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Meeting for 1918 to be held with First Baptist Penn Memorial Church, beginning on Wednesday before the second Sunday in October, 1918.

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OFFICERS

ELD. J. H. SPURLIN - - - MODERATOR Berryville, Arkansas

A. E. JACKSON - - - CLERK AND TREASURER

R 1 Eureka Springs, Arkansas

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

J. B. Rose -	-	-	* *		Green Forest, Ark.
G. R. McCall					Eureka Springs, Ark.
S. D. Withers	-	-	-	-	Eureka Springs, Ark.
J. H. Baughman	-	-			- Blue Eye, Mo.
P. Collier					- Corrollton Ark

ANNUAL MEETING

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Time - Wednesday before the Second Sunday in October, 1918									
Place - First Penn Memorial Church, Eureka Springs, Ark.									
Introductory Sermon Elder J. B. Rose									
Alternate Elder J. H. Spurlin									
Missionary Sermon Elder Jesse Powell									
Alternate Elder D. R. Kittrell									
ORDAINED MINISTERS									
D. R. Kittrell Eureka Springs, Ark.									
J. H. Spurlin Berryville, "									
D. H. Walker " "									
J. R. Keen Metalton, "									
J. C. Howard Green Forest, "									
J. S. Minick Maple, "									
W. A. Bailey Oak Grove,									
J. B. Rose Green Forest, "									
U. J. Fox Berryville, "									
J. H. Marsh Clifty, "									
Sam Jackson Eureka Springs, "									
J. H. Middleton Omaha, "									
James Martin Rock House, "									
J. H. DeLano Eureka Springs, "									
S. C. McCullough Blue Eye, Mo									
LICENSED MINISTERS									
S. D. Withers Eureka Springs, Ark.									
Roy Watkins Carrollton, "									
A. F. Anderson									

CONSTITUTION

- 1. The Association shall be composed of the ordained ministers within the bounds of said association and of messengers and delegates chosen by the Churches composing this Association, who, upon presenting letters certifying their appointment, shall be entitled to seats.
- 2. The messengers thus chosen, when convened, shall be known as the "CARROLL COUNTY ASSOCIATION of MISSIONARY BAPTISTS," which shall be merely an advisory council for the advancement of the cause and kingdom of our Lord Jesus Christ.
- 3. Each church in the Association shall be entitled to three messengers, and any church failing to represent herself shall give a reason for such failure at the next Association.
- 4. Letters from the churches shall state the number received by experience and baptism, recommendation and restoration, and those dismissed by letter, excluded or deceased, since the last Association, also the total number in fellowsbip
- 5. New churches may be admitted into the Association that petition by letter and messengers, and adopt or subscribe to our Articles of Faith, Constitution and rules of decorum, the Moderator giving right hand of fellowship.
- 6. The Association shall select a moderator, a clerk and a Treasurer, by the suffrage of the members present.
- 7. The Association shall have a fund for her support, which shall be supplied by voluntary contributions from the churches, sent by the hands of delegates, which shall be at her disposal for Associational purposes only.
- 8. We recognize the New Testament law as the rule of Christian giving by the churches.
- 9. Questions may be sent by churches in their letters or brought in by motion or second, and may or may not be investiga-

ted, as the Association may determine.

- 10. The Association shall, in all cases be governed by a majority of members.
- 11. The Association shall have power to withdraw her fellowship from any church in her union, who, after due admonition, shall be in faith or practice unsound.
- 12. Some of her ministers shall be elected by the Association to preach the introductory sermon at the next time of meeting, and in like manner one chosen to preach the Annual Missionary Sermon.
- 13. She may correspond with other Associations, as she may determine while in session.
- 14. The Treasurer may receive and disburse the funds belonging to her as she may direct
- 15. The clerk shall keep a minute of the proceedings, which shall be printed and distributed among the churches according to the membership.
- 16. The minutes of the Association shall be read and corrected, if necessary, signed by the Moderator and attested by the Clerk, before the Association's adjournment, from day to day.
- 17. Amendments to the constitution may be made at any time, when two-thirds of the churches represented in this body deem it necessary.
- 18. The Association, at each session, shall determine the time and place for the next annual meeting.
- 19. The Moderator shall appoint the following regular committees at each session: State Missions, Home Missions, Foreign Missions, Temperance, Education, Sunday schools and Literature, Digest of Church Letters and Finance, Obituaries, Orphans' Home and Nominations. The Executive Board shall constitute the Committee on Associational Missions.

ORDER OF BUSINESS

- 1. Organization
- 2. Preaching Introductory Sermon
- 3. Reading Letters from Churches.
- 4. Permanent Organization.
- 5. Call for Petitionary Letters.
- 6. Call for Correspondence.
- 7. Inviting Visitors to Seats.
- 8. Appointment of Committees.
- 9. Report of Committees.
- 10. Report of Mission Board.
- 11. Appoint Corresponding Messengers.
- 12. Miscellaneous Business.
- 13. Reading Minutes.
- 14. Adjournment.

PROCEEDINGS

WEDNESDAY MORNING

The Carroll County Association of Missionary Baptists met with the Green Forest church, the Moderator and Clerk being present. The Moderator called the Association to order by singing "He Is So Precious to Me." Elder D. R. Kittrell led the opening prayer and the Moderator read from Phillippians 4th Chapter. Elder J. H DeLano led in prayer, after which the audience sang No 12

Motion made and seconded to proceed reading letters from churches, the reading clerks being Elder J. H. DeLano and Elder J. B. Rose. The following letters were handed in: White Elm, Rock Spring, First Baptist Penn Memorial, Alpena, Mt. Zion, New Pisga, Berryville, Calvary, Shady Grove, Green Forest, Rock House and Carrollton.

By motion and second the organizaton was made permanent and the Clerk authorized to cast the vote for Elder J. H. Spurlin

for Moderator. Motion and second that the Moderator cast the vote for A. E. Jackson for Clerk and Treasurer. Audience joined in singing No 42, "Sunshine And Rain." Brother R. D. Galloway led the closing prayer.

11 A. M. The time having arrived for preaching the annual sermon and in the absence of Elder U. J. Fox, Elder Sam Jackon preached the introductory sermon, the text being taken from Daniel 2:42 and Math. 16:18. Motion to adjourn until 2 p. m. Brother A J. Russell led the closing prayer.

WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON

House called to order by singing "When The Roll Is Called Up Yonder." Elder S. D. Withers led the opening prayer. Committee on Divine Service, Elder J. B Rose and Deacons of Green Forest church. The following committees were appointed:

Foreign Missions—A. J. Russell, Sister Henrietta Wright Home Missions—Elder Sam Jackson, R. D. Galloway.

State Missions - Elder J B. Rose, Hosie McCoy.

Associational Missions -Brother G. R. McCall, John Pendergrass.

Sunday School - Elder D. R. Kittrell, G. J. Hopper.

Christian Education-Elder J. H. DeLano.

Orphans Home-Elder S. D. Withers, H. S. Tucker.

Temperance-Elder T. R. Keen.

Committee on Nominations-Brother G. J. Hopper, A Jenkins.

Finance Committee—Brother W. C. Gentry, A. Anderson. Obituraries—Brother A. J. Russell, Mrs. M. C. Mendenhall. Woman's Work—Mrs. C. S. Burnett, Mrs. S. D. Withers.

The following visitors were invited to seats: Brother J. A. Hansby and Elder A. O. Greenleaf, of Rogers, Arkansas. Elder J. N. Helper of Washington County. A call for petitionary letters, Urbanett was received and welcomed into full fellowship.

Your Committee on Christian Education would report as below:
Without well equiped Baptist schools all of our Baptist work
would suffer and come to a standstill. We look to our Baptist
schools for most of our trained workers in pulpit and pew, as well as

on mission fields. Ninety-five out of every hundred of our foreign missionaries come from Baptist schools. So Christian Education and its support must be put on the same basis with Missions.

Arkansas Baptists have two great Christian Colleges—Ouachita, for boys and girls, at Arkadelphia, C. E. Dicken D. D., President; Central, for girls, at Conway, J. W. Conger, LL. D., President. Last year Ouachita had 287 students and Central had 202. These schools have rendered a service to the Baptist cause in Arkansas, the value of which can never be estimated.

We now have two mountain schools. One of these is at Maynard, with W. A. Cummings as principal, and the other at Mountain Home with H. F. Vermillion as principal.

The education of preachers is one great object in Christian Education. The denomination that fails to provide for the education of its preachers will die as a denomination. Last year there were 40 young preachers in Ouachita College and several in the Mountain Home and Maynard schools, They receive free tuition, and some help on other expenses when it is necessary. The Bible department in Ouachita is arranged with special reference to the preachers, but the classes are open to all, and Bible study is required of all who graduate.

This Committee hopes that all of our preachers will preach often each year on the needs and benefits of Baptist schools, that every church in the Association will make a good offering for our schools and for the education of young preachers this year, and that our people will send their children to our Baptist schools.

J. H DeLano.

Committee

Motion to adjourn until 7:30: Closing prayer by Elder O. A. Greenleaf

WEDNESDAY EVENING

7:30 p m. Opening prayer by Elder T. R. Keen, audience singing No 26. Sermon by Elder O. A. Greenleaf; text from Second Timothy 3-8. Motion to adjourn until 9 a. m. Closing prayer by Elder L. A. Robertson. 9:45 a. m. Report on Woman's Work.

THURSDAY MORNING

9:00. Call to order by Moderator. Audience singing No. 44; rriver by Brother W. C. Gentry. Inviting visitors to seats, Rev H. F. McDonald.

We your committee on Sunday School submit the following: That each church in this Association maintain a Baptist Sunday school but not to the detriment of the preaching of the Gospel, allowing it to be first and other things second, for the church was given the commission to preach the Gospel to the world and our Lord said "Feed my Sheep."

Elder D. R. Kittrell. Bro. G. J Hopper

9:45. Report on Woman's Work. Talk by Sister J G. lackson of Little Rock, who is corresponding secretary of the W. W. M. Realizing the great need of a more definite knowledge and greater activities in missionary endeavors, the Woman's Missionary Union seeks to provide societies for women, young people, and children; through prayer, Bible study and Missionary programs, systematic and proportionate giving of time, talents and money. Fields of activities-the local churches our Jerusalem, the Association, the state, our Judea, the Southland our Samaria and the world "the uttermost parts." This is the program given by our Lord and Master. We therefore urge the Pastors of the Association to urge the organization of women's and young people's societies in their churches We also urge that the women of the churches cultivate a missionary spirit in the young people and children of the church; that they lift their eyes and see the fields white unto the harvest and pray that they may be led into more active service for the Master.

Mrs C S Barnett Mrs. S D Withers.

11 a. m. Sermon by Elder J H DeLano, text 1 Cor., 15-2; Rev. 14-6. Audience sang No. 51. Prayer by Elder J H. DeLano. Adjourned until 2 p. m

THURSDAY AFTERNOON

Audience sang No 104; prayer by O. A Greenleaf. Inviting visitors to seat, Elder J. Bennett

Report of Committee on Memorials:

White Elm church sustained the loss of Brother G. H. Barett. Rock Springs, Brother C. P. Alderson. Calvary, Sister Ruby Brown. Shady Grove, Sister Lutie Walker. Berryvill, Brother W. J. Ledbetter. Penn Memorial, Brother J. W. Allen, Mary Royatty, Sister Corrilla Penn. Each of these were true to the faith, and their churches have sustained a great loss; and we call special attention to Sister Penn as being the widow of the late Major W. E. Penn, one of the pillars of orthodoxy of the South; and to Brother W. J. Ledhetter, who was for more than a quarter of a century among the active lay members of the Carroll County Association and his presence and council at our annual meetings will be greatly missed We suggest that it is fitting now to pay tribute to the sacred memory of those who have been called from the walks of men to their home beyond the skies.

Respectfully Submitted, A. J. Russell, Mrs. Mendenhall

Committee on Orphans Home made their report as follows:
God, who is a "Father to the fatherless," has provided for the care of the orphans. Visiting the widows and orphans in their affliction is declared to be "pure and undefiled religion" if unspotted from the world. In accord with God's plan we have been caring for the orphans at Montecello Home for twenty-two years. More than six hundred of these unfortunate children have shared a place in our Home.

Since January 1st, 1916, we have secured homes in good families for more than one hundred and sixty of these children. We now have sixty-five children in the Home. We are hoping to reduce the number to fifty by the meeting of the Convention in December.

The debt on the Home July 1st, 1917, was \$12,500. Our campaign to pay the debt by the Convention gives good promise of success. All of the current expenses of the Home amount to about \$750 a month.

The present management of the home is entirely satisfactory;

the farm has been well worked and a fine crop has been produced the premises are clean and sanitary; and the children are, with probably the fewest exceptions in the history of the Home, well and hppay. A strong religious sentiment prevails. most of the children are Christians, a number of them having been received into the church the past year.

We reccommend:

- 1. Regular monthly offerings in every Sunday School, and the amount forwarded promptly to J. S. Rogers, General Secretary, 410 Donaghey Building, Little Rock.
- 2. That every church take as large an offering as possible and forward it to Brother Rogers.
- 3 That every Woman's missionary Society join in this debtpaying campaign and send their offerings promptly to the general office.
- 4 That a cash and pledge offering be now taken for this purpose. We must not fail to pay this debt Every Baptist is expected to do his bit for the orphans.

Respectfully submilted,

S. D. Withers, H. S. Tucker.

Committee.

At the adoption of this report there was a collection taken for the Orphans Home amounting to \$11.10.

The report on Foreign Missions is as follows:

We depricate the fact that our churches do not fully appreciate the real import of Foreign Missions, and but few of the churches in this Association have taken part in the great work that has been accomplished the past year, which was the greatest year in the history of Southern Baptists.

A total of \$961,970.48 was contributed to this cause, which by far excelled any advance ever made by any denomination in the south.

There were 6,347 converts baptised, 12,930 students in our schools and Missionary doctors treated 67,556 patients; there are 115 churches on the Foreign fields that are self-supporting.

All are earnestly besought to increase their contributions to this

work in order to save it from peril of growing obligations and enable the Foreign Missionaries to enter new fields to which Providence has thrown the doors wide open and waving harvests invite us.

Respectfully Submitted,

A. J. Russell,

Mrs. H. Wright.

Motion to adjourn until 7:00 p. m. Closing prayer by Elder H. F. McDonald.

7:00 p. m. Audience sang 133; prayer by Elder Lon Jackson, sermon by Elder H. F. McDonald, text from Psalms 138-2. After listening to a good sermon, and the closing prayer by Elder J. H. Bennett, the audience adjourned to 9 a. m.

FRIDAY MORNING

9 a. m. Call to order by Moderator. Audience sang No. 63, with prayer by Elder Jessie Powell. Committee on Temperance made the following report:

Intemperance is one of the greatest evils now existing in our country; it takes away the hope of heaven and as completely destroys the healthy constitution as does any other slow and sure poison.

We reccommend that Christian people, especially Baptists, let' no opportunity pass, and that we will continue to drive it from our land until our great and noble country be freed from the curse of the great monster, and that as we are in the struggle of the great war we will be temperate in all of our living that we may help to take care of our boys on the battle field.

Elder T. R. Keen.

We your committee on Associational Missions beg leave to make the following report:

We find as great destitution in Carroll county Association as at any time during the history of the Association. We find there are more pastorless churches than ever before. We would recommend that those churches secure Pastors, as a church without an under Shepherd is not in condition to do work for the Master. Under existing conditions we would recommend that

a missionary be put in the field through the months of July, August and September, and would suggest that this body elect an executive committee of five to look out and secure a man for that place and would further reccommend,

That each church elect a member of their church as a member of the Missionary Board, whose duty will be to co-operate with the executive committee in Mission work and would further recommend,

That our fifth Sunday meetings be kept up, as they are a stimulus to Association Missions.

Respectfully Submitted, G. R. McCall, L. B. Pendergrass.

The committee on State Missions made its report as follows: The way for a Baptist Church to become "a glorious church not having spot or wrinkle or any such thing" is for it to be intensely missionary in doctrine and practice.

State Missions may be defined as the united effort of Arkansas Baptists to get everybody in Arkansas saved and into Baptist churches and then get them to give proper support to all enterprises of the Kingdom of God, both for Arkansas and all the world. We believe the Great Commission was given to Baptist churches.

There is a great destitution in all the sections of the State. There are a million lost souls in Arkansas. It is perfectly safe to say that sixteen thousand souls go from Arkansas to Hell every year. We can save them if we will. What an opportunity this presents to Arkansas Baptists. They will listen to our preaching. Whenever we send the messengers they do listen. And the obligation rests upon the Christian people of Arkansas to give them the gospel. No other either can or will do this work. (See catechism for other facts.)

Let the churches co-operating through the State Convention put forward State Missions thus:

65
3,134
2,281
3,010
\$25,598

The present year gives promise of being far better than last year. The amount of money we need to raise for state missions to put us out of debt at the Convention at Jonesboro December fifth, is at least \$30,000.

So your committee urges the following:

- 1. That every pastor get all possible information about State Missions to his people and endeavor to secure an offering from every church member and every organization in every church.
- 2. That the pastors and active laymen during the meeting of this Association get together and organize themselves and make plans to reach every church in the association for an offering to State Missions before December 1.
- 3. That the churches of this association do their very best to raise at least the amounts asked of them by the Executive Board.

 J. B. Rose.

Cora McCora, Committee

We your Committee on Home Missions beg leave to report the following:

Our Home Mission Board at Atlanta, Georgia, is the greatest agency for evangelism in all the Southland, reporting yearly more converts and baptism through the work of its Missionaries than any other Home Mission board in America.

Our hoard last year reported 37,724 baptisms.

Last year the total receipts of the Board was \$474,792. The cost of handling this great sum and getting to men on the firing line was only 4.7 per cent. The highest efficiency in secular business has never made a record like this.

The great world war is a challenge to every moral and spiritual resource in America. Realizing that new and heavier burdens must in this crisis be borne by Baptists of the south in the Home Mission field the board has laid out its work on a basis of \$505,193

We reccommend:

1. That earnest prayer be made for the work and that our pastors be asked to preach at least once during the year on Home Missions, and that a collection be secured from each church for this work.

- 2. That we urge our people to further inform themselves about this great work.
 - (a) By taking the "Home and Foreign Field" and liberally using tracts, published by the Home Board which can be had free by writing for them.
 - (b) By forming Mission Study classes in which we especially urge that the two great Mission books, "Baptist Missions In The South" and "The Country Church In The South," be studied.

Respectfully Submitted,

J. B. Rose, Sam Jackson, R. D. Galloway.

Committee on Finance made the following report:

Minutes Fund	\$20.58
Report of Elder Sam Jackson as Association Missionary	:
Days of Labor	200
Miles traveled	500
Sermons preached	117
Addresses	113
Visited	68
Professions	33
Baptism	
Money received	
Sam Johns	on

Messengers to the Crooked Creek Association, Elder J. B. Rose; Benton County Association, Elder D. R. Kittrell; State Convention, Elders J. B. Rose and J. H. DeLano.

Endorse O. A. Greenleaf

We, the Missionary Baptist Association of Carroll county, Arkansas, hereby endorse Elder O. A. Greenleaf, of Rogers, Arkansas, for the position of Chaplain of the United States army and commend him to the proper military authorities as a man mentally as well as physically able to perform the duties of that responsible position.

By motion the Clerk was authorized to have four-hundred copies of minutes printed and distributed to churches. At the

close of this service a motion prevailed that the Association adjourn to meet with Eureka Springs First Penn Memorial church on Wednesday before the second Sunday in October, 1918. Closing prayer by Elder S. C. McCullough.



FINANCIAL TABLE

Churches	Pastors' Salary	Building X	Incidental X	Visiting Ministers	S. S. Expense	The Poor	Associational Missions	State Missions	Home Missions	Foreign Missions	Other Objects	S. S. Colportage	Orphanage	Colleges and Schools	Ministers' Relief	Minutes Fund	Womans' Work	Training School	Total
New Pisgah Omaha Penn Memorial Berryville Rock House Green Forest White Elm Rock Springs Shady Grove Mt. Zion Calvary Alpena Urbanette Carrollton	132 00 Not 1000 00 15 00 40 00 85 50 100 00 78 00	250 00 113 00 35 50 55, 00	3, 57 1 80	6 95 250 00 3 50	22 50 205 00 75 00 57 87	103 00 3 00 2 50 7 50	15 00 25 00 2 25 5 00 10 25 7 75 3 85 19 25 6 25 2 20	60 00 45 00 6 50 9 50	7 16 30 00	7 15 25 00	29 00 20 00 20 59 12 89	28 57	2/50 3/95 12/85	5 50		3 00 3 00 1 00 1 50 2 00 1 50 2 58 19 95 2 00 1 00	-	1 00	

TABULATED STATEMENT FOR YEAR 1917

	CHURCHES	MESSENGERS
	Penn Memorial	J. H. DeLano, S. D. Withers, Mrs. S. D. Withers, Mrs. C. S. Barnett
4	Rock Springs	A. E. Jackson, H. S Tucker
177		Mrs. Henerettia Wright, G. R. McCall
SOLL	Alpena	A. Jinkins, G. W. Tate
CKT	Green Forest	R D. Galoway, D. J. Smith, Sister Watson
III	New Pisgah	G. J. Hopper
21	Urbanette	A F. Anderson
1	Calvary	J B. Pendergrass, Mrs. H. Goudelock
CRA	Shady Grove	W. C. Gentry
200	Rock House	G. W. B. Southerland, Sister G. W. B. Southerland
	Mt. Zion	D. W. Steward
	Carrollton	Jesse Powell
	Berryville	A. J. Russell, A. M. Jackson, Mrs. Mendenhall
	Omaha	Not Represented
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STATISTICAL TABLE

	MEMBERSHIP											
	In	creas	e th	is ye	D	Decrease this year						
CHURCHES	By Baptism	By Letter	By Restoration	Total Increase	Membership last year	By Letter	By Expulsion	By Death	Total Decrease	Total Membership		
Carrollton	- 10				42	1				41		
Berryville	12	12		24		4	4		8	56		
Mt. Zion	11			11	190		57		57	133		
Rock House	.11				41							
New Pisgah	21	3		24	136		1		1	159		
Urbanttee	5	3		8	13							
Alpena	5	6		11	48		1		1	58		
Calvary 4		-			40	= 1		1				
Green Forest					56	1		5) E	1	55		
White Elm-	1	1_	1	3	67.		1	1		68		
Shady Grove					69	<i>y</i> = 1	1	1	2	67		
Rock Springs	1	1.		2	56	3		1	4	52		
Penn Memorial	8	6	1	15	167	2		3	5	177		

TABULATED STATEMENT FOR YEAR 1917

ITON	CHURCHES	PASTORS	POST OFFICE	CLERKS	POST OFFICE
CARRILL COUNTY OF	Penn Memorial & Shady Grove	J. H. DeLano U. J. Fox J. E. Rose J. B. Rose J. B. Rose Sam Jackson W. A. Bailey	Berryville, Ark Eureka Springs, Ark Berryville, Ark. Prosperity, Ark Green Forest, Ark Green Forest, Ark Cureka Springs, Ark Oak Grove, Ark	A. E. Jackson W. C. Gentry G. W. Tate G. R. McCall A. F. Anderson J. M. Mays Lee H. Parker Carrie Southerland D. W. Steward A. J. Russell A. B. Collier	Berryville, Ark Alpena, Ark Eureka Springs, Ark Urbanette, Ark Blue Eye, Mo Green Forest, Ark Rock House, Ark Oak Grove, Atk Berryville, Ark Carrollton, Ark
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