

MINUTES
OF THE
THIRTEENTH ANNUAL SESSION
OF THE
BUCKVILLE
Baptist Association

HELD WITH THE
GLAZIER POE CHURCH

Garland County, Ark.

September 27, 1902

Moderator, Eld. J. W. SHEPARD

Clerk and Treas., J. T. BLAKELY

Next session to be held with the New Home Church, Montgomery
County, on Saturday before the fourth Sunday in
September, 1903, at ten o'clock A. M.

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Proceedings.

The Buckville Baptist Association met with Glazier Poe Church Garland County, Arkansas, Saturday at 10 o'clock a. m., September 27, 1902, in its Thirteenth Annual Session.

The introductory sermon was preached by Eld. M. C. Melton, text John 3:16, followed by Eld. E. P. Chitwood.

Recess till 2 o'clock p. m.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

At 2 o'clock the body was called to order by the Moderator. The Moderator read 23d Psalm. Prayer by Eld. W. T. Seymore. "I gave my Life for thee," was sung.

Eld. E. P. Chitwood and J. T. Blakely were appointed reading clerks, and letters read from the following churches, and messengers names enrolled, to-wit:

Mount Tabor—Eld. J. M. Crawford, Eld. M. C. Melton, Eld. E. P. Chitwood.

Sweet Home—E. B. Laughter, A. D. Cumble.

Cedar Glades—I. G. Neal, A. C. Boone.

Refuge—Eld. J. W. Shepard, E. S. Lassetter and J. T. Blakely.

Glazier Poe—Eld. W. A. Neighbors, D. F. Radford, C. M. Barber.

Pleasant Hill—N. L. Tedford, G. Chapmond, S. P. David.

Mount Pleasant—M. S. Jackson, W. J. Muse.

Rock Springs—G. M. Fisher.

Bethlehem—Eld. J. S. Ragsdale, C. B. McKee.

New Home—Eld. W. L. Cockrell, Eld. J. E. Cockrell, Charles Houser.

Harvey's Chapel—Eld. W. T. Seymore, Tom Vaughn, Joe Ross.

Concord—No messengers.

On motion the rules were suspended and petitionary letters were called for, whereupon a letter was presented from Mount Zion Church. The letter was read and received and the hand of fellowship was extended to her messengers, to-wit: S. H. Vanlandingham and C. W. Chitwood.

On motion the body voted that the clerk should act as treasurer of the Association.

The Association went into the election of officers for the ensuing

year, with Eld. William Chitwood, Bro. Anderson Chitwood and Dr. McConnell as tellers.

They announced the final results as follows:

Eld. J. W. Shepard, Moderator, and J. T. Blakely, Clerk and Treasurer.

Eld. William Chitwood was received as a visitor from Caddo River Association.

The Moderator appointed the pastor and messengers of Glazier Poe Church, except Bro. Neighbors, with Bro. Joe Ross, Bro. A. Chitwood and Bro. N. L. Tedford a committee on Divine Service.

The Moderator appointed Eld. E. P. Chitwood, Eld. M. C. Melton and Eld. W. L. Cockrell corresponding messengers to the Caddo River Association; Eld. J. M. Crawford corresponding messenger to the Saline Association; Eld. J. W. Shepard corresponding messenger to the Dardanelle Association, and Eld. W. A. Neighbors to the Dardanelle Association.

The Committee on Divine Service reported as follows: Eld. J. M. Crawford to preach Saturday night; Bro. E. B. Laughter and Bro. Seymore to make Sunday school addresses Sunday at 9:30 o'clock a. m.; Eld. J. W. Shepard to preach the annual missionary sermon at 11 o'clock; Eld. William Chitwood to preach Sunday at 3 o'clock p. m.; and Eld. W. L. Cockrell to preach Sunday night.

Adjourned till Monday 8:30 o'clock a. m.

Met at the church at 7 p. m. Saturday and Eld. J. M. Crawford preached, followed by Dr. W. A. Clark, of Little Rock, and Eld. J. W. McDonald of Hot Springs. Met Sunday at 9:30 o'clock. Interesting Sunday school addresses were made by Bro. E. B. Laughter Eld. W. T. Seymore, and Eld. William Chitwood. At 11 o'clock Eld. J. W. Shepard preached a very forceful sermon to a large congregation, text 1st Cor. 1:21, followed by Dr. Clark. At the close of the service a collection was taken to help pay our missionary, Eld. E. P. Chitwood, for his services amounting to \$14.45. At 2:30 o'clock Dr. Clark made an address in regard to the General Association. Eld. W. L. Cockrell preached at 7 o'clock, followed by Eld. William Chitwood. After which the Moderator appointed the usual committees.

MONDAY—MORNING SESSION.

Met Monday morning promptly at 8:30. Called to order by the Moderator. The congregation sang, "Oh for a Closer Walk with God."

Eld. E. P. Chitwood read the 139th Psalm and led in prayer. The Moderator called for letters again and a letter from Pleasant Home Church was received with Bro. E. E. Scroggins and Bro. H. G. McElroy as messengers.

The report of the Committee on Documents was read and adopted (See report A).

Committee on Prayer Meetings presented their report and after discussion, was adopted (See report B).

On motion the Clerk was instructed to place Concord Church in

the statistical table this year, with the same statistics that it reported last year.

Committee on Orphans' Home made their report and after being discussed by Bro. Shepard a collection of \$5.00 was taken. The report was adopted (See report C).

The minutes of Saturday's proceedings were read and adopted. The roll was called with 31 messengers present. Recess 15 minutes.

Called to order by the Moderator. A resolution passed to have the constitution of the Association read.

Adjourned business until 2 o'clock p. m.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Eld. M. C. Melton preached an interesting sermon at 1 o'clock.

The Moderator called the body to order in afternoon session and read the 51st Psalm. After prayer the constitution was read. On motion the constitution printed in the minutes of 1896 was adopted and the original constitution was discarded.

Committee on Finance reported and after amending so the report would show totals instead of items, was adopted (See report D).

Report of the Committee on Associational Missions read and, after being discussed by Bro. Neighbors, Dr. McConnell, Bro. E. P. Chitwood, Bro. Shepard, Bro. W. L. Cockrell and Bro. M. C. Melton, and after pledges amounting to \$72.50 were taken, the report was adopted (See report E).

Report of Committee on Foreign Missions was read and pending its adoption \$3.00 was contributed (See report F).

Report of Committee on Sunday Schools read and adopted (See report G).

Report of Committee on Home Missions was read and adopted (See report H).

Report of the Committee on Nominations read and adopted (See report I).

Committee on Ministerial Support read their report which was adopted (See report J).

Committee on Temperance read their report which was adopted (See report K).

Committee on Condolence and Obituaries read their report which was adopted (See report L).

Treasurer's report read and adopted (See report M).

Report of the Mission Board read and approved (See report N).

Report of the Committee on State Missions read, and after amendment, was adopted (See report O).

Resolution No. 2 was read and adopted.

Resolution No. 3 was read and adopted.

On motion Eld. W. L. Cockrell, who was chosen to preach the next annual missionary sermon, was released, and Eld. W. A. Neighbors was chosen in his place with Eld. M. C. Melton, alternate.

Report of Missionary Eld. E. P. Chitwood was read and adopted (See report P).

On motion the body went into the election of a missionary board of three members.

The Moderator was given power to nominate this board, whereupon he nominated J. T. Blakely, E. B. Laughter and M. S. Jackson, which was ratified by a vote of the body.

On motion the Clerk was instructed to have 250 copies of the minutes printed, and to distribute them in proportion to the minute fund of each church; and to reserve enough copies to supply each church not represented with one copy.

A resolution passed requesting each church to select one member to collect funds in co-operation with the Missionary Board.

On motion the Clerk was allowed balance of the minute fund after printing minutes; also \$2.60 was collected to supplement this fee.

The minutes were read and adopted.

On motion the Association adjourned to meet with New Home Church three miles east of Bear, Montgomery County, Arkansas, Saturday before the fourth Sunday in September, 1903, at 10 o'clock a. m. After a few parting words by Bro. Shepard, "The Parting Hand" was sung and the parting hand extended. Eld. W. A. Neighbors led the closing prayer.

ELD. J. W. SHEPARD, Moderator.

J. T. BLAKELY, Clerk.

REMARKS.—It is the opinion of all that this was one of the best sessions our Association ever held. A better missionary spirit was shown than usual. During the Association \$25.05 in cash was collected, \$72.50 was pledged, and the financial committee turned over \$33.70, making a total of \$131.25. Peace, harmony and brotherly love prevailed throughout the entire session. Tears were in every eye when the parting hand was extended. I hope we will all meet in that Association where there will be no parting.

Another pathetic incident occurred when just after adjournment Bro. C. M. Barber asked Bro. Lum Melton to pray for his aged father, who is unsaved. The congregation bowed, and Bro. Melton prayed very earnestly and tenderly for the aged father.

J. T. BLAKELY.

Reports of Committees.

REPORT A.

We, your Committee on Documents report that New Home Church has asked for the next session of this body. We recommend that their request be granted.

E. B. LAUGHTER,
A. D. CUMBIE,
N. L. TEDFORD,

Committee.

REPORT B.

We, your Committee on Prayer Meeting, report that we believe that prayer meetings are the greatest aid in church work. We rec-

commend that each church of this Association endeavor to maintain a prayer meeting the year round.

I. G. NEAL,
GARLAND CHAPMAN,
E. S. LASSETTER,
Committee.

REPORT C.

We, your Committee on Orphans' Home, find that the Home at Monticello is a Baptist institution. It is the duty of all Baptists to help sustain this Home. We recommend that all funds be sent direct from the churches and this Association to the Treasurer of the Orphans' Home.

M. C. MELTON,
G. N. FISHER,
M. S. JACKSON,
Committee.

REPORT D.

We, your Committee on Finance, report as follows:

For printing minutes	\$14 00
For Associational Missions	18 30
For Foreign Missions	75
For Orphans' Home	65

Total\$33 70

M. S. JACKSON,
GARLAND CHAPMAN,
I. G. NEAL,
Committee.

REPORT E.

We, your Committee on Associational Missions, submit the following report. There is an alarming destitution in the bounds of this Association. There is no question of more vital interest that can come before this body. We find there are seventeen ordained ministers and twenty-one churches in this Association.

It seems that the cause of the destitution is that the churches and ministers are not discharging their duties. We urge them to discharge their all important duty that devolves upon each of them.

We urge the pastor of each church to educate their members as to their duty they owe to the cause of Christ in the salvation of souls. Christ said "preach the Gospel to every creature and lo I am with you always, even unto the end of the world."

E. P. CHITWOOD,
C. B. McKEE,
S. H. VANLANDINGHAM,
Committee.

REPORT F.

We, your Committee on Foreign Missions, report as follows: Christ's commission is to go into all the world and preach the Gospel to every creature. The commission was to the church. "Go," means action—reaching out from the home into all the world. "Going" and "Preaching" have no stopping place until the kingdom of this world shall become God's kingdom. Our obligation to Christ and the

lost world will not be fully discharged as long as any part of the world is ignorant of Christ's righteousness.

J. M. CRAWFORD,
S. P. DAVID,
D. F. RADFORD,
Committee.

REPORT G.

We, your Committee on Sunday Schools, report as follows: We heartily endorse Sunday schools. We advise all churches that have no Sunday school to organize a Baptist Sunday school. We believe Christ is the great teacher and advocator of Sunday schools. Teach your children to love the Lord.

J. S. RAGSDALE,
E. B. LAUGHTER,
J. E. COCKRELL,
Committee.

REPORT H.

We, your Committee on Home Missions report as follows: In consequence of greater opportunities than ever before we believe our obligations are increasing to the extent of our ability in the sending of the Gospel to the lost in the home field. Therefore, we advise that our people help in this work as much as possible.

W. T. SEYMORE,
H. G. McKELROY,
Committee.

REPORT I.

We, your Committee on Nominations, report as follows: We recommend that Eld. E. P. Chitwood preach the introductory sermon, with Eld. J. S. Ragsdale alternate; and that Eld. W. A. Neighbors preach the Missionary sermon, with Eld. M. C. Melton as alternate, at the next Association.

JOE ROSS,
A. C. BOONE,
C. M. BARBER,
Committee.

REPORT J.

We, your Committee on Ministerial Support, report as follows: We believe in the support of ministers who faithfully preach the Gospel, for they that preach the Gospel should live of the Gospel. We recommend that each church pay their pastor liberal wages.

W. T. VAUGHN,
E. B. LAUGHTER,
J. T. BLAKELY,
Committee.

REPORT K.

We, your Committee on Temperance, report as follows: After investigation we find there are some parts of our Association that need more of the Christian influence to guard against the influence of intoxicating liquors. Therefore we urge the brethren to make a strong effort to put down this evil.

W. A. NEIGHBORS,
C. W. CHITWOOD,
J. E. COCKRELL,
Committee.

REPORT L.

We, your Committee on Obituaries and Condolence, find there has been eight deaths during the past year. Bro. W. M. Watkins, of Mount Tabor; Sister Ellen Limbarker, of Rock Springs; Bro. E. D. Chitwood and Sister Rachel Brumly, of New Home; Sister Neighbors, of Glazier Poe; Sisters Emma Chapmond and Eliza Maddox, of Pleasant Hill, and Sister Jane Simpson, of Harvey's Chapel. Whereas it has pleased the All-wise Providence to call home a number of our brethren and sisters, therefore, be it resolved, that we extend to the bereaved ones our heartfelt sympathies. We commend them to Him who doeth all things well for comfort, believing our loss is their gain.

J. S. RAGSDALE,
W. J. MUSE,
C. R. HOUSER,

Committee.

REPORT M.

Treasurer's report:

Received in all	\$2 15
Paid out	2 00

Balance on hand	\$ 15.
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G. W. THOMPSON, Treasurer.

REPORT N.

We, the Missionary Board, report as follows: Dear brethren, we employed Eld. E. P. Chitwood as Missionary. We agreed to give him what we had on hand and what was collected till the Association. We had on hand \$2.15. We feel that the Association has been greatly blessed through his efforts.

G. W. THOMPSON,
F. M. RATLIFF,

REPORT O.

We, your Committee on State Missions, report as follows: We believe in the evangelization of the State, and in sending the Gospel to every destitute place. We do not endorse the present Board plan, therefore we would recommend that we do our State Mission work through the General Association of churches.

W. L. COCKRELL,
M. S. JACKSON,
M. C. MELTON,

Committee.

REPORT P.

Your missionary submits the following report:

Miles traveled	393
Sermons preached	55
Exhortations	13
Received by baptism	23
Received by letter	7
Restorations	4
Churches organized	1
Collected on field	\$12 65
Received on public collection	14 45
Received from treasurer	18 30

Total	\$45 40
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E. P. CHITWOOD.

RESOLUTION NO. 1.

Resolved, That we have the constitution of this association read.
W. A. NEIGHBORS.

RESOLUTION NO. 2.

Resolved, That we recommend that each church select one member to collect funds in co-operation with the Missionary Board.
E. P. CHITWOOD.

RESOLUTION NO. 3.

Resolved, That this body tender their thanks to the moderator and clerk for the efficient manner in which they have discharged their duties.
W. L. COCKRELL.

RESOLUTION NO. 4.

Resolved, That we extend heartfelt thanks to this church and community for their kindness and hospitality during this association.
W. L. COCKRELL.

ASSOCIATIONAL PLEDGES.

NAMES.	AMOUNT.	NAMES.	AMOUNT.
M. C. Melton.....	\$4 00	J. A. Chitwood	\$2 00
J. W. Shepard	2 50	C. W. Chitwood.....	2 00
W. L. Cockrell.....	2 00	W. T. Seymour	2 00
J. T. Blakely	2 00	G. M. Fisher	2 00
S. P. David.....	2 00	J. S. Ragsdale.....	2 00
C. M. Barber.....	5 00	J. M. Crawford.....	2 00
E. S. Lasseter (paid \$1 00)...	2 00	Joe Ross (paid \$1 00)...	2 00
S. H. Vanlandingham.....	2 00	M. S. Jackson.....	2 00
C. B. McKee.....	2 00	W. J. Muse.....	2 00
J. D. Neighbors	2 00	J. E. Cockrell.....	2 00
Jack Mayes	1 00	J. G. Neal	2 00
W. P. Anthony	2 00	Nancy Holland.....	50
E. F. Snodgrass.....	1 00	N. L. Tedford.....	2 00
W. T. Vaughan	2 00	W. A. Neighbors(paid \$1 00)	2 00
A. C. Boone.....	2 00	Cora Seymour.....	1 00
E. B. Laughter.....	2 00	D. F. Radford.....	2 00
A. D. Cumbie.....	2 00	W. J. Holland.....	1 00
H. G. McKelroy.....	1 00	M. A. Radford	50
C. R. Houser.....	2 00		
E. E. Scroggins	1 00	Total.....	\$72 50

ORDAINED MINISTERS.

J. B. Adams, Cedar Glades,	H. W. Melton, Buckville,
H. A. Belote, Cedar Glades,	W. A. Neighbors, Hot Springs,
E. P. Chitwood, Crystal Springs,	J. S. Ragsdale, Jessievile,
J. M. Crawford, Cedar Glades,	J. W. Shepard, Story,
W. L. Cockrell, Bear,	W. T. Seymore, Haws,
J. E. Cockrell, Bear,	John Sharp, Cedar Glades,
S. H. Jennings, Jessievile,	D. H. Smith, Akin Farm.
J. L. Lanier, Cedar Glades,	H. H. Williamson, Buckville,
M. C. Melton, Gladston,	

LICENSED MINISTERS.

James Combers, Mt. Valley,	J. P. Emery, Story.
W. A. J. Gillham, Bear.	

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Cedar Glades	J M Crawford.....	I G Neal	Cedar Glades		2					78			60			1st
Concord	J W Shepard	W B Robertson.....	Aly							27			60			3rd
Glazier Poe	E P Chitwood.....	D F Radford	Mountain Valley....	18	9	1	1	3	1	91			2 00	1	25 00	
Harvey's Chapel.....	J S Ragsdale.....	W J Huddleston.....	Hawes	4					1	28	\$ 5 00		75	1	17 00	
Mt. Tabor.....	E P Chitwood.....	F M Ratliff	Gladstone.....	4		2	15	8	1	93	2 50		2 00			3rd
Mt. Pleasant.....	E P Chitwood.....	W J Muse.....	Muse				2	1		42			1 00			4th
Mt. Zion.....	M C Melton.....	S H Vanlandingham	Oakwood	5	4					20			80			4th
New Home	W L Cockrell	A Z Wilkins.....	Bear	16	7		2		2	38	1 15		1 00	1		2nd
Pleasant Home.....	J L Lanier	J F Hill	Cedar Glades				8	3		38			1 00	1	25 00	
Refuge	J W Shepard	J T Blakely	Story	4	1					53	3 90		1 00			1st
Pleasant Hill.....	J W Shepard	Garland Chapmond	Wa-hita.....	4					2	40		\$ 75	1 00		29 35	4th
Rock Springs	J M Crawford	L W Murders	Cedar Glades	18	4	1	1		2	46			70			1st
Sweet Home	J W Shepard	D A Pitts	Stillwater							17			60	1	22 10	2nd
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


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