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# Minutes of Fourth Annual Session of Black River Association

— HELD WITH —

## FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

OF PORTIA, ARKANSAS

September 17, 18, 19, 1918

### Officers:

H. E. KIRKPATRICK, Moderator

FRANK MASSEY, Clerk and Treasurer

The next Session will be held with Imboden Church, Beginning on Friday, after Third Sunday in September, 1919, at 10 O'clock, A. M., for Three-Day Session

### ASSOCIATIONAL SERMON

H. E. Kirkpatrick

C. E. Goacher, Alternate

### DOCTRINAL SERMON

J. W. WADE

J. N. Weaver, Alternate

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The Fifth Annual Session of the Woman's Missionary Union, Auxiliary to Black River Association, will meet with the Imboden church, on Thursday after 3rd Sunday in September, 1919, at 10:00 a. m.



# PROCEEDINGS

Portia, Arkansas, Sept. 17, 1918.

## THURSDAY, NIGHT SESSION

The Black River Association met at the Baptist church at 8 o'clock p. m. In the absence of the Moderator of the previous association, the body was called to order by the Clerk of the the previous association. After a song by the audience, and scriptural lesson and prayer by Rev. W. R. McEwen of Jonesboro, the body proceeded to elect a Moderator pro tem. R. V. Goss of Imboden, and H. E. Kirkpatrick of Walnut Ridge, were placed in nomination. H. E. Kirkpatrick was elected and took the chair and presided.

At the suggestion of J. P. Dunn of Hoxie, who had been nominated to preach the associational sermon, the sermon was preached by J. S. Compere, Assistant-General secretary of the Baptist State Convention, preaching on the subject of "Missions." After the sermon the body engaged in prayer, led by J. N. Weaver of Hardy.

On motion and second, the association voted to elect permanent officers. H. E. Kirkpatrick, moderator pro tem, was elected permanent moderator, and Frank Massey of Pocahontas, was elected Clerk and Treasurer. The Moderator announced the following committees:

Committee on order of business—J. P. Dunn, D. C. Mayo.

Committee on State Missions—T. J. Moore, D. C. Mayo, W. T. Jackson.

Committee on Orphans' Home—W. F. Dorris, J. L. Johnson, Mrs. J. L. Johnson.

Association adjourned with prayer by W. F. Dorris.

## WEDNESDAY, MORNING SESSION

The association reassembled at 9:15 a m., and after devotional services, conducted by W. F. Dorris of Monticello Baptist Orphans' Home, the Moderator announced the following committees:

Reading committee—R. V. Goss, D. C. Mayo.

On roll call the following delegates answered to their names:

Alicia—Not represented.

Bethel—T. J. Moore, G. B. Borah.

Black Rock—Mrs. Mary Smith, Mrs. Jennie McKinney.

Hoxie—R. W. Stone, J. P. Dunn, W. G. Davidson, Mrs. W. G. Davidson.

Imboden—R. V. Goss, G. B. Borah.

Mammoth Spring—Mrs. Sam Estes, Mrs. J. M. Mauldin.

Minturn—Not represented.

Pocahontas—Frank Massey, Mrs. Frank Massey.

Portia—J. M. Appleget, D. C. Mayo, Mrs. Sarah Petty.

Swifton—J. L. Johnson, Mrs. J. L. Johnson.

Strangers Home—Not represented.

Tuckerman—Not represented.

Walnut Grove—Henry Cole, Mamie Stevens, J. M. Buster, Marion Davis.

Walnut Ridge—W. A. Henry, W. Story, H. E. Kirkpatrick, Mrs. H. R. McCarroll, Mrs. Walter Smith.

The Moderator announced the following committee:

Finance committee—W. G. Davidson, Mrs. H. R. McCarroll.

The following visiting ministers were enrolled; W. F. Dorris of the Baptist Orphans' Home, Monticello; J. S. Compere, Assistant-General secretary of the Baptist State Convention, Little Rock; E. P. Minten, Jonesboro; W. R. McEwen, Jonesboro; J. W. Harvey, Maynard. Also Mrs. J. G. Jackson, in charge of the Woman's Work of Arkansas, and J. E. Moore, Clerk of Spring River Association. Then the report on Orphans' Home was read by J. L. Johnson, and after being discussed by W. F. Dorris, was adopted.

#### ORPHANS' HOME REPORT

The Orphans' Home at Monticello has been in operation twenty-two years and has been a blessing to, perhaps one thousand orphans. This work of mercy has a large place in the hearts of our people. Its mission, based on God's word, is to relieve the distressed orphans and save them to the state, and bring them into the kingdom.

The policy of placing the children into good private homes, while it has its problems, nevertheless is proving a great blessing to the children and at the same time enabling the home to care for a large number of children.

The health of the children has been remarkably good during the year. There has not been a serious case of illness. All symptoms of pellagra have disappeared, and it is hoped that a permanent cure has been effected.

The serious drouth has blighted the crop prospects, but the home superintendent thinks there will be a sufficient amount of feed stuffs raised to care for the the live stock until another crop is grown. The home will need \$7,500.00 to meet all obligations, and go to the Convention out of debt. We recommend:

First, that every church and Sunday school make regular monthly offerings to this work of mercy.

Second, that a cash pledge collection be now taken for the home.

Respectfully submitted,

J. L. Johnson,

Mrs. J. L. Johnson,

W. F. Dorris.

The following pledges and collections were taken: Pledges

Black Rock church..... \$10.00

Mammoth Spring church..... 20.00

Pocahontas church..... 10.00

Swifton church..... 10.00

Hat collection..... 10 30

\$60.30

W. R. McEwen of Jonesboro offered and discussed the following resolution, which was unanimously adopted:



#### RESOLUTION

Be it Resolved, by the Black River Association in session at Portia, Arkansas, that the following protest be sent to the Third Assistant Secretary of War: The Black River Association of Missionary Baptists, to Dr. Koppel, Third Assistant Secretary of War. Being creditably informed that you have issued an order removing all Camp pastors, and while affirming to you our unquestioned loyalty to the government and declaring our readiness to do all in our power to help bring to a successful end the war in which our Nation is now engaged, we do solemnly protest against the operation of said order, which in our judgment violates our unalienable and constitutional rights, and respectfully ask that said order be revoked. By order of the Association.

Frank Massey, Clerk.

The report on State Missions was read by W. T. Jackson, and discussed by W. R. McEwen, and adopted.

#### REPORT ON STATE MISSIONS

We your committee on State Missions would submit the following: As at this time in the gathering of the representatives of this association and the coming of our State Mission workers, we are reminded of the great victories and success of our Secretaries and field workers, during last year, and in these war times, days of increasing burdens and responsibilities, we feel these wonderful achievements are none other than the especial blessings of our God upon this work.

In these days of so many calls and the presentation of so many difficult problems, it behooves us to keep our eyes fixed on the promises of the Lord, for which we as a great people have, and have had an existence since the days of John the Baptist and Jesus Christ our Saviour.

With us as Baptists, the center of thought and expression of all our missionary interests and efforts should be centered in State Missions and we hereby reaffirm our endorsement and unstinted support of our State Missions.

In its report last year the work showed wonderful results, having 91 workers in the field, conversions, 4384, baptisms 2245, additions 3470, the organization of 29 churches, 111 Sunday Schools and B. Y. P. U's, and \$44,800 given to this work.

In view of the increasing demands upon us, the work has been so enlarged that we now have 189 workers; four of our men give their full time to the work at Camp Pike. There has been more than 6000 of our boys, that heard the message and heeded the call of our Lord. This work in the Camps should so stir us, that we should greatly enlarge our offerings during this year. We further urge that pastors and laymen at this time arrange a plan by which every church and member of this body be reached in this work.

Respectfully submitted,

T. J. Moore,

D. C. Mayo,

W. T. Jackson.

After song by the audience, J. S. Compere of Little Rock preached on "Patriotism and State Missions," after which the association adjourned with prayer by J. W. Harvey.

### WEDNESDAY, EVENING SESSION

The Association was called to order at 2 o'clock by the Moderator, and devotional services were conducted by J. W. Harvey. The Moderator announced the following as a committee to report on Woman's Work: Mrs. C. E. Post, Mrs. J. G. Jackson, Mrs. R. V. Goss and Mrs. H. R. McCarroll. Here Mrs. J. G. Jackson made an interesting talk on Woman's Work.

The Moderator announced the following committees:

Committee on Publication—E. P. Minten, Marion Davis and J. M. Appleget.

Committee on Christian Education—W. A. Henry, W. Story, and Mrs. Sam Mauldin.

Committee on Temperance—R. V. Goss, R. W. Stone and Mrs. Frank Massey.

Committee on Sunday Schools—J. P. Dunn, Henry Cole and Mrs. Estes.

Committee on B. Y. P. U. work—Mrs. McKinney, Mrs. Smith and Mrs. Shy.

Committee on Home Missions—G. B. Borah, J. M. Buster, Mrs. Stephens, H. W. Townsend, W. G. Davidson and Mrs. Petty.

The report on Sunday Schools was read, and after being discussed by J. P. Dunn, E. P. Minten, R. V. Goss and W. T. Jackson, was adopted.

### SUNDAY SCHOOL REPORT

We, your committee, beg leave to report on Sunday School work. We find within the bounds of Black River Association, nine regular organized Sunday Schools with an enrollment of 732. In a general way the Sunday Schools are doing a great work. Because of the presence of so great an abundance of life, it is one of the greatest factors with which to set ajar the door of approach to the soul as the great Spirit penetrates the deep recesses of the heart.

We recommend a careful selection of officers and teachers, and that the officers be elected by the Church and also the teachers, as far as possible, and that the Sunday Schools set apart the collection of one Sunday in each month to the Orphan's Home at Monticello.

We further recommend, that our Churches do not affiliate with the International Sunday School movement. We believe that the pastors should attend Sunday School with its various phases of work as far as possible and that pastors and superintendents promote the study of the Sunday School Normal Manual among officers and teachers, and prospective teachers.

We desire to call attention to the new department of Sunday School architecture that the Sunday School Board has organized, which we believe will be of inestimable value to our churches in the future.

We recommend that our District Sunday School Institute have prompt attention.

Further recommend that the last Sunday in June be made Special Chris-



tian Education day, and that as far as possible, a program be arranged and an offering be taken to support this great work.

Respectfully submitted,  
J. P. Dunn,  
Mrs. Sam Estes,  
Henry Cole.

The Treasurer's report was read and approved.

#### TREASURER'S REPORT

Report of Frank Massey, Treasurer of Black River Association, for the year 1917-18, beginning August 21, 1917, and ending September 17, 1918.

Collections			
Bethel church	\$ 1.00	Walnut Ridge church and Sunday School	\$3.47
Black Rock church	1.00	Walnut Ridge W. M. U.	1.00
Hoxie church	2.00	Walnut Ridge Girls' Aux.	.25
Hoxie W. M. U.	1.00	Pocahontas church and Sunday School	7.03
Imboden church	2.00		
Minturn church	.10	Total	\$30.85
Portia church	1.00	Expenditures	
Swifton church	3.00	Foreign Missions for	
Strangers Home church		St. Home Church	\$4.00
(\$1.00 for Association and		Printing Minutes	15.35
\$4 00 foreign missions)	5.00	Postage	1.50
Tuckerman W. M. U.	1.00	Clerks and Treas. Fees	10.00
Tuckerman Girls' Auxiliary	.50		
Walnut Grove church	1.50		\$30.85

Respectfully submitted,  
Frank Massey.

The report on Foreign Missions was read by H. W. Townsend, discussed and adopted.

#### REPORT ON FOREIGN MISSIONS

The Southern Baptist Convention at Hot Springs in May decided the Southern Baptists should be requested to give one and a half million dollars to Foreign Missions before the next meeting of the Convention. Compared with Southern Baptist numbers and wealth, this amount is small.

God's blessings upon Foreign Missions. Even the war is helping this great enterprise. There were 6,290 baptisms last year. We have now 464 churches on all the fields, of which 141 have assumed self-support. We have a church membership above 53,000, with 715 Sunday schools enrolling more than 34,000 scholars. In other schools we have enrolled nearly 9,000 scholars. We are conducting theological schools in Japan, China, Africa, Italy and South America. We have but few doctors under appointment, and yet these gave more than 100,000 treatments last year. Eighteen new missionaries were appointed in June and many others are greatly needed.

Every church in the association is admonished to lay large plans, and press the greatest campaign next March and April that we have ever under-



taken for Foreign Missions. This association should undertake to raise a worthy part of the million and a half dollars. Arkansas should raise \$40,000 this year for this great cause.

The Home and Foreign Fields, price fifty cents, is recommended to all church members. The Foreign Mission Board, Richmond, Va., furnishes free of charge tracts for distribution.

Committee,  
G. B. Borah,  
J. M. Buster,  
W. G. Davidson,  
H. W. Townsend,  
Mrs. Mamie Stephens,  
Mrs. Sarah Petty.

The following amendment to the Constitution was read and adopted, having been read before the association the first day of this meeting.

#### AMENDMENT TO THE CONSTITUTION

Proposed Amendment to the Constitution of the Black River Association of Missionary Baptist Churches.

Be it resolved, that the constitution of the Black River Association of Missionary Baptist Churches be amended to read as follows:

Article 9. The time for holding the annual sessions of this body shall begin at 10 o'clock a. m., on Friday before the third Sunday in September and shall continue for three days. The place for holding the next ensuing session shall be selected by a majority vote of the delegates present at each annual session.

Article 10. This constitution can be amended by a two-thirds vote at any regular meeting, provided such amendment be offered at the first day and voted on the second day of the meeting of the body.

The report of the committee on finance was offered and adopted.

#### REPORT OF FINANCE COMMITTEE

We, your committee on finance, beg leave to submit the following: Received from the churches for minute fund and Clerk's fees, \$28.10.

Respectfully submitted,

Mrs. H. R. McCarroll,  
W. G. Davidson.

The association voted to hold the next regular session with the Imboden church, having had an invitation extended by that church through its messenger, R. V. Goss.

The Moderator named, J. P. Dunn, R. V. Goss and J. L. Johnson as a nominating committee. Association adjourned with prayer, to meet at 10 o'clock p. m.

#### WEDNESDAY, NIGHT SESSION

The association was called to order by the Moderator, at 8 o'clock. After song by the audience, J. M. Appleget read from the 23rd Psalm and led in prayer. The report on B. Y. P. U. work was read by Mrs. Shy, and after being discussed by J. M. Appleget, H. E. Kirkpatrick, Mrs. H. R. McCarroll, and W. T. Jackson, was adopted.

#### REPORT ON B. Y. P. U. WORK

The object of the B. Y. P. U. is teaching and training of our young people in early life for efficient work in the Master's Kingdom. This training should be done by the most devoted and spiritual leaders that will take charge of the work. They should be taught every phase of the church work and prepared for leaders in the various departments of the church. So far only two B. Y. P. U's have been reported in Black River Association. We recommend that every church organize and maintain a Junior and Senior B. Y. P. U.

We further recommend, that our young people and leaders attend the annual B. Y. P. U. Assembly. The motto of our Baptist Young Peoples Union is, "we study that we may serve."

Respectfully submitted,

Mrs. O. H. Shy,  
Mrs. Jennie McKinney,  
Mrs. Mary Smith.

The doctrinal sermon was preached by G. B. Borah of Imboden. After prayer by H. E. Kirkpatrick, the association adjourned.

#### THURSDAY, MORNING SESSION

The association met at 9:15 o'clock and in the absence of the Moderator, G. B. Borah acted as Moderator. Devotional services were conducted by, J. M. Appleget. The report on temperance was read and after being discussed by R. V. Goss, W. T. Jackson and J. M. Appleget, was adopted.

#### REPORT ON TEMPERANCE

We the committee on Temperance, appointed by the Pocahontas Baptist Church, beg leave to submit the following:

When we see and know the dangers arising from the use and sale of intoxicating liquor, upon the mind and character of both the young and old, we, as a christian nation should stand shoulder to shoulder in this great fight. We feel a pride and have great cause to rejoice over the rapid growth of Prohibition throughout the world.

We, as a Missionary Baptist Denomination, heartily commend our Government officials in making an effort to prohibit the making, and sale of all intoxicating liquors during the period of the war, and urge that it be made a permanent law.

Respectfully submitted,

R. V. Goss,  
R. W. Stone,  
Mrs. Frank Massey.

The report on Associational Missions was read, discussed and adopted.

#### REPORT ON ASSOCIATIONAL MISSIONS

We would urge that the Executive committee shall organize as soon as possible, and set on foot a plan whereby we may have a Missionary in this Association for as much time as the committee may deem prudent.



We further recommend that the committee ask our State Board to cooperate with us.

We further recommend that this committee put on an every church and every member campaign for State Missions, and Associational Missions.

Respectfully submitted,

R. V. Goss,  
W. T. Jackson,  
J. P. Dunn.

R. V. Goss, J. P. Dunn and J. M. Appleget, who had been appointed as a committee on assignment, made the following report, which was adopted.

#### REPORT ON ASSIGNMENT

We, your committee on assignment, submit the following:

Report on Publications to next association, Tuckerman.

Report on State Missions to next association, Pocahontas.

Report on Home and Foreign Missions to next association, Imboden.

Report on Woman's Work to next association, Swifton.

Report on Sunday Schools to next association, Portia.

Report on Associational Missions to next association, Hoxie.

Report on Christian Education to next association, Walnut Ridge.

Report on Orphans' Home to next association, Strangers Home.

Report on Temperance to next association, Black Rock.

Report on B. Y. P. U. to next association, Walnut Grove.

R. V. Goss,  
J. P. Dunn,  
J. M. Appleget.

The committee on nominations made report which was adopted.

#### REPORT ON NOMINATIONS

We your committee on nominations, beg leave to report as follows:

To preach the next Associational Sermon, H. E. Kirkpatrick, Walnut Ridge; alternate: C. E. Goacher, Black Rock.

To preach the Doctrinal Sermon, J. W. Wade, Imboden; alternate: J. N. Weaver, Hardy.

For Executive Committee, J. L. Johnson, Swifton; G. E. Henry, Walnut Ridge; J. A. Hill, Imboden; J. H. Henley, Tuckerman, H. L. Haynes, Pocahontas.

For Messenger to State Convention, J. P. Dunn, Hoxie. Messenger to Southern Baptist Convention, H. E. Kirkpatrick, Walnut Ridge.

Respectfully submitted,

J. P. Dunn,  
W. A. Henry,  
R. V. Goss.

The report on Christian Education was read, discussed and adopted.

#### REPORT ON CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

The Baptists of Arkansas have two well established colleges. Ouachita, at Arkadelphia, and Central, at Conway. Both these institutions have for

many years been contributing largely to our demoninational growth and development. We also have three mountain schools. Mountain Home College, at Mountain Home; Maynard Academy, at Maynard; and Montview Institute, in Carroll county. Our total property in educational institutions is estimated to be worth about \$400,000. Our total education debt as reported at the last meeting of our Convention was only about \$60,000. This debt is on our State Board, and consists of the debts of Central College assumed by the Convention, and of obligations made to secure money to pay annual deficits at Ouachita College. We now have above \$70,000 in the Endowment Fund for Ouachita, and it is hoped and believed that this fund can be made to grow fast enough to keep us from having any more deficits there.

The Baptists of Arkansas must pay our little education debt, endow Ouachita liberally, and provide new buildings and equipment for our colleges and our mountain schools. We heartily endorse the plan of a five-year campaign for christian education. We are glad that an Education secretary has been employed, whose whole time is given to raising funds for christian education, and to stimulating interest in education and to general enlistment work in this cause.

Ouachita College and our mountain schools are of very special importance in the matter of training men for the ministry. We are sadly in need of more preachers, and preachers need training in order to be prepared to do the best service. We ought to encourage and help our young preachers to attend our own Baptist institutions of learning. Let no church fail to make contributions every year to Ministerial and Christian education.

W. A. Henry,

Mrs. Mauldin,

W. Story.

The Home Mission report was read, discussed and adopted.

#### REPORT ON HOME MISSIONS

The most urgent mission task that confronts us today is the spiritual ization of the life of the New South. The astonishing increase of the South's wealth will crush the souls of the people, if they are not strong enough to master it for spiritual ends. And only a vital religious life and service can give the strength.

The following figures, taken from the Home Mission Board's report last year, give some idea of the work that is being done through this Board; number of workers, 1,498; churches and stations supplied, 5,106; mountain schools, 36; pupils in these schools, 5,190, of whom 110 were preachers; built or improved, 505 meeting houses; Sunday Schools organized, 634; churches organized, 213; baptisms, 30,982; total number of additions, 51,949. For this work the Baptists of the South gave directly \$589,987.

The Southern Baptist Convention instructed the Home Board to outline its work for this year on the basis of a million-dollar apportionment. Especially did it declare for enlarged efforts for our soldier boys. This calls for greatly enlarged giving, but our people are well able to do this. For country and human liberty, our boys are giving their all. Every loyal Baptist will do his best to care for the spiritual needs of these boys.



Your Committee recommends:

1. That this association gladly accept its increased apportionment for Home Missions.

2. That classes be formed in all our churches to study the Home Mission books, that are issued by the Board, and that a large use be made of the free tracts on Home Missions. Orders for tracts and books should be addressed to Publicity Department, Baptist Home Mission Board, Atlanta, Ga.

Respectfully submitted,

G. B. Borah,  
Mrs. Stephens,  
W. G. Davidson,  
J. M. Buster,  
H. W. Townsend,  
Mrs. Petty.  
Committee.

On motion and second, it was voted that the Clerk have the necessary number of minutes printed and that he be allowed as fees for services the surplus of the minute fund, after having paid for the printing of the minutes and other expenses.

The following resolution was offered and adopted unanimously:

#### RESOLUTION

Resolved, that we extend to the church of Portia and the citizens of the town of Portia our most hearty and sincere thanks for their abundant hospitality during this Associational Meeting.

Association adjourned with prayer to meet with Imboden church on Friday after the third Sunday in September, 1919 at 10 o'clock a. m. for a three day session.

G. B. Borah, Moderator pro tem,  
Frank Massey, Clerk.

#### CONSTITUTION

Article 1. This body shall be known as the Black River Association of Missionary Baptist churches.

Article 2. The purpose of this association shall be to enlist, combine and direct the energies of the sisterhood of churches in Missions—State, Home and Foreign, Christian Education, Sunday Schools, Orphans' Home, Temperance and such other interests as will promote the Lord's cause among men.

Article 3. Each church within the bounds of this association shall be entitled to three delegates, and to one additional delegate for each fifty members or fractional part thereof above the first fifty.

Article 4. The officers of this body shall consist of a moderator and a clerk, who shall also be treasurer, elected annually and who shall discharge the duties generally incumbent upon such officers.

Article 5. The association shall appoint annually an executive committee, consisting of five members, whose duty it shall be to look after the general

interests of our work during the interim of the annual meetings of this body. This committee shall report annually its work to the association.

Article 6. The association shall appoint at each annual meeting two preachers to prepare and preach a sermon at the ensuing meeting. One to preach the associational sermon, and the other a doctrinal sermon.

Article 7. This body shall be purely advisory in its purpose and work and shall never usurp the authority of the churches or infringe upon the independence and rights of the individual church.

Article 8. At each annual meeting of the association a committee shall be appointed to report back to said meeting, assignment to the various churches the work of preparing for the next session, reports on the various objects on which this association now does or hereafter may decide to have reports.

Article 9. The time for holding the annual sessions of this body shall be in at 10 o'clock a. m., on Friday before the third Sunday in September and shall continue for three days. The place for holding the next ensuing session shall be selected by a majority vote of the delegates present at each annual session.

Article 10. This constitution can be amended by a two-thirds vote at any regular meeting, provided such amendment be offered at the first day and voted on the second day of the meeting of the body.

#### ORDAINED MINISTERS

J. M. Appleget, Portia  
J. J. Mathis, Walnut Ridge  
J. W. Wade, Imboden  
H. T. Ross, Imboden  
J. P. Dunn, Hoxie

W. D. Ellis, Swifton  
H. E. Kirkpatrick, Walnut Ridge  
G. B. Borah, Imboden  
W. T. Jackson, Hoxie  
M. W. Fritzell, Black Rock

C. E. Goacher, Black Rock

#### REPORT ON WOMAN'S WORK

The fourth annual session of the Woman's Missionary Union, Auxiliary to the Black River Association, met at the First Baptist Church of Portia, Tuesday Sept. 17, 1918.

The meeting was called to order at 11 o'clock a. m. by Mrs. J. G. Jackson, State Corresponding Secretary of the W. M. U. After singing "He Leadeth Me," Mrs. Jackson read a part of the 5th Chapter of Matthew and made very interesting and helpful comments on same, which was followed by prayer by Rev. Kirkpatrick of Walnut Ridge. Mrs. McCarroll of Walnut Ridge and Mrs. Dunn of Hoxie were appointed as an enrollment committee and reported the following members at the morning session:

From Hoxie, Mrs. J. Cummings, Mrs. W. G. Davidson, Mrs. J. P. Dunn, Mrs. R. R. Robinson and Mrs. C. E. Post.

From Walnut Ridge, Mrs. Walter Smith, Mrs. J. M. Poulter, Mrs. W. Story, Mrs. H. E. Kirkpatrick, Mrs. Tade Hughes, Mrs. Jud Davis, Mrs. H. R. McCarroll and Rev. H. E. Kirkpatrick.

From Walnut Grove, Mrs. Mamie Stephens.

From Portia, Mrs. Callie Burns, Mrs. Della Mayo and Mrs. Sarah Petty.



Mrs. Poulter was appointed chairman of the nominating committee, the rest of the committee to be appointed at the afternoon session.

Mrs. Post was elected Secretary pro tem.

Several ladies gave very interesting and helpful talks in an open discussion on "Woman's Work."

Dismissed with prayer by Bro. Appleget until 2 o'clock p. m.

The afternoon session was called to order by Mrs. J. L. Burns, District Vice President, of Jonesboro, at 2 o'clock p. m. After singing "Work for the Night is Coming," Mrs. Post lead a short devotional service, using "Carry on" as a subject. The 28th Chapter of Matthew was read and comments made on same, followed by prayer by Mrs. Story. Mrs. Poulter made a splendid talk on "How to keep religious enthusiasm at high tide."

Reports were read from the following Societies: Hoxie, by Mrs. Cummings, showing a membership of 35 with an average attendance of 10, and have paid out for all purposes during the year \$170.00.

Walnut Ridge, by Mrs. Poulter, showing a membership of 37 with an average attendance of 10 and an expenditure of \$528.70 during the year. They also reported having made 443 sick visits, 22 meals sent, 2 bouquets and 4 persons given clothing.

Swifton, by Mrs. Johnson, showing a membership of 7 with an average attendance of 5, and money paid out \$58.00.

Imboden, by Mrs. Goss, showing an enrollment of 15 and an average attendance of 12, money paid out \$57.10,

Black Rock, by letter, showing an enrollment of 12, average attendance of 10, and have paid out \$59.01.

Walnut Grove reported they had no Society, but wanted to organize.

The following ladies were enrolled, who were present at the morning session: Swifton, Mrs. Bessie Johnson; Pocahtontas, Mrs. Frank Massey; Portia, Mrs. J. P. Appleget; Mrs. Jane Isaac, Mrs. R. Birmingham and Mrs. G. A. Dunken; Walnut Grove, Mrs. Rose Jones, Walnut Ridge, Mrs. R. L. Muse, Miss Elsie Townsend; Imboden, Mrs. Goss; Mommoth Spring, Mrs. Sam Estes and Mrs. J. M. Mauldin; Black Rock, Mrs. Jennie McKinney and Mrs. Mary Smith.

Several ladies responded to an open discussion on "What our Society has accomplished this year." After singing "This is My Story," committees were appointed as follows:

Nominating committee—Mrs. Petty, Mrs. Johnson and Mrs. Cummings.

Resolution committee—Mrs. Kirkpatrick, Mrs. Dunn and Mrs. Stevens.

Mrs. Burns gave an excellent address on "Social Service."

This was followed by hymn "What a Friend We Have in Jesus," after which Mrs. Jackson spoke on "The effect the War has had upon Religious Endeavors."

Mr. Muse gave a very interesting talk on "The Girls Industrial School" movement of the state.

The reports of the following committees were read and adopted:

Nominating, which was as follows: Mrs. R. L. Muse, Walnut Ridge—President; Mrs. C. E. Post, Hoxie—Supt.; Mrs. Sarah Petty, Portia—Sec. and Treas.

Resolution committee.

Dismissed with prayer by Bro. Davis, to meet the day before the next meeting of the Black River Association, which will be Thursday before the Third Sunday in September, 1919.

# CHURCH AND SUNDAY SCHOOL DIRECTORY

Church	Name and Address of Pastor	Clerk	Superintendent	Name and Address of Secretary
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