SIXTEENTH ANNUAL SESSION

OF THE

Southwestern Baptist Association

OF ARKANSAS

HELD WITH

Mt. Pleasant Baptist Church

Sevier Co., Arkansas

October 10, 11, and 12, 1896

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MINUTES.

SATURDAY MORNING.

The Southwestern Baptist Association of Arkansas held its Sixteenth Annual Session with Mt. Pleasant Baptist Church, Sevier Co., Arkansas, beginning Oct. 10th, 1896.

The body was called to order by C. M. Powell, (former clerk) at 10 A. M. Eld. Thomas Dulany was chosen Moderator pro tem, who read Psalms 116, and offered the opening prayer.

The Moderator then called for letters from the Churches, and appointed Bros. R. L. Cole and B. F. Cannon to read same.

After letters were read, the body adjourned to 1:30 P. M.

The annual sermon was preached at 11 A. M., by Eld. C. M. Powell, from Prov. 4: 18.

SATURDAY EVENING.

After enjoying a sumptious repast on the ground, the Association re-assembled at 1:30, as per adjournment.

The call for letters was renewed; after which the Bro. Clerk moved to proceed to permanent organization and Bros. C. Wardlow and M. M. Cochran were appointed tellers, who reported the following results:

For Moderator, Eld. Thomas Dulany; Clerk, Eld. C. M. Powell; Treasurer, L. B. Holman. The body then proceeded to the regular business.

1. Call was made for petitionary letters. Friendship from Sevier Co. and Allene from Little River Co. responded with letters and delegates, both of which were recieved and right hand of fellowship given to the delegates. The right hand was also given to the delegate from Winthrop Church.

2. By motion, the following brethren were added to the delegation from their respected churches, viz: Bro. A. T. Collins from Brownstown, and Bro. J. A. Westbrooks from Pleasant Hill.

3. The Moderator then called for corresponding and visiting brethren. Elders R. L. Cole from Texarkana Association, J. B. Hester from Howard Co. Association and B. F. Cannon from the "State At Large" reported and were invited to seats.

4. By request, Bro. E. G. Sevier from Winthrop church was excused from further attendance at this session, on account of sickness in his family.

5. By motion of M. M. Cochran, the work of Foreign, State and Associational Missions was given to one committee, (See appendix E.) and on further motion, the Moderator appointed the usual committees.

The following are the committees:

(1) On Divine Services—Pastor and delegates from this church.

(2) On Finance—Roland Cox, C. A. Tyndall, G. W. Smith.

(3) On Ministerial Support—M. M. Cochran, D. B. Smith, J. A. Westbrooks.

(4) On Documents—H. L. McCarroll, John McWhorter, U. Mosely.

(5) On Sabbath Observance—A. T. Collins, E. S. Deering, B. J. Kittley.

(6) On Family Devotion—G. S. Provence, W. J. Cox, R. H. Turner.

(7) On Obituaries—J. R. Holcomb, W. W. Vess, A. J. Stephens.

(8) On Sabbath Schools—Henry Dulany, C. R. Walls, Glen. Gill.

(9) On Missions—M. M. Cochran, E. S. Deering, A. C. Ferguson.

BRO. COCHRAN IN THE CHAIR.

6. Bro. Thomas Dulany moved that Bro. R. L. Cole preach Sunday at 11 A. M., which motion carried.

7. By motion, the body then adjourned to 8:30 A. M., Monday.

8. Sunday Services—At 9:30 A. M., Bro. Henry Dulany conducted a prayer meeting service. At 11 A. M., Bro R. L. Cole preached on the subject of the "Second Coming of Christ," to an immense audience in the open grove, and taken a collection for Associational Missions. At 3 P. M., Bro. J. W. Hubbard preached; and at night, Bro. W. H. Burt.

The committee supplied the churches and school house in the surrounding communities with preaching by different brethren on Saturday and Sunday night.

MONDAY MORNING.

Monday at 8:30 A. M., the body re-assembled.

BRO. DULANY IN THE CHAIR.

9. The Moderator renewed call for letters, and on motion, Bros. W. H. Burt, from Union; Y. R. Harbin, from Cana; J. W. Hubbard, from Brownstown; T. B. Holman, from Sardis; C. H. Arnold, from New Hope No.1; and C. Wardlow, from Lockesburg, were made delegates from their respected churches.

10. Additional Committees: On Literature—Y. R. Harbin, J. W. Hubbard, P. J. Russell; on Temperance—C. Wardlow, W. H. Burt, T. B. Holman.

11. By motion, M. M. Cochran was added to the Committee on Sabbath Observance in the stead of A. T. Collins, absent.

12. Bro. Henry Dulany submitted the report on Sabbath Schools, which was by motion adopted. (See appendix A.)

13. Bro. H. L. McCarroll submitted the report on Documents, which was adopted. (See appendix B.)

14. Bro. J. R. Holcomb reported on Obituaries, which report was adopted. (See appendix C.)

15. Bro. M. M. Cochran submitted the report on Ministerial Support, which, after many enthusiastic speeches, was adopted. (See appendix D.)

16. Bro. M. M. Cochran submitted the report on Missions, and pending its discussion, a voluntary offering was made for Foreign and State Missions, amounting to $3.50 for each board, after which the report was adopted. (See appendix E.)

17. Bro. Y. R. Harbin submitted the report on Literature, which was by motion adopted. (See appendix F.)

18. Bro. C. Wardlow submitted the report on Temperance, which was adopted. (See appendix G.)

19. By motion, the body went into the election of the Home Mission

Board, which resulted as follows: Eld. C. Wardlow, Chairman; G. S. Provence, Chapel Hill; A. E. Dulany, Ben Lomond; J. J. Moore, Cerro Gordo; G. W. Smith, Lockesburg.

20. By motion, the body adjourned to 1:30 P. M.

MONDAY EVENING.

The body re-assembled at 1:30 P. M., as per adjournment, with devotional exercises.

21. In the absence of the Home Mission Board, C. M. Powell stated what work was mapped out at Peytonville, at beginning of year, and Bro. T. B. Holman, as Chairman pro tem, stated that the same was continued for the entire year.

22. Bro. M. M. Cochran made his report as Missionary at Ashdown.

23. Bro. G. S. Provence read the report on Family Devotion, which was by motion adopted. (See appendix H.)

24. Bro. M. M. Cochran reported for the Board of Ministerial Education, which was adopted. (See appendix I.)

25. By motion, the body proceeded to the election of delegates to the State and Southern Baptist Conventions, as follows: To the State Convention at Hot Springs, Eld. E. S. Deering; Eld. C. Wardlow, alternate; and to the Southern Baptist Convention at Raleigh, N. C., Eld. C. M. Powell, and Eld. Y. R. Harbin, alternate.

26. Resolutions of thanks was offered by Bro. Henry Dulany to the church and community for entertainment.

27. By motion, Bro. M. M. Cochran was relieved from service on committee on Sabbath Observance and Bro. C. Wardlow was substituted.

28. By motion, the Moderator appointed correspondents as follows:

To Howard County Association—Elders J. A. Westbrooks, H. L. McCarroll, M. M. Cochran.

To Texarkana Association—Eld. C. M. Powell and Bro. U. Mosely.

To Ouachita—Elders Y. R. Harbin, W. A. Ingle and S. A. Wilson.

29. By motion, Brownstown was selected as the place for holding the next 5th Sunday meeting, which is the 5th Sunday in Nov., next.

30. Bro. C. Wardlow read the report on Sabbath Observance, which was by motion adopted. (See appendix J.)

31. Bro. Roland Cox read the Finance report, which was adopted. (See appendix K.)

32. By motion, the Moderator appointed a committee to arrange and publish a program for the 5th Sunday meeting at Brownstown, to wit: C. M. Powell, A. E. Dulany, J. W. Hubbard.

33. Bro. C. M. Powell submitted his report as Missionary at Winthrop.

34. By request, Bro. M. M. Cochran was granted leave of absence.

35. By motion, the Bro. Clerk was ordered to have 500 copies of the minutes printed with the Constitution, Bylaws and Rules of Decorum of this body.

36. Bro. J. W. Hubbard submitted his report as Missionary at Piney Grove.

37. By motion, Bro. E. S. Deering, with Bro. J. A. Westbrooks as alternate, was chosen to preach the introductory sermon at Sardis, on Saturday, at 11 A. M., before the second Sunday in Oct., 1897.

38. By motion, the Treasurer was ordered to pay the Clerk $9.15, for past services, out of the minutes' fund.

39. By motion, the Treasurer was ordered to pay the Missionaries balance

due them.

40. The Treasurer read his report, which was adopted. (See appendix L.)

41. By motion of Bro. Y. R. Harbin, the body adjourned to meet with Sardis Church on Saturday before the 2nd Sunday in October, 1897.

The congregation arose and sang the farewell song, "God be with you," and was led in the closing prayer by Eld. Y. R. Harbin.

Southwestern Association has recorded an other year's history. Let us retrospect the past, with a view to leaving of some mistakes and working more efficiently in the future.

ELD. THOMAS DULANY, Moderator.

By: C. M. POWELL, Clerk.

APPENDIX.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES.

[A]

Sabbath Schools—We, your Committee, beg leave to report as follows: Believing that the Sabbath School is an important work of the Churches, in training the minds of the young; we recommend, that all of the churches maintain Sabbath schools. HENRY DULANY, Chairman.

[B]

Documents—Your Committee would recommend: That the next session of this body be held with Sardis Church, situated 10 miles North of Lockesburg, in Sevier County. H. L. MCCARROLL, Chairman.

[C]

Obituary—Your Committee would report: God has been very kind to us during the past year; but few have died. We mention in particular, Eld. Wm. S. Dozier of the church of Wilton, and Sister H. A. Humphrey of this church, as having passed to their reward. J. R. HOLCOMB, Chairman.

[D]

Ministerial Support—Your Committee on Ministerial Support would report: There is, perhaps, no subject to come before this body, needing a scriptural ventilation more than this one. Many churches call a pastor, and demand an answer, without providing a cent of remuneration for his time and labor. The pastor, for fear of appearing rash in demanding something for his sacrifices, takes the work and trusts the brethren. But alas! he trusts without a promise, and gets practically nothing. His wife and children, his reputation and his Master's cause are the sufferers. To prevent this we recomend: 1. That before our churches demand the labors of a pastor, they make a purpose of that they have, or can command, for his support, to be paid monthly, if possible; or, if not monthly, quarterly, at least, out of that that they have.

2. We recommend that no pastor accept any call without some provision for his support; that the Master's cause suffereth not.

M. M. COCHRAN, Chairman.

[E]

Missions—Your Committee on missions would report: The command, "Go ye into all the world and preach the gospel to every creature," comes to every child of God, and should be obeyed, by sending the gospel to the far off fields.

God is blessing the Foreign Mission work of Baptists above that of every other denomination in proportion to men and means employed.

The Home Mission of the Southeren Baptist Convention is a great work. The Home board is spending thousands of dollars annually, principally through state boards, in planting and maintaining Baptist churches in centers of influence.

Our State Mission work is a work in which every Baptist in the State should take an active part. Many little, struggling churches have been taken up by the State board and aided in securing and maintaining a reliable pastor until they became self sustaining.

Our Associational Mission is a work we cannot afford to overlook. It is a work at our doors. The Divine plan is to begin at home and work out. This Associational Mission work should be prosecuted till every community has a Baptist Church. Since these interests are one, your committee would recommend:

1. That our churches make an annual offering to Foreign, Home and State Missions.

2. That our Associational Mission work be prosecuted in occupying and developing new fields.

3. That our Associational board have entire control of this work, in the location of the work, the employment of men and fixing prices.

4. That each church in the Association send quarterly contributions to our 5th Sunday meetings for the prosecution of this work.

M. M. COCHRAN, Chairman.

[F]

Literature—Your Committee on Literature would recommend:

(1.) The careful reading of the Bible, accepting it as the man of our council in faith and practice.

(2.) The Arkansas Baptist, that we may be informed in regard to our denominational work.

(3.) The Foreign Mission Journal; and,

(4.) For Sabbath Schools, we recommend the Southern Baptist Convention series.

Y. R. HARBIN, Chairman.

[G]

Temperance—Your Committee would report and recommend: That we unconditionally place ourselves on record as favoring temperance. We regret to see the present indications of open saloons in the bounds of our Association in the near future. We believe it to be the duty of every christian to not only favor temperance, but also to discountenance in every form, intemperance; and to use every honorable effort, and work in every way consistent with right and duty, to suppress the liquor traffic, and to discourage the use of intoxicants as a beverage.

C. WARDLOW, Chairman.

[H]

Family Devotion—Your Committee on Family Devotion, after careful and prayerful deliberation, beg leave to submit the following report: That we fail to find any scriptural rule for Family Devotion. Solomon said, "Bring up the child in the way he should go and when he is old he will not depart therefrom." Now the question arises: How are we to train up our children? Are we to train them up in the fear and admonition of the Lord by strict, cheerless and solemn formality? Or, are we to accomplish this grand work by being cheerful before, and frank and free with our children, teaching them that we

want them for companions, and by this means gaining their confidence, and then placing the Bible in their hands, backed by our prayers. This we think is the surest way to bring our youth to Christ. We believe the brethren should follow the direction of the Spirit in the matter of family prayer.

G. S. PROVENCE, Chairman.

[Brethren, read this report carefully and then place it in your scrap book, for this committee has "carefully and prayerfully !" deliberated on the subject and absolutely "Failed to find any scriptural rule for family devotion," so I shall be in favor of excusing the committee on Family Devotion hereafter, so as not to burden the minutes unnecessarily. CLERK.]

[I]

Ministerial Board—Your Ministerial Board would report: At last session we reported Bro. A. T. Collins as Ministerial student. We now take great pleasure in reporting with him Bro. Lee Johnson. Both of these brethren promise great usefulness to God and the church, and they are making commendable efforts to obtain an education. At last session, on recommendation of report, more than $60.00 was raised in cash and pledges to keep Bro. Collins in school the past year. Of this amount more than $20.00 was paid to me, and most of it to him; but failing health forced him to leave school, at which time he returned the money to me. Since that time, part of the money has been withdrawn by donors. There is still on hand $14.50. We would recommend that any part or all of this amount agreeable with donors, be paid to Treasurer and by him divided equally between the two brethren named in this report, to aid them the present year in attending school. M. M. COCHRAN, Chairman.

[J]

Sabbath Observance—Your committee would report: It is to be regretted that the Sabbath is not observed in the bounds of our Association as it should be. We therefore recommend: That the delegates return to their churches, and endeavor to bring about a better state of affairs on this subject; and we further recommend, that the pastors of the churches preach and teach the doctrines of the Bible on Sabbath Observance.

C. WARDLAW, Chairman.

[K]

Missionaries' Reports—M. M. Cochran: At Ashdown: worked full year; additions by letter, five; received on field, $23.55; received for Associational Missions, $5.20; for Foreign Missions, 50c, and for State Missions, 50c. At Horatio: worked one quarter; received on field, $12.75.

C. M. Powell: at Winthrop: worked seven months; additions by letter, two; received on field, $17.50; for Associational Missions, $2.75, and for State Missions, $4.00.

J. W. Hubbard: at Piney Grove: worked full year; received by letter, one; received on field, $46.50; for Associational Missions, $4.20.

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TREASURER'S REPORT.

State Mission Fund—	Dr.	Cr.
To amount received at New Prospect, - - - - -	$10.00	
" " " " present session, - - - - -	3.51	
By amount sent W. A. Clark, - - - - - - - -		$10.00
" " on hand, - - - - - - - - - -		3.51
	$13.51	$13.51

Foreign Mission Fund—		
To amount received at New Prospect, - - - - -	$10.00	
" " " " present session, - - - - - -	3.75	
By amount sent R. J. Willingham, - - - - - - -		$10.00
" " on hand, - - - - - - - - - -		3.75
	$13.75	$13.75

Home Mission Fund—		
To amount received from former Treasurer, - - - -	$ 9.41	
" " " at Mount Pleasant, - - - - - -	22.33	
" " " " Damascus, - - - - - - - -	25.70	
" " " " New Prospect, - - - - - - -	1.87	
" " " " Allene, - - - - - - - - -	20.18	
" " " " present session, - - - - - -	37.48	
By am't paid For'n Mission board, as per order last Association,		$ 5.00
" " " M. M. Cochran, Missionary at Ashdown, - -		40.00
" " " M. M. Cochran, " " Horatio, - -		5.00
" " " J. W. Hubbard, " " Piney Grove, -		30.00
" " " C. M. Powell, " " Winthrop, - -		23.35
" " on hand, - - - - - - - - - - - -		13.62
	$116.97	$116.97

Minute Fund—		
To amount on hand at last session, - - - - - - -	$17.41	
" " received at present session, - - - - - -	23.36	
By amount paid for printing Minutes, . - - - - -		17.41
" " " Clerk, for services last year, - - - -		9.15
" " on hand, - - - - - - - - - - -		$14.21
	$40.77	$40 77

T. B. HOLMAN, Treasurer.

STATISTICAL TABLE.

Churches.	Received by Baptism,	Received by Letter,	Received by Restoration,	Dismissed by Letter,	Excluded,	Dead,	Total Membership,	Pastor's Salary,	Associational Missions,	State Missions,	Foreign Missions,	Printing Minutes,	Sabbath Schools,	Value Church Property,	Total for all Purposes,	No. in Sunday Schools,
Ashdown,		3					16	$24 55	$ 4 20	$ 4 50	$ 50	$ 1 00	$	$	$34 72	
*Allene,	15	22					37	32 52	8 10	5 80	1 10	1 25			50 02	
Bethel,	6	1	1			1	38		2 05			1 50			3 55	
Brownstown,	8			4	3	3	70	40 79	12 05			2 10		850 00	54 94	30
Cana,				1	1	3	84					50			50	
Cossatot,		1			1	1	19		50			1 00		500 00	1 50	
Damascus,	14	5		7			49		75			80			1 55	
Eagletown,							37									
Fairview,	3			3	1		36		75	25		20			1 20	
Friendship,	3	5					23		2 10			2 00			3 10	
Hopewell,							33									
Locksburg,	2	9		4			49	10 00	2 06			1 50		800 00	13 56	
*Mt.Calvary,	5	1	1	12	3	3	39	40 00	1 50	9 55	1 50	1 00	16 50	600 00	70 05	50
Mt.Pleasant,	5	1	1	13	1	1	59		40			50		100 00	90	
New Prospect,	2				1		24		7 44	1 50	1 70	1 00			11 64	
New Hope No.1,	1			1			23									
New Hope No.2,			2				24	12 00	65			60			13 15	
New Home,	15	11					36					75			75	
Oak Hill,	4	6					40					1 50			1 50	
Pine Hill,							7					30			30	
Piney Grove,		1			1	1	10	46 50	4 20			25			10 35	
Pleasant Hill,	5	6	2	4	6	2	80					1 50			1 00	
Refugee Springs,	4	9		3	8	2	29		1 43		20	50			2 13	
Sardis,	24	7	4	12	4	1	132		2 10			2 25			4 25	
State Line,							17									
Union,		4		2	5		68					1 00			1 00	
Winthrop,		2		3			11	17 50	2 75	4 00		50			24 75	
Total,	116	94	11	69	30	18	1100	233 44	53 53	25 60	5 00	23 50	16 50	2850 00	368 13	80

*Allene gave for Ministerial Education, $1.25; Mt.Calvary, for State S. S. work, $1.30, included above.

CONSTITUTION.

I. This union of churches shall be known and designated by the name of "Southwestern Baptist Association of Arkansas."

II. This Association shall be composed of delegates from churches in the union. Each church shall be entitled to three delegates, who shall be required to furnish satisfactory evidence of their appointment by their churches before taking their seats.

III. 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.

IV. The Associaton shall not interfere with the rights of of the churches of which it is composed; it shall regard them as independent bodies in matters of internal government, and shall only act as an advisory council, holding itself a medium through which the churches may by concert of action, devise the best means for advancing the cause of our Redeemer. It, nevertheless, claims authority over its own members—the delegates from the churches—and in justice and propriety, must have power to withdraw and disown all churches which depart from the spirit of this compact, by becoming heterodox in faith or disorderly in practice. It should, therefore, regard all the churches united under this Constitution with a vigilant eye for good. Its principal business shall be to promote the declarative glory of God, by extending the kingdom of grace on earth through the medium of the gospel, and the means in accordance with the gospel; to cultivate union and fellowship with all the churches of Christ, especially with those united under this Constitution.

V. Newly constituted churches, or churches dismissed from other Associations of the same faith and order, may be admitted into this Association on their sending up three delegates to the annual meeting of this Association, with a petition for admission, and by said delegates agreeing to the abstract of principles herewith published.

VI. The churces of this union shall transmit to every annual session of the Association a written communication specifying the names of their delegates, their members in fellowship, number baptized, received by letter, dismissed, excluded, restored, and deceased, since their last session, and such other information as the churches may deem important, which shall be read and minuted.

VII. This Association shall have a fund to be supplied by the voluntary contributions of the churches and paid over through the Finance Committee to the Treasurer, who shall be elected by ballot and hold his office during the pleasures of the Association; he shall retain and manage the funds agreeable

to the order of the Association, and present annually for insertion in the Minutes, a clear and succinct statement of all receipts and expenditures.

VIII. The Association shall furnish the churches with the Minutes of every session.

IX. The Association will take cognizance of no query sent up from the churches unless they have endeavored to solve the same and failed.

X. It shall be the duty of the Clerk of the Association to keep a regular file of the printed Minutes of each session, and deliver the same to his successor in office.

XI. This Constitution may be altered or amended at any regular meeting of the body, by the concurring voice of two thirds of the members present. Provided, such alteration or amendment be approved by the churches composing this Association.

Rules of Decorum.

I. When the delegates of the several churches shall assemble at the place appointed for holding of the Association, the Moderator shall open the business by prayer and praise, in person or by proxy. If the former Moderator or Clerk be absent, the body shall appoint a Moderator pro tem.

II. Immediately after the opening of the session, the church letters shall be read by persons whom the Moderator may appoint, and the names of the delegates enrolled by the Clerk.

III. When the delegates names are enrolled and called by the Clerk, the Association shall elect, by ballot, a Moderator and Clerk; the majority of votes governing the election.

IV. All motions and amendments to motions must be seconded before they are entertained by the Moderator. When motions or amendments to motions are made, the last one shall be first in order; and so on, in reverse order to the original motion; but the mover may at any time, withdraw his motion.

V. Any person wishing to make a motion, or to speak of any matter before the Association, shall rise to his feet and respectfully address the Moderator, and if he be in order, the Moderator shall signify the same by calling his name; and no one thus in order, shall be interrupted while thus speaking, unless he depart from the subject, or for personal infliction; nor shall any member speak more than twice on the same subject without leave from the Association, or to explain some of his former remarks.

VI. Whenever sufficient time has been given for the discussion of any subject before the Association, the Moderator shall take the voice of the Association, and declare the result, a majority governing in all cases except those provided for.

VII. No member shall vacate his seat while the body is in session, without leave of the Moderator.

VIII. When one member shall speak to, or of another, he shall call him "Brother."

IX. The Moderator may have the names of the delegates called whenever it may be necessary.

X. The Moderator may speak on matters of debate as other members, by

calling some one to fill his seat while speaking; but not until all others who desire to speak have spoken.

XI. The Moderator may invite visiting members in good standing to seats in council who may speak, but not vote.

XII. The Minutes of the Association may be read whenever it is deemed necessary.

XIII. The Moderator shall be the judge of order. An objector to the Moderator's ruling may appeal to the body, a majority of whom shall determine the point of order.

Articles of Faith.

Art. 1. We believe in the one true and living God, the Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

Art. 2. We believe that the Holy Bible, including the Old and New Testament, is the Word of God, and furnishes the only rule of faith and practice.

Art. 3. We believe in the doctrine of Election, "according to the foreknowledge of God, the Father, through santification of the Spirit unto obedience and the sprinkling of the blood of Jesus Christ."

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

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

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

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

Art. 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.

Art. 9. We believe in the resurrection of the dead and in the general judgment, and that the felicity of the righteous and punishment of the wicked shall be eternal.

Art. 10. We believe that no Minister has any right to administer the ordinances of the Gospel, except one who is regularly baptized, called and comes under the bands of a presbytery.

Art. 11. We believe that none but regularly baptized members have a right to commune at the Lord's table.

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

ORDAINED MINISTERS.

J. A. Westbrooks,	Farribaville, Ark.	Thomas Dulany,	Ben Lomond, Ark.
J. W. Hubbard,	Brownstown, "	Joe H. Denson,	Locksburg, "
C. M. Powell,	Wilton, "	W. H. Burt,	" "
W. L. White,	" "	W. A. Ingle,	Winthrop, "
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