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GAINESVILLE, GREENE COUNTY, ARKANSAS, COMMENCING ON SATURDAY
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PROCEEDINGS.

Friendship Church, Greene County, Arkansas, October
25, 1902. Saturday, First Day.

MORNING SESSION.

The Gainesville Missionary Baptist Association convened with Friendship Church, Greene County, Arkansas, Saturday, October 25, 1902, at 11 o'clock a. m. The body was called to order by the former Moderator. The introductory sermon was preached by Eld. J. R. Holcomb. Text, Galatians v, 1. "Stand fast therefore in the liberty wherewith Christ hath made us free."

The body then adjourned until 1:30 p. m., for refreshments. Benediction by Eld. R. C. Medaris.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

At 1:30 the Association was called to order and resumed business. The roll of churches was called and thirty-one responded by letter and messengers. (See tabular statement.)

On motion the Association went into an election for Moderator. Clerk and Treasurer; resulting in the election of Eld. G. Lively for Moderator, Henry Holcomb for Clerk and Eld. T. L. B. Thorn for Treasurer; each one elected thanking the body for the honor conferred. The Association being permanently organized, the body bowed in prayer led by Eld. Thorn.

Petitionary letters were then called for. Four responded by letter and messengers, viz: Black River, Nutts Chapel, New Home and Walls Chapel, and on motion were received and messengers invited to seats with the body.

Correspondents were called for. Elders R. C. Medaris and W. J. Bearden of Mt Zion Association enrolled as corresponding messengers.

Visiting brethren and sisters were invited to seats. Elders Abernathy, Walnut Ridge, Arkansas, W. W. Gardner, Orphan's Home at Monticello, W. H. Merideth and J. M. Huddleston, and Bros. B. H. Parrish, Paragould, Arkansas, and J. F. Davault and wife, of Ritzville, Washington, accepted the invitation.

On motion, the Moderator appointed the usual committees, viz:

DIVINE SERVICE:—The pastor and deacons of Friendship Church.

ARRANGEMENTS:—C. W. Bradshaw, J. D. J. Faulkner, and J. J. Burton.

MINISTERIAL EDUCATION:—J. W. Allen E. J. Teague and W. W. Yopp.

FOREIGN MISSIONS:—W. J. Johnson, O. C. Grider, J. F. Pinkston.

HOME MISSIONS:—H. R. Boon, A. W. Helderman, J. M. Thorn.

STATE AND ASSOCIATIONAL MISSIONS:—J. R. Holcomb, E. D. Cooper, T. I. B. Thorn.

SUNDAY SCHOOLS:—Ovid Wilcockson, Ed Knowle, Dallas Faulkner.

TEMBERANCE:—J. H. Wade, G. H. Faulkner, John Roberts.

PUBLICATION:—E. D. Cooper, J. N. Wright, L. A. Russell.

ORPHAN'S HOME:—W. W. Gardner, J. D. J. Faulkner, sister M. E. Albright.

PRAYER MEETING:—E. J. Teague, J. T. Newell, Robert Davis.

PASTORS AND CHURCHES:—S. C. Lovelace, H. A. Seal, B. F. Fried.

OBITUARIES:—J. T. Tyler, J. C. Holcomb, D. L. Fitzgerald.

FINANCE:—C. D. Morrice, H. W. Weatherly, W. C. Barr.

MINISTERS AND POSTOFFICES:—M. C. Beckley, J. W. Craven, J. A. Hooks.

The committee on Divine Service reported as follows:

Eld. J. W. Allen to preach tonight, Sunday School mass meeting at 10 a. m., conducted by Dallas Faulkner. Eld. R. C. Medaris to preach at 11 o'clock and Eld. W. W. Gardner at night and Eld. A. B. Bohannan on Monday at 11 a. m. On

motion, adjourned until Monday morning at 8:30; amended to meet at 8:30 a. m. and adjourn at 12, meet at 1:30 p. m. and adjourn at 5 p. m., meet at 7 p. m. and adjourn at will. Prayer by Eld. J. H. Wade.

At night Eld. J. W. Allen preached a very interesting sermon. Text, Psalms 34:8, "O, taste and see that the Lord is good; blessed is the man that trusteth in Him."

Sunday School mass meeting at 10 a. m., conducted by Dallas Faulkner. Eld. R. C. Medaris preached at 11 o'clock. Text, Romans 1:16, "For I am not ashamed of the gospel of Christ; for it is the power of God unto salvation to everyone that believeth; to the Jew first, and also to the Greek." After which a collection for missions was taken amounting to \$21.35.

At night the committee on obituaries made their report as follows:

OBITUARIES.

We find that since our last session, that God in his wisdom has seen fit to call from their labors to their reward, the following named brothers and sisters: Bro. J. F. Brewer, sisters Kittle Croft and Ella Wright of Providence Church, sisters Bettie Church and Eliza Estes of Bethel Church, sisters Verenie Williams and Bettie Cooper of New Light Church, sister Polly McDaniel of Brown's Chapel Church, sisters Jennie Cambert and Grandma Loyd of Rock Hill Church, sister Texas Faulkner of Union Grove Church, sister Jennie Jamison and brother N. Drake of Gainesville Church, brother E. M. Underwood and sisters Nancy Wegel, and Eliza Hollis of Mt. Tabor Church, sisters Rudisel and Agee of Fair View Church, sister Synthia French and brother G. W. Collier of Hopewell Church, sisters Edwards and Pruitt of Spring Grove Church, sisters Angelina Burgess and Sarah Thompson of Union Church, sister Virgie Brown of Piggott Church, sisters Amanda Haygood and Virginia Cole of Unity Church, brother Moses Scharbrough of Marmaduke Church, sister D. Barber of Blooming Grove Church, sister Annie Bradshaw of Salem Church, brother J. W. Payne of New Hope Church, sister Mary Worley of Knobel Church, and Eld. J. M. Hayden of Salem Church. Thus closes the life of one of the most efficient preacher of our association, who has witnessed more conversions and baptized more people than any man that ever lived among us, of as short a ministry. He was a man full of the Holy Spirit, of faith and good works. He believed God. Like a good soldier of Jesus Christ, he fell at his post, and counted to die was gain.

W. J. Bearden
J. T. Tyler } Committee.
J. C. Holcomb

After the report was read and adopted, memorial services were held by prayer, and several of the brethren spoke in memory of the dear departed ones, and especially of Brother Hayden. A collection of \$14 was taken for his family.

At the close of these services Eld. W. W. Gardner, of the Orphan's Home, preached a very interesting sermon.

The report of the committee on Orphan's Home was presented and adopted as follows: We are glad to report that the

Home is in a prosperous condition. Our large building is complete, and fifty fine happy children are cared for and educated under the care of the faithful matron. Brethren of Gainesville Association, did you know that four little children are in this home from your bounds—one boy and three girls. Their little eyes are looking in pity to you for your help, that they may be properly cared for, and after a while come back to you, Lovers of God, and to aid you in the battles against sin and darkness. Brethren, this is a noble work; it is a work that Angelo would rejoice to do. But God has placed this great work in your hands. Will you, can you forget the orphan's cry? Here is a home for your children should God call you from this world.

Your committee would recommend, that we as an association make a liberal contribution to our Home; and as we did last year, bring up the rear of the work of the Association with a shout of victory.

J. D. FAULKNER, Chairman.

Public collection and amounts sent up by the churches for Orphan's Home \$69.85.

MONDAY MORNING, 8:30.

The Association met pursuant to adjournment.

Prayer by Elder G. H. Faulkner.

The committee on arrangements reported as follows:

- 1 Call the roll and read the minutes.
- 2 Call for petitionary letters.
- 3 Call for correspondence.
- 4 Invite visiting brethren and sisters to seats in the body.
- 5 Report of Committee on State and Associational Missions.
- 6 " " " Ministerial Education.
- 7 " " " Home Missions.
- 8 " " " Foreign Missions.
- 9 " " " Sunday Schools.
- 10 " " " Temperance.
- 11 " " " Publication.
- 12 " " " Orphan's Home.
- 13 " " " Prayer Meetings.
- 14 " " " Pastors and Churches.
- 15 " " " Obituaries.
- 16 " " " Finance.
- 17 " " " Ordained Ministers and P. O.
- 18 " " " Executive Board.
- 19 Report of Missionaries.
- 20 " " " Treasurer.
- 21 Call for miscellaneous business.
- 22 Call for queries and resolutions.

C. W. Bradshaw, Chairman.

The roll was called and the minutes of Saturday's proceedings were read and approved.

The committee on State and Associational missions made their report as follows:

STATE AND ASSOCIATIONAL MISSIONS.

As to State Missions. We would recommend that the Association exercise her very best judgment in regard to State Missions, as to her method of operation or co-operation, in doing her State Mission work. And we would further recommend to the Association, our educational institutions—Orphan's home, and other things of importance, owned and controlled by the Baptists of the State through her State Convention. And again, as to Gainesville Associational Missions. We, your committee, would say this Association knows, or can know, her destitution, and recommend that this Association put forth her very best efforts to take those destitute and weak places for Christ.

J. R. Holcomb, Chairman.

PLEDGES FOR ASSOCIATIONAL MISSIONS.

Union Grove Church	\$10 00	Post Oak Church	\$ 2 00
Blooming Grove "	5 00	Providence "	10 00
Bethel "	2 50	Rock Hill "	50 00
Browns Chapel "	5 00	Pleasant Hope "	2 50
Center Hill "	2 50	Rector "	5 00
Epsaby "	2 50	Salem "	5 00
Fair View "	5 00	Spring Grove "	5 00
Friendship "	25 00	Unity "	5 00
Gainesville "	2 50	Pleasant Grove "	2 50
Jones' Ridge "	2 50	Wall's Chapel "	2 50
Marmaduke "	20 00	J. W. Allen	5 00
Mt. Tabor "	2 50	H. C. Wood	2 50
New Hope "	5 00	H. H. Henderson	2 00
Nutt's Chapel "	5 00	J. J. Burton	10 00
Piggott "	10 00	T. L. B. Thorn	10 00
Pilot Grove "	2 50	M. B. Wright	1 00
Pleasant Valley "	2 50	Knobel Ladies Society	2 50
Rock Hill Sunday School	10 00	Friendship Sunday School	2 50
Providence Sunday School	2 50	Epsady Sunday School	10 00
Total	<u>\$122 50</u>	Total	<u>\$185 00</u>
L. A. Russell preaching	\$20 00		<u>122 50</u>
W. J. Bearden 10 days preaching			
J. P. French 10 days preaching			
		Grand Total	<u>\$257 50</u>
		E. D. Cooper 10 days preach'g	
		W. H. Merideth 10 days "	

The committee on Ministerial Education made the following report:

MINISTERIAL EDUCATION.

That never in the history, of the world, has there been a greater need of an educated ministry. Erroneous ideas from all parts of the world flood the country, fill the minds of the people, and generate all manner of isms. Thus the great need of ministers, thoroughly furnished, and capable of discriminating between truth and error, and ably prepared to defend the doctrines of the bible.

We, therefore, urge the churches to encourage and help our young ministers in securing a higher education. And we would recommend, that each church make a contribution this next associational year to aid some worthy young minister who is seeking to more fully prepare himself for the work.

J. W. Allen, Chairman.

HOME MISSIONS.

The committee on Home Missions made the following report:

The home field is a vast one, and that the churches should, in as much as they can, send the gospel to the entire world. We must work in Jerusalem, in Judea, Samaria and in the uttermost parts of the earth. We recommend that our pastors and churches give more attention than ever before to the work of Home Missions. Let us lift up our eyes upon the fields that are white already unto the

harvest, and let us pray and give to help send more laborers into the harvest.
H. R. Boon, Chairman.

FOREIGN MISSIONS.

Committee on Foreign Mission made the following report:

"Go ye into the uttermost parts of the earth, teaching all nations." As we are thus commanded, so do ye let these poor benighted people have the blessed gospel brought to their knowledge. Therefore, to do this we must give our brothers on the foreign fields our prayers, our sympathies, and last, but not least, our pocketbooks. The Board, in its noble efforts, has seen fit to place in these fields the best workers available. Therefore, it becomes us as co-workers in the Master's vineyard to give as the Lord has prospered us.

We recommend, yes strongly urge, that the Foreign Mission Journal be taken and read by every member of this Association. Collection for Foreign Missions \$9.30.

O.C. Grider, Chairman.

On motion adjourned until 1:30 p. m., for preaching by Eld. A. B. Bohannan.

At 11 a. m. Eld. Bohannan, although very hoarse, preached a very interesting sermon.

EVENING SESSION.

1:30 p. m. the Association met pursuant to adjournment.

SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

The committee on Sunday Schools reported as follows:

We note with joy the improved condition of our Sunday Schools. Quite a number of new schools have been organized the past year and all report as having done a most excellent work. But, while this is true, we note with regret, that many vicinities within the bounds of our Association are entirely destitute of Sunday Schools. Brethren, this should not be. With prayers and thanksgiving for the numerous blessings we have received, and for the great good accomplished in this noble work. Let us join heart, hand and means in the carrying out of the great work now before us.

Young people of Gainesville Association, do not hesitate to go forward in the establishment and maintenance of the Sunday School. This will not deprive you of all social pleasures. But when you have done this God will reward you with the palm of victory, and the perpetuation of a grand and glorious work.

God bless our Sunday Schools and send them unbounded prosperity.

Ovid C. Wilcockson, Chairman.

TEMPERANCE.

The committee on temperance reported as follows, which was discussed by Ovid Wilcockson and others and adopted:

Realizing the importance of our speaking freely and fearlessly on the seductive and monstrous evil of intemperance. We the representation of the great Baptist Brotherhood of our Association desire to give no uncertain sound on this subject.

In accordance with the teachings of the bible, we warmly advocate temperance in all things—temperance in speaking, in eating, in drinking, but we desire especially to put ourselves on record against even the moderate use of alcoholic stimulants in all forms. As citizens, we thank God for the wholesome laws enacted in the past by our State legislature putting restraints on the liquor traffic, whereby temptation in the hideous form of saloons may be removed from the paths of our youths and older men, thus saving many a hard-earned dollar to the needy wife and children, and much pain and crime to the community.

We believe that all Christian men should feel called upon to support for

political office only those who are themselves of temperate habits and who will aid in every way to secure such further legislation as may seem suited to rid our country of this body and soul destroying curse. We believe that all good citizens ought to demand at the hands of local officials the total suppression of all so-called "blind tigers" and the severe punishment of all persons engaged in this nefarious business.

We further hold that it is inconsistent with Christian character for Baptists to vote for whiskey license. We consider it of great moment that regular and systematic instruction should be given in our public schools on the evil effects of alcoholic stimulants on the human system. The drinking of intoxicating liquors is one of the greatest evils that we have to contend with, and we urge the church to strictly discipline her members for indulging in its use.

G. H. Faulkner, Chairman.

PUBLICATION.

The committee on publication made the following report:

The age in which we are living is one of progress. We can now hear about the things that are going on throughout the whole world, by means of the printing press. Religious papers are of a great help to us. They inform us of the work in the different parts of the world. We would recommend, that our people take as many papers as they can, especially such as will inform us of the work that is being carried on by the Southern Baptist Convention, and in our State.

We recommend the Foreign Missions Journal and Home Field as worthy of our support. We also recommend the Sunday School literature, published by the Sunday School Board, at Nashville, Tenn., as being sound Baptist literature.

E. D. Cooper, Chairman.

PRAYER MEETING.

The committee on prayer meeting reported as follows:

We believe that prayer is one of the sweetest privileges of God's people. Through this means we can communicate our wants to our Heavenly Father. We are glad to note in the church letters that some of our churches are having weekly prayer meeting. Dear brethren, of the different churches, we recommend that you urge your churches to keep up regular prayer meetings. Paul says not to forsake the assembling of yourselves together, wherefore let us come together in prayer meeting at church, at home with our families, and God will bless all.

E. J. Teague, Chairman.

PASTORS AND CHURCHES.

The committee on pastors and churches made the following report:

We have thirty-five churches reported by letter and messengers, and sixteen have Sunday Schools, and three report prayer meetings. We have nineteen churches that report no Sunday Schools, and thirty-two churches report no prayer meetings. And we further find that these churches are making slow progress along these lines; and that the churches as a whole are living far beneath their privileges and obligations.

MINUTES OF

And we find that there is not a church within the bounds of the Association that has a pastor for more than one-fourth of the time; and that no church has paid pastor's salary to exceed one hundred and fifty dollars. We therefore recommend that the pastors and messengers when they return home make an earnest effort to enlist the churches more perfectly in the Master's cause, by having prayer meeting and Sunday School, and by supporting pastors, that they may devote more time in looking after the welfare of the churches and committees. And we further find that there are three churches in the Association that have no pastors; and we recommend that the Board assist such churches in paying pastors where they need help.

H. A. Seal
B. F. Fields
S. C. Lovelace. } Committee

FINANCE COMMITTEE.

The committee on finance reported as follows, which was adopted:

RECEIPTS FOR PRINTING MINUTES.

Rector	church	\$1 00	Greenway Church	\$1 50	New Home Church	\$1 00
Union	"	30	Jones Ridge "	75	Main Shore "	.50
Epsaby		50	Browns Chapel	1 00	Rock Hill	2 00
Pilot Grove		50	New Hope	3 00	Union Grove	1 00
Fairview	1 50		Post Oak	1 00	Spring Grove	.10
Knobel		50	Black River	50	Marmaduke	1 50
Nutt's Chapel		50	Pleasant Valley	1 00	Providence	1 50
Friendship	2 00		Gainesville	1 00	Blooming Grove	1 00
Hopewell	1 50		Wall's Chapel	50	Unity	1 50
New Light.	2 00		Salem	2 00	Center Hill	1 75
Bethel		50	Pleasant Hope	75	Mt Tabor	1 00
Pleasant Grove	1 00		Palestine	50		
					Total	\$39 65

FOR ASSOCIATIONAL MISSIONS.

Jones Ridge	2 30	Epsaby	.75	Union Grove	.90
Black River	50	Marmaduke	5 00	A M Hall	3 00
Hopewell	70	Wall's Chapel	50		
				Totals	\$13 65

FOR STATE MISSIONS.

Jones Ridge	1 15	Wall's Chapel	50	Total	\$ 1 65
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FOR HOME MISSIONS.

Jones Ridge	57	Rock Hill	2 00	Fairview	1 10
Blooming Grove	50	Hopewell	80		
				Totals	\$ 4 97

FOR FOREIGN MISSIONS.

Jones Ridge	58	Brown's Chapel	1 00	Fairview	1 10
Blooming Grove	50	Hopewell	80		
				Totals	\$ 3 98

ORPHAN'S HOME.

Jones Ridge	3 05	Epsaby	25	Rock Hill	2 12
New Hope	5 00	Post Oak	3 00	Marmaduke	3 30
Pleasant Valley	2 50	Blooming Grove	1 00	Hopewell	.25
Bethel	70	Palestine	2 00		
				Total	\$23 17

C. D. Morris, Chairman.

MINISTERS AND POSTOFFICES.

The committee on Ministers and Post Offices reported as follows:

E D Cooper	Paragould	Ark	J H Allen	Rector	Ark
J D J Faulkner	Paragould	Ark	J T Tyler	Rector	Ark
J S Rogers	Paragould	Ark	J P French	Rector	Ark
J T Edwards	Paragould	Ark	W D Farmer	Rector	Ark
J N Settemoir	Piggott	Ark	T L B Thorn	Gainsville	Ark
J K Pate	Piggott	Ark	N D J Brewer	Gainsville	Ark
G Lively	Marmaduke	Ark	W R Cantrell	Greeway	Ark
A M Harris	Marmaduke	Ark	Barney Riggins	Boydsdale	Ark
J T Nowel	Marmaduke	Ark	G H Faulkner	Crowley	Ark
F S Gibson	Marmaduke	Ark	L A Russell	Halliday	Ark
N W Hampton	Marmaduke	Ark	J H Wade	Piggott	Ark
E J Teague	Marmaduke	Ark	Elder Boyd	Rector	Ark
J R Holcomb	Pollard	Ark	J K Joiner	Pollard	Ark

J W Craven, Chairman.

On motion, \$40.00 was allowed for Mission Work, to be apportioned by the executive board; Eld. E. J. Teague, \$15; Eld. J. P. French, \$10; Eld. L. A. Russell, \$10; Eld. J. W. Allen, \$5.

EXECUTIVE BOARD,

The executive board made the following report:

Soon after the meeting of the last Association, we met and organized by electing J. T. Rogers chairman and J. J. Burton secretary and treasurer.

We have received from the following sources for Associational Missions:

Rock Hill Church	\$ 32 15	Union Grove Church	\$ 8 00
Brown's Chapel	4 50	Blooming Grove	1 85
Friendship	10 00	Bethel	2 50
New Hope	1 00	Black River	.50
Nutts Chapel	1 50	Fairview	5 00
New Hope	5 00	Hopewell	2 60
Rector	6 70	Marmaduke	7 50
Salem	5 00	Unity	3 65
		Mt Tabor	1 95
Fifth Sunday Meeting at Marmaduke.....			6 00
Fifth Sunday Meeting at Providence.....			2 06
Fifth Sunday Meeting at Brown's Chapel.....			7 00
Balance on hand from last year.....			25 22
Received from Treasurer of Association.....			30 32
		Total.....	\$168 90
Paid to Eld E D Cooper for work at Jones Ridge.....			\$ 25 00
Paid to Eld E D Cooper for work at Brighton.....			52 40
Paid to Eld T L B Thorn for work at Main Shore.....			15 00
Pain order of Association.....			40 00
		Amount paid out....	\$182 40
Balance on hand.....			\$ 31 50

J. J. Burton, Secretary.

Eld. E. D. Cooper did missionary work at Brighton and Big Island, preached 28 sermons, made 75 family visits, organized one church, travelled 250 miles and collected \$44.36.

Eld. E. J. Teague did missionary work on Black River, preached 36 sermons, made 38 family visits, witnessed 4 conver-

sions, organized one church, travelled 350 miles and collected \$4.84.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

Received by collection and from finance committee:	
For Brother J S Haden's family.....	\$ 14 02
For printing minutes.....	39 66
Associational Missions.....	35 00
For State Missions.....	23 21
For Home Missions.....	4 97
For Foreign Missions.....	18 21
For Orphan's Home.....	71 85

Total amount received..... \$202 02

Credit Asked:

By amounts paid Brother Medaris for Home Missions.....	\$ 4 97
For State Missions.....	23 29
For Foreign Missions.....	18 29
By amount paid Brother W W Gardner.....	69 85
By amount paid C W Bradshaw for Brother Haden's family.....	14 02

Total credits asked..... \$125 34
Balance on hand..... \$ 76 66

T. L. B. Thorn, Treasurer,

On motion, the body went into election for a Missionary, resulting in the election of Eld. G. Lively, and the executive board to fix the salary.

On motion, the body went into an election for the place for holding the next session of the Association, which resulted in the election of Union Grove church, about 8 miles southwest of Gainesville, Greene County, Arkansas, and Eld. J. S. Rogers was elected to preach the introductory sermon, with Eld. J. D. J. Faulkner as his alternate.

On motion, the Moderator appointed brothers J T Rogers, H H Cole, D W Brewer, J J Burton and S C Lovelace as executive board.

On motion, we correspond with Mt. Zion, Black River and Current River Associations. Elders Faulkner, Cooper and Brother W C Barr to Mt. Zion; Elders Thorn and Holcomb to Current River; and Elders Lively, Wade and French as corresponding messengers.

On motion Elders Holcomb, Lively, Teague and Brothers J J Burton and J W Roberts were appointed as messengers to the State Convention, and Elders Joiner, Thorn and Lively to the General Association.

On motion the Brother Clerk superintend the printing of the minutes, and be allowed \$10 for his services.

Resolved, That we tender our thanks to the members of Friendship church, and the citizens of the community for their generous hospitality during our stay with them.

Thus ended the Thirty-Third Annual Session of the Gainesville Missionary Baptist Association. And on motion, was adjourned to meet with Union Grove church, on Saturday before the Fourth Sunday in October, A. D. 1903, at 11 o'clock a. m. The brethren and sisters gave the parting hand.

Benediction by the Moderator.

HENRY HOLCOMB,

CLERK.

ELD. G. LIVELY,

MODERATOR.



Statistical Table.

CHURCHES.	PASTORS.	CLERKS.	POSTOFFICE.	MESSENGERS.	MEMBERSHIP.						CONTRIBUTIONS.										
					Sunday's Preaching.			INCREASE DECREASE			TO MISSIONS, ETC.					TO CHURCH WORK					
					Baptism.	Letter.	Relation.	Deaths.	Dismissions.	Exodus.	State.	Home.	Foreign.	Ministerial Education.	S. S. Work.	Pastor's Salary.	Independent.	Orphan's Home.	Minutes.	Total Contributions,	Value Church Property.
Blooming Grove.	J W Allen.	F W Rodery.	Rector.	J A Hooks, M C Beckley.	4	22	22	1	1	1	\$ 1 35	\$ 50	\$ 70	\$ 1 00	\$ 1 50	\$ 74 85	\$ 1 800 00				
Bethel.	J T Tyler.	Carl Young.	Rector.	T B Lamb.												18 25	50	50	21 45	400 00	
Black River.	E J Teague.	M E Albright.	Peach Orchard.	Sisters M E Albright, Jennie Brown.													50	50	2 00		
Brown's Chapel.	J D J Faulkner.	J F Salm.	Paragould.	Wild Wilcockson, E A Barton.															50 25		
Center Hill.	J K Pate.	J W Craven.	Paragould.	J W Craven, Sam Thompson, W H Foster.														1 00	1 00		
Epsaby.	H. Faulkner.	D C Anderson.	Gainesville.	Robert Davis, J W Roberts, F Chase.														65 05	500 00		
Fairview.	T L B Thorn.	J M Thompson.	Gainesville.	T L B Thorn, D McHaney, H Hoon.														25	5 00		
Friendship.	J D J Faulkner.	H R Boon.	Gainesville.	F M Dunn, J M Thorn, A W Helderman.														1 50	11 50	400 00	
Gainesville.	G H Faulkner.	J M Thorne.	Gainesville.	S C Lovelace, Walter Bowden.														1 50	1 00	500 00	
Greenway.	J R Holcomb.	S C Lovelace.	Greenway.	J P French.														61 50			
Hopewell.	P French.	D M Johnson.	Rector.	J C Collins.														1 50	5 05	800 00	
Jones' Ridge.	E D Cooper.	J L Wimberly.	Delansane.	J D Duffer.														75	59 40		
Knobel.	T L B Thorn.	J D Duffer.	Knobel.	Sister S E Saleen.														16 75	17 25	225 00	
Marmaduke.	G Livey.	A M Hall.	Marmaduke.	E J Teague, M S Hawkins, B F Fields.														75 50	500 00		
Mt. Tabor.	J H Wade.	H A Seal.	Piggott.	J H Wade, H A Seal.														1 00	2 30	400 00	
Main Shore.	T F Clark.	W A Campbell.	Bailey.	Letter. No messengers.														15 00	15 50		
New Hope.	J N Settemboir.	H Holcomb.	Poillard.	H Holcomb, W J Johnson, O C Gridier.														8 00	225 00		
New Light.	J K Pate.	W H Wimberly.	Crockett.	F I Pinkston, Alford Royers, C Jackson.														2 00	2 00	500 00	
New House.	J T Nowel.	W F Brewer.	Marmaduke.	J T Nowel, E J Brewer, W N Hampton.														1 00	1 00		
Nurts' Chapel.	J A Russell.	R Atchison.	Halliday.	I A Russell, J Atchison.														10 00	12 00		
Palestine.	J H Wade.	S Crittentenden.	Piggott.	W S Crittentenden.														3 20	20 00	200 00	
Piggott.	W J Bearden.	R H Budley.	Piggott.	Letter. No messengers.														16 00	150 00	300 00	
Pilot Grove.	W R Antrell.	J C Holcomb.	Piggott.	J C Holcomb.														50	5 00		
Pleasant Hope.	N W Hampton.	J R Tyler.	Rector.	J T Tyler.														13 00	14 40		
Pleasant Valley.	J P French.	V McGullion.	Knobel.	Phillip Young, D J Cody.														50 00	1 30	2 50	
Post Oak.		C G Garrett.	Boydsville.	J N Battion, C M Garrett.														3 00	1 00	54 80	
Providence.	J D Faulkner.	Tom Jackman.	Safe.	Wm Hill, W T Williams, J N Wright.														4 00			
Rector.	J W Allen.	J R Smart.	Rector.	J T Allen, R A Klopf.														8 60	75 00		
Rock Hill.	J S Rogers.	G R Rogers.	Paragould.	C D Morrissey, Eddie Rogers, W W Yopp.														8 00	100 00	130 00	
Salem.	J W Allen.	C W Bradshaw.	Boydsville.	C W Bradshaw, R M Parsons.														22 90	98 00	150 00	
Spring Grove.	J T Edwards.	Jas McLaughlin.	Paragould.	D D McLaughlin, John Swindle, L Robison.														100 00	112 00	500 00	
Union Grove.	T L B Thorn.	C H Faulkner.	Crowley.	W C Burr.														2 00	38 00	400 00	
Union.		R J Nettles.	Bard.	N B Shaw.														3 00	1 00		
Unity.	J A Russell.	V M Hagood.	Paragould.	F M Ingold, V L Stoots, Etelle Hagood.														30	20 30		
Walls Chapel.		W L Weatherford.	Brighton.	W L Wetherford, Ella Wetherford.														1 50	16 00	300 00	
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