



•• Proceedings ••

OF THE

Mount Zion
*Baptist * Association,*

HELD WITH

Harrisburg Church,

Poinsett County, Ark., October 7, 8 and 9, 1897.

FORTY-FOURTH ANNUAL SESSION.

•• OFFICERS. ••

J. H. Kitchens, Jr., Moderator, Jonesboro,

P. A. Hammond, Clerk, Jonesboro.

*Next session to be held at Mt. Zion Church, Greene County,
Ark., Thursday before the Second Sunday in
October, 1898.*

... MINUTES ...
OF THE
MOUNT ZION
Missionary Baptist Association.

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FIRST DAY SESSION.

HARRISBURG BAPTIST CHURCH, }  
Thursday, Oct. 7, 1897. }

The Mount Zion Association of Missionary Baptists, convened in its forty-fourth annual session with Harrisburg Baptist church, Poinsett county, Arkansas, Thursday, October 7, 1897.

Pursuant to a call by Eld. E. P. Minton, the body assembled at 9 o'clock a. m. to discuss associational mission work. The house was called to order by the moderator, J. H. Kitchens, Jr. Prayer by Eld. G. H. Faulkner. Eld. E. P. Minton produced a map which he explained, showing the many important mission points for Baptists within the bounds of this association. Several other brethren spoke, emphasizing the importance of Baptist mission work at the places named by Bro. Minton.

A few minutes recess. Called together by singing. It being time for the introductory sermon and the regular appointee being absent, on motion Eld. A. S. Pettie was chosen to deliver same, which he ably did, preaching an excellent sermon from Heb. 7: 25. After a song and hearty hand-shake, the body adjourned to meet at 1: 30 p. m.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Met pursuant to adjournment. Prayer by Eld. J. B. Allen. The roll of churches was called and the corresponding letters presented. When the name of Philadelphia church was called, P. C. Barton offered the following resolution:

*Whereas*, There is reported to be an unsatisfactory condition



of affairs in Philadelphia Baptist church; and

*Whereas*, It is believed that this association should take knowledge of the matter and declare whether or not such state of affairs bar their fellowship in this Mount Zion Association. Therefore be it

RESOLVED, That a committee of five conservative brethren be appointed to investigate the matter and report their conclusions to this body. This committee to be open for and to information and the full discussion of the subject.

On motion the resolution was adopted after some discussion, whereupon the moderator appointed the following as a committee to investigate said matter: P. C. Barton, G. H. Faulkner, E. J. A. McKinney, Giles C. Taylor and Jesse N. Teats. The roll call was then finished. The moderator appointed Elds. E. P. Minton and J. H. Peay to read the corresponding letters. In the meanwhile a motion carried to the effect that during this session, the entire day service be devoted to business, (it having been previously announced that there would be revival service at 2:30 p. m.) and the night service to the revival now in progress at this place. Twenty-three churches were present by letters and messengers. The body proceeded to effect a permanant organization, which resulted in the election of J. H. Kitchens, Jr., chairman; J. A. Hammond, clerk, and Eld. H. F. Wright, treasurer.

Petitionary letters were called for. Walcott and Vincent churches presented letters, asking for membership in this association. On motion they were received as members of this association and the right hand of fellowship extended to their messengers by the moderator. Visiting brethren were invited to seats with us, whereupon the following named brethren were enrolled: M. S. Cobb, Red River Association; Eld. Giles C. Taylor, Central Baptist College; Jesse N. Teats, Spring River Association; G. H. Faulkner, Gainesville Association.

The order of business found on page 2 in minutes of 1892, was adopted. After devotional exercises conducted by Eld. C. D. Owen, the moderator announced the appointment of the following committees:

Home Missions—R. M. Ford, J. N. Watkins and W. R. Foote.

Foreign Missions—A. S. Pettie, J. M. Minton and W. C. Beck.

Divine Services—Pastors and deacons of Harrisburg church.

Ministerial Education—J. M. Cartwright, A. Pagan, Frank Lincoln and T. D. Hurt.

State Missions—W. J. Bearden, L. T. Dennis and G. S. Thomas.

Associational Missions—R. P. Bain, G. W. Osborn and E. S. Holmes.

Temperance—D. W. Hall, J. W. Suttlemire, G. W. Prince and James Sherfield.

Obituaries—A. R. Akers, D. J. Fuller and G. B. Blackwood.

Sunday-schools—James Seay, J. F. Fears and J. H. Bishop.

Literature—C. D. Owens, J. C. Riley and Hiram Casey.

Resolutions and Nominations—E. P. Minton, J. H. Borum and J. G. Henson.

Ministers and postoffices—Dr. W. L. Hughes, J. M. Tyner and J. S. Stephens.

Woman's Work—W. A. Maywood, J. F. Clark, Sisters W. A. Maywood, Mollie Gage, L. B. Barnett, M. English, J. E. Hay and M. E. Wright.

Adjourned to meet at 8:30 a. m. tomorrow. Revival services were conducted at night by Eld. J. H. Peay, which resulted in six conversions.

## SECOND DAY, OCTOBER 8—FORENOON SESSION.

The body was called together by singing at 8:30. Prayer by Eld. H. F. Wright. Minutes of yesterday read and approved. Letters from seven other churches read and messengers enrolled. The moderator called for petitionary letters and visiting brethren if any present. No response.

The Committee on State Missions submitted its report, which after discussion was referred back to the committee for amendment.

The Committee on Temperance reported as follows:

We, your Committee on Temperance, beg leave to report



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that in view of the fact that the use of intoxicants is the cause of nine-tenths of the crime with which the land is cursed, and is the cause directly or indirectly of most of the poverty and distress, also brings on most of the taxation which the people have to pay, also the use of intoxicants transmits criminal tendencies to the offspring of the users.

RESOLVED, That all our churches do all in their power to discourage the use and traffic in alcoholic drinks, and that all churches who encourage the traffic be considered to be unsound in Christian practice.

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| D. H. HALL,       | } Committee. |
| J. W. SUTTLEMIRE, |              |
| G. W. PRINCE,     |              |
| JAMES SHERFIELD.  |              |

Adopted without discussion.

P. C. Barton, secretary and treasurer of Educational Board, submitted his report on Ministerial Education, which, on motion, was referred to Committee on Ministerial Education.

A motion carried authorizing that the amount behind on Ministerial Education be paid from funds now on hand for Associational Missions.

The committee appointed to investigate the matter relative to Philadelphia church, reported as follows:

We, your committee to investigate the objections to the seating of the messengers from Philadelphia church, beg leave to report:

1. That charges were brought against Bretheren J. M. Rains and F. G. West for aiding in the repeal of the "Jonesboro four-mile law."
2. That the said brethren admitted the charge but justified themselves in their actions.
3. That the said church sustained the said brethren.
4. That the church still maintains its position on the matter.

Therefore, we recommend that this body withdraw fellowship from the said Philadelphia church.

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| P. C. BARTON,      | } Committee. |
| E. J. A. MCKINNEY, |              |
| GILES C. TAYLOR,   |              |
| G. H. FAULKNER,    |              |
| JESSE N. TEATS,    |              |

After discussion by L. P. Barton, Wm. R. McEwen, E. J.

A. McKinney and W. A. Maywood, a motion carried, closing the discussion. A motion was seconded to adopt the report of the committee. Prayer led by Eld. A. S. Pettie. The motion carried, the vote being 42 for, 9 against.

Committee on Foreign Missions reported as follows:

The great work of the churches of Christ is to give the gospel to the world. "The field of our operations is broad." We must work in Jerusalem, in Judea and Samaria and in the uttermost parts of the world. "Go into all the world." Teach all nations. Preach the gospel to every creature. District, State and Home Missions are important. But Foreign Missions must not be neglected. Let the perishing nations of earth have our sympathies; let our brethren in foreign lands have our prayers and liberal contributions. Let our contributions be so generous that more laborers may be sent into the harvest. Our board is worthy of our most unreserved confidence. Let us give it our hearty support. Let the Foreign Mission Journal, the organ of our board, be put into the hands of our people.

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| A. S. PETTIE, | } Committee. |
| J. M. MINTON, |              |
| W. C. BECK,   |              |

Discussed by A. S. Pettie. Pending further consideration of same, an adjournment was had until 1:30 p. m. At 11 o'clock Eld. Giles C. Taylor preached a splendid sermon from John 9: 4.

### AFTERNOON SESSION.

Reassembled at 1:30. Song. Prayer by Eld. R. M. Ford. Report of Committee on Foreign Missions being unfinished business, was taken up, discussed and adopted as read

Committee on State Missions submitted its report, which was discussed by D. H. Hall and adopted as follows:

Your Committee on State Missions beg leave to report that our State Board has done very efficient work. Nineteen missionaries have been kept at work at important points. Up to the last quarter no debts had been incurred. We recommend that our Associational Board continue to co-operate with the State Board. We further recommend that the State Board employ a good and efficient man as a general State missionary, who shall labor under the directions of the State Board, and free from all other encum-



branches, that he may give his whole time and energies to the work of preaching the Gospel.

W. J. BEARDEN, } Committee.  
L. J. DENNIS, }

The Committee on Sunday-schools submitted its report, which was discussed, amended and adopted as follows:

We, your Committee on Sunday-schools, will submit our report as follows: We believe it is the duty of each and every church to have a live Sunday-school, for we believe the Sunday-school to be the nursery of the church. It trains the rising generation to love and serve God, to keep and obey his holy word. It teaches them in mission work, and brings them in touch with all of God's work. It is the place for parents to instruct their children and help to instruct each other's children. It has been said: "Bend the twig as you would have it grow." We believe you can bend the children in the same way. We recommend the prayerful study of the Bible; and as literature, the Convention series and the periodicals of the American Baptist Publication Society.

J. H. BISHOP, } Committee.  
J. W. SEAY, }  
J. F. FEARS, }

We, your Committee on Obituaries, submit the following report: God, in his providence, has seen fit to remove from our midst twenty-five of our beloved brethren and sisters of Mt. Zion Association. Words fail to express the esteem with which we held these excellent brothers and sisters. Deep and mysterious are the acts of God in his providence. Brethren, let us live in readiness. We know not when we may be called.

A. R. AKERS, Chm'n.

Adopted.

Prof. J. W. Conger, of Ouachita Baptist College, was enrolled as a visiting member.

The Committee on Ministerial Education submitted its report, coupled with report of Executive Board. After an interesting discussion of same, the report was amended to read as follows:

We, your Committee on Ministerial Education, submit our report as follows:

*Whereas*, The Bible admonishes us to study to show ourselves workmen that need not be ashamed, rightly dividing the word, giving to each his position in due season; and as Paul instructed Timothy to study the Scriptures, we therefore recom-

mend that this association continue its noble work begun several years ago and revived last year; that it again support the two young ministers in school that it supported last year, and that our young ministers be sent to Ouachita or Mountain Home College.

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| J. M. CARTWRIGHT, | } Committee. |
| G. F. LINCOLN,    |              |
| S. D. HURT,       |              |
| A. PAGAN,         |              |

We, the Executive Board, call attention to the report of the Committee on Ministerial Education at the last meeting of this body, noting that a collection and pledges were taken and left in our hands for distribution. We have received and paid out as follows:

## AMOUNTS RECEIVED.

|                                          |         |          |
|------------------------------------------|---------|----------|
| Philadelphia church.....                 | \$22 47 |          |
| Cash collection at last association..... | 19 50   |          |
| Macedonia church.....                    | 6 25    |          |
| O. N. Allbright.....                     | 1 00    |          |
| Antioch church (Craighead Co.).....      | 2 50    |          |
| Oak Grove church.....                    | 2 10    |          |
| A. Pagan.....                            | 5 00    |          |
| Mt. Pleasant.....                        | 50      |          |
| J. H. Kitchens, Jr.....                  | 10 00   |          |
| Paragould church.....                    | 5 00    |          |
| J. H. Peay.....                          | 5 00    |          |
| T. B. Kitchens.....                      | 5 00    |          |
| P. C. Barton.....                        | 10 00   |          |
| Jonesboro church.....                    | 38 97   |          |
| Fifth Sunday collection, Hydrick.....    | 8 35    |          |
| Fifth Sunday collection, Macedonia.....  | 5 65    |          |
| Mt. Zion church.....                     | 5 00    |          |
| Bethabra church.....                     | 2 50    |          |
| Cache Valley church.....                 | 2 55    |          |
| J. B. Allen.....                         | 1 50    |          |
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|                                          |         | \$158 84 |
| Eld. Thos. Williams.....                 | 1 00    |          |
| Oak Grove.....                           | 2 90    |          |
| Amount from Associational Missions.....  | 89 38   |          |

## AMOUNTS PAID OUT.

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| By over-draft last association..... | \$ 8 62 |  |
| By amount to Bro. Owens.....        | 117 50  |  |
| By amount to Bro. McEwen.....       | 126 00  |  |

Respectfully submitted,

J. H. KITCHENS, Chairman.

P. C. BARTON, Secretary and Treasurer,



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Pending the above reports, contributions for Ministerial Education were made as follows:

| CASH.                    |         |
|--------------------------|---------|
| W. J. Witt. . . . .      | \$5 00  |
| L. T. Dennis. . . . .    | 1 00    |
| H. F. Wright . . . . .   | 50      |
| E. P. Minton. . . . .    | 50      |
| J. H. Borum . . . . .    | 1 00    |
| G. B. Blackwood. . . . . | 1 00    |
| A. C. Reaves . . . . .   | 1 00    |
| A. Pagan. . . . .        | 5 00    |
| Frank Lincoln . . . . .  | 50      |
| T. D. Hurt. . . . .      | 1 00    |
| Joe Stephens. . . . .    | 50      |
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| Carried forward . . .    | \$17 00 |
| Brought forward, \$17 00 |         |
| Ed. Holmes. . . . .      | 50      |
| Mt. Pisgah. . . . .      | 50      |
| Cash . . . . .           | 5       |
| J. W. Seay. . . . .      | 1 00    |
| T. D. Young . . . . .    | 50      |
| J. M. Minton. . . . .    | 25      |
| G. W. Osborn. . . . .    | 50      |
| W. C. Beck. . . . .      | 1 00    |
| Hermon . . . . .         | 2 70    |
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| Total. . . . .           | \$24 00 |

| PLEDGES.                          |          |
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| P. C. Barton. . . . .             | \$10 00  |
| E. J. A. McKinney . . .           | 10 00    |
| A. Pagan. . . . .                 | 5 00     |
| Macedonia church . . .            | 5 00     |
| Antioch ch. (Craighead) .         | 5 00     |
| J. W. Suttlemire. . . . .         | 5 00     |
| Cache Valley church. . .          | 2 50     |
| Wiener church . . . . .           | 2 50     |
| Walcott church . . . . .          | 2 50     |
| W. J. Bearden . . . . .           | 10 00    |
| Jonesboro church . . . .          | 25 00    |
| L. E. Stancell . . . . .          | 5 00     |
| Ladies N. Jonesboro ch.           | 5 00     |
| Mt. Zion church. . . . .          | 2 50     |
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| Carried forward . . .             | \$95 00  |
| Brought forward, \$95 00          |          |
| G. M. Suttlemire. . . . .         | 2 00     |
| Rock Hill. . . . .                | 3 50     |
| Wynne church. . . . .             | 5 00     |
| Wm. L. McEwen. . . . .            | 5 00     |
| J. H. Kitchens. . . . .           | 10 00    |
| J. F. Fears. . . . .              | 10 00    |
| J. A. Hammond . . . . .           | 5 00     |
| T. D. Hurt . . . . .              | 4 00     |
| Hydrick church. . . . .           | 5 00     |
| N. Jonesboro church. . .          | 10 00    |
| New Hope (Cross). . . .           | 2 50     |
| Kentucky chapel. . . . .          | 2 50     |
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| Total . . . . .                   | \$159 50 |
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| Total cash and pledges, \$183 50. |          |

Report adopted as amended. Adjourned to meet at 8:30 tomorrow.

Eld. A. S. Pettie conducted the revival service at night, which resulted in the conversion of two souls.

## THIRD DAY, OCTOBER 9—FORENOON SESSION.

Met at 8:30. After song and prayer, the minutes of yesterday's proceedings were read and approved. Letter from

Bay church read by clerk and messengers enrolled. Kentucky Chapel presented a petitionary letter, and on motion was received into full fellowship of the association. Invitation extended to visiting brethren. Dr. C. E. Witt, of Spring River Association, accepted a seat with us. The roll of churches and their messengers, and a roll of clerks and their postoffices, were called and corrected.

Committee on Resolutions and Nominations submitted its report, which was discussed, amended and adopted in sections as follows:

We, your Committee on Resolutions and Nominations, beg leave to report as follows:

SECTION 1. Resolutions. *Whereas*, It has been said in this association that almost every member of Oak Grove church signed a petition asking the repeal of the four-mile law at Jonesboro, Ark.; therefore, be it,

RESOLVED, That a committee of five be appointed to investigate the same and report at the next meeting of this body.

SEC. 2. Nominations. We recommend the Executive Board be increased from five to seven members, and that the following brethren compose the board: J. H. Kitchens, Jr., P. C. Barton, A. Pagan, W. Smith, T. B. Kitchens and Elds. A. S. Pettie and J. H. Peay.

Next place of meeting of association at Mt. Zion, Greene county. For introductory sermon, Eld. A. S. Pettie; alternate, Eld. R. P. Bain.

Delegates to the State Convention—S. O. Boon, A. Pagan, J. H. Kitchens, Jr., E. L. Jacobs and J. S. Thomas.

Delegate to Southern Baptist Convention—Eld. A. S. Pettie; alternate, Eld. J. H. Peay.

Member of State Board—T. B. Kitchens, Paragould, Ark.

Messengers to Sister Associations—Gainesville, Elds. J. H. Peay and W. J. Bearden; Mt. Vernon, Eld. R. P. Bain and Wm. Smith; Spring River, Eld. A. S. Pettie and A. Pagan.

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| E. P. MINTON, | } Committee. |
| J. G. HENSON, |              |
| J. H. BORUM,  |              |

The report of Executive Committee was submitted, read and referred to the Committee on Associational Missions.

On motion, Woman's Work was made a special order of business for 2 o'clock this afternoon.



Committee on Associational Missions submitted its report, coupled with report of Executive Board, as follows:

This (Mt Zion) Association embraces a territory of 40 by 60 miles, with a population of about forty thousand people. We have thirty-nine churches in this territory. We know of thirteen points within our bounds where we ought to have an organization. These are centers of influence. Other places indicated by blank spaces on the chart may be of equal importance. The report of the Executive Board shows some good work done. But have we done all God has given us ability to do? Let us work this year under the pass-word, "Push the work to a finish." To do this we must enlist the entire membership of the body and put a brother, or brethren, in the field sufficient to work the territory. (This may be deferred to the wisdom of the board). It is not the duty of preachers alone, but members, from the least to the greatest, to do this. Read II. Cor. 8 and I. Cor. 16: 2. The Bible is full of this doctrine. We all know it; let us practice it.

Respectfully,

R. P. BAIN,  
G. W. OSBORN, } Committee.  
E. S. HOLMES, }

We, the Executive Board, beg to report as follows on Associational Missions: We have received and paid out the amounts as shown by the treasurer's report hereto attached. In addition, we have received the following in services from our brethren, viz.: Bro. Bearden, at Cone Island, \$12; Bro. H. F. Wright, at Needam's school-house, thirteen sermons for which he received \$10, and of Bro. J. F. Clark, at Pleasant Hill school-house, (Greene county) forty-one sermons which resulted in six conversions and five baptisms. At the close of the school at Mountain Home College, we put our Bro. C. D. Owen in the field, with the following results: Sermons preached, seventy-four, with ninety-four conversions and eighty-one baptisms, including those converted and baptized at churches where they had pastors. He having labored at the following places: Marked Tree, in connection with Bro. McEwen; Bethabara church, assisting the pastor and Bro. Faulkner; Pleasant Grove, where they had no pastor; Unity, assisting the pastor; Palestine, assisting Bro. Clark; New Hope, Craighead county, assisting the pastor and at Mangrum where we have no church which resulted as follows: Twenty-nine conversions and twenty-one baptisms, which alone is worth ten thousand times all we have expended in the work of the Mt. Zion Association. Bro. Owen received for his entire services the sum of \$25.25 Bro. E. P. Minton visited the following churches to stir them up

upon the subject of Associational Missions for which he received the sum of \$22.38 for same. Bro. McEwen has preached ten sermons and made eight Sunday-school addresses, organized one Sunday-school and has sold twenty-seven Bibles and Testaments and given away some Bibles and Testaments and other literature.

Respectfully submitted,

J. H. KITCHENS, JR., CHAIRMAN.

P. C. BARTON, SECRETARY.

P. C. Barton, Treasurer Executive Board of Mt. Zion Association.

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| October 10, 1896, To cash on hand last report....    | \$23.75 |          |
| To cash collection.....                              | 11.76   |          |
| October 30, To amount of state board.....            | 24.17   |          |
| To cash of Mt. Zion church.....                      | 6.01    |          |
| To cash of Philadelphia church.....                  | 12.32   |          |
| November 29, 5th Sunday collection at Mt. Zion...    | 4.00    |          |
| Nov. 31, 5th Sunday collection at Philadelphia ..... | 11.79   |          |
| Jonesboro church.....                                | 46.38   |          |
| Macdonia church special collection.....              | 5.55    |          |
| Macedonia church.....                                | 1.40    |          |
| Cache Valley church.....                             | 4.50    |          |
| North Jonesboro church.....                          | 6.00    |          |
| Antioch church.....                                  | 5.00    |          |
| Wynne church.....                                    | 9.00    |          |
| Palestine church.....                                | 2.00    |          |
| Shilough church.....                                 | 30      |          |
| Bethabara church.....                                | 2.50    |          |
| Cedar Hill church.....                               | 1.50    |          |
| Rock Hill church.....                                | 2.50    |          |
| Walcott church.....                                  | 1.50    |          |
| Harrisburg church.....                               | 2.00    |          |
| Clarks Chapel church.....                            | 2.50    |          |
| Vincent church.....                                  | 5.00    |          |
| Oak Grove church.....                                | 1.10    | \$192.13 |
| New Hope, Cross County.....                          |         | 35       |

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CREDITS.

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| November 3, By J. H. Kitchen's expenses to Little Rock ..... | 9.20  |
| December 20, By P. C. Barton's expenses to Little Rock.....  | 8.75  |
| By R. P. Bain on salary at Wynne.....                        | 30.09 |



By C. D. Owen ..... 5.00  
 By amount to Ministerial Education.....89.38  
 By cash on hand to balance.....50.15 \$192.48

Pending the above reports, the body adjourned to meet at 1:30 p. m. At eleven, Eld. Jesse N. Teats, of Black Rock, generally known as the "Boy Preacher," delivered an able and impressive sermon, his text being, "How long halt ye between two opinions? If the Lord be God, follow him," found in 1 Kings 18: 20.

### AFTERNOON SESSION.

Met pursuant to adjournment. Prayer by Eld. G. M. Suttleire. On motion the regular order of business was suspended to consider some resolutions.

Eld. J. H. Peay offered the following resolution, which was adopted.

*Whereas*, Dr. W. H. Whitsitt, president of the S. B. T. Seminary and professor of church history in said institution, did, in his statement to the Board of Trustees of said seminary, when in session in Wilmington, N. C., in May last, reaffirm his vagaries, thus reantagonizing both the facts of history and the position and teachings of the Baptist denomination, Therefore be it

RESOLVED, By this body, that so long as the said Dr. W. H. Whitsitt continues in connection with said institution no more moral and financial support be given to said seminary. And

RESOLVED further, That a copy of this resolution be sent to Hon. Joshua Levering, president of the Board of Trustees, Baltimore, Md., petitioning the retirement of Dr. Whitsitt from the seminary.

J. H. PEAY.

Eld. R. P. Bain offered the following resolution:

*Whereas*, This association has withdrawn her fellowship from, Philadelphia church; and

✕ *Whereas*, We believe that there is a large number of the members of said church who are as devoted Christians as there are within the bounds of Mt. Zion Association, but have been misled and have erred; and

*Whereas*, We further believe that they will do the will of the Lord, as indicated in his word, when they see the truth as it is; therefore, be it,

RESOLVED, That this association appoint a committee of five strong and conservative brethren to labor with said church, that

she may set herself right on this great moral question and then come back to us. Respectfully, ROBT. P. BAIN.

Discussed by several of the brethren and adopted.

The report of Committee on Woman's Work was submitted, discussed by W. A. Maywood and others, and adopted as follows:

*To the Mt. Zion Association:*

We, your Committee on Woman's Work, submit the following report: We recommend that this association assist, encourage and co-operate with the noble Christian ladies of this association in the grand work they are doing for the cause of Christ. Woman was last at the cross and first at the sepulcher. She has ever been more ready and willing to assist in upholding, promulgating and sending the Gospel to enlighten the nations of the earth than man. Women are organizing children into bands of Christian workers, thereby educating and training those who, when men and women, will unfurl to the teeming millions of earth the blood-stained banner of Prince Immanuel. To give you a faint idea of what they are doing, we give the financial report from four churches. The ladies of the First church of Jonesboro have raised during the past year \$253.75; Paragould, \$227.20; Wynne, \$127.50, and North Jonesboro, \$28. Total for four churches, \$636.45. The ladies of other churches, we are informed, have done noble work, but have failed to report.

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| W. A. MAYWOOD,      | } Committee. |
| MRS. W. A. MAYWOOD, |              |
| ELD. J. F. CLARK,   |              |
| MRS. M. E. WRIGHT,  |              |
| MRS. M. ENGLISH,    |              |
| MISS MOLLIE GAGE,   |              |
| MISS LOU BARNETT,   |              |
| MISS JULIA HAY,     |              |

HARRISBURG, ARK., Oct. 8, 2 p. m., 1897.

The Baptist Missionary Society opened with a song, No. 75, conducted by Mrs. Maywood. Bible reading, Philipians 4th chapter. Prayer by Mrs. M. E. Wright.

#### NAMES OF DELEGATES.

Miss Julia Hay, Antioch.  
 Miss Lou Barnette, North Jonesboro.  
 Miss Mamie Newberry, Paragould.  
 Mrs. Maywood, First Church, Jonesboro.  
 Mrs. Means, First Church, Jonesboro.  
 Mrs. M. English, Wynne.



Mrs. M. E. Wright, Nettleton.

Mrs. McCuin, Macedonia.

Mrs. Guest, Macedonia.

Mrs. Fuller, Herman.

Mrs. Albright, Herman.

Reading by Miss Mollie Gage. Prayer by Mrs. Maywood.

Preaching, an interesting tale, and appeal for help to build their church at Junction City by Mrs. McKinney.

A very interesting tale by Bro. Pettie, which was most highly appreciated.

MAMIE NEWBERRY, Secretary.

The chair appointed as committee to labor with Philadelphia church, Elds. R. P. Bain, A. S. Pettie, J. G. Henson, J. B. Allen and R. M. Ford.

Report of Committee on Associational Missions, unfinished before noon, again taken up and discussed. Pending the report contributions for Associational Missions were as follows:

CASH:—W. M. Anderson, 35 cents; H. F. Wright, 60 cents; part of collection taken fifth Sunday meeting to buy record, not needed, 35 cents; total, \$1.30.

#### PLEDGES.

|                         |          |                           |        |
|-------------------------|----------|---------------------------|--------|
| P. C. Barton .....      | \$ 15 00 | Brought forward, \$143 30 |        |
| Wynne church .....      | 15 00    | Jonesboro .....           | 100 00 |
| Mt. Zion church .....   | 10 00    | Harrisburg S. S.....      | 2 00   |
| Frank Lincoln.....      | 2 50     | J. H. Peay.....           | 10 00  |
| W. J. Bearden.....      | 10 00    | N. Jonesboro S. S.....    | 5 00   |
| A. Pagan.....           | 10 00    | J. H. Hammond.....        | 5 00   |
| Walcott church.....     | 5 00     | Bethabara church.....     | 36 00  |
| Harrisburg church.....  | 10 00    | Enterprise church.....    | 1 00   |
| Oak Grove church.....   | 5 00     | Shiloh ch. (Poinsett)...  | 19 20  |
| Paragould church.....   | 30 00    | N. Jonesboro church...    | 10 00  |
| Unity church.....       | 5 00     | Palestine church.....     | 5 00   |
| Antioch ch. (Craighead) | 5 00     | Mt. Pisgah (Cross) ....   | 2 50   |
| Macedonia church.....   | 10 00    | Wm. R. McEwen.....        | 1 00   |
| Vincent church.....     | 10 80    |                           |        |

Total. .... \$340 00

Carried forward....\$143 30

Total cash and pledges, \$341.30.

Report adopted.

The committee appointed last session to investigate the rumors concerning Cedar Hill church, reported as follows:

CEDAR HILL CHURCH,  
HERNDON, ARK., NOV. 1, 1896. }

The committee appointed by the association met and the following members were present, viz.: J. H. Kitchens, Jr., G. W. Osborn, F. M. Johnson, J. B. Allen and P. C. Barton. It was agreed to have J. H. Kitchens act as chairman in place of P. C. Barton and for P. C. Barton to act as secretary of the meeting.

The church held her regular services, Eld. T. B. Stokes filling the pulpit. After the services Chairman Kitchens stated the object of the committee's presence and offered a word of prayer that the Lord would bless and direct both church and committee in their deliberations. P. C. Barton then stated the object of the resolution passed by the association. Bro. Allen then asked the church to say if they were willing to enter into the investigation and endorse the action of the association by receiving the committee to co-operate with them. Whereupon the church convened in conference and asked the committee to assist them as aforesaid.

Upon investigation it was ascertained from the minutes of the church meetings that on the first Sunday in August, 1896, J. W. Milton presented himself for membership, and Bro. J. S. Canada not being satisfied with Bro. Milton's statement, objected to the church receiving him. It was further found that the church took the vote upon the reception of Bro. Milton, and that Bro. Canada voted no, and that Bro. Milton was declared a member in fellowship with the church; that on Sunday August the 8th, the church met in conference and preferred charges and withdrew her fellowship from Bro. J. S. Canada for non-fellowship. The committee was of the opinion the church had been irregular in the above practice, to wit: They should have removed the objection or the objector before receiving the member. Therefore, the church, by motion and second and a unanimous vote agreed to reconsider all of the foregoing procedure. On motion by Bro. Jesse Caldwell and a unanimous vote, the church withdrew her charges of non-fellowship against Bro. Canada. Bro. Canada made a statement, in which he said that he was sorry for anything that he had said or done that was calculated to offend the church or any member of it, and asked for forgiveness for the same, and further said, if he had understood Bro. Milton's statement as he now understands it, he would not have objected to his becoming a member of the church. The church accepted Bro. Canada's statement and forgave him. By a motion and second and a unanimous vote, Bro. Milton was received into full fellowship with the church, after which the hand of fellowship was extended and a general hand shaking engaged in by all. Prayer by Bro.



B. T. Stokes. Adjourned.

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| J. H. KITCHENS, JR., Chm'n. | } Committee. |
| P. C. BARTON, Secretary.    |              |
| J. B. ALLEN,                |              |
| G. W. OSBORN,               |              |

On motion the report of the committee was received and the committee discharged. The moderator appointed the following as a committee to investigate the statement as to Oak Grove church: Elds. E. P. Minton, J. F. Clark, G. M. Suttle-mire, H. F. Wright and R. P. Watkins.

The treasurer submitted his report as follows:

|                                           |               |
|-------------------------------------------|---------------|
| Received from the churches on minute fund | \$50 10       |
| Paid over to the clerk                    | \$50 10       |
|                                           | <hr/> \$50 10 |

H. F. WRIGHT, TREASURER.

Adopted.

The clerk submitted his report of last year as follows:

|                                                             |               |
|-------------------------------------------------------------|---------------|
| Received of Treasurer H. F. Wright, minute fund             | \$39 26       |
| Paid for printing minutes                                   | \$23 70       |
| Paid for blank forms church letters sent clerks of churches | 35            |
| Paid for express on minutes from Little Rock                | 1 25          |
| Paid for postage on minutes to the churches                 | 2 95          |
| Amount allowed clerk for services                           | 10 00         |
|                                                             | <hr/> \$38 25 |

Amount on hand

\$1 01

J. A. HAMMOND, Clerk.

Adopted.

Bro. G. W. Osborn made a motion which carried unanimously that the clerk be instructed to furnish Philadelphia church with the minutes of this session.

The Committee on Home Missions reported as follows;

There is no more important work before our association than our home missions. The population of the States in our South-land in which Baptists are weakest, is being rapidly increased by foreign immigration, and all can see the necessity for making an effort to Christianize these people immediately after their arrival. Not only in our own country, but also in Cuba, do the interests of our denominational work demand attention at our hands as an association, as churches and as individuals, and we, your commit-

tee, would heartily recommend of the different churches of Mt. Zion Association a liberal contribution to the home mission cause, and that each messenger at this association be urged upon his return to his respective church to use his utmost endeavors with his church to raise a large contribution for home missions.

R. M. FORD,  
R. P. WATKINS, } Committee.  
W. R. FOOTE,

On motion, the report was adopted

W. R. Foote asked to be excused to go home, which request was granted by the moderator.

On motion, Eld. A. S. Pettie was requested to furnish the Arkansas Baptist, for publication, a copy of the introductory sermon, delivered on Thursday at 11.

Committee on Ministers and Postoffices submitted its report, which was amended and adopted as follows:

|                                 |                              |
|---------------------------------|------------------------------|
| E. P. Minton, Jonesboro.        | *—, Parnell, Stottsville.    |
| A. S. Pettie, Jonesboro.        | J. G. Henson, Brookland.     |
| J. M. Minton, Jonesboro.        | J. H. Peay, Paragould.       |
| C. B. Hunton, Jonesboro.        | J. M. Robertson, Paragould.  |
| C. D. Owen, Jonesboro.          | J. M. Huddleston, Paragould. |
| B. F. Stokes, Jonesboro.        | W. J. Bearden, Paragould.    |
| W. L. Hughes, Harrisburg.       | J. P. Bozeman, Vandale.      |
| R. M. Ford, Harrisburg.         | Thos. Williams, Lorado.      |
| J. W. Suttlemire, Harrisburg.   | J. N. Waters, Hancock.       |
| G. M. Suttlemire, Cherry Grove. | M. C. Clark, Lake City.      |
| D. H. Hall, Stottsville.        | J. F. Clark, Herndon.        |
| U. D. Osment, Stottsville.      | J. B. Allen, Greensboro.     |
| E. Walraven, Dee.               | *J. N. Adams, Lorado.        |
| R. P. Watkins, Jonesboro.       | *Wm. R. McEwen, Jonesboro.   |
| J. H. Stokes, Wynne.            | *A. C. Reaves, Harrisburg.   |
| T. P. Archer, Wynne.            | *A. W. Curtner, Bay.         |
| R. P. Bain, Wynne.              | *W. H. Pruitt, Nettleton.    |
| L. S. Abernathy, Vincent.       | *W. J. Blair, Nettleton.     |
| H. F. Wright, Nettleton.        |                              |

\*Licentiates.

W. L. HUGHES, }  
J. M. TYNER, } Committee.  
J. S. STEPHENS,

The following Resolutions of Thanks was offered by Eld. W. J. Bearden, and unanimously adopted:

RESOLVED, That we tender ourthanks to Harriburg church and the good people of Harrisburg for their hospitality shown us during the sitting of this body, praying God's blessings upon them,



A motion carried to have inserted in the minutes our Articles of Faith, Constitution and Rules of Decorum.

The clerk was instructed to retain \$10 for his services, pay expenses of printing and distributing the minutes, and, if any of the minute fund be left, turn it over to the Executive Board for Associational Missions.

A motion carried, instructing the clerk to send minutes to each church in proportion to the amount of money it contributed to the minute fund.

A motion carried, that we give space in our minutes for cuts of the Baptist colleges of our State.

The Committee on Literature submitted its report, which, after some amendment was adopted as follows:

We recommend; first of all, the careful and prayerful study of the Bible which is "the power of God unto salvation to everyone that believeth," and further, in as much as the power of the press is a great factor for either good or evil, we insist and urge upon Baptists everywhere to supply themselves with good and wholesome, religious literature. We recommend the Arkansas Baptist and Baptist Review, published at Little Rock; the Foreign Mission Journal, published at Richmond, Va.; the Convention series of Sunday-school literature and the periodicals published by the American Baptist Publication Society, as worthy the careful study of all Baptists.

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|--------------|--------|
| C. D. OWEN,  | } Com. |
| J. C. RILEY, |        |
| HIRAM CASEY, |        |

It was stated to the body that Bay church had an old debt hanging over its house, which it was unable to pay. By motion the Executive Board was authorized to pay one dollar on the debt for each dollar that Bay church would pay on it. P. C. Barton agreeing on the conditions of the payment of the principle of said debt, to donate the interest accrued thereon.

The Committee on Divine Services reported that Eld. J. H. Peay preach tonight, Eld. A. S. Pettie tomorrow at eleven, Eld. E. J. A. McKinney at Bethel church, tomorrow at eleven and that there be baptizing here tomorrow at 3. p. m. about 14 candidates being ready for baptism. It was further announced that there would be a meeting of the Executive Board tomorrow at 8 a. m., and Sunday-school mass-meeting at 10 a. m.

No further business appearing, we took the parting hand while we sang "God be with you 'till we meet again." The Association then adjourned to meet with Mount Zion church, Green county, Ark., on Thursday before the second Sunday in October, 1898, at 9 o'clock a. m. Prayer by Eld. G. H. Faulkner.

J. H. KITCHENS, JR., MODERATOR.

J. A. HAMMOND, CLERK.



## Articles of Faith.

1. We believe only in one true, living God—Father, Word and Holy Ghost, and these three are one.

2. We believe that the Scriptures of the Old and New Testament are the Word of God, and the only rule of faith and practice.

3. We believe that by one man sin entered into the world and death by sin, and so death passed upon all men, for that all have sinned.

4. We believe that Jesus Christ, by the grace of God, tasted death for every man; through his meritorious death the way of salvation is made possible, for God to have mercy on all that come unto him, upon gospel terms.

5. We believe that being justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ.

6. That such only are true believers as endure unto the end; that their persevering attachment to Christ is the grand mark which distinguishes them from superficial professors; that a special providence watches over their welfare and they are kept by the power of God through faith unto salvation.

7. We believe there will be a resurrection of the dead and a general and universal judgment, and that the happiness of the righteous and the punishment of the wicked will be eternal.

8. We believe that the visible church of Christ is a congregation of faithful men and women, who have obtained with each other, and given themselves to the Lord, and each other, having agreed to keep up the Godly discipline, according to the rules of the Gospel.

9. We believe that Jesus Christ is the great head of the church, and the government thereof is with the body,



10. We believe that Baptism and the Lord's Supper are ordinances of the Gospel and to be continued until his second coming.

11. We believe that true believers are the only fit subjects of baptism, and that immersion is the only mode.

12. We believe that none but regular baptized members have a right to commune at the Lord's table.

13. We believe that the Lord's day ought to be observed and set apart for the worship of God, and that no work or worldly business ought to be transacted thereon, works of piety, mercy and necessity excepted.

14. We do not design to impose these Articles of Faith on any church as a rule, but have given them as our views of our Scripture doctrine.



## Constitution.

ART. I. The Association shall be composed of members chosen by the different churches in our union, the members of the Executive Board and all ordained ministers who are members in good standing, of said churches. Each church shall be entitled to three messengers, and one for every fifty members or fractional parts thereof above the first fifty.

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## Rules of Decorum.

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ART. IV. The churches in our union shall transmit to every annual session of the Association written communications specifying the names of their delegates, their number of fellowship, baptised, received by letter, restored, dismissed, excommunicated, deceased since the last session, which shall be read and minuted accordingly.

ART. V. That churches making application for membership in this body shall be admitted by a unanimous vote.

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# Financial Exhibit.

| CHURCHES.        | PASTORS.         | CLERKS.         | POST-OFFICES. | CONTRIBUTIONS.    |         |         |          |                        |             |                  |             |              |          | Total Contributions. | Value of Church Property. |
|------------------|------------------|-----------------|---------------|-------------------|---------|---------|----------|------------------------|-------------|------------------|-------------|--------------|----------|----------------------|---------------------------|
|                  |                  |                 |               | TO MISSIONS, ETC. |         |         |          |                        |             | TO CHURCH WORK.  |             |              |          |                      |                           |
|                  |                  |                 |               | Association       | State.  | Home.   | Foreign. | Ministerial Education. | S. S. Work. | Pastor's Salary. | Incidental. | Minute Fund. | Repairs. |                      |                           |
| Antioch.....     | J. G. Henson.... | F. M. Johnston  | Gubertown..   | \$5 00            |         |         |          | \$5 00                 |             | \$57 90          | \$8 75      | \$2 20       |          | \$78 85              | \$600                     |
| Antioch.....     |                  | Johu A. Beasley | Wynne.....    |                   |         |         |          |                        |             |                  |             | 75           |          | 75                   |                           |
| Bay.....         | J. N. Robertson  | A. L. Garrett.  | Bay.....      |                   |         |         |          |                        |             | 50 00            |             | 1 00         |          | 51 00                | 600                       |
| Bethabara...     | W. J. Bearden.   | J. F. Crocker.  | Cane Island.  | 2 50              |         |         |          | 2 50                   | \$4 97      | 60 00            | 13 75       | 1 50         |          | 85 22                | 200                       |
| Bethel.....      | J. W. Suttlemlre | B. F. Harris.   | Harrisburg    |                   |         |         |          |                        |             |                  |             | 1 05         |          | 1 05                 |                           |
| Cache Valley..   | Thos Williams.   | J. W. West....  | Walcott....   | 5 00              |         |         | \$0 25   | 2 55                   | 3 02        |                  | 2 00        | 1 00         | \$19 50  | 33 32                | 150                       |
| Cedar Hill....   | J. F. Clark..... | T. W. Nutt....  | Herndon....   | 1 50              |         |         |          | 4 85                   |             | 53 50            |             | 1 50         |          | 61 35                |                           |
| Cherry Valley.   |                  | Hiram Owen..    | Cherry Valley |                   |         |         |          |                        |             |                  |             | 25           |          | 25                   |                           |
| Clark's Chapel.  | J. T. Bozeman..  | R. B. Clark.... | Vanndale..    | 2 50              |         |         |          | 2 50                   | 2 00        | 34 00            |             | 1 25         | 28 20    | 70 45                | 200                       |
| Cottage Home..   | M. C. Clark..... | G. W. Phillips. | Nettleton..   |                   |         |         |          |                        |             | 9 00             |             | 25           |          | 9 25                 |                           |
| Enterprise....   |                  | J. L. Wiles.... | Bono.....     |                   |         |         |          |                        |             |                  |             | 75           |          | 75                   |                           |
| Harrisburg....   | E. P. Minton.... | L. E. Stancell. | Harrisburg..  | 2 00              | \$0 75  | \$1 00  |          |                        |             | 10 00            |             | 1 00         | 10 00    | 64 75                | 500                       |
| Herman.....      | J. N. Robertson  | S. A. Neill.... | Bono.....     |                   |         | 2 50    |          | 2 70                   |             | 17 00            |             | 1 50         | 70 00    | 93 70                | 500                       |
| Hydrick.....     |                  | M. Pitts.....   | Hydrick....   |                   |         |         |          |                        |             |                  |             | 1 10         |          | 1 10                 |                           |
| Jonesboro....    | A. S. Pettie.... | J. V. Bell....  | Jonesboro..   | 46 38             | 10 02   | 15 33   | 54 84    | 60 97                  | 127 39      | 1000 00          | 309 74      | 5 00         | 722 95   | 2352 62              | 12000                     |
| Kentucky Chapel. | J. N. Waters.... | Jennie Shanks   | Hancock....   |                   |         |         |          |                        |             |                  |             | 50           |          | 50                   |                           |
| Macedonia....    | H. F. Wright.... | T. C. Cole....  | Brookland..   | 6 25              |         |         |          | 4 00                   |             | 54 00            |             | 2 00         | 2 50     | 68 75                | 700                       |
| Mt. Pisgah....   | G. M. Settlemlre | J. T. Dement..  | Vanndale..    |                   |         |         |          |                        |             |                  |             | 1 00         |          | 1 00                 |                           |
| Mt. Zion.....    | G. H. Faulkner.  | B. F. Bowlin..  | Walcott....   | 10 00             |         |         |          | 5 00                   | 4 20        | 17 75            | 10 25       | 2 00         | 45 16    | 94 36                | 500                       |
| Nettleton....    |                  | Robert Lamb..   | Nettleton..   |                   |         |         |          |                        |             |                  |             | 1 25         |          | 1 25                 |                           |
| New Hope....     | J. H. Stokes.... | Ed Milton....   | Wynne.....    | 35                | 35      | 35      | 35       |                        |             |                  |             | 2 00         |          | 3 40                 | 100                       |
| New Hope....     | H. F. Wright.... | J. R. Vice....  | Jonesboro..   |                   |         |         |          |                        |             |                  |             | 1 50         |          | 1 50                 |                           |
| North Jonesboro. | W. J. Bearden..  | J. A. Hammond   | Jonesboro..   | 5 45              |         |         |          |                        | 12 00       | 69 08            | 10 00       | 2 50         | 40 00    | 139 03               | 1000                      |
| Oak Grove....    | J. N. Robertson  | J. H. Bishop..  | Gilterson..   |                   |         |         |          | 5 00                   | 3 00        | 48 00            | 10 00       | 65           | 150 00   | 216 65               | 750                       |
| Palestine....    | M. C. Clark....  | W. M. Clark..   | Lake City..   | 2 00              |         |         |          |                        |             | 21 10            |             | 80           |          | 23 90                | 350                       |
| Paragould....    | J. H. Peay....   | T. B. Kitchens  | Paragould..   | 20 20             |         |         | 21 50    | 15 00                  |             | 500 00           | 252 50      | 5 00         | 8 00     | 1232 20              | 2000                      |
| Pleasant Grove.. | H. F. Wright.... | T. H. Ripley..  | Buffalo Lick. | 3 07              |         |         |          |                        |             | 8 00             |             | 1 50         |          | 12 67                | 300                       |
| Rock Hill....    | J. F. Clark....  | H. U. Berry..   | Jonesboro..   | 2 50              |         |         |          | 1 50                   |             | 15 00            |             | 1 50         |          | 20 50                |                           |
| Shiloh.....      | J. W. Suttlemlre | W. C. Harris..  | Harrisburg    | 30                |         |         |          |                        |             |                  |             | 1 00         |          | 1 30                 |                           |
| Unity.....       | D. H. Hall....   | S. F. Banks.... | Mangrum....   |                   |         |         |          |                        |             |                  |             | 2 00         |          | 2 00                 |                           |
| Vincent.....     |                  | W. H. Borum..   | Vincent....   | 5 00              |         |         |          |                        |             |                  |             | 1 00         |          | 6 00                 | 600                       |
| Walcott.....     | G. H. Faulkner.  | T. W. Smith..   | Walcott....   | 1 50              |         | 1 50    | 1 50     |                        |             |                  |             | 1 50         |          | 6 00                 |                           |
| Wiener.....      | R. M. Ford....   | C. Wilson....   | Weiner.....   |                   |         |         |          |                        |             |                  |             | 75           |          | 75                   |                           |
| Wynne.....       | R. P. Balb....   | Dr. Crain....   | Wynne.....    | 15 85             | 1 00    | 2 00    | 2 00     |                        | 5 75        | 166 90           | 50 13       | 1 55         |          | 245 18               | 1000                      |
| Total.....       |                  |                 |               | \$137 35          | \$12 12 | \$22 68 | \$80 44  | \$106 72               | \$167 18    | \$2631 23        | \$667 12    | \$50 10      | 1006 31  | \$4971 25            | \$22050                   |

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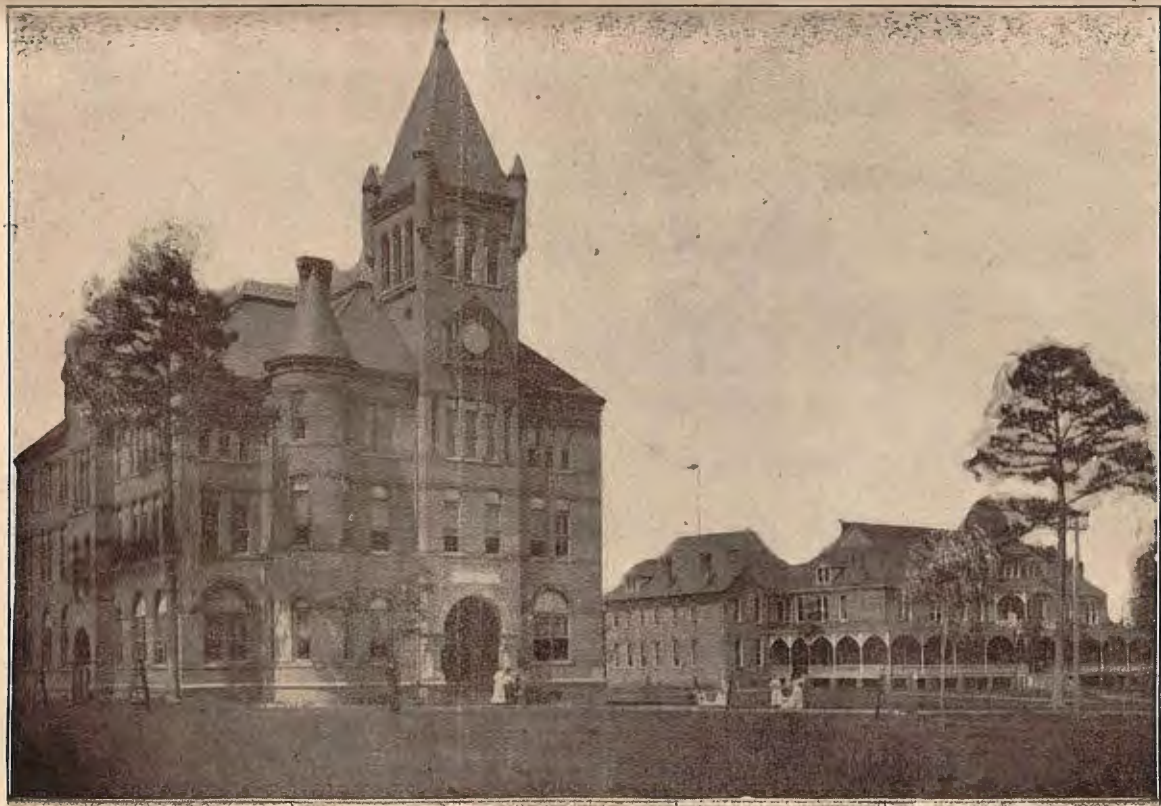


# Statistical Table.

| CHURCHES.            | COUN-<br>TIES. | MESSENGERS.                                                                                         | MEMBERSHIP. |            |              |           |          |            |           |                    |
|----------------------|----------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------|------------|--------------|-----------|----------|------------|-----------|--------------------|
|                      |                |                                                                                                     | Increase.   |            |              |           | Decrease |            |           |                    |
|                      |                |                                                                                                     | Baptized.   | By Letter. | By Relation. | Restored. | Died.    | Dismissed. | Excluded. | Present Membership |
| Antioch.....         | Craighead.     | A. R. Akers, Steven Staley, Wm. Roberts, Mrs. Wm. Roberts, Julia Hay.....                           | 29          | 2          |              |           | 1        | 2          | 2         | 150                |
| Antioch.....         | Cross.         | John Beasley.....                                                                                   |             |            |              |           |          |            |           | 20                 |
| Bay.....             | Craighead.     | J. W. Cartwright, J. N. Fielder.....                                                                | 5           | 3          |              | 1         |          | 5          | 1         | 54                 |
| Bethabara.....       | Craighead.     | W. C. Beck, J. S. Stephens.....                                                                     | 17          | 10         |              | 5         |          | 8          | 7         | 63                 |
| Bethel.....          | Poinsett.      | A. C. Reaves, J. W. Lowe, A. T. Reaves.....                                                         | 6           |            |              |           |          |            | 1         | 51                 |
| Cache Valley.....    | Greene.        | Hiram Casey.....                                                                                    | 21          | 7          |              | 2         |          | 4          | 5         | 53                 |
| Cedar Hill.....      | Craighead.     | I. D. Pribble, J. W. Caldwell.....                                                                  | 25          | 9          |              | 4         | 1        | 1          | 1         | 129                |
| Cherry Valley.....   | Cross.         | J. C. Riley, G. W. Halk.....                                                                        |             |            |              | 1         |          |            |           | 20                 |
| Clark's Chapel.....  | Cross.         | J. T. Putrell.....                                                                                  |             |            |              |           |          |            | 2         | 34                 |
| Cottage Home.....    | Craighead.     | John Faulkenbrough.....                                                                             | 1           |            |              |           |          |            |           | 11                 |
| Enterprise.....      | Craighead.     | Letter.....                                                                                         | 1           |            |              |           |          | 4          |           | 19                 |
| Harrisburg.....      | Poinsett.      | E. L. Jacobs, H. L. Jacobs, L. E. Stancell.....                                                     | 16          |            |              | 1         | 1        | 3          | 2         | 42                 |
| Herman.....          | Craighead.     | Walker William B. W. Watkins, D. J. Fuller, O. N. Albright.....                                     |             |            |              | 1         |          |            | 5         | 60                 |
| Hydrick.....         | Poinsett.      | L. Foust, M. Pitts, G. W. Prince.....                                                               | 5           | 6          |              |           |          | 1          | 2         | 65                 |
| Jonesboro.....       | Craighead.     | W. J. Witt, W. A. Maywood, Mrs. W. A. Maywood, Mrs. M. E. Means.....                                | 1           | 19         |              | 1         | 1        | 15         | 1         | 280                |
| Kentucky Chapel..... | Craighead.     | John V. Banks, Ben. Brit.....                                                                       |             |            |              |           |          |            |           | 30                 |
| Macedonia.....       | Craighead.     | N. A. McEwen, R. A. Guest, Thos. Griffin, R. Griffin, M. D. Willey.....                             | 7           | 2          |              | 1         | 1        | 6          | 10        | 198                |
| Mt. Pisgah.....      | Cross.         | W. C. Dunn, Robert Duncan, John Cook.....                                                           | 3           | 1          |              |           |          |            |           | 33                 |
| Mt. Zion.....        | Greene.        | L. T. Dennis, G. B. Blackwood, A. A. Ryan, E. S. Holmes, Jas. Sherfield.....                        | 23          | 3          |              | 1         | 2        | 52         | 4         | 162                |
| Nettleton.....       | Craighead.     | H. F. Wright, Sister M. E. Wright.....                                                              | 3           | 2          |              | 1         | 2        |            | 1         | 27                 |
| New Hope.....        | Cross.         | Wm. Maufins.....                                                                                    | 6           | 2          |              | 6         | 1        |            |           | 65                 |
| New Hope.....        | Craighead.     | Letter.....                                                                                         | 4           | 4          |              |           | 1        | 2          | 1         | 42                 |
| North Jonesboro..... | Craighead.     | Y. A. Cole, J. F. Fears, Miss Lou Barnett.....                                                      | 2           | 2          | 42           |           |          | 1          | 1         | 78                 |
| Oak Grove.....       | Craighead.     | J. H. Bishop, J. M. Brown, S. S. Gibson, I. Gibson.....                                             | 15          | 2          | 1            | 7         | 4        | 4          | 5         | 115                |
| Palestine.....       | Craighead.     | T. D. Hurt.....                                                                                     | 7           | 5          |              | 2         |          |            |           | 42                 |
| Paragould.....       | Greene.        | J. H. Peay, W. J. Bearden, J. M. Robertson, G. R. Hopkins, T. B. Kitchens, Miss Mamie Newberry..... | 53          | 21         | 5            | 4         | 3        | 9          | 10        | 345                |
| Pleasant Grove.....  | Poinsett.      | C. R. Thomas, J. W. Hinshaw, Lucy Kelley, T. H. Ripley.....                                         | 33          | 1          |              |           |          | 2          |           | 60                 |
| Rock Hill.....       | Craighead.     | J. W. Berry, J. B. Allen, W. H. Ishmael.....                                                        | 4           | 7          |              |           | 1        | 4          | 1         | 41                 |
| Shiloh.....          | Poinsett.      | S. H. Thompson, R. M. Ford, Cynthia Bridges.....                                                    | 4           | 2          |              |           | 2        |            |           | 32                 |
| Unity.....           | Craighead.     | D. H. Hall, Sister E. Butler, J. L. Costner.....                                                    | 20          | 6          |              |           | 1        | 3          |           | 43                 |
| Vincent.....         | Crittenden     | J. H. Borum.....                                                                                    | 1           |            |              |           |          |            |           | 18                 |
| Walcott.....         | Greene.        | James W. Seav, Jas. M. Tyner, Thomas Welch.....                                                     | 25          | 29         |              |           |          |            |           | 67                 |
| Wiener.....          | Poinsett.      | Frank Lincoln.....                                                                                  |             |            |              |           |          |            |           | 10                 |
| Wyzoo.....           | Cross.         | W. R. Foote, J. Q. Thomas, Sister A. J. English.....                                                | 9           | 10         |              |           | 2        | 3          | 2         | 78                 |

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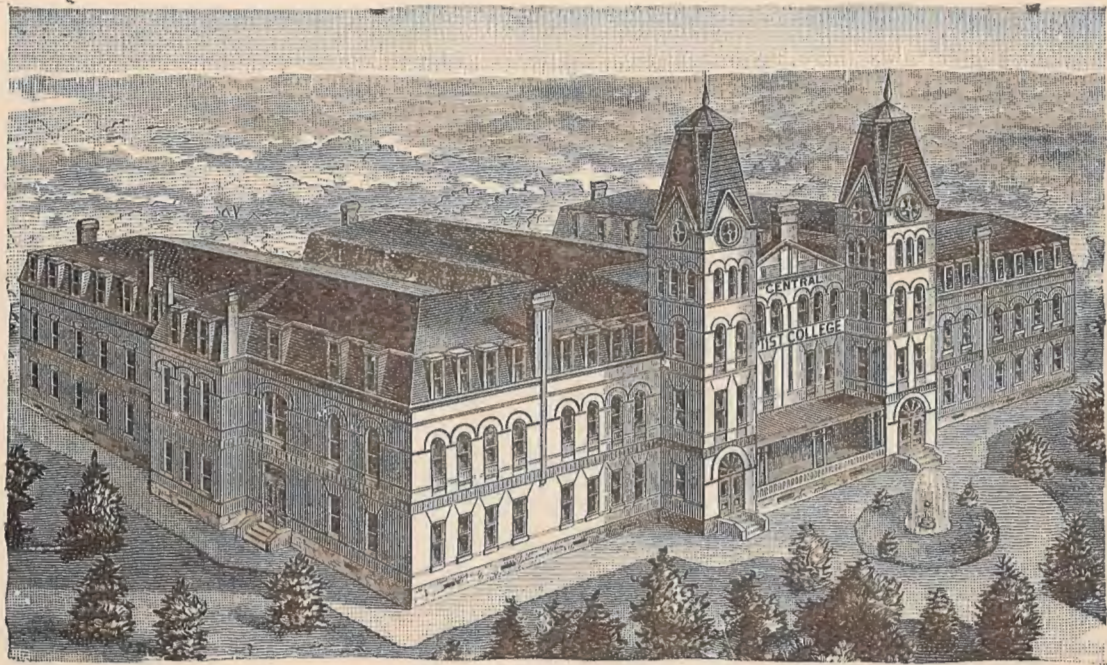


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