

PROCEEDINGS

ARKANSAS BAPTIST HISTORICAL SOCIETY  
*of the*

Nineteenth Annual Session

*of the*

BUCKVILLE  
BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

*Held with*

HARVEY'S CHAPEL, GARLAND CO., ARK.

September 26, 1908.

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J. G. McLANE,

J. T. BLAKELY, Story,

*Moderator*

*Clerk and Treasurer*

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Next session will be held with Shady Grove No. 2, twelve miles east of  
Mt. Ida, Montgomery County, Arkansas, Saturday before  
the fourth Sunday in September, 1909, at 10 a. m.

# Proceedings.

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The Buckville Baptist Association met with Harvey's Chapel, Garland County, Arkansas, in its nineteenth annual session, September 26, 1908.

Called to order by the Moderator, Bro. J. G. McLane.

Devotional exercises were conducted by Eld. E. P. Chitwood.

The introductory sermon was preached by Eld. M. C. Melton. Text, Luke 24:48.

Recess till 2 o'clock.

## AFTERNOON SESSION.

Called to order by the Moderator, who read a chapter and Bro. Shepard led the prayer. The Moderator appointed Eld. J. P. Emery and Eld. J. W. Shepard as a Committee on Credentials. Letters were read from the following churches and messengers' names enrolled to-wit:

Crystal Hill—Eld. Ashley Wood, J. E. Helms, L. A. Helms.

Mt. Pleasant—J. T. Muse, A. V. Lay.

Glazier Poe—W. J. Holland.

Shady Grove No. 1.—A. W. Tyler, J. B. McGie.

Prairie Grove—J. I. Wilson, Andy Wilson.

Marble—W. B. Barton, D. I. Green.

Pleasant Ridge—J. C. Graves.

Buckville—

Sweet Home—R. J. Fenton, James Cumbie.

Harvey's Chapel—W. J. Huddleston, W. T. Vaughan, Joe Ross.

Oak Hill—Eld. W. A. Neighbors, M. S. Neighbors, Thomas Washington.

Shady Grove No. 2.—I. K. Moon, Eld. E. P. Chitwood, A. B. Chitwood.

Cedar Glades—B. W. Martin.

New Prospect—J. L. Richardson, S. D. Johnson.

Jessieville—C. T. Glenn, Z. T. Young.

Refuge—Eld. J. P. Emery, J. T. Blakely.

Mt. Tabor—Eld. M. C. Melton.

New Home—Eld. W. L. Cockrell, A. R. Chitwood, C. R. Houser.

Fowler's Spring—David Fowler, Laura Fowler, C. F. Guerin, Mattie Guerin.

Bethlehem—C. B. McKee, M. S. Jackson, M. F. Masner.

Rock Springs—J. D. Parker, Joe Murders.

Washita—Eld. J. W. Shepard, J. G. McLane, John Waldon.

Concord—

White Plains—W. D. Gillespie.

On motion the rules were suspended and petitionary letters were called for, and one was presented by Happy Home Church.

The letter was read, the church received, and the Moderator extended the right hand of fellowship to the messengers, G. W. Hulsey and David Kelly.

The body then went into the election of officers for the ensuing year. The Moderator appointed Bro. McDonald, Bro. Richards and Bro. Harley as tellers. They announced the vote as follows: Bro. J. G. McLane, Moderator, and J. T. Blakely, Clerk and Treasurer. The Moderator extended an invitation to visiting brethren. Eld. J. W. McDonald, pastor of Park Ave. Church, Hot Springs, and Eld. N. H. Harley, pastor of the Second Baptist Church, Hot Springs, and Eld. S. C. Richards, of Alabama, responded with appropriate remarks.

The Moderator appointed as a Committee on Divine Service the messenger of Harvay's Chapel, Bro. A. R. Chitwood, Bro. B. W. Martin and Bro. Houser. They reported that Bro. S. C. Richards, followed by Bro. Harley, would preach at 7:30 o'clock Saturday night.

The Moderator appointed the following corresponding messengers: Eld. W. A. Neighbors, M. S. Neighbors, W. B. Barton, and Bro. Green to the Saline Association. Eld. J. P. Emery to the Caddo River Association. Eld. J. W. Shepard, Eld. M. C. Melton, Eld. E. P. Chitwood to the Dardanelle Association.

The Committee on Divine Service reported that Bro. McDonald and Bro. Emery, would make temperance addresses, and that Bro. Shepard and Bro. Neighbors would make Sunday School addresses Sunday at 9:30 o'clock A. M.



On motion the body took a recess of business hours till 8 o'clock Monday morning.

The people met at the church house Saturday night. Eld. S. C. Richards and Eld. N. H. Harley preached. Bro. J. W. Shepard offered an invitation to the unsaved to come forward for prayer. Many came forward. Bro. McLane and Bro. McDonald prayed for the unsaved.

### SUNDAY MORNING.

At 9:30 o'clock Bro. J. W. McDonald and Bro. J. P. Emery made splendid talks on temperance. At 11 o'clock Eld. W. L. Cockrell preached the annual missionary sermon, after which a collection of \$5.37 was made for Associational Missions.

At 3 o'clock Eld. J. W. Shepard and Eld. W. A. Neighbors made interesting addresses on Sunday Schools.

At 7:30 o'clock Sunday night Bro. J. W. Shepard preached. Text, Acts 16:30.

### MONDAY MORNING.

Called to order at 8 o'clock by the Moderator, who read a chapter. Bro. Emery led the prayer. The selection of a Missionary Board being in order, on motion by Bro. Shepard, the present Board consisting of J. G. McLane, J. L. Blakely, and J. T. Blakely were re-elected for another year.

Committee on Foreign Missions made their report and after being discussed by Bro. Shepard, Bro. Richards, Bro. Chitwood, Bro. Wood, and after a collection of \$5.00, the report was adopted.

Committee on Associational Missions made their report, which was adopted.

Bro. W. L. Cockrell made his report as Missionary, which was adopted.

Committee on Home Missions made their report, and pending its adoption, \$1.50 was contributed.

Recess till 2 o'clock.

Eld. W. A. Neighbors preached at 11 o'clock.

### AFTERNOON SESSION.

Called to order at 2 o'clock.

Roll was called, with forty-eight messengers present.

Bro. Shepard acted as Moderator in the absence of Bro. McLane.

On motion \$22.75 was allowed Bro. S. C. Richards for his services as Missionary in the bounds of this Association.

Committee on Ministerial Support read their report, which was adopted.

The report on Temperance read and adopted.

Report on Sunday Schools was read and adopted.

Committee on Obituaries and Condolence made their report which was adopted.

On motion the memorial prepared by Glazier Poe Church of Eld. Henry Melton was ordered printed in the Arkansas Baptist.

Report of the Missionary Board read and adopted.

Committee on Nominations made their report and after an amendment striking out the annual missionary sermon, was adopted.

Finance Committee made their report, which was adopted.

Report of the Treasurer was read and adopted.

Maible, Rock Springs, Concord, Shady Grove No. 2, White Plains, and Glazier Poe churches were placed in nomination as place to hold the next session of the Association. Shady Grove No. 2 was selected.

The Clerk was instructed to have 500 copies of the Minutes printed and distribute them to the churches in proportion to their Minutes Fund.

Pledges amounting to \$22.50 were made for Associational Missions.

Resolutions No. 1 and No. 2 were read and adopted.

On motion the clerk was allowed \$15.00 for his services.

The Minutes of the proceedings were read and adopted.

On motion the body adjourned to meet with Shady Grove No. 2, twelve miles east of Mt. Ida, Montgomery County, Arkansas, Saturday before fourth Sunday in September, 1909, at 10 o'clock A. M.

A song was sung, the parting hand extended, and Eld. S. C. Richards led the closing prayer.

J. G. McLANE, Moderator,  
J. T. BLAKELY, Clerk.

## Reports of Committees.

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We, your Committee on Foreign Missions, report as follows:

Our Lord has commanded that the Gospel be preached in all the world, and even to every creature, therefore we should give liberally of the means that God has blessed us with to send the Gospel to earth's remotest bounds.

J. W. Shepard,  
H. W. Tyler,  
Rob. McGie,

Committee.

We, your Committee on Home Missions, report as follows:

We consider it our indispensable duty to spread the Gospel of Christ to the unsaved in the bounds of our Home Missions. We believe God would bless us more abundantly if we were more loyal on this line, by giving of our means to the support of Home Missions. We believe it has been laid on us by the great Head of the Church. We believe that the deacons of each church should take up collection for our Missionaries in the Home fields.

E. P. Chitwood,  
B. W. Martin,  
W. J. Holland,

Committee.

Your Missionary reports as follows:

Held a meeting with Bethlehem ch.

Received by baptism ..... 3

Received by letter ..... 2

Held a meeting at Shady Grove No. 1.

Received by baptism ..... 1

Held a meeting with Bethel.

Received by baptism ..... 3

Received by letter ..... 4

Held a meeting with Onyx Community.

Professions witnessed ..... 1

Collected for Associational Missions at Bethlehem, \$6.25;  
at Shady Grove No. 1, \$3.00; at Bethel, \$3.10; at Onyx, \$2.71.  
Total, \$15.06.



Number of days preached, 41; number of sermons, 52; number of exhortations, 2; Paid in full.

Respectfully submitted,  
W. L. Cockrell.

We, your Committee on Associational Missions, report as follows:

We believe in Missions with all our hearts, for this is the foundation of our faith. Now as this faith and hope comes to the destitute, so we are not to send missionaries to churches that have pastors in charge. We believe in supporting this kind of Missions that reaches out after the destitute that have no preaching.

Ashley Wood,  
I. K. Moon,  
M. S. Jackson,

Committee.

We, your Committee on Ministerial Support, report as follows:

We believe in supporting the ministers who faithfully preach the Gospel, for this is according to the Scriptures. We advise that the deacons and ministers and also the members be more zealous in attending to the needs of our faithful pastors.

C. F. Geurin,  
W. J. Ross,  
J. I. Wilson,

Committee.

We, your Committee on Sunday Schools, report as follows:

We find there are but eight Sunday Schools reported this year, an increase of only two since last session. We know that every church ought to have a Sunday School. Therefore, dear Brethren, we do urge every church to organize and maintain a Sunday School, for it is in keeping with God's word to assemble ourselves together on each Lord's day and teach the word of God. And by this plan we can come in touch with the young and teach them the ways of righteousness.

M. C. Melton,  
C. B. McKee,  
J. P. Emery,

Committee.

We, your Committee on Temperance, report as follows:

The cause of temperance has made a great gain in the last year, but the victory is not yet complete. We earnestly urge

every Brother in the Buckville Association to do all in his power to rid, not only the Buckville Association, but the State of Arkansas from this awful curse "drink," realizing that we owe his duty to ourselves, our neighbors, and our God.

Respectfully submitted,

J. P. Emery,  
David Fowler,  
Andrew Chitwood,

Committee.

Committee on Nominations report as follows:

We appoint Eld. E. P. Chitwood to preach the Introductory sermon, with Eld. J. P. Emery as alternate, at our next session.

M. F. Masner,  
W. D. Gillespie,  
C. B. McKee,

Committee.

The Missionary Board submits the following report:

We employed Eld. W. L. Cockrell for forty-one days and paid \$1.50 per day for his services.

J. G. McLane,  
J. T. Blakely,  
J. L. Blakely,

Committee.

The Finance Committee submits the following report:

Received for Home Missions.....	\$ 50
Received for Foreign Missions .....	5 05
Received for Associational Missions.....	14 75
Received for Printing Minutes.....	26 80
Received for Orphans' Home.....	1 75
Total.....	<u>\$48 85</u>

M. S. Jackson,  
W. J. Huddleston,  
A. B. Chitwood,

Committee.

## TREASURER'S REPORT.

Report of Treasurer:

Balance on hand.....	\$51 55
Received from J. E. Helms.....	1 00
Received from S. N. Qualls.....	1 00
Received from W. H. Cumbie.....	1 00



Received from Charles Qualls.....	2 50
Received from N. L. Tedford.....	1 00
Received from Martha Stephens.....	25
Received from Lillie Stephens.....	25
Received from W. F. Ayers.....	1 00
Received from J. C. Ayers.....	2 00
Received from J. L. Blakely.....	1 00
Received from H. M. Ratliff.....	1 00
Received from R. C. Phillips.....	1 00
Received from J. E. Young.....	1 00
Received from Z. T. Young.....	50
Received from M. C. Melton.....	1 00
Received from J. P. Emery.....	1 00
Received from J. T. Blakely.....	1 00
Received from E. Q. Lasetter.....	1 00
Received from Ashley Wood.....	1 00
Received from J. A. Houser.....	1 00
Received from S. A. Houser.....	50
Received from Andy Wilson.....	1 00
Received from W. L. Cockrell.....	1 00
Received from W. J. Holland.....	1 00
Received from David Fowler.....	1 00
Received from Laura Fowler.....	50
Received from C. F. Geurin.....	1 00
Received from W. J. Huddleston.....	1 00
Received from A. L. Adamson.....	1 00
Collection on Sunday at Association.....	5 37
Collection for Foreign Missions.....	5 00
Collection for Home Missions.....	1 50
Received from Bethlehem.....	6 25
Received from Bethel.....	3 10
Received from Shady Grove No. 1.....	3 00
Received from Onyx.....	2 71
Received from Finance Committee.....	48 85
Total receipts.....	\$155 83

#### Disbursements.

Paid to W. L. Cockrell.....	\$ 61 50
Paid to S. C. Richards.....	22 50
Paid to Foreign Missions.....	10 05
Paid to Home Missions.....	2 00

Paid to Orphans' Home.....	1 75
For Minutes and Clerk's fee.....	26 80

Total.....\$124 60

Balance on hand for Association Missions.....\$ 29 23

Respectfully submitted,

J. T. Blakely, Treas.

### PLEDGES FOR ASSOCIATIONAL MISSIONS.

J. G. McLane....(Paid).....	\$ 1 00
J. W. Shepard.....	1 00
David Fowler.....	1 00
Laura Fowler.....	50
W. L. Cockrell.....	2 00
A. B. Chitwood.....	1 00
J. D. Parker.....	1 00
C. B. Houser.....	1 00
W. L. Campbell.....	1 00
I. K. Moon.....	1 00
J. T. Muse.....	2 50
M. S. Neighbors.....	1 00
M. S. Jackson.....	1 00
Andy Wilson.....	50
W. A. Neighbors....(Paid).....	1 00
W. T. Vaughan....(Paid).....	1 00
J. T. Blakely.....	1 00
C. B. McKee.....	1 00
S. D. Johnson....(Paid).....	50
J. P. Emery.....	1 00
M. C. Melton.....	1 00
Total.....	\$22 00

We, your Committee on Obituaries and Condolence, report as follows:

It has pleased the Lord to call home nine of our Brothers and Sisters, who are waiting in the Spirit Land our coming. Eld. Henry Melton, of Glazier Poe; Bro. J. M. Qualls, of Refuge; Sister Louiza Huddleston and Bro. David Brown, of Harvey's Chapel; Sister Lucinda Bryant, of Shady Grove; Sister I. V. Tysdale and Sister Rosie Ritter, of Bethlehem; Bro. R. A. Trammel, of Crystal Hill; Sister Martha Pate, of Rock Springs. Resolved, That we extend our heart-felt sympathies to the bereaved ones.

W. A. Neighbors,  
W. T. Vaughan. Committee.

Resolved, That we tender our heart-felt thanks to Harvey's Chapel and entire community, for their hospitality and kindness shown during this Association.

J. P. Emery.

Resolved, That we extend our thanks to the Moderator and Clerk for their efficient services, during this session of our body.

J. W. Shepard.

### ORDAINED MINISTERS.

J. B. Adams.....	Cedar Glades, Ark.
A. M. McClelland.....	Cedar Glades, Ark.
H. A. Belote.....	Cedar Glades, Ark.
J. M. Crawford.....	Cedar Glades, Ark.
James Sharp.....	Cedar Glades, Ark.
J. L. Lanier.....	Jessieville, Ark.
J. S. Ragsdale.....	Jessieville, Ark.
W. L. Cockrell.....	Bear, Ark.
M. C. Melton.....	Gladston, Ark.
W. T. Seymore.....	Haws, Ark.
Ashley Wood.....	Haws, Ark.
J. P. Emery.....	Story, Ark.
H. H. Armstrong.....	Aly, Ark.
E. P. Chitwood.....	Crystal Springs, Ark.
S. H. Jennings.....	Mt. Valley, Ark.
J. A. Davis.....	Mt. Valley, Ark.
D. H. Smith.....	Beandry, Ark.
J. W. Shepard.....	Washita, Ark.
J. E. Ritter.....	Jessieville, Ark.

### LICENSED MINISTERS.

G. W. Hulsey.....	Hot Springs, Ark.
D. T. Green.....	Jessieville, Ark.
James Cambers.....	Mt. Valley, Ark.
J. E. Helms.....	



## CONSTITUTION.

Article I. This union of churches of God shall be known as the Buckville Missionary Baptist Association.

Art. II. The Association shall be composed of messengers from the churches in this union. Each church shall be entitled to (3) messengers, who shall have been chosen by the respective churches to which they belong.

Art. III. Messengers, when convened, may organize themselves into a deliberative body, by the appointment of Moderator and shall continue in office until their successors are elected. and Clerk, who shall be chosen by ballot at each annual session,

Art. IV. The Association shall not interfere with the rights of the churches of which it is composed.

It shall regard them as independent bodies in all matters of internal government, and shall act only as an advisory council, assuming no authority except what is implied by the very nature of the compact.

It nevertheless claims authority over its own members, the messengers from the churches, and in justice and propriety must retain the right to withdraw from all churches which may depart from the faith of this compact by becoming heterodox in faith or disorderly in practice.

It should, therefore, regard all churches united under this constitution with vigilant eye, as its principal object shall be to promote the truth of the Gospel and advance the kingdom of God in our bounds and to all the ends of the earth.

Art. V. Newly constituted churches, or churches having letters of dismission from other Associations of like faith and order, may be admitted to membership in this Association at any regular annual session of the body, provided they send messengers with a petitionary letter.

Art. VI. The churches of this Association shall transmit to each annual session a written or printed communication, signed by the Moderator and Clerk of the church, specifying the names of their messengers and the statistics of the church, showing the progress of the church since the last session of this body, which shall be read and filed with the clerk of this body accordingly.

Art. VII. This Association may have a fund supplied by the voluntary contributions of the churches, which shall be paid over through a finance committee to the treasurer, who shall be elected by ballot and hold office during the pleasure of the Association. He shall present annually to the Associations for inspection in the Minutes, a clear statement of all receipts.

Art. VIII. This Association shall furnish the churches with printed copies of the Minutes of each session.

Art. IX. This Association shall take cognizance of no query sent up from the churches, unless it appears that the churches sending them have used due diligence to solve them first; and shall not undertake to settle individual differences between the members of the churches, unless it appears that the individuals, or the churches to which they belong, have taken, or caused to have taken, Gospel steps for the adjustment of the trouble.

Art. X. This constitution may be altered or amended at any regular meeting of this Association, by a vote of two-thirds of the members present, provided, further, that Article IV. of this constitution shall not be altered or amended.

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### ARTICLES OF FAITH.

Article I. We believe in one only true and living God, the Father, the Son and Holy Spirit.

Art. II. We believe the scriptures of the Old and New Testament is our only rule of faith and practice.

Art. III. We believe in the doctrine of election as founded in the foreknowledge of God, through the sanctification of the soul unto obedience and sprinkling of the blood of Jesus Christ.

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

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

Art. VI. We believe the saints are justified in the sight of God by the imputed righteousness of Christ only.

Art. VII. We believe the saints will be preserved in grace and never fall finally away.

Art. VIII. We believe that baptism and the Lord's Supper are ordinances of Jesus Christ; that believers are the only proper subjects of baptism, and that immersion is the apostolic mode.

Art. IX. We believe in the resurrection of the dead, and general judgment, and that the reward of the righteous and punishment of the wicked will be eternal.

Art. X. We believe that no minister has a right to administer the ordinances of the Gospel but one who has been regularly immersed, and that is called and comes under the hands of a scriptural presbytery.

# STATISTICAL TABLE.

CHURCHES	PASTORS	CLERKS	POSTOFFICES	Received by Baptism	Received by Letter	Dismissed by Letter	Excluded	Died	Present Membership	Minute Fund	Association Missions	Foreign Missions	Orphans' Home	Sunday School	Pastor's Salary
Bethlehem	J. B. Adams	W. T. Masner	Jessieville	4	4	2	2	2	50	1 55	6 25			1	4 65
Buckville	J. P. Emery	G. L. Williamson	Buckville		1				46	1 25					
Cedar Glades		I. G. Neal	Cedar Glades			3	5		68	1 11					
Concord	J. P. Emery	W. H. Cumble	Aly		3	2			33	1 00	1 00		25	1	1 00
Crystal Hill	Ashley Wood	L. A. Helms	Haws		1			1	10	55	3 00				
Fowlers Springs	W. T. Seymore	David Fowler	Mt. Valley		1	3	2		15	50	2 50				
Glazier Poe	Ashley Wood	R. E. DeBruler	Mt. Valley	3	7			1	42	1 00	6 5				
Harvey's Chapel	W. L. Cockrell	W. J. Hudleston	Haws	1		3		2	33	1 00	1 00				
Happy Home	John L. Lanier	Jennie McCoy	Hot Springs	3	8				12	1 00				1	
Jessieville	J. L. Lanier	Jasper Sims	Jessieville	3	9	1			37	1 25					6 00
Marble	J. L. Lanier	J. W. Pullen	Beaudry	3	4	5	2		91	2 00					10 60
Mt. Pleasant	W. L. Cockrell	J. T. Muse	Muse		1	1			29	1 00					
Mt. Tabor	J. B. Adams	F. M. Ratliff	Gladstone			1	1		96	2 00	1 00				
New Prospect	J. L. Lanier	Matilda Richerson	Mt. Valley	13	2	13	1		34	1 00					
New Home	W. L. Cockrell	E. C. Chitwood	Bear	7	6	3			58	1 00	2 50				
Pleasant Ridge	A. M. McClelland	J. W. Outler	Lena	2					34	1 10				1	30 00
Prairie Grove	M. C. Melton	A. N. Wilson	Story	4	1		1		30	5					
Refuge	J. W. Shepard	J. T. Blakely	Story	2	2	3		1	72	1 00	9 00	2 55		1	17 50
Oak Hill	W. A. Neighbors	M. S. Neighbors	Hot Springs						24	1 00					
Rock Springs	A. McClelland	J. A. Fisher	Cedar Glades	12	4	6	1	1	90	1 00					16 75
Shady Grove No. 1	J. L. Lanier	J. B. McGie	Hollis	1					40	1 00	3 00				
Shady Grove No. 2	E. P. Chitwood	I. K. Moon	Fie	3	6	1		1	42	1 00	50	10 1 50		1	
Sweet Home	M. C. Melton	D. A. Pitts	Stillwater	1				1	36	60	1 00				5 00
Washita	J. P. Emery	R. C. Phillips	Washita	2	3	2			49	1 00	3 00	2 00			25 00
White Plains	M. C. Melton	J. A. Young	Buckville			2		1	46	1 30	1 00				
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