

**MINUTES**  
**OF THE**  
**SIXTY-SIXTH ANNUAL SESSION**  
**OF THE**  
**Liberty**  
**Baptist Association**

**HELD WITH THE BAPTIST CHURCH WESSON, ARK.**  
**SEPTEMBER, 21, 22, 23, 1911.**



**NEXT SESSION, EL DORADO, ARK., THURSDAY**  
**BEFORE FOURTH SUNDAY IN SEPTEMBER.**

## MINUTES

# LIBERTY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

## WESSON BAPTIST CHURCH

WESSON, ARKANSAS, THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER, 23, 1911.

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## PROCEEDINGS

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### THURSDAY—EVENING SESSION.

The Liberty Baptist Association met with the Baptist church at Wesson, Arkansas, in its Sixty-sixth Annual Session, Thursday evening, 7:30 o'clock, September, 21, 1911. The body was called to order by Moderator G. W. Hays, for preliminary organization. He read Matthew 6, and made appropriate remarks. E. J. A. McKinney of the Baptist Advance offered the opening prayer. L. S. Allen of Wesson led the opening song, "O. For a Closer Walk With God."

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### PERMANENT ORGANIZATION

Rev. H. C. Rosamond made a motion that the body dispense with the reading of the letters for the present, and go into the permanent organization and that all who know themselves to be messengers to vote. The motion was carried unanimously.

H. C. Rosamond made a motion that the following officers be re-elected for the ensuing year:—G. W. Hays, Moderator; Geo. W. Mason, Clerk; B. F. Rogers, Treasurer.

The Moderator called for the church letters to be filed with the clerk before the close of this session.

## ANNUAL SERMON

At this point, the Moderator introduced H. M. Geren of El Dorado, the one appointed to deliver the annual sermon. He read for his evening lesson, Matthew; 26. Theme—Glorying in the Cross, Gal. 6:14.

At the request of H. C. Rosamond, at this point, this body held a season of prayer for the recovery of Mrs. Harvey Jean, who was active in the construction of the church at this place and who was very sick. Bro. Rosamond led in a fervid prayer.

E. J. A. McKinney announced that the Baptist Advance would be sold at one dollar per year when paid within 30 days after due.

The body adjourned till 8:30 a. m. tomorrow.

H. M. Geren pronounced the benediction.

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## FRIDAY—MORNING SESSION

The morning session was called to order at 8:30. Moderator G. W. Hayes read for the morning lesson from Matthew 5. J. D. Sayers led the opening prayer.

A motion was carried to postpone the reading of minutes till later in the session.

R. A. Faulkner made a motion that the order of business be as shown by the Roll of Committees. provided that any change be made to suit the convenience of the body and that the report on Orphan's Home be called at the evening service.

The motion carried.

The following committee was appointed on Enrollment of Delegates: B. B. Hawkins, W. A. Moore and C. C. Smith and made the following report:

### CHURCHES AND MESSENGERS

Antioch—Not represented.

Camden—W. M. Wright, G. W. Hays, Mrs. G. W.

- Hays Mrs N. S. Ward, Mrs. W. M. Wright.  
Cane Creek—Represented by Letter.  
Concord—F. M. Nunnally.  
Champagnolle—S. L. Adams, Mrs. S. L. Adams,  
Mrs. Ruth Johnson.  
Calion—Mrs. N. T. Goodwin, Mrs. Lela Goodwin,  
Misses Alto Amason, Doll Murphy.  
Dry Run—L. O. Parks, D. A. Crawford.  
Ebenezer—A. J. Harrell.  
El Dorado—H. M. Geren, G. W. Mason, H. C. Ros-  
amond, H. W. Goodwin, R. A. Faulkner, Mrs. A.  
Flenniken, Mrs. J. M. Sheppard, Mrs. Hugh  
Goodwin.  
Elliott—B. F. Rogers, W. F. Rogers, Jno. G. Jeffus.  
Emanuel—Austin Hardin, Mrs. A. R. La Grone.  
Green Grove—Represented by Letter.  
Hillsboro—W. T. Hudson.  
Holly Grove—J. L. Perry.  
Hopewell No. 1. J. A. Taylor, John W. Hudson.  
Hopewell No. 3. J. D. Sayers, J. C. Neeley, J. F.  
Cook, Mrs. J. F. Cook, R. L. Hardin, J. E. Mur-  
phey.  
Huttig—J. R. Sims, A. P. Phillips, W. C. Thompson  
Mr. Wheler.  
Felsenthal.—Not represented.  
Knowles Chapel.—W. G. Simmons, C. C. Kidd, J.  
Arthur Simmons.  
Junction City—J T King, M P Muse, W A Moore, J  
G Muse.  
Lonoke—Not represented.  
Lapile—R L James, Miss Jimmie Poole.  
Lisbon—J P Crawford.  
Lawson—C C Smith, W R Horne, Mrs. Birdie Hill.  
Liberty—Idonia Simpson, H C Ward.  
Midway—E D Primm, C B Rodgers, A Worthington.  
Mt. Moriah—W F Pratt, J P Gardner.  
Mt. Olive—Not represented.

New London—Not represented.  
Norphlet—C L Stocks.  
New Hope—Represented by letter.  
Okolona—Not Represented.  
Pleasant Home—Represented by letter.  
Pleasant Grove—H J Ogden, S R Templeton.  
Philadelphia—Not represented.  
Salem—B B Hawkins.  
Sandy Land—W W Lawton.  
Strong—C P McGraw, Mrs A A McGraw, T M Davis,  
J M Wallace.  
Spring Hill—W O Taylor.  
Three Creeks—J D Crawford, A. C. Jones, Mrs.  
Mary Jones, Mrs. J. P. Adams, Mrs. J. D. Jeans.  
Union—J W Hargett, D F Jackson, Miss Birdie  
Graves, Delukie Stegall.  
Union Grove—J F Hendricks, E M Hendricks.  
Union Chapel—Levy Graves.  
Vernon Hill—Ed Harrell, Jim Primm.  
Wesson—L B Pearce, John Cessor, H W Jean, L S  
Allen, Mrs Lizzie Tatum, Mrs Mattie Buswell, Miss  
Mittie Stringfellow, Mrs. Maggie McDuffie, Miss  
Ophelia Fain,  
Zion Hill—Mark Ward. Baxer Combes, James Fitz-  
gerald, Jesse Baker.

B B Hawkins,  
W A Moore,  
C C Smith. } Committee

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The Moderator appointed H W Jean, M P Muse.  
and B F Rogers to read the minutes. After reading  
of the letters the Association joined in singing No 72.

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### QUERIES

The following Queries were put before the Asso-  
ciation: [1.] "Ought a church to accept a charge

against a brother from a brother on a personal offence before the brother has taken gospel steps as laid down in Matthew 18? [2.] What ought to be done with a church that will retain a brother in its membership that forces a sister to go to law to gain her property"?

By motion, those interested in the above questions are referred to the query department of the Baptist Advance as our denominational papers are considered higher authority on such subjects than this body.

The Moderator appointed the following committees to prepare reports on the various topics to be discussed:

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#### COMMITTEES APPOINTED

State Missions—J T King, W F Rogers, D F Jackson,  
Foreign Missions—H M Gereu, A J Harrell, W R  
Horn, A C Jones.

Home Missions—W M Wright, J R Sims, E D Primm,  
T M Davis.

Associational Missions—H C Rosamond, J E Murphy,  
J F Hendrix, H J Ogden, C C Kidd.

Sunday Schools—J G Muse, R L Hardin, J A Simmons.

Schools and Colleges—C P McGraw, W W Lawton,  
J L Perry.

Publications—Geo. W. Mason, E O Parks, J W Hargett.

Temperance—D A Crawford, Mark Ward.

Orphan's Home—R A Faulkner, Baxter Combes, W F Rogers.

Ministerial Education—J D Crawford, James Fitzgerald, Levy Fitzgerald.

Woman's Work—Mrs. G W Hayes and all the lady Delegates present.



- Ministerial Relief.—M P Muse, Jesse Baker, Levy Gray, J G Jeffus.  
Young People's Work.—C B Rodgers, H C Ward, S L Adams.  
Laymen's Movement. J D Sayers, Alfred Worthington, W T Hudson.  
Obituaries. B F Rogers, S L Adams, A J Harrell.  
Nominations. Hugh Goodwin, D F Jackson, E D Primm.  
Finance. J M Wallace, Joe F Cook and J B Tatum.  
Divine Service. John Tatum, J P Crawford, H W Jean.
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### REPORT ON STATE MISSIONS

The following report was submitted on State Missions.

Surely the sentiment of this committee and not only the committee but of all Arkansas Baptists was expressed in the words of Dr. J. T. Christian when he said the time has fully come for the trucks to be fully cleaned and all other issues held in abeyance and the full right of way given to State Missions until the meeting of the State Convention in November in Pine Bluff. Your committee is in full and hearty sympathy with every denominational enterprise fostered by the convention. But the time has fully come when State Missions must be taken care of.

The needs of the board are great and urgent. We began the convention year with a debt of approximately five thousand dollars. To clear all debts and to pay all missionaries in full we must have \$25,000, in addition to what has already been raised. This is a big job, but our people delight in doing large things. The work of State Missions is done on the following lines: First. State and district evangelists who give all their time to revival work. Second. All parties who sell books and hold meetings

as opportunity affords. Third. By supplementing salary of pastors of weaker churches on needy fields in order to maintain the work on a good basis. The Lord has graciously blessed the labors of our State Board as will be seen by the following:

**FOR FIRST AND SECOND QUARTERS**

Sunday Schools organized .....	23
Meeting Houses repaired .....	5
Meeting Houses dedicated .....	1
Meeting Houses built .....	4
Churches Organized .....	2
Conversions .....	399
By Letter .....	366
Restoration .....	20
Baptisms .....	212

**FOR THIRD QUARTER**

Sunday Schools organized .....	28
Meeting Houses repaired .....	3
Meeting Houses built .....	3
Churches Organized .....	6
Conversions .....	998
By Letter .....	382
Restoration .....	62
Statement .....	3
Baptisms .....	560

Total additions for the 1st, 2nd, 3rd Quarters .. 1605

Total Baptisms for the 1st, 2nd, 3rd, Quarters .. 782

Your committee urgently requests that every church in the Association give their greatest gifts to State missions this year.

J. T. King,  
D. F. Jackson,  
W. F. Rogers,  
C. L. Stocks.  
Committee.



The report was ably discussed by J. T. King and E. J. A. McKinney and adopted.

The body adjourned till 2 o'clock p. m. Closing prayer by J. T. King.

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## FRIDAY--AFTERNOON SESSION

After a helpful song service conducted by J. D. Crawford, the Moderator called the meeting to order at 2 o'clock p. m.

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### VISITORS RECOGNIZED

The following visiting messengers were welcomed: E. J. A. McKinney, Editor Baptist Advance; L. S. Ballard, Editor of the Missionary Baptist.

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### FOREIGN MISSIONS

The committee on Foreign Missions made the following report:

The Foreign Mission Board is in the glorious work of world evangelization. It is appointed by Southern Baptists for the stupendous task. Splendid opportunities are before us. China, with 440,000,000 of people, is passing through a marvelous transformation. Now is the time to give these millions the gospel. Japan is leading the Orient. Shall we lead Japan to Christ? Mohammedanism threatens to submerge Africa. Shall we turn back the tide by the power of the gospel? South America, Mexico and Italy are sick and tired of Romanism; they are ready to receive the message which we have to give. Vast open doors which we have not yet been able to enter lie before us. We have sent out 273 missionaries, thirty of them sent out last year, and they have gathered around them 581 native helpers, and are training hundreds of others. The Missionaries re-

ported 3,618 baptisms last year and will soon report tens of thousands converts each year, if the present rapid growth continues. There are seven Women's Training Schools with 149 students and nine Theological Training Schools with 212 students. There are fifteen medical missionaries treating many thousands of patients and opening the way to the hearts and the homes of millions of people. We have seven hospitals and twelve dispensaries in which the missionaries assisted by five missionary nurses and many native helpers treated 40,716 patients. The printing plants are sending out the Bible and millions of pages of religious literature in the languages of the people. The work has grown so rapidly that it cost last year far more than our people were willing to give. If we meet the actual necessities of the missions now, we must greatly enlarge our offering. The total receipts for last year were \$510,008.97, a small gain over the year before. An accumulated debt of \$89,600 now rests upon the work. This should be paid off this year. To do so and maintain the work as it now is, will require at least \$600,000. Will the churches give it? It is a condition that calls for greatly enlarged giving but it is absolutely imperative unless our people are willing to let this great cause suffer. Let us raise this amount and even more that we may make an advance in the work.

We recommend:—1. That all our people help; by sympathy and prayer; by subscribing for and reading the Foreign Mission Journal; by distributing tracts which can be had for the asking; by self-denying sacrifice by all, and by liberal gifts from the wealthy; by sending in their gifts now and not waiting for the season of pressure in March and April.

H. M. Geren,	} Committee
A. J. Harrell,	
W. R. Horne.	

The report was enthusiastically discussed by H. M. Geren, H. C. Rosamond and W. G. Simmons. The report was adopted.

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### HOME MISSIONS

The report on Home Missions was introduced and ably discussed by W. M. Wright, the new pastor of Camden Baptist church, E. J. A. McKinney and Capt. A. C. Jones.

Your committee is glad to report that notwithstanding nearly half of the states fell behind in their contributions over the previous year, the blessings of heaven have marvelously fallen, both upon the work and the workers. During the year just closed there were 26,866 baptisms reported by the missionaries, and a total number of additions made to the churches of 49,297. These, of course, are the visible results but as is the case with all the work of the Lord, there are many things which cannot be tabulated. The importance of this work cannot be over-estimated. It is fundamental to all missionary endeavor. Strong at home, we are enabled to exert a tremendous influence abroad. It comprehends all missionary activity. The foreigners are coming to our shores at the rate one million a year. What shall we do with them? The answer of the Baptists through the Home Mission Board is, let us evangelize them, and this we are doing through the evangelistic department of the Home Board. The board is also doing a great work among the Indians, Negroes, Mexicans and the Cubans, to say nothing of the work in the Canal Zone and the mountain regions. There was never before so much need of Home Missions in the South as now, and there never have been richer opportunities than those which beckon Southern Baptists to redouble their efforts for saving America. Last year Arkansas

Baptists gave only \$6.612,58 to this work, just about half the amount we gave the previous year. We are asked to give \$15.000 this year. What shall our answer be? The average contribution to our Home Mission work was less than fifteen cents per member last year, and more than 11.000 Southern Baptist churches gave nothing whatever to our missionary and benevolent activities. This condition is a reproach to the denomination, and ought to be speedily remedied. Therefore, we urge the pastors in the Association, through preaching and the wise distribution of literature, to keep their congregation informed and thoroughly alive to the needs of Home Mission endeavor. In view of the fact that more than one-third of all the money collected for Home Missions came in during the last week of the Conventional year, causing great anxiety to our secretaries and deep concern to our Baptist Zion. We recommend that we endeavor to systemize our gifts so as to prevent such conditions as far as possible.

W. M. Wright.

J. R. Simms

A. D. Primm.

} Committee.

The report was adopted as read.

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#### ASSOCIATIONAL MISSIONS

The following reports of the Executive committee on Associational Missions and that of the special Associational Missionary, J. P. Crawford, were submitted and approved.

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#### EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE'S REPORT

In obedience to the instructions of this body at its last session, this committee met in a few days after the Association adjourned and elected Rev. J. P. Crawford as missionary for full time at a salary of

\$50 per month. Later the State Mission Board agreed to pay \$25 per month, one half the salary. Bro. Crawford began work November, 1st. He lost the month of January from sickness, hence has served ten months as missionary. Your committee instructed Bro. Crawford to handle books, and the chairman of your committee has purchased over \$300 worth of books from our State Board. Bro. Crawford reports \$146.50 collected on the field, and has sold books to the amount of \$293.80. The profits on these books about \$135.00. Books on hand about \$37.00. The amount collected by Bro. Crawford and the profits on books amount to \$280.00. The State Board is due Bro. Crawford about \$60. In view of the fact that the churches have sent in so little for the support of this work it is apparent to your committee that they are not in harmony with the work and hence will not support the work.

H. C. Rosamond,	} Committee.
H. M. Geren,	
J. T. King.	

### MISSIONARY'S REPORT

I began work as Missionary November 1, 1910, at a salary of \$50 per month, one-half to be paid by our State Mission Board and half by the Association. I lost month of January from sickness.

Days labored.....	300
Miles traveled.....	4500
Churches supplied, Norphlet, Calion, Cham- pagnolle.....	3
Stations supplied, Murry School House and McGough School House.....	2
Sermons preached.....	172
Religious addresses.....	17
Services in homes.....	36

Conversions.....	113
Baptisms administered by me.....	20
Baptisms administered by others.....	72
Additions by letter.....	30
Additions by restoration.....	16
Total additions.....	143
Meeting houses built (supervised).....	2
Sunday Schools organized.....	12
Salary paid by State Board.....	200
Amount of books sold.....	\$296.80
Amount of books donated.....	1.50
Amount of books on hand.....	37.10
Amount received on field.....	146.58
Amount salary due.....	
Tracts distributed.....	400
Amount collected for State Missions....	9.17
Amount collected for Orphanage.....	9.50

J. P Crawford, Missionary.

### REPORT OF NEW COMMITTEE

The Baptists have two general bodies, one composed of representatives from our churches in the East, North and West. The other is the Southern Baptist Convention, and includes all the territory from Maryland to New Mexico and South with Cuba and Panama. The Baptists of each state are organized into a State Convention, and each State is subdivided into Associations. The term Associational Missions applies to mission work done within the bounds of an association. So far as your committee can learn, very little mission work has ever been done by Liberty Association prior to one year ago. Some of our churches have contributed liberally to Foreign, Home and State Missions, Orphanage, Education, Etc. But very little has ever been contributed to evangelize the destitute places in the bounds of this



body. At our meeting one year ago a special committee was appointed to consider the advisability of doing mission work in our bounds. That committee recommended that a missionary be put in the field at once, and a number of pledges were made by churches for his support. Your Executive Board reports that very few of these pledges have been paid. That is especially true of our larger churches. The Executive Committee elected Rev. J. P. Crawford and he went to work the first of last November, devoting all his time to the work. The State Board paid \$25 per month on his salary, and Bro. Crawford has made the balance of his salary from collections from churches and profits on books sold on the field. He reports collections on the field to the amount of \$146.50, and the profits on books sold is about \$135.00. It is very evident that this is a very important work and this Association should keep a missionary in the field for all his time. This can be done with ease if our churches will respond to the calls for this work. But so far very few have responded with help for this work. Your committee urge the importance of the work. We also suggest the advisability of instructing the Executive Board to continue this work in the future by securing the very best man they can. We also recommend that said missionary be required to report to the Association an itemized account of all money collected by him.

H. C. Rosamond,	} Committee.
J. F. Hendrick,	
C. C. Kidd,	
J. E. Murphy,	

These reports were all adopted.

A motion was passed for this Association to refund the money paid out by H. C. Rosamond on the express of books sold by the missionary and to thank

H. C. Rosamond for the fine management he has given in providing the salary of the Associational Missionary, J. P. Crawford.

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### MINISTERIAL RELIEF

The following report on Ministerial Relief was submitted and adopted.

In compliance with the request of your Moderator made one year ago. We submit the following on Ministerial support:

The Baptists as an organization, have never made any definite or tangible arrangements to care for aged and decrepit preachers and their wives. Those who have spent their lives in the interest of the cause, when disease has taken hold of their bodies and we can no longer use them in active service we relegate them to the rear to let them do the best they can so long as God lets them live. We think the time has fully come when we should provide a fund for these old veterans. We recommend that every church in this Association take up a collection in December each year for this cause, and forward to Bro. O. J. Wade, Little Rock, Ark., who is treasurer of this fund, or so long as he should act in that capacity, and we further ask that the messengers of this association to the State convention try to have adopted a similar resolution, making December the time all over the State to take this offering. Make this a definite cause, as well as Ministerial education, State Missions, Offerings, etc., thereby giving our ministry the assurance that when they get old they will not be forgotten.

M. P. Muse,  
J. G. Jeffus, } Committee.  
Levy E. Gray.

## PUBLICATIONS

The following report was submitted and adopted on Publications:

The home, today, needs, as never before, to be closely guarded from the entrance of poisonous literature. Books may destroy or make alive the souls of our boys and girls. Character is determined by the kind of literature that enters the home. We would urge our people to encourage the reading of the Bible more. There is a great awakening in religious life, due to a more careful study of God's Word. The Bible should be studied daily in the home. It is a deplorable fact, that in many Baptist homes, the Bible is still a dust-covered volume and a lost book in the lives of their children. With this book in our hands we can take this world for Christ. Our Baptist people need religious information: A few cents spent each year will bring you the Baptist Advance of Little Rock, which will keep you in touch with the great achievements of the Baptists of this State; or the Home Field of Atlanta, Ga., will thrill you with the great work and the still greater need of Home Missions; or Foreign Mission Journal, Richmond Va., will fire your soul with zeal for a lost world as you learn of the success God is giving us in the uttermost parts of the earth. We would urge our churches to be loyal in their support of the Southern Baptist Sunday School Board of Nashville, Tenn., in its Sunday school literature. Besides the lesson helps and the new graded lesson system, they handle many books, dealing with every phase of the great Sunday school movement. Every pastor, superintendent and teacher should use these freely. A new era will dawn on our work when our leaders "study to be approved a workman that needeth not to be ashamed." Our Sunday school and church leaders need more of

the spirit of investigation to know what our Sunday School Board and what our various Mission Boards are doing to keep the churches informed along every line of work for the advancement of the Kingdom.

Geo. W. Mason,	} Committee.
J. W. Hargis,	
L. O. Parks.	

A motion was carried to set aside 3 'oclock tomorrow afternoon as a special order for Woman's work.

A motion was made and carried that Moderator be requested to name a chairman for each committee to prepare a report on the various phases of our work and submit at the next meeting of the Liberty Association.

### TREASURER'S REPORT

The Treasurer, B. F. Rogers, made the following report, which was adopted.

Collected for Orphanage.....	\$103.28
Collected for Minutes and Clerk.....	97.68
Collected for State Missions.....	31.25
Collected for Home Missions.....	5.13
Total amount collected.....	<u>\$237.34</u>

### AMOUNT PAID OUT

To F. P. Turner.....	\$103.28
To G. W. Mason.....	20.00
To J. M. Warren.....	65.00
To J. G. Harris.....	17.60
To J. S. Rogers.....	24.78
To Amount on hand.....	6.68
Total.....	<u>\$237.34</u>

Now to credit of the Association.....	6.68
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B. F. Rogers, Treasurer.

### PETITIONARY LETTERS

A petitionary letter was received from Concord Baptist church. A motion was carried to admit the church into the fellowship of Liberty Baptist Association.

The body adjourned to meet at 8 o'clock tonight.

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### FRIDAY—EVENING SESSION

After a helpful and inspiring song service, the Moderator called the meeting to order at 7:30 o'clock p. m.

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### ORPHAN'S HOME

The report on Orphan's Home was submitted and after an enthusiastic discussion was adopted:

We, your committee on the Orphanage beg leave to submit the following report.

The Baptist Orphanage or Arkansas is located at Monticello, a town of 5000 inhabitants, and one of the most beautiful in the State. It is under the very efficient management of Brother and Sister J. N. Williams. There are in the Orphanage at present 130 children and applications are turned down almost daily on account of lack of room. The truck farm owned by the Orphanage and worked by the larger boys is getting to be a paying investment. During the last year there has been a revival among the larger boys and girls, many of them having been baptized into the Monticello Baptist church. The religious atmosphere of the home could hardly be surpassed. The needs of the home are great, the most important of which is the boys dormitory. There is some debt on the home. It is hoped that this debt will be liquidated before the meeting of the State Convention at Pine Bluff. We urge therefore that



all the churches make an offering to this worthy cause.

R. A. Faulker,	} Committee.
W. F. Rogers.	
Baxter Combs.	

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After this report was adopted, a public collection was taken amounting to \$30.92, to be sent to the Orphan's Home.

At eight o'clock Rev. E. J. A. McKinney filled the pulpit. He read, as the evening lesson, Luke 16:1-12. Text, Luke 16:8.

At this point the Moderator called on Rev. J. R. Dickerson, pastor of the Methodist church of Wesson. Mr. Dickerson thanked God for the inspiration of this meeting. He prayed that the messengers might remain a spiritual blessing after they leave and each may receive a blessing as they go in and out of the homes of Wesson.

A meeting to discuss Woman's work was appointed at the Methodist church at 9:00 o'clock tomorrow morning.

The Association adjourned to meet at 8:30 a. m. tomorrow. Benediction by W. G. Simmons.

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## SATURDAY—MORNING SESSION

The body met Saturday morning and engaged in a fine song service. The morning lesson, Psalms 1, was read and commented on. C. P. McGraw offered the opening prayer.

A motion was carried to limit speeches of chairmen of committees to 15 minutes and others to 10 minutes.

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## SUNDAY SCHOOLS

The committee on Sunday Schools made its re-



port. After an enthusiastic discussion it was adopted.

Your committee is gratified to note the increased interest and growth of the Sunday School work in our Association during the past few years. We note that four years ago only sixteen churches reported Sunday schools. Our tabulated report shows us out of the 40 churches in the Association we have about 30 well organized Bible schools with an enrollment of 1484. There is no greater field for service than in the teaching service of the church. We feel that the pastors, board of deacons and every member of the church should support, aid and encourage every phase of the Sunday school work. The possibilities of developing christian character in the Bible school is unlimited. Feeling the importance of this work. we your committee, recommend that our associational missionary give special attention to those churches that have no Sunday school and urge the orgaization just as soon as possible. We further recommend that our schools use our new literature—Southern Baptist Convention Series.

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#### AMENDMENT

That our Executive Board be empowered to instruct our Associational Missonary to give special attention to churches without Bible schools.

J. G. Muse,	} Committee.
J. A. Simmons,	
R. L. Hardin.	

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#### SCHOOLS AND COLLEGES

The following report was offered and adopted on our Baptist Schools and Colleges:

Christian education is fundamental. It lies at the very base of our success as a denomination, and our watchword should be, must be: "We must edu-

cate, we must educate." We point with commendable pride to our own Ouachita-Central system of affiliated schools and colleges. We doubtless do not realize the good we are receiving from these denominational institutions of learning. Brethren, these institutions have, and are proving inestimable blessings to us as a denomination, and not only so, but also to our great and beloved state, and other states as well. Our own beloved Bowers is at the head of Ouachita, while Dr. J. W. Conger, so long and favorably known among us, is at the head of Central. We know these men, what they can do and for what they stand—the very highest type of christian education and training. Christian education and training is a great and mighty power for good, while ignorance is a bane to any people. We, as a people, simply must take care of these, our beloved institutions of learning. We must help them with our prayers, with our encouragement, with our patronage and with our means. We recommend the speedy lifting of all or any indebtedness, and the immediate undertaking of the raising of an endowment fund. Brethren, these institutions belong to us, then let us take care of them.

C. P. McGraw,	} Committee.
J. L. Perry.	
W. N. Lawton.	

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The original motion to limit speeches was amended to 10 minutes for chairman and 5 minutes for other speakers.

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#### NOMINATIONS

The following report was made by the Committee on Nominations:

We your Committee on Nominations beg leave to submit the following report:

We recommend that the next and Sixty-Seventh session of the Liberty Baptist Association meet with the El Dorado Baptist church, El Dorado, Arkansas, commencing at 7:30 p. m. on Thursday before the fourth Sunday in September, 1912. And also recommend that Brother W. M. Wright of Camden, preach the introductory sermon, alternate, Brother C. P. McGraw. Messengers to Southern Baptist Convention, Brethren W. M. Wright of Camden, and Geo. W. Mason and H. M. Geren alternate. Members of Executive Board of Liberty Association. H. C. Rosamond, H. M. Geren, Geo. W. Mason, of El Dorado, W. M. Wright of Camden, J. T. King of Junction City.

H. W. Goodwin,	} Committee.
Ed Primm,	
D. F. Jackson.	

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A motion was made by Capt. A. C. Jones to substitute Three Creeks as the place for the next place of meeting which was lost. The original report was adopted.

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#### OBITUARIES

The Committee on Obituaries report as follows which was adopted:

We find that since our last session that the Lord has removed from our midst the following named Brethren and Sisters: J. A. Little, Garland Jackson, Corrine Graves, Annie Willoughby, Nancy Jackson, R. W. Darden, Gertie Davis, Elizabeth Deason, Dora Bankston, W. R. Knowles, Daniel Ward, E. A. Shafer, E. L. Watson, Mrs. W. B. Elliott, Mrs. W. T. Nichols, W. D. Ledbetter, Mrs. R. Langston, J. C. Meadors, Q. O. Byrom, M. E. Joyce, B. F. McKinzie, R. T. Howard, John Price, M. L. Langley, Annie

Scoggin, Nettie Hall, Ellen Tatum, M. A. Langston, Mrs. Gordon Wade, S. E. Perry, Lena Carlock, Edna Weber, J. B. Robertson, Ellen Lewis, Naomi Bragg, J. K. Sheppard, Mary Hudson.

B. F. Rogers,  
A. J. Harrell, } Committee.  
S. L. Adams, }

At this point the Moderator called the messengers of the Concord Baptist church which was admitted into fellowship yesterday and gave the right hand of fellowship in behalf of the Association bidding them welcome into our Association.

A motion was made that the Nominating Committee be requested to nominate someone as a member of the State Board and report to this body. The committee gave the name of H. C. Rosamond of El-Dorado as this member. This report was adopted.

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#### PREACHING SERVICE

The committee on divine service reported preaching at 11 o'clock by W. M. Wright of Camden. The 116 Psalm was read as the morning lesson. Text. 2 Cor. 9:15.

The committee on divine service announced that C. P. McGraw would preach tonight at 8 o'clock.

The body adjourned till 2 o'clock this afternoon.

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#### SATURDAY—AFTERNOON SESSION

The body was called to order by H. C. Rosamond, the Moderator being in other matters. Prayer was led by A. Worthington.

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#### TEMPERANCE

The following resolution on Temperance was sub-

mitted and adopted as follows:

Temperance should be enforced personally, religiously, morally and legally. A man should be temperate for self's sake and as an example for others. We regret that our legislature failed to pass a Statewide law or to submit one to the voters. Once more we would ask that no man vote for Senator or Representative without a pledge that he will vote for Statewide prohibition to the end that we may banish the demon rum from our State. We still rejoice in the fact that prohibition has given us Ouachita county and would urge the good people of that county to ever be on the alert to hold the ground. Let us all feel grateful to an allwise Providence that this is the first time in the history of this Association that there is not a licensed saloon in its boundaries. We commend our congressman in his efforts to pass a law (national) to prohibit issuing government license in territory where prohibition prevails.

J. P. Crawford,	} Committee.
Mark Ward,	
D. A. Crawford.	

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### FINANCE

The Finance Committee made their report which was adopted:

We your Committee on Finance ask to make the following report:

Received for Minutes and Clerk.....	\$79.39
Received for Orphan's Home.....	53.63
Received for State Missions.....	7.40
Received for Home Missions.....	1.96
Received for Foreign Missions.....	1.00
Received for Associational Missions.....	7.50
Cash or Ass'n collection for Orphans Home	<u>30.92</u>

Total amount received \$181.80



By amount not paid in on Ophan Home	
by Lisbon church .....	\$ 1.30
By amount paid to Bro. Sayers by Union	
Chappel for Orphan's Home and for	
warded to Orphan Home by Bro. Sayers	5.00

Total amount paid out \$ 6.30

Total amount on hand \$175.50

Joe F. Cook,	} Committee.
J. C. Neely	
J. M. Wallace.	

### MINISTERIAL EDUCATION

The committee on Ministerial Education was reported and adopted as follows:

We as Baptists realize that in order to meet the demands of our people and the world at large we must have an educated ministry. Not only are the towns and cities demanding an educated ministry but the country as well. Our country boys and girls are being educated and of course that calls for educated men to preach for our country churches. Preaching is teaching and who teaches must know himself how to teach. We therefore recommend that the churches of Liberty Association aid and support our ministerial students in our college and seminary.

J. D. Crawford,	} Committee.
James Fitzgerald,	
Levy Fitzgerald,	

### PLEDGES

H. M. Geren made a motion that the churches make pledges to cover \$200 expenses of J. D. Sayers and C. B. Rogers at Ouachita college.

The following pledges were made to be paid by November 1, 1911.



### PLEDGES

Camden.....	\$50.00	Ebenezer.....	\$ 1.00
El Dorado.....	50.00	Huttig.....	10.00
Junction City....	10.00	Hopewell No. 3..	10.00
Three Creeks....	10.00	Lisbon.....	5.00
Knowles Chapel..	10.00	Lawson.....	5.00
Union Church....	10.00	Caledonia.....	1.00
Wesson.....	5.00	Salem.....	5.00
G. W. Hays.....	10.00	Strong.....	5.00
Emanuel.....	5.00	Cash.....	25

W. M. Wright made a motion that the Association raise \$100 to assist H. W. Jean to attend school at Ouachita college this year.

### PLEDGES

Elliott.....	\$10.00	El Dorado.....	\$25.00
H. C. Rosamond..	5.00	Three Creeks....	5.00
Camden.....	25.00	Holly Grove....	5.00
Wesson.....	5.00	Hopewell No. 3..	5.00
J. W. Jenkins....	5.00	Junction City....	5.00
Beuna Vista.....	5.00	Huttig.....	5.00
G. W. Hayes.....	5.00		

### COMMITTEES APPOINTED

The following chairmen of committees were appointed by the Moderator to prepare reports and have them ready at the meeting of the next Association at El Dorado, September 1912.

State Missions, H. M. Geren; Foreign Missions, W. M. Wright; Home Missions, H. C. Rosamond; Associational Missions, J. T. King; Schools and Colleges, J. D. Crawford; Publications, Geo. W. Mason; Temperance, A. C. Jones; Sunday Schools, J. P.

Crawford; Orphanage, C. P. McGraw; Woman's Work, Mrs. J. M. Sheppard; Young People's Work, J. D. Sayers; Ministerial Education, H. W. Jean; Laymen's Movement, B. F. Rogers; Ministerial Relief H. W. Goodwin; Finance, J. M. Wallace; Obituary, C. B. Rogers; Nominations, Alfred Worthington.

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### WOMANS' WORK

The following report was offered and adopted on Woman's Work.

In the 11th verse of the 68th Psalm, [Revised Version] we have these words: "The Lord gave the word, great was the company of woman that published it." We feel grateful to God for the fulfillment of this Scripture, for in the average church today, the women are bravely helping to shoulder the burdens, both financial and spiritual, and are "holding up the hands" of their pastors in a very substantial way. The plans of having an Associational superintendent in each association to supervise the work of the women among young people and children, and organize societies and bands where there are none, is proving a good one. And we bespeak the sympathetic co-operation of all the pastors of the Association in this great and rapidly developing work. The well organized woman's societies are adopting systematic Bible study, using text books recommended by the State Central Committee, and this in itself is proving a source of great spiritual blessing and development. The societies are also observing regular monthly missionary programs, and are hereby learning much of the mission fields at home and abroad. This brings them into closer touch with the missionaries and teaches them better how to pray for and stand with those who represent them in the "regions beyond." The thought of personal service is also be-

ing stressed, and each widerawake society is following the scriptural injunction to the best of its ability: "Whatsoever thy hands findeth to do, do it with thy might." The prayer life is also being developed, especially through the use of the Missionary prayer calendar issued at W. M. U. headquarters, which has a special object of prayer for every day in the year. Who can estimate what the united prayers of our Southern Baptist Women concentrated on a definite object, can accomplish in the kingdom of our Lord and Master? He "whose ear is not heavy that He cannot hear," alone knows what it means to the work and the worker. The organization of the Y. W. A's, is another important feature of our Woman's work, for it is from the ranks of the young women that future leaders and workers are to be drawn, and in proportion to the thoroughness of their present training will be their efficiency in the work hereafter. As they study and assimilate the facts as set forth in the fascinating mission study text books recommended by our Southern Educational Secretary, will they become, not only thoroughly missionary in spirit, but many of them will later on, we trust and believe, offer themselves actually for service on the foreign field. The woman's meeting this morning was the most successful in our history 9 churches represented six societies and about 40 ladies present. The following is our report, \$1584.65, but the most important part that means better service, more cheerful lives consecrated to our Blessed Lord and are willing to do the small things for him can never be told. With sincere and humble gratitude before our Lord do we acknowledge the kindness and consideration shown us and our work by the brotherhood of this Association and it encourages us to greater efforts, striving ever to do the woman's part to be the handmaiden of

our Lord and a help to our brethren.

Mrs. Geo. Hays,  
Mrs. A. Flenniken, } Committee.  
Mrs. Frank Hill.  
And all other Lady Messengers.

### FINANCIAL STATEMENT

Camden report .....	\$425.70
Lawson report .....	25.10
Junction City report .....	57.35
El Dorado Sunbeams .....	54.00
El Dorado Y. W. A's .....	35.00
El Dorado Royal Ambassadors .....	125.00
Total Aid Report .....	704.20
Strong report .....	5.50
Wesson report .....	149.80
Total .....	<u>\$1580.65</u>

### ASSOCIATIONAL DOLLAR

Lawson .....	1.00
El Dorado .....	1.00
Camden .....	1.00
Huttig .....	1.00
Total .....	<u>\$1584.65</u>

### CHURCHES REPRESENTED.

Camden, El Dorado, Strong, Junction City,  
Wesson, Lawson.

Churches with no Organization. Louann, Calion.  
Union Grove.

### OFFICERS

Mrs. Aylmer Flenniken, ..... President  
Mrs. Dr. Sheppard, ..... Vice-President  
Mrs. G. W. Hays, ..... Secretary and Treasurer  
Mrs. Frank C. Hill, ..... Assistant Superintendent

DELEGATES TO W. M. U.

Wesson—Mesdames Lizzie Tatum, Mattie Boswell, Mattie Stringfellow, Maggie McDuffie. Miss Ophelia Fain.

Three Creeks—Mesdames Mary Jones, Adams, Jean.

El Dorado—Mesdames A. Flenniken, Dr. Shepard, Hugh Goodwin.

Strong—Mrs. C. P. McGraw.

Calion—Mesdames Eddie Goodwin, Lela Goodwin.

Junction City—Miss Anna Meadows.

Champagnolle—Misses Alto Amason, Doll Murphy.

Camden—Mesdames N. S. Ward, W. M. Wright.

Union—Misses Birdie Graves. Delukie Stegall.

Hopewell No. 3—Mesdames J. F. Cook, Ruth Johnson.

Emanuel—Mrs. R. J. LaGrone.

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LAYMEN'S MOVEMENT

The following report was offered on the Laymen's Movement. It was adopted.

The Laymen's Movement is a movement that looks to the enlistment of men more and more in the religious enterprises of the world. Primarily it was inaugurated to create an interest among the laymen of the country in foreign missions. Baptists have refused to limit the movement thus, but insist on it as an agency for enlisting men in every phase of denominational and church life. Our women are working and studying, why should not the men do these things too? We would recommend the continuation of the committee on Laymen's movement the new committee to be named by the Moderator. And we

would urge that this Committee help to enlist the laymen of our churches in all our work by means of letters, conferences and rallies especially for the laymen.

J. D. Sayers,  
W. T. Hudson, } Committee.  
A Worthington. }

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At this point Miss Espy, State organizer of the Woman's Work was introduced by the Moderator.

A motion was made by H. C. Rosamond, that owing to the most splendid and business-like session of this Association we owe our thanks to the present officers. Motion was carried.

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#### RESOLUTIONS

The following resolutions were adopted:

First. Resolved that Geo. W. Mason be paid \$20 per year for his services as clerk.

Second: Resolved that we extend a vote of thanks to the people of Wesson and their vicinity and to the Methodist church of Wesson for the use of their building and the Wesson railroad for their kindness in changing the regular schedule for our special accommodation.

H. M. Geren.

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A motion was made that the clerk be instructed to have as many minutes printed as can be for the amount of cash on hand.

It was announced that W. M. Wright would preach at the Baptist church at 8 o'clock tonight and 11 a. m. tomorrow. J. D. Sayers at the Methodist church at 11 a. m., tomorrow.



The Association adjourned. bidding farewell while the choir sang "God Be With You Till We Meet Again".

This was one of the finest meetings ever held of the Liberty Baptist Association. The harmony was perfect, the addresses were pointed and the spiritual atmosphere was fine.

The next meeting will be held with the El Dorado Baptist church at 7:30 o'clock p. m., on Thursday before the fourth unday in September, 1912. The introductory sermon will be preached by W. M. Wright of Camden, alternate. C. P. McGraw of Strong.

### LICENTATES

Chaney, A. C.	Juno,	Parker, W. S.	Three Creeks.
Crawford, D. A.	Smackover.	Stocks, C. L.	Norphlet,
Daniels, H. F.	Wesson,	Steelman, W. A.	Smackover,
Lawrence, W. A.	Summerfield,	Taylor, J. W.	Juno,

### SUNDAY SCHOOL SUPERINTENDENTS

Camden.	S. B. Lide,	Camden,	Arkansas.
Cane Creek,	D. P. Wilson,	Strong,	
Dry Run,	W. R. Swilley,	Smackover,	
El Dorado,	Geo. W. Mason,	El Dorado,	
El Dorado Mission,	L. L. DeCou,	El Dorado,	
Emanuel,	A. R. LaGrone,	Louann,	
Green Grove,	J. E. Burrough,	Wilmington,	
Hopewell No. 3.	C. E. Cramer,	Louann,	
Hopewell No. 1.	W. E. Mason,	Trull,	
Hillsboro.	W. T. Hudson,	Hillsboro,	
Junction City,	M. P. Muse,	Junction City,	
Knowles Chapel,	G. W. Burns,	Sandy Bend,	
Lisbon,	D. M. Oliver,	Lisbon,	
Lapile,	A. B. Cobb,	Lapile,	
Lawson,	C. C. Smith,	Lawson,	
Mt. Moriah,	T. J. Sawyer,	Blanchard Springs,	
Norphlet.	E. G. Murphy,	Norphlet,	
New Hope,	H. L. Halsell,	Tubal,	
Pleasant Grove,	S. R. Templeton,	Hillsboro,	
Salem,	Dr. J. T. Hawkins,	Mt. Holly,	
Strong,	J. M. Wallace,	Strong,	
Spring Hill,	A. L. Fautheree,	Caledonia,	
Three Creeks,	W. H. Jones,	Three Creeks,	
Union,	G. L. Graves,	Juno,	
Huttig,	W. H. Wheler,	Huttig,	
Union Grove,	H. W. Burdine,	Atlanta,	
Union Grove,	Morgan Braswell,	Strong,	
Wesson,	L. S. Allen,	Wesson,	

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Knowles Chap	H w Jean	wesson	G W Burns	Sandy Bend	Sandy Bend	Sandy Bend	Sandy Bend	Sandy Bend	Sandy Bend
Lawson	C P McGraw	Strong	Frank Hill	Lawson	Lawson	Lawson	Lawson	Lawson	Lawson
Lapile	A w King	Farmerville	Law C Smith	Lapile	Lapile	Lapile	Lapile	Lapile	Lapile
Liberty	D H Webb	Lillie, La	I T Avery	Lawson	Lawson	Lawson	Lawson	Lawson	Lawson
Lisbon	Paul Lawrence	Lisbon							
Midway	A Worthington	El Dorado	J H Scarbrough	Shuler	Shuler	Shuler	Shuler	Shuler	Shuler
Mt, Moriah	D K Sawyer	Rester, La	J M Lyons	Blanchard Spgs	Blanchard Spgs	Blanchard Spgs	Blanchard Spgs	Blanchard Spgs	Blanchard Spgs
Norphlet			E G Murphy	Norphlet	Norphlet	Norphlet	Norphlet	Norphlet	Norphlet
New Hope	D K Sawyer	Lester La	I G Adams	Tubal	Tubal	Tubal	Tubal	Tubal	Tubal
Pleasant Grove	C P Kinard	Sumerfield, La	W L Seal	Hillsboro	Hillsboro	Hillsboro	Hillsboro	Hillsboro	Hillsboro
Pleasant Home	w J Sexton		Joel Slaton	Camden	Camden	Camden	Camden	Camden	Camden
Sandy Land	T M Bates	Norphlet	J H Gray	Smackover	Smackover	Smackover	Smackover	Smackover	Smackover
Spring Hill			w Fautheree	Caledonia	Caledonia	Caledonia	Caledonia	Caledonia	Caledonia
Salem	D w Bolton	Stephens	B B Hawkins	Mt. Holly	Mt. Holly	Mt. Holly	Mt. Holly	Mt. Holly	Mt. Holly
Strong	C P McGraw	Strong	J M wallace	Strong	Strong	Strong	Strong	Strong	Strong
Three Creeks	J D Crawford	Three Creeks	J D Jean	Three Creeks	Three Creeks	Three Creeks	Three Creeks	Three Creeks	Three Creeks
Union	J D Crawford	Three Creeks	G L Graves	Juno	Juno	Juno	Juno	Juno	Juno
Union Grove	C P Kinard	Sumerfield La	M B Carlock	Atlanta	Atlanta	Atlanta	Atlanta	Atlanta	Atlanta
Union Chapel	J D Sayers	Arkadelphia	Tony Norris	Strong	Strong	Strong	Strong	Strong	Strong
Vernon Hill	C B Rodgers	El Dorado	A L Rowell	El Dorado	El Dorado	El Dorado	El Dorado	El Dorado	El Dorado
Wesson			L S Allen	Wesson	Wesson	Wesson	Wesson	Wesson	Wesson
Zion Hill	J D Crawford	Three Creeks	Mark Ward	El Dorado	El Dorado	El Dorado	El Dorado	El Dorado	El Dorado

