

## SPRINGTOWN ASSOCIATION

## OF UNITED BAPTISTS

HELD WITH THE

## SOUTH-WEST BAPTIST CHURCH MO.

Friday, September 5<sup>th</sup> 1879.

The association met pursuant to adjournment. Introductory sermon was preached by Elder J. H. Hogan, from Hebrews 13th Chapter, 1st Verse: Let brotherly love continue. Brothers J. F. Mitchell and William Ware were appointed reading clerks. Letters from the different churches received and delegates' names enrolled. (See table.) Called for petitionary letters, when a letter from Mason Valley was received and the moderator extended the right hand of fellowship to the delegates.

Permanent organization being in order. Brothers David Meadows and J. M. Peak were appointed as tellers who reported. Elder John Givens moderator, and A. Foster clerk.

Called for correspondence, none presented. Called for visiting Brethren, when Elders J. D. Shelton, from Dale County Mo. Association Josiah Chisely from Carrollton Ill. Association, J. P. Groomer from St. Francis Ark. Association and David Meadows from South West Kansas Association came forward and took seats with us. The following committees were appointed:

On divine service, Bro's Henry Bork, Tho's Bork, J. W. Netherton Wm. J. Collins, and Jesse Ware.

On Finance, Bro's J. M. Peak and William Ware

On Education, Elders A. J. Estes J. H. Hogan and Bro A. E. Bright

On Temperance, Bro's Wm. Edwards Wm. Pearce and F. G. Lindsey

On Obituaries, Bro's J. F. Mitchell J. H. Hogan and J. P. Crowder

On Sabbath Schools, Bro's B. A. Sammons G. B. Jones and R. Edwards

On Destitution, Bro's C. Seely B. M. Weiner and John Givens jr.

On Publication, Bro's A. J. Estes

Adjourned until to-morrow morning 9 o'clock prayer by Elder J. D. Shelton.

Saturday 9 o'clock A. M. The Association met pursuant to adjournment.

Prayer by Elder Josiah Chisely.

Invited visiting Brethren whereas Bro's Elders J. W. Duckworth from Bentonville Association H. D. Duggin from the Cherokee Nation formerly of the Springtown Association, came forward and were seated.

Called for reports from Brethren appointed to visit Butler Creek Baptist Church to aid in settling a dissatisfied situation existing therein. Report received committee discharged.

Adjourned until after preaching.

Stand filled by Elders J. F. Mitchell and J. Givens. The association resumed business. Report of the committee that visited Butler Creek Baptist church read. To the Springtown association of United Baptists we your committee appointed at your last conference to visit Butler Creek Baptist Church to effect a reconciliation between the church and some of its excluded members.

beg leave to report that we did visit said church at the time set for the communion without any visible success. William J. Collins chairman. The following amendment was offered by Elder A. J. Estes and Bro's Netherton and adopted.

WHEREAS, Our association has become divided and distracted by division therefore be it

Resolved, That it is the sense of this body, we would recommend that no test of fellowship be made, only faith in Jesus and obedience to his commands.

As temperance is a christian virtue, we regard the church of Christ as the most efficient means for the promotion thereof.

Adjourned until monday morning 9 o'clock prayer by Elder Givens.

Stand filled on sabbath at 11 o'clock A.M. By Elder J.D.Shelton followed by Elder J.D.Estes. At 2 o'clock P.M. by Elder J.F.Mitchell followed by Elder J.H.Hogan. There was quite a large and attentive congregation.

Monday morning, September 8th, The association met pursuant to adjournment. Prayer by Elder J.W. West. Minutes of Saturday read and adopted.

## REPORT ON FINANCE

### READ AND APPROVED.

Your committee on finance beg leave to report, 75 cents amount in treasury.

Amount received from the various churches, \$17.50; amount in the hands of Elder J. H. Hogan \$3.95; total amount \$21.95. W.J.WARR chairman.

## REPORT ON EDUCATION.

### READ AND ADOPTED

Your committee beg leave to submit the following. As Baptists we feel it to be our duty to exercise a fostering care over our institution of learning. For the age in which we live demands that we educate our children. to fit them for the duties and responsibilities of life, and especially encourage young ministers to obtain, if possible, an education. So as to be able to successfully meet and combat the errors of the day, defend our principles, and maintain the truths of the Gospel.

Therefore. We recommend that we patronize, our institution of learning at Sprindale, Washington County Ark" where a thorough education can be obtained, as cheap as any where in the State. All of which is submitted.

A. J. ESTES. Chairman.

## REPORT ON TEMPERANCE,

### READ RECEIVED AND ADOPTED.

Your committee beg leave to report as follows. We hold that temperance as one of the leading principles, of our souls salvation, and should be temperate in all things, as we are commanded by Gods' Word. W.C.PEARCE, chairman.

## REPORT ON OBITUARIES,

### Read received and adopted.

We your committee report that in the providence of God it has pleased Him to call from time to eternity, our beloved Bro'r M.Tate. Bro'r Tate, was ordained to the ministry. Elders J.Dunagin, A.Brown, and J.F.Mitchell formed the presbyters. Since that time, he has proved himself a pious, faithful minister of Christ.

Bro'r Tate, was moderator of this association, some three years.

He filled that place, with honor to himself and the association. But Alas! We have his governing voice no more, it is hushed in death; but we are confident that our loss, which we so sensibly feel, is his eternal gain. His work and labor is done, his suffering is over, and he no doubt is reaping a happy reward.

Then let us as members compassing this association, endeavor to imitate that godly example which characterized his life, while amongst us. Resolved, That this association tender its heartfelt sympathy to sister Tate, and the bereaved friends of Bro'r Tate, and say to them, "do not weep as those without hope".

Death has visited many other families, in this association, of which we are unable to give the names.

J.F.MITCHELL, Chairman.

## REPORT ON SABBATH

### SCHOOLS.

#### Received and adopted.

Your committee on sabbath schools, submit the following. Having had the same under consideration, we find with the light before us that there

has been but little interest taken in this direction. Feeling the great responsibility of teaching our children the truth, we should bring them up to the Sabbath School. Therefore we recommend that each church sustain a Sabbath School every year, and endeavor to realize in the raising of your children in the corner, and a manifestation of the Lord, all of which is respectfully submitted.

B. A. SAMMONS, Chairman

## REPORT ON DESTITUTION

Read, received, and adopted.

Your committee submit the following: There are needy schools in the bounds of this Association which are destitute of Baptist preaching, and could advise the ministers to hunt them out, and preach to them; and the churches to aid them in the work.

Eld. C. SEELY, Chairman

## REPORT ON PUBLICATION

READ AND ADOPTED

I would recommend that we as Baptists become a reading, self-improving people, also to furnish our children with sound literature.

Therefore, I would recommend the reading of the Bible first, "The Baptist" by J. R. GRAVES, "The American Flag," published in KY., and the "Ark. Baptist," by Espy, as good and sound papers.

A. J. ESTES, chairman.

Moved and carried that the Association donate \$375, to Eld. J. H. HOGAN for former services.

## REPORT OF EXECUTIVE BOARD

### RECEIVED AND COMMITTEE DISCARDED.

Report nothing done.

J. W. Netherton Chairman.

This association appointed correspondents to the "Fayetteville, Ark." association Elders A. J. Estes,

and B. E. Cooper; to commence Friday before the second sabbath in September, 1879. Correspondents to Bentonville association to commence Friday, before the fourth sabbath in September, 1879. Brothers J. H. Hogan, J. W. West, B. A. Sammons, J. F. Mitchell, J. M. Peak, A. E. Cleveland, and A. E. Bright.

Moved and carried that we open up correspondence with the Cherokee Association; appointed J. F. Mitchell, J. W. Hogan, and A. J. Estes, for that purpose.

Appointed delegates to the general association to embrace the fourth sabbath in October, 1879, to be held in Washington, County, east of Fayetteville.

Delegates J. M. Peak, J. H. Hogan, J. F. Mitchell, C. Ward, E. G. Lamm, W. J. Collins and W. M. Evans.

Moved and carried that the next association be held with the Round Mill Baptist Church, to commence Friday before the first sabbath in September 1880. Elders J. W. West, to preside, the moderator, Elders J. F. Mitchell, A. E. Bright.

Moved and carried, that the Clerk warrant the having 500 copies of the minutes printed. See to distributing them and retain \$5.00; for his services.

Resolved, That this body tender its thanks, to South West City and vicinity. Also to the Round Grove Baptist Church, for the hospitality exhibited, during this session.

By Elder J. H. Hogan.

Elder John Givens, Moderator.

A. Foster, Clerk.

Received of A. Foster, \$12.00, for printing 500 minutes.

MAYSVILLE, JOB PRINT.

# TABULAR STATEMENT

CHURCHES	POST OFFICE	DELEGATES	SUPPLIED BY	Days of meeting	Baptized	Restored	Rec'd by letter	Dis. by letter	Excluded	Relation	Deceased	Total	Contributions	Licentate	Ordministers
Flint Creek	Springtown	S. A. Willis, R. Ward, W. J. Collins	J. H. Hogan	2	2				1		1	60	80		
Hico	Hico	A. J. Estes, P. Edmonson, C. Cravin	A. J. Estes	3		4		2				32	75	1	
Spavinaw	Spavinaw	J. W. West, W. J. Ware	J. H. Hogan	4		0						37	1.50		
Newsite	Dickson	C. Seely, T. A. Waugh, J. W. Osburn	C. Seely	3								34	75	1	
Temperance Hill	Osage	A. Crowder, A. Bright, B. Sammons	J. H. Hogan	1	2	3		2			3	155	3.15	1	
Round Grove	S. W. City, Mo.	H. Roark, W. I. Thornton, T. Roark	Isom Amos	3	1	5		1	1			31	1.00		
Honey Creek	S. W. City, Mo.	W. Netherton, M. Ware, P. Milstead	H. D. Duggan	1		5	2	2	2			51	1.00	1	2
Mt. Enterprise	Maysville	A. Foster, Wm. Pearce	C. Seely	4	1				1			44	75	1	
Mt. Pleasant	Dickson	Wm. Edwards, P. Edwards	John Givens	1		3		1	1	1		29	1.50	1	
Butler Creek	Sulphur Spring	J. Givens, G. B. Jones, P. G. Lindsay	John Givens	4	2	1		5	1			35	1.45	1	
Corner Spring	Bloomfield	J. H. Hogan, J. M. Peak, M. Milstead	J. H. Hogan	3	2			2				37	1.70	1	
Spingtown	Spingtown	J. F. Mitchell, W. A. Prague, A. Elkins	J. F. Mitchell	4		7	2	6	1			45	1.60	2	
Norwood Prairie	Cincinnati	H. H. England, W. Pardon, M. Cook	J. Robertson			2		1	1			44			
S. W. City, Mo.	S. W. City, Mo.	W. A. Fort, W. Shields, W. Mayfield		4					1			19	50	1	
Mason's Valley	Mason's Valley	T. H. Weller, Jno. Givens Jr		3	2	4	2					18	75	1	
Fair Mount		J. T. Chastain	J. Robertson	4	4			3				120	75		1
Wager's Mill	Elm Springs	B. Haney, W. Evans, W. J. Hogg		1	2							25	75		

**TOTAL No. OF MEMBERS - 216**