

No. 3

1892

MINUTES

—OF THE—

THIRD ANNUAL MEETING

—OF THE—

BUCKVILLE MISSIONARY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

The Delegates and Messengers of the churches composing the Buckville Association assembled and was called to order by singing the following hymn: "I Love Thy Kingdom, Lord." The introductory sermon was preached by Elder John Crawford, from Act. 28th, 22d verse. H. W. Melton, alternate.

The Association then took a recess until 2 o'clock p. m. At 2 o'clock the Association was called to order by Rev. E. P. Chitwood, Moderator, and opened with prayer by M. C. Melton.

The Moderator announced the body ready for business. A call was made for the letters from the churches comprising the Association. The following churches presented letters, to-wit: Cedar Glades, Buckville, Prairie Grove, New Prospect, Concord, Mt. Tabor, Rock Springs, Bethel, Bethlehem, Clear Creek and Mt. Pleasant, which read names of delegates enrolled.

On motion a suspension of the rules was had and call made for petitionary letters, after which Oak Grove, Pleasant Hill, Sweet Home and Refuge presented petitionary letters asking admission as sister churches in this Association. They were received and their delegates enrolled as members of this body.

An election was in order for officers for the ensuing year. The Moderator appointed H. W. Melton and L. A. Crumby as tellers. The election was held and Rev. E. P. Chitwood was elected Moderator, H. H. Williamson, Clerk, and J. M. Hicks, Treasurer. Visiting brothers of other Associations were invited to seats in the Council.

Corresponding delegates or letters called for from other associations. None received.

The Moderator appointed the following committees, to wit:

Devotional—C. A. Collum, Sr., Robert Melton and the delegates of Bethel Church.

Home Missions—W. B. Robertson, J. J. Adams and A. D. Cumby.

Sabbath Schools—W. G. J. Young, G. W. Simpson and G. W. Speer.

Finance—J. A. Chitwood, J. M. Hicks and R. Chambers.

Documents—J. T. Crawford, G. J. Savill and Jeff Speer.

Foreign Missions—A. H. Armstrong, H. Aldridge and A. J. Nelson.

Ministerial Education—S. B. Redwine, J. J. Adams and J. A. Boner.

Obituary—J. W. Ward, J. L. Lay and W. S. Noles.

Publication—S. H. Noles, C. A. Cullom and J. A. Chitwood.

Destitution—J. M. Crawford, James Hicks and M. L. Tedford. By an act of the Association H. W. Melton was added.

Ministerial Support—S. B. Redwine, C. C. Ratliff and W. T. Ross.

*Prayer Meeting—J. A. Chitwood, R. Irons and C. A. Collum.

Adjourned to 8 o'clock Monday morning with prayer by A. H. Armstrong.

At 8 o'clock a. m. the Association was called to order by the Moderator. Prayer by A. H. Armstrong. The minutes of the former proceedings were read, received and approved.

A call was extended for corresponding delegates and visiting brethren from other Associations were invited to a seat with us in council. H. W. and C. N. Milton were received from the United Association.

A call for reports of the several committees was made. The committee on Foreign Missions presented their report, which was read and received and, after discussion, was adopted and marked A.

The committee on Home Missions presented their report. It was read and received after discussion, amended and adopted and marked B.

The committee on Finance presented their report. It was read, received and adopted and marked C.

The committee on Ministerial Support by Bro. A. H. Armstrong presented their report. It was read and received and, after discussion, was amended and adopted. Marked D.

Donations for Foreign Missions received, \$3.10.

A recess was taken to 2 o'clock p. m.

At 2 o'clock p. m. the Association was called to order by the Moderator. The committee on Prayer Meetings presented their report. It was read, received and adopted and marked E.

The committee on Obituary presented their report. It was read, received and adopted and marked F.

The committee on Sabbath Schools presented their report. It was read, received and adopted and marked G.

The committee on Destitution presented their report. It was read, received and adopted and marked H.

The report of the Missionary Board of the Buckville Association was presented, read and adopted and marked I.

The committee on Ministerial Education presented their report. It was read, received and adopted and marked J.

The committee on Publication presented their report. It was read, received and adopted and marked K.

The committee on Documents presented their report. It was received after discussion, amended and adopted and marked L.

Resolutions Nos. 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7 and 8 were presented, read and adopted.

The Association appointed James F. Crawford to preach the introductory sermon at the first District meeting, which is to be held at Sweet Home Church on the Saturday before the fifth Sunday in October, 1892. H. H. Williamson, alternate.

By consent of the Association the Moderator appointed a Missionary Board for the ensuing year, consisting of J. M. Hicks, C. A. Collum, sr., J. M. Crawford, H. H. Williamson, J. A. Muse, J. B. Adams and Henry Aldridge.

A motion was made and seconded to reconsider the act of appointing the Missionary board. After a short discussion it was voted down by the Association. By motion the Missionary Board was directed to meet before the fifth Sunday in October, 1892, at

Sweet Home Church. A representation of all the churches is requested to be present.

Resolution No. 8 was presented, read and adopted, ordering the Clerk to have 300 copies of the minutes of this session printed and distributed pro rata to the money sent up by the churches for printing minutes.

Res. No. — M. C. Milton was selected to preach the introductory sermon at the next session of this Association, which is to be held with Concord Church, Yell county, Ark. S. B. Redwine, alternate.

Correspondents appointed by the Moderator: Big Fork Association, S. B. Redwine and G. J. Savill; Caddo River Association, J. A. Chitwood and H. H. Williamson; Saline Association, J. W. Ward and M. L. Jackson; Dardanelle Association, E. P. Chitwood.

H. H. Williamson, late Treasurer, made a verbal report and it was adopted.

The committee on preaching presented their report and it was adopted.

The Moderator announced the business of the meeting completed. A hymn was sung and the right hand of brotherly love was extended each to the other, after which the Association was closed with a fervent and eloquent prayer by A. H. Armstrong in harmony.

E. P. CHITWOOD, Moderator.

Attest: H. H. WILLIAMSON, Clerk.

RESOLUTIONS,

No. 1. Be it resolved, that we, the delegates and members of Buckville Association, tender our heartfelt thanks to the Missionary Board for their efficient work in this Association by employing a missionary whose labor has been unsurpassingly commendable to himself and board and an honor to the cause of Christ.

J. F. CRAWFORD.

No. 2. Be it resolved, that this Association change the time of its meeting from the Saturday before the first Sabbath in September to the Thursday before the first Sabbath in September.

J. M. HICKS.

No. 3. Be it resolved, that this Association recommend to the churches composing this Association to change the pastoral year to January the 1st in each year.

J. M. HICKS.

No. 4. Resolved, that we, the members and delegates composing this Association, tender our love, respect and Christian salu-



tation to Bethel Church and Community in general, regardless of any church descension, for the social and brotherly manner in which they have entertained this Association. C. A. COLLUM, Sr.

No. 5. Whereas, the Articles of Faith published in the minutes of the first session of this body did not give the scriptures to prove the statement; therefore be it resolved that they be published again with the reference. A. H. ARMSTRONG.

No. 6. Be it resolved, that we, the members of Buckville Association, tender our thanks to the Moderator and Clerk for their untiring efforts and zeal and for the harmonious and speedy manner in which the business of this Association has been conducted. C. A. COLLUM, Jr.

No. 7. Be it resolved, that we, the members of Buckville Association, tender our thanks to H. W. Milton, our missionary, for the effectual labor he has done in this Association. C. A. COLLUM, Jr.

No. 8. Resolved, that the Clerk have 300 copies of our minutes printed and distributed according to the amount sent for printing minutes by the churches comprising this Association. G. THOMPSON.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES.

Appendix A. Brethren: We your committee on Foreign Missions beg leave to report: As the gospel is the power of God unto salvation to all the sons and daughters of Adam, and none that are subjects of gospel address can be saved without it, and, as millions are going down to endless pain for the lack of it, can we sit down and let them go? Through the love of the world we recommend action on this line by this body.

A. H. ARMSTRONG, Chairman.

Appendix B. We your committee on Home Missions respectfully submit the following: In view of the destitution throughout the Association on account of a want of more laborers in the vineyard, we advise this body to employ a missionary to preach in the destitute parts of this Association for nine months. Respectfully submitted,

W. B. ROBERTSON, Chairman,
J. J. ADAMS,
A. D. COMBY,

Appendix C. To the Association: Your committee on Finance submit the following report: We find the amounts sent by the churches for printing minutes as follows:

Buckville Church.....	\$2.00
Bethel.....	1.30
Bethlehem.....	.75
Clear Creek.....	1.00
Cedar Glades.....	1.00
Concord.....	1.00
Mt. Tabor.....	2.00
Mt. Pleasant.....	1.25
New Prospect.....	1.25
Prairie Grove.....	1.00
Rock Spring.....	1.00
Pleasant Hill.....	1.00
Sweet Home.....	1.25
Refuge.....	1.00
Oak Grove.....	.25
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	\$16.85

Pledges for missionary for ensuing year:

Buckville Church.....	\$20.00
Bethel.....	10.00
Concord.....	10.00
Mt. Tabor.....	20.00
Mt. Pleasant.....	10.00
Prairie Grove.....	5.00
Pleasant Hill.....	10.00
Sweet Home.....	8.50
Refuge.....	10.00
Cash on hand after paying missionary for last year.....	5.40
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	\$108.90

J. A. CHITWOOD, Chairman

Appendix D.—We, your committee on Ministerial Support, believe that nothing is more clearly taught in the Bible than that the laborer is worthy of his hire, and that they who preach the gospel should live off the gospel. We believe that when a church elects a pastor she by that act gives him a reason to believe that she will in proportion to the time served assist him in procuring sustenance, food and decent raiment, thus giving him time to study that he may show himself to be a workman that none need be ashamed of, rightly divining the word of truth. We recommend that each pastor preach at least two sermons during the year on ministerial support.

S. B. REDWINE,
C. C. H. RATLIFF,
W. S. ROSS.

Appendix E.—We, your committee on Prayermeetings, beg leave to report that prayer is the medium by which a Christian communes at God's throne, the avenue between Christ and his followers, the medium by which our wants are made known to God, the

most available weapon the Christian can use in the warfare for eternal happiness; and we recommend that all men pray at all times and that each church have a prayer meeting the year around.

J. A. CHITWOOD, Chairman.

Appendix F.—We, your committee on Obituary, submit the following report: Brother James Vanderslice died March 17th, 1892, in his 37th year. He was a sympathetic Christian and was baptized into the fellowship at Prairie Grove Church in August, 1891, and was in full fellowship at the date of his death. The total of deaths reported is 4. Blessed are the dead that die in the Lord.

J. L. Fay, Chairman.

Appendix G.—We, your committee on Sabbath Schools, report: This is a subject of great importance. The Christian training of the young people of our land depends greatly upon our efforts in shaping their future morals. If not trained for good, evil is the result; if not taught the ways of righteousness, they will be led in the ways of sin and destruction. Experience shows that the Sabbath School is the most efficient agency that we have to guide our young to peace and happiness and we regret to learn that so few of our churches have Sabbath Schools, but three churches reporting a Sabbath School; and, therefore, we recommend that all churches in this Association establish a school and use only such literature as the Bible teaches.

W. G. J. YOUNG,
G. W. THOMPSON,
G. H. SPEERS.

Appendix H.—We your committee on Destitution respectfully submit the following as our report: Dear Brethren; After a consideration of the points in our Association most destitute of Missionary Baptist preaching, we name the following places for your consideration: 1. Tyler's Bluff. 2. Southeast corner at McClelland's Springs. 3. Southwest portion at Silver City. 4. Northwest portion at Onyx. Also other places too numerous to mention, which we recommend that the body look after in the future and instruct the Missionary in their best judgment for the best from time to time. Respectfully submitted,

J. M. Hicks, Chairman.

Appendix I.—We, the Missionary Board of Buckville Association, submit the following report: We employed Elder H. W. Milton as Missionary for the term of two months and he entered the field the 1st day of July to work according to the instructions of said board for said term, and faithfully discharged his duties as such missionary, for which we (for the Association) promised and agreed to pay said Missionary \$60 for his services for two months. By the help of God we have settled in full for his labors and herewith submit his report to the Board.

J. M. Hicks, Chairman.

To the Missionary Board of the Buckville Association: Your Missionary begs leave to submit the following report, viz: Churches organized, 1; religious visits, 14; addresses, 16; sermons preached, 80; prayer meetings, 32; total additions to the Association, 94; by baptism, 60; professions, 82; received on salary, \$60; in full time lost five days from sickness of wife. Respectfully submitted,

H. W. MILTON, Missionary.

Appendix J.—We, your committee on Ministerial Education, submit the following as our report: We find that the Bible makes it the duty of the minister to preach Christ as a savior to the lost; a reconciler in reference to the enmity existing between God and man; a redeemer to the slave; a refiner of our filthiness; a prophet in ignorance; a priest to the guilty; a physician to the sick; in fact and in word all in all. In order to a better execution of these duties it is necessary to procure an education. It is the duty of every minister to study to show himself a workman approved unto God that need not be ashamed of rightly defining the word of truth. We believe it the duty of the Church and Association to assist a young minister in obtaining an education. We pray to God to stir up a zeal for such things.

S. B. REDWINE, Chairman.

Appendix K.—We, your committee on Publication, submit the following: We recommend a careful study of the Bible in every family. We further recommend that the Churches buy their literature at the Baptist House, giving our own state the preference, to-wit: The Arkansas Baptist; also our state paper and which should be read by all.

S. H. NOLES, Chairman.

Appendix L.—We, your committee on Documents, would submit the following as our report: We find nothing to claim our attention except the petitions of Refuge and Concord Churches, each asking that the next session of the Association be held with it. We recommend that the next session be held with Refuge Church. Respectfully submitted,

J. L. CRAWFORD,	} Committee.
J. G. SAVILL,	
S. J. SPEERS,	

Appendix M.—We, your committee on Preaching, would submit the following as our report: Elder A. H. Armstrong at Bethel at 7:30 o'clock Saturday night; Elder S. B. Redwine at the Freewill Baptist Church Sunday at 9 o'clock; J. J. Adams Sunday at 11 o'clock; H. W. Milton Sunday at 3:30 o'clock; A. H. Armstrong Sunday night; E. P. Chitwood Monday at 11 o'clock; M. C. Milton and S. B. Redwine at the Freewill Baptist Church Sunday night. Respectfully submitted,

J. L. CRAWFORD, Chairman.

9 DONATIONS.

By Mt. Pleasant church and visitors, collected by Misses Janie and Sallie Muse.

H. H. Williamson	\$ 25	J. A. Muse	\$ 40
Samuel Ritter	5	S. G. Speer	10
W. J. Spoon	5	D. C. Golden	25
J. A. Martin	25	Mrs. M. L. Muse	50
M. S. Jackson	30	G. W. McCreath	10
J. G. Bishop	25	Joe Phillips	10
C. Fugua	25	Jeff Brown	5
D. M. Lawrence	10	H. G. Shaw	10
M. V. Pool	10	M. Lawrence	10
B. W. Martin	5	Sarah Martin	25
G. W. Speer, jr.	25	Sallie Ritter	25
G. McElreath	10	Monroe Thompson	10
Louisa Bledsoe	25	Mrs. Hearley	10
Wm. Bradley	5	W. S. Lawrence	10
T. C. Hunnicutt	25	Dave Fugua	10
Roe Bradley	5	C. Cain	1 00
Bart Neal	25	Public Collections	1 70

Total.....\$7 70

By Buckville Church and visitors; collected by Misses Mattie Freeman and Alice Williamson:

J. L. Boyd	\$ 50	D. G. Fugua	\$ 50
A. L. Kilby	10	Dr. A. D. Shaw	60
H. H. Williamson	1 25	Henry Milton	25
Walter Keith	25	J. M. Bradley	25
A. L. Gearin	25	Dr. M. V. Pool	25
G. W. Speer	50	Mrs. A. D. Shaw	20
A. G. Gearin	10	E. Golden	10
M. Tucker	10	D. M. Lawrence	10
W. S. Lawrence	10	Mary A. Randolph	25
T. C. Hunnicutt	1 00	J. W. Freeman	25
G. Peadon	25	O. Fugua	25
Wm. Howell	1 00	J. C. Freeman	1 00
		Public collections	1 70

Total receipts.....\$17 10

DELEGATES.

H. A. Blote*
E. P. Chitwood
C. Walker
G. W. Thompson
R. Irons
W. B. Robertson
W. S. Noles
J. J. Adams
L. Murders*
L. D. Ritter
J. Fay
J. F. Crawford
A. J. Nelson
S. B. Redwine
C. A. Collum, sr.,
J. H. Noles

Bart Neal*
H. H. Williamson
J. G. Savill
W. T. Ross
J. Hurst*
A. D. Comby
J. M. Hicks
S. M. Adams*
J. W. Ward
L. Jackson*
J. Richardson*
G. Rutledge
W. W. Sims
N. L. Tedford
C. A. Collum, jr.,
J. L. Murray
H. Aldridge.

G. H. Speers
J. A. Chitwood
N. E. Robertson*
C. C. Ratliffe
A. H. Armstrong
R. H. Milton
M. C. Milton
M. M. Blocker*
S. Ritter*
G. J. Speers
J. M. Crawford
E. Vaughan
W. G. Young
M. B. Maddox*
D. A. Pitts*
J. M. Qualls*

* Absentees.

ORDAINED MINISTERS.

E. P. Chitwood, Buckville,
S. B. Redwine, Ouachita,
S. B. Gamble, Gladstone,
J. Lanear, Cedar Glades,
H. A. Belate, Cedar Glades,
J. F. Crawford, Onyx,

A. H. Armstrong, Aly,
M. C. Milton, Gladstone,
J. J. Adams, Cedar Glades,
W. B. Harvey, Hot Springs,
John Crawford, Onyx,
W. W. Ritter, Mountain Valley,
H. H. Williamson, Buckville.

No. of Church.	NAME OF CHURCH.	NAME OF COUNTY.	RECEIVED.		DIS- MISSED.		Total Fellowship.	Sunday of Meeting.	NAME OF PASTOR.	NAME OF CLERK.	POSTOFFICE.	No. of Licentiate.	No. of Ordained Ministers.	Per Minister.		
			By Baptism.	By Letter.	By Recommendation.	By Letter.									Excluded.	Died.
1	Buckville.....	Montgomery	33	17		1	1	64	1	M. C. Milton.....	H. H. Williamson.	Buckville.....	2	\$ 3.00		
2	Bethel.....	Yell.....				6		32	2	John Crawford....	J. M. Crawford...	Onyx	2	1 10		
3	Bethlehem	Garland					4	45	2	James Ragdale...	L. D. Ritter.....	Mountain Valley.		75		
4	Clear Creek.....	Garland.....	5					18	3	W. A. Neighbors..	Mrs. S. Davis....	Hawest.....		1 00		
5	Cedar Glades.....	Montgomery				1	1	23	3	H. H. Williamson.	T. G. Nell.....	Cedar Glades.	1	1 00		
6	Concord.....	Yell.....	4			3		35	4	A. H. Armstrong..	W. B. Robertson..	Aly.....	1	1 00		
7	Mt. Tabor.....	Garland	19	1	5	1	4	61	3	J. J. Adams.....	T. M. Ratliff....	Gladstone	2	3 00		
8	McClenden Springs.	Garland, not rep's'ed						20	4							
9	New Prospect.....	Garland		1			1	19	4	John Lanear.....	S. H. Jennings..	Cedar Glades.	1	1 25		
10	Prairie Grove.....	Montgomery					1	19	2	B. Redwine.....	John T. Ryan....	Buckville.....		1 00		
11	White Plains.....	" not rep's'ed						22								
12	Refuge.....	Montgomery	27	14	5	1	1	67	1	S. B. Redwine....	S. D. Taylor.....	Ousehita.....		1 00		
13	Pleasant Hill.....	Montgomery	5	8	7		1	36	3	S. B. Redwine....	H. C. Lackey....	Alma.....		1 00		
14	Oak Grove.....	Yell.....						8	2	J. J. Adams.....	A. J. Nelson.....	Ava.....		.95		
15	Sweet Home.....	Yell.....	7	1	2			17	2	M. C. Milton.....	C. A. Collum....	Aly.....		1 25		
16	Mt. Pleasant.....	Garland	13	4	1	3	2	43	4	J. J. Adams.....	J. A. Muse.....	Cedar Glades.		1 25		
17	Rock Springs.....	Garland	2				1	38	1	J. J. Adams.....	S. M. Adams.....	Cedar Glades.		1 00		
			120	46	17	4	19	3,573						\$12.85		

Expended for assistance
at purposes for 3 annual
meeting

25

for transmitting
Transcript to Dunster

25

for Printing Minutes

14.50

for returning minutes
to Bucknill by mail

50

Days

Postage

2.80
18.30

Received of Mr. Hacks

17 85 for minutes

H. H. Williams

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