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## ORDER OF BUSINESS

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- 2 Devotional Exercises.
- 3 Temporary Organization.
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**Proceedings**

At 10-15 o'clock the moderator called the meeting to order in devotional services by reading the 119th. Psalm. And at eleven o'clock Bro. J. A. Shackelford, the appointee to preach the introductory sermon took the stand and read Mat. 22, 5:15 and preached an able sermon using as a foundation "Whose image and superscription is this." After which the body at 12 o'clock adjourned until 1 o'clock p.m. for refreshments.

**FRIDAY AFTERNOON SESSION.**

At 1 p. m the body was called to order by singing and the moderator read from the 23rd Psalm. and prayer was offered by Bro. W. M. Patterson, after which a pa-



Sunday School Work: W. M. Kelley, Charlie Hipp  
 Young People's Work: W. L. A. Stranburd, New-  
 man White.

### SATURDAY MORNING SESSION

At nine-fifteen the meeting was called together by singing and the moderator read James 1, 1-22 and called the body to prayer, after which the moderator requested the clerk to read the Articles of Faith, Rules of Decorum and Constitution of the Association which were read by the clerk.

Motion was then carried that the moderator appoint the chairmen of the various committees for the next convention of the Association at least 30 days before the time for the meeting of the Association.

Reports of committees were at this time called for and the committee on Woman's Work made the following report:

#### Report on Woman's Work.

We are frequently mentioned in the New Testament as being actively engaged in religious work. Note especially Luke. 8. 1-3; Mat. 27, 55; Acts 2, 17, 18. Acts 21, 9, Romans 16, 1-4.

We should encourage our women to take a more active part in religious work. It is well for them to meet together at times and places which suit their convenience, to pray together, to study God's word together, and to talk together over the work of the Kingdom.

Whatever increases the religious intelligence and interest of our women will help forward the cause of Christ.

We recommend that the women in each church band themselves together into a society for the study of God's word and missionary literature. Mrs. J. G. Jackson, Corresponding Secretary of the Arkansas Woman's Mis-

sionary Union will be glad to give all possible help to women who wish to organize a society. Write to her, at Donaghey Building, Little Rock Arkansas.

Amity Society is the only one which makes a report this year to the Association. They send a good report. We hope that other societies will send reports next year, and that many new ones may be organized. Let the Brethren heed the admonition of Paul, Philippians 4, 2. "Help these women."

W. L. Compere, Mrs. Roberts and Townsend,

Com.

The report was adopted as read after addresses by Bros. Compere, Patterson. Bryant and Langley.

The committee on Missions read its report immediately after which the body adjourned the business of the session until after preaching and dinner.

At 11 o'clock Bro. W. L. Compere preached an able missionary sermon from Matthew 6, 20 after which recess was taken for refreshments.

#### Saturday Afternoon Session.

At 2 o'clock the meeting was called together by a song and Bro Warnock led a prayer, after this the moderator requested that the report on missions be re-read which was done and after considerable discussion was rejected as read.

Upon motion and second speeches were limited to ten minutes by persons introducing a subject and to five minutes to other persons except by leave of the body.

The committee on Temperence made the following report:

Your committee on Temperence beg leave to make the following report:

Be temperate in all things, is one great command of our Lord, and one that should be heeded by every one.



We are proud of the advance our people have made of late years in driving whiskey out of our nation. We are proud of the steps our Congress has taken in the far reaching prohibition measures, with these we could mention others but for lack of time and space, and in these marvelous achievements we do rejoice and will rejoice. But while we rejoice we must remember our enemy never sleeps. The strength of the liquor traffic for the past fifty years has been in partnership with the United States Government. Prior to the war between the North and the South a great prohibition wave was sweeping over the country. Many states had banished the saloon. The war cloud gathered and carnage swept the land. Revenue was needed. The shrewd and conscienceless liquor traffic offered itself as the lamb to be offered on the altar of patriotism. The revenue bill was passed, and the same thing is staring us in the face now. Therefore, the time to prepare for war is in time of peace, and we beg you as a body of God fearing people, don't forget this all important matter, give it some time in your thinking and praying.

We recommend that we give continued and hearty support to the Anti-Saloon League and the Woman's Christian Temperance Union, they are the great nationwide, moral religious, non-partisan organizations which stand for prohibition, and we regard them as the best means for the co-operation of the moral forces, and the most efficient agencies for the overthrow of the saloon.

Respectfully submitted,

F. M. Thomasson, R. B. Porter.

The report was adopted as read after being spoken to by Bros. Thomasson and Teague.

The Finance committee made the following report: Which was adopted.

We the Finance committee make the following re-

port:

State Missions \$4.50, Home Missions \$1.50, Foreign Missions \$1.25, Texarkana Orphan's Home \$21.75, Montecello Orphan's Home \$1.00, Association Missions \$17.98, Minutes and Clerk \$34 26

Respectfully submitted,

J. T. Steed, J. T. Miller.

The committee on Nominations made the following report:

We your committee on Nominations find three churches calling for the next association: Liberty Hill, Kirby and Caney Valley. We nominate Rev. W. M. Patterson to preach the introductory sermon and Rev. R. A. Tucker as alternate. We recommend the next session of this body be held with Bethlehem Church, Kirby.

Motion was made to amend by striking out Kirby and insert Caney Valley where it appears in the report, and upon motion and second the amendment was tabled. Motion was then made to strike out Kirby where it appears in the report and insert Liberty Hill, which motion was carried. The report was then adopted as amended.

The committee on Orphan's Home made the following report:

Your committee on Orphan's Home submit the following report

That we learn that both of our Orphan's Homes are in need. And the Montecello Home is in great need and we recommend that we contribute liberally to both of our Orphan's Homes

W. M. Patterson, L. E. Henderson

(committee.

The report was adopted as read.

The committee on Young People's Work read the following report:



That it is with deep regret that we have to report that there is no church that reports any young people's organization. And recognizing that this is the Churches Training organization, and feeling the need of trained Church workers for future success.

We recommend that each pastor and delegation on returning to their work that they put forth an extra effort to organize and support a Young People's Union at once.

F. E. Teague, Newman White

Committee.

Which was adopted as read.

The committee on divine services reported that Bro. J. M. Moran preach Saturday night and Bro. W. M. Patterson Sunday morning at ten o'clock.

The committee on Christian Education made the following report:

We are in need of more preachers and preachers need training. We urge our young preachers to attend our denominational schools, we also recommend that we, as a denomination stand by our schools and see that our young preachers are educated as far as possible. We believe that no man can preach the gospel of Christ except he be called and qualified by God himself. Paul says "The gospel is the power of God unto salvation to everyone that believe".

O. H. Bryant, J. T. May,

Committee.

Upon motion and second the moderator appointed a committee on Association Missions as follows: J. H. Funderburk, W. M. Patterson.

Motion carried that the moderator appoint a committee on State Missions. Bros. J. M. Moran and F. E. Teague were appointed.

Upon motion the moderator appointed L. E. Hender-



son and M. Rountree as committee on Home and Foreign Missions.

The committee on Obituaries made the following report:

We learn that eight Soldiers of the Cross have gone over the cold Jordan of death and gone to that land of pure delight where Saints Immortal reign. Two from Pike City, three from Center Ridge, two from Bethlehem, one from Salem.

J. C. Yeargan, J. H. Funderburk,  
Committee.

The report was adopted with instructions for the names of the dead to be furnished to the clerk as soon as possible.

### OUR DEAD

Elizabeth Harvey,  
A. V. Duke,  
N. C. Caulley,  
Emma Ashcraft,  
Ora Smalling.

The names of the others not reported.

Upon motion the body at 4-30 p.m. adjourned until 8 o'clock at night.

### SATURDAY NIGHT SESSION.

At eight o'clock the meeting was called together in song service after which Bro. J. M. Moran read Gal. 6 and preached an able sermon from Gal. 6: 1-6.

After preaching the committee on associational Missions made the following report:

We your committee on associational Missions submit the following:

We recommend that each church take a collection as soon as convenient for home missions. We also recom-

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J. H. Funderburk, W. M. Patterson,  
Committee.

The committee on State Missions made the following report:

We your committee on State Missions beg to submit the following:

Feeling the need of greater activity in the mission work in our own beloved State among the Baptist churches comprising the Pike County Association, we recommend that the pastors of all the churches together with the laymen insist upon each and every one giving such aid financially and spiritually that they feel able to give to this cause. And that collections be taken by each church for the support of state missions in whatever channel they desire.

L. E. Henderson, M. Rountree,  
Committee.

The moderator appointed W. S. Ward, M. Rountree, W. D. Warnock, J. T. Steed and L. E. Henderson, as a committee on destitution in Pike County Association.

Motion was carried that corresponding messengers be appointed to sister associations and the following were chosen:

Howard County Association, W. M. Patterson and M. Rountree.

Caddo Valley Association, F. E. Teague and J. M. Moran.

Red River Association, Frank Thomasson and L. E. Henderson.

Motion was carried that the body adjourn until 10

o'clock a. m. Sunday.

### SUNDAY MORNING SESSION.

The Association was called to order at 10 o'clock by the moderator and after song the moderator read Eph. 6 chapter and called the meeting to prayer by Bro. Holt. And after song the committee on Sunday School Work read the following report, and after being discussed was adopted:

We your committee on Sunday School Work submit the following:

We believe that the Sunday School work is a church work and in harmony with the commission of our Lord and Master in teaching his word to both young and old to be more useful in his service, and in teaching his word to our young people and winning them to Christ. We recommend that every church in the Association that has no Sunday School to organize one as soon as possible, and that each church member give it their faithful attendance and support.

Respectfully submitted,

J. W. Kelley, C. A. Hipp,

Committee.

The following resolution of thanks was offered and adopted:

We your committee on thanks beg to submit the following:

We want to extend our heartfelt thanks to Salem Church and community for their kind treatment and hospitality shown us since we have been with you in this association. and we recommend that this church and community have the prayers of this entire association. That this church be as a city set upon a hill that cannot be hid.

Respectfully submitted

J. M. Moran, O. P. Adams,

Committee



Upon motion the clerk was instructed to have 300 copies of the minutes of the meeting printed and that he have \$10.00 for his services, and that if there is not sufficient funds to pay the amount that he report to the next Fifth Sunday meeting.

Recess was then taken for ten minutes.

At 11 o'clock the meeting came together by singing after which Bro. W M Patterson read the 4th chapter of James and after prayer and while song was being sung collection was taken for the Orphan's homes to be equally divided between the two homes. Collection \$17.50. Bro. Patterson preached an able sermon from Gal. 6. 10. And after prayer and song the association adjourned to meet with Liberty Hill Church on Friday before the first Sunday in October 1919, at 10 o'clock a. m.

W. P. TAYLOR, Moderator,  
MICAJAH ROUNTREE, Clerk.

## ARTICLES OF FAITH

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1 We believe in a true and living God.

2 We believe that the Scriptures, comprising the Old and New Testaments, are the words of God, and the only rules of faith and practice.

3 We believe in the doctrine of election according to the foreknowledge of God the Father, through sanctification of the spirit unto obedience and sprinkling of the blood of Jesus Christ.

4 We believe in the doctrine of original sin by the fall of Adam.

5 We believe in man's inability, of his own free will and ability, to recover himself from the fallen state in which he is by nature.

6 We believe that the sinners are justified in the sight of God by the imparted righteousness of Christ only.

7 We believe that the saints shall be preserved in grace and never fall finally away.

8 We believe that baptism and the Lord's Supper are the ordinances of Jesus Christ, and that true believers are the only subjects of baptism, and that immersion is the Apostolic mode.

9 We believe in the resurrection of the dead and in the general judgement, and that the felicity of the righteous and the punishment of the wicked will be eternal.

10 We believe that no minister has any right to administer the ordinances of the gospel but one who has been regularly baptized and comes under imposition of the hands of the Presbytery.

11 We believe that none but regularly baptized members have any right to commune at the Lord's Supper.

12 We believe that the Lord's day should be observed as a day of rest and religious devotion.



## CONSTITUTION.

ARTICLE 1 This union shall be known and distinguished by the name of the Pike County Baptist Association.

ART. 2 This Association shall be composed of delegates from the churches of the union. Each church shall be entitled to three delegates, who shall be required to furnish satisfactory evidence of their appointment by the several churches before they take their seats, and all regular ordained ministers holding membership in churches composing the Association.

ART. 3 The delegates, when convened, shall organize themselves into a deliberative body by the appointment of a moderator and clerk, who shall be chosen by ballot at each annual association and continue in office until their successors are chosen.

ART 4 This Association shall not interfere with the rights of the churches of which it is composed. It shall regard them as independent in matters of internal government, and shall act as advisory council, assuming no authority except what is expressly delegated to it by the churches, or evidently implied by the nature of the compact. It, nevertheless, claims authority over its members, the delegates from churches, and in justness and propriety must have power to withdraw from, and disown, all churches which depart from the spirit of the compact by becoming heterodox in faith or disorderly in practice. It should, therefore, regard all churches united under this constitution with a vigilant eye for good. Its principal business shall be to promote the declarative glory for God by extending the kingdom of grace on earth through the medium of preaching the gospel and the means in accordance with the gospel, to cultivate fellowship and union with all the churches of Christ., especially those united in this constitution.

ART 5 Newly constituted churches dismissed from other associations of the same faith and order may be admitted into this union by sending three delegates, their number in fellowship, baptized, received by letter, dismissed, excommunicated, restored and deceased since last session, and all other information which the churches may deem important, which shall be read and minuted.

# Churches, Pastors and Clerks.

Churches,	Pastors,	Post Office,	Clerks,	Post Office.
Amity .....	W. L. Compere .....	Amity .....	F. M. Thomasson ..	Amity
Alpine .....	W. A. Burchfield .....	Amity .....	O. G. Thomasson ..	Alpine
Bethel .....	J. M. Moran .....	Amity .....	C. S. Palmer .....	Glenwood
Bethlehem .....	F. E. Teague .....	Amity .....	W. J. Taylor .....	Kirby
Caney Fork .....	F. E. Teague .....	Amity .....	J. W. Kelley .....	Shawmut
Caney Valley .....	J. M. Moran .....	Amity .....	J. W. Cantrell .....	Rosboro
Center Ridge .....	W. M. Patterson .....	Pike .....	N. B. Caulley .....	Pike
Gethsemine .....			J. T. Speakman .....	Leard
Glenwood .....			A. L. Butcher .....	Glenwood
Liberty Hill .....	W. M. Patterson .....	Pike .....	J. T. Steed .....	Delight
Midway .....	Charley Shackelford .....	Lottie .....	L. Burchfield .....	Amity
Murfreesboro .....	D. W. Cornish .....	Murfs'bor .....	J. H. Austin .....	Murfreesboro
Pike City .....	F. E. Teague .....	Amity .....	Mrs. L. N. Harris .....	Pike
Pilgrim's Rest .....	J. A. Shackelford .....	Glenwood .....	W. H. White .....	Lodi
Spring Hill .....				
Salem, .....	F. E. Teague .....	Amity .....	P. B. Thrash .....	Glenwood
Salem of Clark .....			J. C. Garner .....	Amity
Rosboro .....	W. L. A. Stranburg .....	Rosboro .....	T. P. Iron .....	Rosboro



# STATISTICAL REPORT

Inc. Dec.

## CHURCHES.

	Baptism.	Letter.	Restoration.	Letter.	Died.	Excluded.	Membership.	Days of Meeting.	Pastor's Salary.	Association Missions.	State Missions.	Home Missions.	Foreign Missions.	Orphans' Home.	Minutes and Clerk.	Incidentals.	Sunday School Enrollment.	Sunday School Expenses.	Kind of Literature.
Amity .....	7	12	13			1	305	2nd & 4th	\$400.00		\$ 71.60	\$ 45.20	\$ 44.95	\$ 25.65	\$ 5.00	\$220.16	119	\$ 24.50	S. B. C.
Alpine .....	1											11.00			1.00				
Bethel .....	11		1	1			38								1.00				
Bethlehem .....		2		7	1	1	83	4th							3.26			Not given.	
Caney Fork .....	16	7		3			77	2nd			1.50	1.50	1.25	1.25	1.50		69		L. M.
Caney Valley .....	33	16	4				103	1st						10.00	2.50		64	10.00	L. M.
Center Ridge .....		2		10	3		23			4.00				4.00	2.50			Not given.	
Glenwood .....				12			65							10.84	2.00		113	96.68	
Liberty Hill .....	9	4	1	3			81			11.48	37.85			10.00	2.50		60	8.00	L. M.
Midway .....	6	1		2	1		79	2nd	68.00					3.75	1.30	1.00		3.50	L. M.
Murfreesboro .....	4	5													1.45		40		
Pike City .....	1	2		9	2	1	46		85.00		8.80				1.50	8.00	40	10.90	
Pilgrim's Rest .....							41							1.75	1.25				
Rosboro .....	5	4		1			65		450.00		95.00	17.03	17.00	10.00	1.75		38	37.38	S. B. C.
Salem .....	5	6		4	1		77	1st							5.00				
Salem of Clark .....	6	2					35							2.00	1.00				
Spring Hill .....				1		1	25			2.00					.75				
Total .....	104	63	6	66	8	4	1,143			\$17.48	\$214.75	\$ 74.73	\$ 63.20	\$ 80.24	\$ 34.26	\$229.16	543	\$190.06	