Committee { E. B. Laughter,  
W. H. Cumbie,  
J. N. Barrows.

**PLEDGES FOR ASSOCIATIONAL MISSIONS.**

A. B. Chitwood.....	\$1.00
W. L. Cockrell.....	1.00
New Home Church.....	2.00
A. B. Chitwood.....	1.00
W. J. Ross (paid).....	1.00
C. F. Guerin.....	1.00
L. D. Ritter.....	1.00
W. J. Holland.....	1.00
Mattie Guerin.....	.50
J. R. Harper.....	1.00
D. McGie.....	.50
W. L. Pitts (paid).....	1.00
E. T. Young (paid).....	.50
E. Q. Lasseter.....	1.00
David Fowler.....	1.00
Laura Fowler.....	.50
Shady Grove No. 1 (paid).....	1.00
Jasper Sims.....	1.00
N. L. Tedford.....	1.00
J. T. Blakely.....	1.00
S. N. Squalls.....	1.00
M. C. Melton.....	1.00
E. P. Chitwood.....	1.00
Total.....	\$22.00

Your Treasurer submits the following report:

Balance on hand from last year .....	\$4.78
J. G. McLane.....	2.00
M. C. Melton .....	2.00
J. T. Blakely.....	2.00
N. L. Tedford.....	2.00
B. P. Owen.....	1.00
W. J. Muse.....	2.00
E. B. Laughter.....	1.00
David Fowler .....	2.00
W. L. Cockrell.....	2.00
W. H. Osborn .....	2.00
Washita Church.....	.50
J. W. Shuffield.....	1.00
C. F. Guerin .....	2.00
From Finance Committee.....	80.42
For Orphans' Home .....	.50
Collection Sunday at the Association.....	11.20
Total .....	\$68.40

Resolution No. 4

Resolved, That we extend our heartfelt thanks to the Moderator and Clerk for their efficient service during this Association.

W. L. Cockrell.

# STATISTICAL TABLE

CHURCHES	PASTORS	CLERKS	POST OFFICES	Received by Baptism	Received by Letter Dismissed by Letter	Excluded Died	Present Memberships	Minute Fund	Associational Min utes	Orphans' Home	Value of Church Property	Pastor's Salaries	Sunday Schools	Days of Meeting
Bethlehem .....	J. B. Adams.....	W. T. Masner.....	Jessieville.....	8	0	0	45	.60			\$18.00	1		
Buckville .....	W. L. Cockrell.....	James Snuffield.....	Buckville.....	0	0	0	57	1.00	\$1.00	.75	\$300			1st
Cedar Glades .....	Ashley Wood.....	B. W. Martin.....	Cedar Glades.....	0	2	4	1	1.40						4th
Concord .....	J. P. Emery.....	W. B. Robertson.....	Aly .....	0	2	1	1	1.00	1.00					
Crystal Hill .....	Ashley Wood.....	J. E. Helms .....	Haws .....	0	2	0	0	.7	.50	2.00				
Fowler's Springs .....	W. T. Seymore.....	David Fowler.....	Mountain Valley .....	0	0	0	17	.50	4.00					3rd
Glazier Poe .....	S. H. Jennings.....	C. W. Holland.....	Mountain Valley .....	1	1	0	21	1.00						1-4th
Harvey's Chapel .....	M. C. Melton.....	Jay Henderson.....	Haws .....	0	0	0	37	1.00	1.25	.50				3d
Marble .....	John Lanier.....	Jasper Sims.....	Beaudry .....	1	0	4	1	1	.84	1.50	.50			1-7th
Mt. Tabor .....	John M. Crawford.....	F. M. Ratliff.....	Gladstone .....	4	0	1	2	106	2.00	2.00				1-3d
Mt. Pleasant .....	E. E. Laughter.....	Virgil Speer.....	Muse .....	0	0	0	1	.27	1.00	2.00				4th
Mt. Zion .....	M. C. Melton .....	G. E. Adamson .....	Oakwood .....	14	2	0	2	.64	1.00		\$300	17.50	1-4th	
New Home .....	E. P. Chitwood .....	E. C. Chitwood .....	Bear .....	0	2	0	3	.00	1.00	2.00				
New Prospect .....	John Lanier.....	J. S. Murders .....	Mountain Valley .....	9	1	4	1	1	49	1.00				10.00
Pleasant Ridge .....	J. B. Adams .....	Mrs. Alvia Johnson .....	Jessieville .....	0	0	0	0	.15	.50	1.00				4th
Prairie Grove .....	J. P. Emery .....	J. T. Ryan .....	Story .....	0	0	0	0	.00	1.40					3d
Pleasant Hill .....	E. P. Chitwood .....	H. C. Lackey .....	Sims .....	0	0	0	0	.43	1.00	2.00	\$250			4th
Refuge .....	E. B. Laughter .....	J. T. Blakely .....	Story .....	0	1	0	2	.71	1.50	2.00				1-2nd
Sweet Home .....	M. C. Melton .....	D. A. Pitts .....	Stillwater .....	4	0	0	0	.23	.75	1.00				
Shady Grove No. 1 .....	Bro. Dowthitt .....	D. McGie .....	Hollis .....	0	0	0	0	.15	1.00	1.00				25.00
Shady Grove No. 2 .....	J. H. Jordan .....	Waldon Moon .....	Crystal Springs .....	0	2	0	1	.26	1.00	1.00	.75			
Washita .....	M. C. Melton .....	R. C. Phillips .....	Washita .....	7	0	0	0	.45	.50	2.50				1st
White Plains .....	W. L. Cockrell .....	W. H. Bradley .....	Buckville .....	0	2	0	0	.49	1.15	2.00				2nd
				47	3	14	28	131	\$23.00	\$29.70	\$1.47	\$300		