

Proceedings

of the

Forty-Eighth Annual Session

of the

Friendship Regular Baptist Association

Held with

Oak Grove Baptist Church

CLEVELAND COUNTY, ARKANSAS

FRIDAY, SATURDAY AND SUNDAY, SEPT. 17, 18, 19, 1920.

J. T. KELLEY, Moderator

C. M. ROSS, Clerk.

Next session will convene with Bethlehem Baptist Church in Lincoln County, Arkansas, on Friday before the third Sunday in September, 1921, at 10 o'clock a. m.

PROCEEDINGS.

The Forty-Eighth Annual Session of the Friendship Baptist Association convened with Oak Grove Baptist Church, Cleveland County, Arkansas, on Friday before the third Sunday in September, 1920, at 10 o'clock a. m.

Called together by singing song No. 228, Blest be the tie that binds.

Prayer led by Elder W. E. Sherrill; song, Jesus Lover of My Soul, after which the organization was commenced by the moderator appointing Bretheren J. J. Whitaker and S. M. Tucker to read the letters as they were presented.

LIST OF CHURCHES AND MESSENGERS.

Bethlehem—W. A. Winston, M. Y. Moran and C. A. Halligan.

Bethel—J. E. Hunter.

Center—Charley Jackson.

Cornerville—A. J. Boyd.

Enon—Ophie Ashcraft.

Friendship—A. G. Favors, W. J. Harris and Sister Zora

Favors.

Florence—Represented by letter.

Holly Springs—Not Represented.

Gould—Represented by Letter.

Harmony—W. Z. Stone, J. J. Whitaker and S. M. Tucker.

Lone Grove—J. W. Fish and W. J. Avens.

Mt. Moriah—By Letter, (W. J. Caldwell as visitor.)

Mt. Zion—J. A. Preston and J. E. England.

Macedonia—J. D. Cash and G. W. Puckett.

New Hope—J. R. Leopard and V. E. Bonner.

New Home—W. M. Rodgers, T. F. Rodgers and Sister Eva

Ross.

Oak Grove—W. T. Reed, J. T. Glover and J. T. Kelley. —

Pleasant Hill—Not Represented.

Pleasant Ridge—C. M. Ross and J. B. Wilson.

Pleasant Springs—T. R. Cloud and J. H. Carter.

Spring Hill—H. J. Carter and wife.

Smyrna—B. B. Norris.

Tyro—By Letter.

Union—Not Represented.

Whiteville—W. A. Koonce, Sisters Vinnie Koonce and Mc au-

Ashcraft.

Zion—By Letter.

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At 11 o'clock, the time for the introductory sermon, the nominee not being present, Elder J. A. Smith was selected to take his place.

Bro. Smith selected as his text, Psalms 11-8 to 25, and preached an excellent sermon. Subject: "Our Prosperity thru obedience to God."

After the sermon the congregation extended to Bro Smith their endorsement of the sermon by handshaking.

Adjourned until 2 o'clock. Dismissed by Elder J. T. Kelley.

Called together at two o'clock by singing; prayer by Elder J. W. Fish; song, "Take the name of Jesus with you."

By motion and second, the Association went into the election of moderator and clerk for the ensuing year, the election resulted in the choice of Elder J. T. Kelley for moderator and C. M. Ross for clerk.

By motion the out going moderator and clerk were instructed to assist the moderator in appointing the committees.

Motion made that the body overruled the chair and seat W. J. Caldwell as a messenger from Mt. Moriah church. Discussed by T. R. Cloud, J. A. Preston, W. E. Sherrill and J. W. Fish. Vote taken and the motion was lost.

Motion that Bro. Caldwell be seated as a visitor from Mt. Moriah, discussed by J. A. Preston. Motion carried.

Call for Petitionary Letters, none presented at this time.

The following brethren were seated as visitors: W. E. Sherrill, Representing Missionary Baptist College at Sheridan, Ark., J. A. Smith from Pine Bluff Association, representing The Baptist and Commonor and as missionary treasurer of the State Association, F. M. Wells seated as a visitor; J. A. Gean from Pine Bluff Association.

At this time the moderator appointed as a committee on divine service, Brethren J. T. Glover, L. J. Reed, W. J. Harris and Elder A. Calvert.

The moderator asked Bro. F. M. Wells to entertain the congregation while he retired and appointed the different committees.

Appointed committees as follows:

Temperance—T. R. Cloud, J. H. Carter and J. W. Fish.

Nomination—W. S. Wilson, W. J. Harris and R. L. Ryburn.

Condition of Churches—J. B. Wilson, S. M. Tucker and J. A. Preston.

Home Missions—J. A. Smith, W. T. Reed and A. J. Boyd.

Orphans Home—M. Y. Moran, W. J. Caldwell and J. E. Hunter.

Sunday Schools—V. E. Bonner, J. R. Leopard and C. A. Halligan.

Foreign Missions—A. Calvert, W. A. Winston and W. J. Harris.

Christian Education—W. E. Sherrill, F. M. Wells and W. M. Rodgers.

Sabbath Breaking—J. T. Glover, J. D. Cash and G. W. Puckett.

State Missions—J. A. Smtih, W. E. Sherrill and M. Y. Moran.

Publications—J. A. Gean, A. Calvert and T. R. Cloud.

Finance—W. Z. Stone, S. M. Tucker and J. J. Whitaker.

Obituaries—J. H. Carter, W. A. Winston and A. J. Boyd.

Manism—J. A. Gean, W. E. Sherrill and F. M. Wells.

Committee on Divine Service reported that W. E. Sherrill would preach at 7:30 a. m. and C. W. McDonald at 11 a. m. Saturday.

Adjourned until 7:30 p. m.

FRIDAY EVENING SESSION

Called together by singing; clerk absent; J. D. Cash elected clerk pro tem. Moderator appointed Elder J. A. Smith to conduct devotional service; read 12 verses of the Third Chapter of James. Prayer led by Elder J. W. Fish, song No. 105, prayer led by Elder J. A. Preston, song No. 238.

At 7:30, Elder W. E. Sherrill took the stand and taking as his text, Acts 10-43. To Him gave all the Prophets witness, that thru his name that whosoever believeth on him hath everlasting life, and preached an excellent sermon.

Adjourned until 9:00 a. m. Saturday.

SATURDAY MORNING SESSION.

Services opened by song No. 222, "Nearer My God to Thee."

Due to the absence of the clerk, J. J. Whitaker was elected clerk Pro tem. Devotional services led by F. M. Wells. Song No. 99, "Just What I Need He Gives."

Letters from Enon, Macedonia and Whiteville churches read and the messengers seated. Next the missionary Elder J. T. Kelley, read his report and the report of the missionary committee was read by T. R. Cloud; discussed by W. A. Winston and approved.

Report of Missionary.

Churches visited 6, Sunday Schools 1, Homes 13, Collection \$26.02, Miles traveled 220, expenses \$8.50, days labored 12. After deducting 4 days work as donation, balance due me \$34.00, J. T. Kelley, Missionary.

The report of the missionary committee was misplaced by me or it never came into my hands I do not know which, but it contained a clause recommending that the Association employ a missionary for full time and pay him \$1,200.00 per year, and that is all that I can recall.

C. M. ROSS, Clerk.

Report on Foreign Missions read by A. Calvert; discussed by A. Calvert and W. E. Sherrill and approved.

Report on Foreign Missions.

We your committee on Foreign Missions, submit the following report: Jesus said go into all the world and preach the gospel to every creature, so we as Baptist, have the only God given right under this world wide order, to go into all the world under the authority of Him that spake as man never spake. So dear brethren let's see after our Lord's work in heathen lands. We have now on

foreign fields more than a dozen faithful men and women telling the lost about Jesus. All money for our work carried on by the associated work of the churches of Jesus Christ, should be sent for this purpose to C. C. Winters, McNeil, Ark., treasurer of the General Association.

Respectfully submitted by your committee,
A. CALVERT, W. A. WINSTON, W. J. HARRIS.

By motion the Association voted to take a collection of cash and pledges for Foreign Missions at this time, and authorized W. E. Sherrill to take the collection.

List of Pledges for Foreign Missions.

Bethlehem	\$25.00	Friendship	10.00
Center	5.00	Lone Grove	10.00
Harmony	5.00	Mt. Zion	2.50
Mt. Moriah	5.00	Oak Grove	25.00
Macedonia	10.00	Pleasant Springs	5.00
New Home	5.00	Whiteville	5.00
Smyrna	25.00	Cash Collection	34.56
Pleasant Ridge	\$5.00		
Bethel	\$25.00	Total	\$202.06

Received in cash on the pledge of Bethlehem Church \$5.00

At this time a motion was made to dispense with preaching and continue with the business. Motion lost.

Motion that W. E. Sherrill preach the missionary sermon. Carried.

Song No. 59, after which Bro. Sherrill took the stand and taking as his text, Luke 24, 46 to 47 and Acts 1, 8-9 and preached an excellent sermon on world-wide missions and the great commission.

After which the congregation gave to Bro. Sherrill their endorsement of his sermon, by a unanimous vote.

At this time a collection was taken for State Missions by Elder J. A. Smith after he had spoken on the subject.

List of Pledges for State Missions.

M. Y. Moran (paid \$5.00)	\$10.00
John Ross (paid)	10.00
J. D. Berry (paid)	5.00
A. Calvert (paid)	5.00
W. A. Winston	5.00
J. E. Case (paid)	5.00
W. J. Caldwell	5.00
C. M. Ross	5.00
B. B. Norris	5.00
Sister Ella Reed	5.00
Sister Emma May	5.00
Sister Bettie Reed	5.00

Sister Nanie Glover	5.00
Sister Ellen Reed	5.00
Sister Grace Chance	5.00
L. J. Reed (paid)	2.50
W. A. Winston (paid cash)	2.00
J. A. Beard	5.00
Sister N. O. Glover (paid)	5.00
B. F. Ryburn (paid)	5.00
Sister Otie Wilson	5.00
P. H. Favors (paid)	5.00
S. M. Tucker	2.50
N. M. Rodgers (paid)	5.00
Sister Martha Wilson (paid)	2.50
J. B. Wilson	2.50
T. H. Glover (paid)	5.00
J. L. Greene	1.00
Sister Hope (paid)	2.50
Sister Bettie Williams	2.50
Sister J. E. Case (paid)	2.50
Sister M. J. Wilson (paid)	2.50
Cash Collection	16.00
Total	\$157.00
Paid to J. A. Smith, Treasurer	\$83.00

Report on nominations read by W. S. Wilson and approved.

Report on Nominations.

We your committee on Nominations select Bethlehem Church of Lincoln County for the meeting of the next session of the Association.

Introductory sermon to be preached by Elder J. W. Fish. The Missionary sermon to be preached by W. A. Winston. We nominate on the Missionary committee Brethren W. A. Winston, M. Y. Moran, J. T. Kelley, W. Z. Stone and J. W. Fish.

W. S. Wilson, R. L. Ryburn, W. J. Harris, Committee.

By motion and second, the Association adjourned until 1:45 p. m.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

At 1:45 p. m. the Association was called together by the moderator. Song No. 11; prayer led by Elder J. A. Smith.

At this time a petitionary letter from a newly organized church at Gould was read and by motion and second, that church was received into the Association.

By motion and second the chairmen of the committees were limited to ten minutes speeches, and all other speakers to five minute speeches discussed by J. T. Glover, L. J. Reed, W. J. Caldwell and carried.

Report on Sunday Schools read by C. A. Halligan; discussed by A. Calvert, C. A. Halligan, W. J. Caldwell and approved.

Report on Sunday Schools.

We your committee on Sunday Schools submit the following report:

The Sunday School work if properly conducted is a great work. We study Gods word in the Sunday School and teach it to others. We recommend that every church in this Association maintain a live Sunday School, as we all need helps in Bible study. We recommend the Literature published at Texarkana, Ark.-Tex. by the committee of the General Association of Baptist churches of the United States. This Literature is sound and should be used by the Churches.

C. A. HALLIGAN, Chairman:

Report on State Missions read by J. A. Smith; discussed by J. A. Smith and approved.

Report on State Missions.

We your committee on State Missions submit the following report:

The State Association of Baptist Churches in Arkansas has had nine Missionaries in the field this year, some of them for full time and some for only a part of the time. These Missionaries have been doing good work. They need our support. The Association will have to raise more money between now and the meeting of the messengers at Waldo, Ark., on Tuesday after the first Sunday in November, at 10.00 o'clock a. m.

We recommend that a collection be taken at the Association for State Missions and we request the Churches composing this Association to take collections for this work.

Signed by the Committee—J. A. Smith, W. E. Sherrill, M. Y. Moran.

Report on Romanism read by F. M. Wells and approved.

We your committee desire to submit the following report:

Romanism is a growing evil and one of our greatest foes. Baptists should oppose Romanism in every walk of life and strive to destroy it. This can best be done by educating the people on religious lines and insist that everyone read the Bible in his home and seek the aid of the Holy Spirit in the interpretation of the word.

This is the quickest and best way to get Romanists to renounce this evil. All darkness vanishes when light is introduced.

Let us inform ourselves on Bible lines that we may be prepared to meet the errors of Romanism. This introduction of the Lord giveth light.

Frank M. Wells, Chairman.

Report on Publications read by T. R. Cloud; discussed by T. R. Cloud, J. A. Smith, W. J. Caldwell and approved.

Report on Publications.

We your committee on Publications recommend that we read

good wholesome literature. What we read has a great deal to do with our non-usefulness or usefulness. First we recommend a close study of the Bible; second good christian literature such as The Baptist and Commonor, published at Little Rock, Ark.

A. Calvert, T. R. Cloud, Committee.

Report on Temperance read by T. R. Cloud; discussed by T. R. Cloud and approved.

Report on Temperance.

We your committee on temperance recommend that we as professors of Christ to be temperate in all things, for we are taught in the book of books to abstain from the appearance of all evil.

To the young people, we recommend that you obey your parents in the Lord, in so doing you will be temperate. We believe that intemperance will not have favor with the Lord.

T. R. Cloud, J. H. Carter, J. W. Fish, Committee.

Report on Sabbath Breaking read by J. D. Cash, and approved.

Report on Sabbath Breaking.

We your committee on Sabbath Breaking make the following as our report:

We recommend that we observe the teaching of our Savior, remembering that the great commission was given on the Sabbath or the first day of the week to go and teach all nations to observe all things commanded by our Savior. This we believe to be the teaching of the Holy Bible, the book of inspiration containing the doctrines taught by our Savior and his inspired Apostles denouncing all erroneous and sinful practices taught and practiced in our Association and to abstain from all worldly amusements on that day, devoting the day to the service and glory of God and the benefit of mankind and the salvation of the lost.

J. T. Glover, J. D. Cash, G. W. Puckett, Committee.

Report on Orphans Home read by J. A. Smith, discussed by J. A. Smith and A. Calvert and approved.

Report on Orphans Home.

We your committee on Orphans Home submit the following report:

Our Orphans Home at Texarkana, Ark., has now 43 children in it. It is the duty of the Baptist Churches of Arkansas to support these children. We have a farm in connection with the home and belonging to the Baptists of Arkansas. We owe \$4,000.00 on the farm and \$2,000.00 on running expenses. There are several rooms in the home which need furnishing. We recommend that the churches in this Association contribute as liberally as they can

to the support of this home and as many churches as can do so, each furnish a room.

M. Y. Moran, W. J. Caldwell, J. E. Hunter, Committee.

Report on Christian Education read by F. M. Wells and discussed by W. J. Harris, J. A. Smith, J. D. Cash. Vote taken and the report lost.

By motion the Association authorized the moderator to appoint a committee to draw up a new report on Christian Education. He appointed J. D. Cash, T. R. Cloud and J. A. Smith.

Report on Education by F. M. Wells which was disapproved.

Your committee on education reports as follows:

The Baptist have many institution of learning. As a denomination we have more money invested in the cause of education than any other religious sect in the world. Our institutions of learning stand for the highest degree of scholarship. Baptist parents should send their boys and girls to Baptist schools, this is their imperative duty.

Our schools are open to all young people. We must educate the boys and girls of this generation. We recommend that our boys and girls go to Missionary Baptist College at Sheridan, Arkansas, when they have finished the course in this school go to Union University, Jackson, Tenn.

We further recommend that our young preachers go to the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary at Louisville, Ky.

Respectfully,

Frank M. Wells.

Report on Home Missions read by J. A. Smith. Discussed by J. A. Smith, and approved.

Report on Home Missions.

We your committee on Home Missions submit the following report:

Home Missions means Missions in the United States. As we are commanded to preach the gospel to all the world, the United States is a part of the field to be occupied. The General Association of Baptist churches in the United States has eight Missionaries in the field.

These Missionaries have been traveling, preaching and giving out information to Baptists. They have covered but a small part of the territory. The field is large and it is white unto the harvest.

We need more laborers in the harvest; let us pray God to send them.

We recommend that the churches in this Association give all they can to support them who are called into the Home Mission work.

J. A. Smith, W. T. Reed, A. J. Boyd, Committee.

Report on Obituaries read by A. J. Boyd, corrected and approved.

Report on Obituaries.

We find, by examining the church letters that eighteen members have been called home. Friendship, two; Whiteville, one; Macedonia, four; Bethlehem, five; Florence, two; Harmony, two; Oak Grove, one; Pleasant Ridge, one. Our loss is their gain; mourn not. We have the assurance that we will meet again some day.

A. J. Boyd, J. H. Carter, W. A. Winston, Committee.

Report of Finance Committee read by W. Z. Stone and approved.

Report of Finance Committee.

We your committee on Finance beg to submit the following report:

We have received from the various churches a total of \$242.26, to be divided as follows. Foreign Missions, \$8.00; Home Missions, \$13.50; State Missions, \$18.92; Associational Missions \$121.33; Orphans Home, \$37.20; Minutes and Clerk, \$42.91; Sheridan College, \$1.00.

W. Z. Stone, S. M. Tucker, J. J. Whitaker, Committee.

Resolution to amend the constitution read by T. R. Cloud; discussed by T. R. Cloud, and W. J. Caldwell and by motion, ordered printed in the minutes.

Resolution to Amend the Constitution.

Resolved, first that a part of section two of the constitution be changed to read called of God instead of called to God.

Second that the last clause of section five be erased from the constitution stopping at the subsequent election.

Respectfully,

T. R. CLOUD.

Resolution to amend the constitution read by C. M. Ross and by Motion ordered printed in the minutes.

Resolution to Amend the Constitution.

Resolved, that section four of the constitution be amended so as to read as follows: That no church be allowed more than three Messengers under any circumstances.

Respectfully,

C. M. ROSS.

By motion and second, a collection was taken to pay J. D. Cash for a record book which he had purchased for the Association, and to add to the amount sent up for printing the new minutes. Amount received \$4.43; paid to J. D. Cash, \$1.25, for book; balance for minute fund, \$3.18.

At this time the committee on Divine Service reported that

W. A. Winston would preach at 7:30 p. m. and J. A. Smith to preach Sunday at 11:00 a. m.

Adjourned until 7:00 o'clock p. m.

SATURDAY EVENING SESSION.

Called together by singing Song No. 56; prayer led by A. Calvert.

Due to absence of Clerk, by motion, J. J. Whitaker was elected Clerk pro tem. By motion Elder E. B. Jones, President of the Missionary Baptist College at Sheridan, and Bro. A. P. May were seated as visitors from Pine Bluff Association.

Report on Christian Education was read by J. A. Smith, and a motion carried to allow speakers and unlimited time to speak on this report. Discussed by J. A. Smith; discussed at length by E. B. Jones and approved.

Report on Christian Education.

We your committee on Christian Education submit the following report:

The State Association of Baptist Churches of Arkansas, has a College located at Sheridan, Ark. The name of this school is The Missionary Baptist College. The first session of this school opened last September; 48 pupils were enrolled the first year and the school was a success. The second year of this College will open next Tuesday, September 22. The outlook is encouraging for a good attendance this year. Between \$40,000.00 and \$50,000.00 has been raised in cash and pledges to be used in erecting a building suitable for the school.

We recommend that the churches and individuals make as large contribution as possible for building and maintaining this school.

J. A. Smith, J. D. Cash, T. R. Cloud, Committee.

Report on condition of churches read by S. M. Tucker; discussed by J. T. Kelley and approved.

Report on Condition of Churches.

We your committee on Condition of churches beg to make the following report:

Pastors' Salaries \$2,512.17; Visiting Ministers, \$608.81; Orphans Home, \$231.83; College and Education, \$102.00; Association- al Missions \$120.91; State Missions, \$116.52; Home Missions, \$19.00; Foreign Missions, \$25.25; Incidental Expense \$78.05; Members of churches 1,841; Baptisms 110; Number of Sunday Schools 14; Number of Pupils 703; Cost of Literature \$144.77. We pray God's blessings on each of the churches of the Association, that they may be more prosperous in the coming year.

J. B. Wilson, S. M. Tucker, J. A. Preston, Committee.

Report of the Missionary committee read by T. R. Cloud and approved.

The report of this committee was not turned over to me and I was absent at the time that it was read, but I was informed by W. Z. Stone, a member of this committee, that it recommended that a missionary be employed for full time at a salary of \$100.00 per month.

C. M. ROSS, Clerk.

By motion pledges were taken at this time for Associational Missions as follows:

Oak Grove	\$50.00
Bethel	10.00
Friendship	35.00
Macedonia	25.00
New Home	20.00
Pleasant Springs	20.00
M. Y. Moran	10.00
W. A. Winston	20.00
W. Z. Stone	5.00
S. M. Tucker	5.00
J. E. England	5.00
J. A. Preston	5.00
J. D. Cash	10.00
G. W. Puckett	10.00
T. D. White	5.00
T. R. Cloud	2.50
Total	\$227.50

By motion, Bro. E. B. Jones was substituted in the place of W. A. Winston, to preach at this hour. Song No. 37; prayer led by J. A. Smith.

Bro. Jones read a lesson from Romans 8:16-17, and preached an excellent sermon. While the Choir sang No. 59, "Jesus Redeemed My Soul," the congregation shook hands with Bro. Jones as a token of endorsement of his sermon.

At this time, invitations were received from Smyrna, Mt. Zion and Mt. Moriah churches for the next session of the Fifth Sunday Meeting. Mt. Moriah was selected by vote.

Adjourned until 9:00 o'clock a. m., Sunday. Dismissed by J. A. Smith.

SUNDAY MORNING SESSION.

23rd Psalm read by E. B. Jones; prayer by E. B. Jones; song No. 145. Talks made in favor of the Orphans Home by J. T. Kelley, J. A. Smith and E. B. Jones.

Resolution of thanks read by J. D. Cash, and approved.

Resolution of Thanks.

Resolved, that we, the messengers and visitors of this Asso-

ciation extend our heartfelt thanks and appreciation of the hearty welcome, sweet association, and hospitality extended to us during our stay with the members of Oak Grove Church and people of this vicinity and pray the blessings of God on this church and people.

J. D. CASH.

At 11:00 o'clock Elder J. A. Smith took the stand, read a lesson from Eph. 6; after reading, prayer led by E. B. Jones, who took as his text, Eph. 6:11. Put on the whole armour of God—Fight the good fight of Faith. Subject: The Christian Warfare. He preached an excellent sermon.

After preaching a collection of pledges and cash was taken for Orphans Home as follows:

W. J. Caldwell	\$10.00
L. D. Berry (paid)	5.00
A. Calvert	5.00
Sister Emma May	5.00
Sister Nannie Glover	5.00
Sister Bettie Reed	5.00
Sister Ella Reed	5.00
Sister F. M. Ross	5.00
M. Y. Moran and wife	5.00
J. D. Cash (paid)	5.00
A. Beard	2.50
W. J. Avens (paid)	2.50
J. L. Green	2.50
John Ross (paid)	5.00
Lewis Reed	2.50
Sister Tennie Glover	2.50
Earley Reed	2.50
J. F. Glover	5.00
Bethel Church	10.00
Oak Grove	10.00
Lone Grove	10.00
Oak Grove Aux. (paid)	10.00
Bethlehem	25.00
Friendship	10.00
Macedonia	10.00
Mt. Zion	5.00
Oak Grove S. S. (paid)	5.00
New Home	10.00
Cash collection	\$28.04
Pledges paid in cash	\$32.50
Total in cash	\$60.54
Total of cash and pledges	\$213.04

Adjourned until 2:00 o'clock p. m.

SUNDAY AFTERNOON SESSION.

Called together by songs Nos. 149 and 41; prayer led by J. A. Smith.

A letter from Spring Hill Church was presented at this time and read by the clerk and the Messengers seated. After which Elder E. B. Jones made an excellent speech in behalf of the Missionary Baptist College at Sheridan. Further talk by W. J. Caldwell, after which a collection of cash and pledges was taken for the College by E. B. Jones. Collections as follows:

J. E. Case	\$50.00
W. J. Caldwell	25.00
J. D. Cash	25.00
J. T. Kelley	25.00
M. Y. Moran	25.00
C. H. Ratliff	10.00
Cash Collection	7.37
W. S. Wilson	25.00
Mrs. B. F. Ryburn	5.00
J. T. Glover	25.00
R. L. Ryburn	10.00
T. H. Glover	25.00
L. D. Berry	25.00
Total	\$282.37

By motion and second the Association adjourned to meet with Bethlehem Church on Friday before the Third Sunday in September, 1921, at 10 o'clock a. m.

J. T. KELLEY, Moderator.

G. M. ROSS, Clerk.

CLERK'S STATEMENT.

Cash received from all sources \$440.91

Disbursements.

Foreign Missions, (To C. C. Winters, Treasurer)	\$ 47.56
State Missions, (To J. A. Smith, Treasurer)	103.82
Home Missions, (To C. C. Winters, Treasurer)	13.50
Associational Missions (To T. R. Cloud, Treasurer)	121.33
Orphans Home, (To J. W. Sims, Treasurer)	97.74
Missionary Baptist College, (To T. C. Rushing, Treasurer)	8.37
Minutes and Clerk's Fund	48.59

Total \$440.91

C. M. ROSS, Clerk and Treas.

CONSTITUTION.

1. This confederation of churches shall be known by the name of "Friendship Regular Baptist Association."

2. The object of this association shall be to promote the glory of God on earth by the preaching of the Gospel of His Son, Jesus Christ, Our Savior; by aiding in the support of missionaries who first have been called to God to preach the Gospel, and who feel

impressed of the Spirit to do mission work and have been set apart to that work of the church to which they belong, (Acts 13:2-2); and by the universal spread of the Bible, the word of the true and living God, and by other and appropriate means in keeping with the Scripture.

3. The association shall consist of messengers from the churches now forming this union, and such other Baptist churches as may hereafter be received as constituent members thereof.

4. Every church shall be entitled to three representatives without regard to the number of their members respectively; and to an additional one for every fifty members exceeding fifty; provided, that no church shall ever be entitled to more than five. A certificate of appointment or letter from their respective churches shall be evidence that they have been so delegated.

5. The officers of this body shall be a Moderator and a Clerk, who shall be ex-officio Treasurer, who shall be elected annually by ballot by a majority of the members present, immediately after the names of the delegates are enrolled; which officers shall perform all the duties usually devolving on such officers, and to continue to exercise their respective functions until they shall be superseded by a subsequent election. Provided: No person shall be elected and serve as Moderator of this association more than two years in succession.

6. The clerk shall preserve a regular record of the association and have it present at the meeting of the body, and when he vacates the office, deliver the same with all other books and papers relative to said office to his successor.

7. The association shall regard the churches as independent bodies in all internal affairs and to exercise no ecclesiastical jurisdiction or claim any legislative or judicial prerogative over them. Nevertheless, the association may exercise authority over its own members, the representatives of the churches, and have power to withdraw from and disown all churches which may depart from the gospel as understood and held by this body; by becoming either heretodoxy in faith or disorderly in practice; and should, therefore, regard all the churches united in this association with a vigilant eye for good; and may give at its own discretion, and in its own way, advice or information when sought, to any church connected with it.

8. The time and place of meeting of each session of this association shall be determined at each previous session and published in the minutes.

9. Baptist churches not before united in this association, may be admitted as members into this union on application by a written petition or letter presented by one or more messengers duly appointed by such church or churches; provided, that they give satisfactory evidence that they are orthodox in faith and practice.

10. Every minister of the gospel, either ordained or licentiate whose membership is in or who may be a pastor of any church belonging to this association shall be ex-officio a member of this body with the privilege of offering resolutions and speaking, but

not voting, unless specially delegated by the church of which he is a member.

11. When in session the association shall be governed by such rules of decorum as it may adopt.

12. It shall be the duty of the churches, respectively, to report to the association their general condition, the number of members in fellowship, the number baptised, received by letter, dismissed, ex-communicated, restored, dead, amount paid pastor or value during the year, and the names and each office address of all Ministers, whether ordained or licensed, designating each, and, also the name and address of their clerks. They shall also report on any special matters required, and send up contributions as they may willingly contribute to aid the body to disseminate more widely the truth as contained in the Holy Scriptures, and the establishment of the Redeemer's kingdom on the earth.

13. The neglect or failure of a church to be represented by a messenger or messengers in this association for three consecutive years shall be cause to withdraw from the church at the discretion of the association.

14. This association may correspond by letter or messenger with any other religious body of the same faith and order.

15. Five members elected by the association, and one member selected by each church composing the association, and five of whom shall be a quorum, shall constitute the Executive Board, whose duty shall be to devise means to carry forward the benevolent object of the association. The officers of this association shall be ex-officio members of the board.

16. The minutes of the association shall be publicly read and corrected if necessary, and then signed by the moderator and clerk before the association adjourns.

17. Any amendment may be made to this constitution at any meeting of the association by a vote of two-thirds of the members present; provided, the same shall have been published in the minutes of the preceding year.

SUNDAY SCHOOL STATISTICS

CHURCHES	No. of Schools	No. of Teachers	No. of Students	Expenses	LITERATURE	SUPTS.	POST OFFICES
Bethlehem	1	4	50	\$ 6 75	Landmark	C. A. Halligan	Palmyra
Bethel	1	5	49		Not Given	W. L. Gogins	Herbine
Center	1	7	65	12 00	Landmark	Willie Whitehead	Rowell
Cornerville	1	4	43		Landmark	C. W. Moran	Cornerville
Enon	1	4	40	8 00	S. B. C. Series	J. A. McClain	Annover
Friendship	1	5	40		Not Given	W. J. Hope	Rison, Route 1
Florence	1	8	68	25 00	Not Given	J. H. Owen	Florence
Harmony	1	5	67	13 08	Landmark	S. M. Tucker	Pine Bluff, Route 2
Macedonia	1	4	40	20 00	Landmark	Sammie Puckett	Rison
Oak Grove	1	5	60	7 00	Landmark	R. L. Ryburn	Rison, Route 1
Pleasant Ridge	1	4	33	3 84	Landmark	J. B. Wilson	Pine Bluff, Route 1
Pleasant Springs				5 00	Landmark	Not given	
Spring Hill	1	5	30	7 00	Not Given	J. E. Swinney	Monticello
Smyrna	1	4	60	10 60	Landmark	Greely Gasoway	Dumas, Route 1
Tyro	1	4	40	8 00	Not Given	J. T. Morgan	Tyro
Whiteville	1	5	56	10 00	Not Given	T. L. Adams	Faith

Churches, Pastors, Clerks and Postoffices

CHURCHES	PASTORS	POST OFFICES	CLERKS	POST OFFICES
Bethlehem	G. F. Moody	Rison	J. A. Owen	Palmyra
Bethel	W. A. Winston	Star City	J. E. Hunter	McKinney
Center	G. G. Wray	Rowell	C. L. Reed	Rowell
Cornerville	W. E. Sherrill	Sheridan	C. M. Jordan	Cornerville
Enon	Marion Taylor	Warren	J. R. Barrett	Annover
Friendship	A. Calvert	Rison, Route 1	W. J. Harris	Rison, Route 1
Florence	J. B. Rodgers	Florence	E. Y. Rodgers	Florence
Gould	J. A. Gean	Sheridan	A. A. Spurlock	Gould
Holly Springs				
Harmony	J. A. Gean	Sheridan	C. N. Dixon	Pine Bluff, Route 1
Lone Grove	W. A. Winston	Star City	J. L. Wynn	Feenyville
Mt. Moriah	W. M. Barrett	Winchester	W. J. Caldwell	Winchester
Mt. Zion	F. E. Winston	Sheridan	H. A. Rodgers	Kedron
Macedonia	W. A. Winston	Star City	J. G. Puckett	Rison
New Hope	W. A. Winston	Star City	J. S. Bowles	Rison
New Home	A. Calvert	Rison, Route 1	T. F. Rodgers	Kedron
Oak Grove	J. W. Kelley	Prattville	R. L. Ryburn	Rison, Route 1
Pleasant Hill	W. A. Winston	Star City	Bert Carter	Todd
Pleasant Ridge	J. A. Gean	Sheridan	M. D. Camp	Rison, Route 1
Pleasant Springs	W. A. Winston	Star City	Lila Cloud	Monticello, Route 3
Spring Hill	J. N. Williams	Not given	M. E. Handley	Relphs Bluff
Smyrna	J. A. Gean	Sheridan	W. Holland	Dumas, Route 1
Tyro	D. B. Moore	Star City	Not given	
Whiteville	F. E. Winston	Sheridan	C. R. Koonce	Pine Bluff, Route 1
Zion	W. A. Winston	Star City	Not given	

STATISTICAL TABLE

CHURCHES	Baptisms	Received by Letter	Restored	Dismissed by Letter	Excluded	Died	Present Membership	Pastor's Salary	Incidental and Other Objects	Visiting Ministers	Associational Missions	State Missions	Home Missions	Foreign Missions	Orphan's Home	College and Schools	Minute and Clerk Fund	S. S. Expenses	Value Church Property
Bethlehem	6	0		9	8	5	225	230 50		20 67	5 00	8 00	7 00	7 00			2 00	6 70	
Bethel	14	2		3			126	160 00			2 50	7 50			5 50		1 60	6 00	1200 00
Center	2	2		2			72			19 56							2 50	12 00	
Cornerville		1		1			43	97 20			10 00						2 00	4 50	
Enon				8			86	35 00	5 00	34 00	7 95						1 50	8 00	
Friendship	3	1		2		2	80	80 00			10 00			5 00			1 50		1000 00
Florence	1	2	1	3		2	97	150 00				16 00						25 00	
Gould	7	25					39			68 50	2 50		2 50		2 50		2 50		
Holly Springs																			
Harmony	6	8		1		2	80	165 00	2 70	24 05	13 86	2 25	2 25	2 25	34 73		4 00	13 08	400 00
Lone Grove							111	96 54		8 02	11 00	1 50	1 00	1 00	9 00	1 00	2 25		400 00
Mt. Moriah				4			26	83 00		14 40	8 50	5 00				25 00	1 00		1000 00
Mt. Zion		1		1			66	122 50	25 00						4 20		2 50		
Macedonia	5	1			4		71	75 00	3 00	5 00	20 00				7 50		2 00	20 00	600 00
New Hope				2	1		76	19 50							3 50		1 00		
New Home	4			4			63	117 33		25 50	6 60	11 72			10 50		1 00		
Oak Grove	3	5		4	3	1	135	193 51	4 00	123 41		53 00		15 00	65 00		2 00	7 00	
Pleasant Hill																			
Pleasant Ridge	1	4		5		1	104	136 44	5 75	65 05	7 00		1 93				4 25	3 84	1000 00
Pleasant Springs	25		4	8	6		122	125 00	6 00	25 00	10 00	6 55					3 00	5 00	1000 00
Spring Hill		5					52	100 00		15 00							1 25	7 00	1000 00
Smyrna	3	2			15		73	354 00			6 00		3 00		17 60		2 50	10 60	
Tyro	26	5	1	5			135	300 00									2 50	8 00	
Union																			
Whiteville	4		2		1	1	34	106 00	25 00						7 00		2 00	10 00	1200 00
Zion							43	25 00					1 32				1 56		500 00