

PROCEEDINGS

*of the*

Twenty-First Annual Session

*of the*

BUCKVILLE  
BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

*Held With*

CONCORD BAPTIST CHURCH  
ALY, YELL COUNTY, ARK.

September 24, 1910

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J. P. EMERY, STORY,	-	-	-	-	<i>Moderator</i>
J. T. BLAKELY, STORY,	-	-	-	-	<i>Clerk and Treasurer</i>

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Next session will be held with Marble Church, 16 miles north of Hot Springs, Arkansas, Saturday before the fourth Sunday in September, 1911, at 10 a. m.

# Proceedings

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The Buckville Baptist Association met with Concord Baptist Church, Aly, Yell county, Arkansas, in its Twenty-first annual session, September 24, 1910.

Called to order by the Moderator, Eld. J. P. Emery, at 10 o'clock.

Devotional exercises were conducted by Bro. A. R. Chitwood.

Eld. J. P. Emery preached the introductory sermon, followed by Eld. J. W. Shepard.

Recess till 2 o'clock.

## AFTERNOON SESSION.

Called to order by the Moderator.

Bro. W. B. Robertson led in prayer.

The Moderator appointed Bro. J. W. Shepard and Bro. J. L. Blakely as a Committee on Credentials.

Letters from the following churches were read and messengers' names enrolled, to-wit:

Big Mazarn—Eld. W. J. Chitwood.

Shady Grove No. 2—I. K. Moon, W. L. Campbell.

Mt. Tabor—Frank Meredith, H. M. Ratliff, J. C. Ratliff.

Jessieville—James Murders.

Shady Grove No. 1—Eld. D. T. Green.

Marble—Johnny Newkirk.

Brady Grove—R. C. Chapmond.

Harvey's Chapel—W. J. Huddleston.

Buckville—

Cedar Glades—G. T. Thompson, T. J. Morgan.

Concord—W. H. Cumbie, J. Curl, W. B. Robertson.

Prairie Grove—W. E. Bailey, Andy Wilson.

Mt. Pleasant—Roebuck Muse.

Pleasant Ridge—J. H. Fisher, Eld. J. E. Ritter.

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

New Prospect—S. D. Johnson, E. F. Snodgrass, J. M. Hanlin.

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

Fowler's Springs—

Pleasant Valley—I. G. Neal, J. R. Thornton.

Mt. Zion—C. W. Chitwood, J. R. Harper, J. R. Bond.

Happy Home—

Glazier Poe—W. A. Grisham.

Washita—Eld. J. W. Shepard, Eld. E. P. Chitwood, Burt

McLane.

Rock Springs—G. M. Fisher, Ellison Caldwell, Virgel Murders.

Bethlehem—

Sweet Home—S. H. Noles, W. F. Pittman, A. D. Cumbie.

White Plaines—J. A. Young.

The body then went into the election of officers for the ensuing year. Eld. J. O. Butler and Bro. W. L. Campbell acted as tellers. They announced the vote as follows: Eld. J. P. Emery, Moderator, and J. T. Blakely, Clerk and Treasurer.

Eld. J. O. Butler was received as Corresponding Messenger from the Caddo River Association.

The Moderator appointed as a Committee on Divine Service the messengers of Concord Church, with Bro. A. R. Chitwood and Bro. W. J. Huddleston.

The Moderator appointed as Corresponding Messengers to the Caddo River Association Eld. J. W. Shepard, Eld. E. P. Chitwood and Eld. D. T. Green.

Bro. Johnnie Newkirk, Bro. A. R. Chitwood and Eld. D. T. Green, to the Saline Association.

On motion a recess of business hours were taken till 8 o'clock Monday.

The Committee on Divine Service reported that Eld. J. W. Shepard would preach Saturday night and Eld. J. O. Butler would preach Sunday at 11 o'clock.

Eld. W. J. Chitwood preached Saturday night.

## SUNDAY.

Bro. Frank Cumbie made an address on Sunday Schools, followed by Bro. Cockrell, Bro. J. L. Blakely, Bro. Shepard, and Bro. Emery.

At 11 o'clock Eld. J. O. Butler preached a forceful sermon to a large congregation; text, John 3:16, followed by Eld. W. L. Cockrell.

A collection amounting to \$13.00 was taken for Associational Missions.

Recess till 2:30 o'clock.

At 2:30 o'clock Eld. W. J. Chitwood preached; text, 2d Cor. 3:21, followed by Eld. J. R. Emery.

Sunday night Eld. J. W. Shepard preached an able sermon; text, Acts 1:8. Bro. Shepard offered an invitation to the unsaved and many came forward for prayer.

### MONDAY MORNING.

The Association met pursuant to adjournment at 8:30 o'clock. The Moderator read first chapter of Psalms; prayer by Bro. S. H. Noles. The Moderator appointed Eld. J. P. Emery, Bro. S. H. Noles, Eld. J. E. Ritter, and Bro. W. B. Robertson Corresponding Messengers to the Dardanelle Association. The letter from White Plains Church was read and Bro. J. A. Young was enrolled as messenger.

On motion by Bro. Shepard a committee consisting of Bros. A. R. Chitwood, I. G. Neal and Frank Merrideth were appointed to investigate some rumors concerning some irregularities practiced in New Prospect Church.

The Committee on Home Missions made its report, which was adopted.

Eld. W. L. Cockrell made his report as missionary, which was adopted.

The report on Sunday Schools was read, and after being discussed by Bro. W. J. Chitwood, Bro. Cockrell, Bro. Butler and Bro. Shepard, was adopted.

On motion Eld. J. W. Shepard was selected as Sunday School missionary. He was requested to try to organize a Sunday School in each Church in this Association and make arrangements for a Sunday School convention.

Each church was requested to take up a collection at its first meeting, and send to the Treasurer of this Association to help pay for Bro. Shepard's services.

Committee on Associational Missions made its report, and after being discussed by Bro. E. P. Chitwood, Bro. Cockrell, Bro. Blakely, was adopted.

The Committee on Temperance made its report, and after being discussed by Bro. Butler, Bro. W. J. Chitwood and others, was adopted.

Report of Committee on Finance was read and adopted.

Report of the Committee on Ministerial Support was read and adopted.

Report of the Committee on Nominations made its report, which was adopted.

The committee appointed to investigate the irregularities in New Prospect Church reported that there was no foundation for such rumors.

The roll was called, with 45 messengers present.

Bro. Emery was called away to conduct a funeral, and Bro. Shepard was selected to act as Moderator during the remainder of the Association.

Eld. J. E. Ritter preached at 11 o'clock, followed by Eld. E. P. Chitwood.

Recess till 2 o'clock.

## AFTERNOON SESSION.

Called to order at 2 o'clock by Bro. Shepard. Bro. Robertson led in prayer.

Report of the Committee on Obituaries and Condolence was read and adopted.

Report of the Committee on Foreign Missions was read, and after being discussed by Bro. E. P. Chitwood, and after a collection of \$3.60 was taken up, was adopted.

Eld. J. P. Emery made his report as missionary, which was adopted.

On motion the Moderator appointed a Committee on State Missions, consisting of Bro. W. J. Chitwood, Bro. I. G. Neal and Bro. I. K. Moon.

Resolutions Nos. 1, 2 and 3 were read and adopted.

Report of the Treasurer read and adopted.

On motion the Clerk was instructed to pay Bro. M. C.<sup>e</sup> Melton for missionary work as soon as his report is received.

The Missionary Board, consisting of J. G. McLane, J. T. Blakely and G. L. Williamson, were re-elected for another year.

Marble Church was selected as the place for holding the next session of this Association.

On motion the clerk was instructed to have 400 copies of the minutes printed and to distribute them to the churches in proportion to their minute fund, the Clerk to have balance of minute fund, after having minutes printed, for his services; \$3.25 was raised to supplement this amount.

The Committee on State Missions made its report, and pending its adoption \$2.30 was contributed.

The minutes of the proceedings of this session were read and adopted.

On motion the Association adjourned to meet with Marble Church, 16 miles north of Hot Springs, Saturday before the fourth Sunday in September, 1911, at 10 o'clock a. m.

A song was sung, the parting hand extended, and Bro. Butler led the closing prayer.

ELD. J. P. EMERY, *Moderator*,  
J. T. BLAKELY, *Clerk*.

REMARKS: The State Board sent Eld. J. O. Butler and Eld. L. P. Guthrey to this Association. Bro. Butler rendered valuable service in a meeting at Washita Church. Bro. Guthrey assisted in meetings in different parts of the Association.

## 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 to every creature. We recommend, therefore, that the churches give more liberally and more systematically to spread the Gospel to earth's remotest bounds.

E. P. CHITWOOD,  
W. L. CAMPBELL,  
H. M. RATLIFF,

*Committee.*

Your Committee on Associational Missions find there is yet some destitution within our bounds. We believe that the work of an efficient man as missionary, even among the churches, to indoctrinate them would be of great benefit to the cause. We recommend that this Association send out missionaries without restricting them as to time or place in our bounds.

W. L. COCKRELL,  
C. W. CHITWOOD,  
W. F. PITTMAN,

*Committee.*

We, your Committee on Home Missions, beg leave to report:

We believe it is our duty to co-operate with other churches in having the Gospel preached in the destitute parts of our Home field. We recommend that collections be taken and the money sent to Eld. J. A. Scarboro, Magnolia, Ark., to whom all money for Home and Foreign missions should be sent. We recommend that deacons take up collections and urge all members to give liberally to this work.

I. G. NEAL,  
FRANK MERIDETH,  
VIRGEL MURDERS,

*Committee.*

Your Committee on Ministerial Support report as follows:

We believe in paying the ministers who faithfully preach the Gospel and pastor the churches. We believe that the reason the cause of Christ is languishing is because the churches fail to do their duty along this line. We believe it is the duty of

the churches to support their pastor for this according to the Scriptures.

I. K. MOON,  
W. B. ROBERTSON,  
A. D. CUMBIE,  
*Committee.*

We, your Committee on Temperance, report as follows:

The cause of temperance is gaining ground fast, but the victory is yet not complete. It is the duty of every member of the Buckville Association to do all in their power to down this awful curse—drink. It is reported that twelve boys become drunkards every hour. To support the cause of temperance is a duty we owe to ourselves, our neighbors and our God.

S. H. NOLES,  
BURT McLANE,  
L. O. MCKINZIE,  
*Committee.*

The Committee on Sunday Schools report as follows:

We find that some churches have Sunday Schools and some have not. We recommend that every church maintain a Sunday School and have Christians for teachers. We recommend that the schools use sound literature. We also recommend that a Sunday School Convention be organized in the Buckville Association.

G. T. THOMPSON,  
W. J. CHITWOOD,  
D. T. GREEN,  
*Committee.*

Your missionary submits the following report:

Held a meeting with Fowler's Springs Church, it being without a pastor for a year. Baptized one, labored 10 days. We believe the Lord blessed our labors. Paid in full.

W. L. COCKRELL.

Your missionary submits the following report:

Held a meeting at Sweet Home, with the assistance of Bro. M. C. Melton and Bro. L. P. Guthrey. Baptized 5, labored four days, preached six sermons. Paid in full.

J. P. EMERY.

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

- This phase of mission work is of great importance to the Baptists of our beloved State, inasmuch as it means the evan-

gelization of Arkansas. We recommend that our pastors and churches co-operate and make contributions to this important part of mission work.

I. G. NEAL,  
W. J. CHITWOOD,  
I. K. MOON,

*Committee.*

We, your Committee on Obituaries and Condolence, submit the following report:

We find that death has called several from among us, to-wit: Mt. Tabor Church, Bro. Mose Partain; Concord, Sister Dink Book; Shady Grove No. 1, Bro. Wm. Douthit and Sister Pearl McGie; Glazier Poe, Sister Elsie Guerin; Harvey's Chapel, Sister Myrtle Jackson; Bethlehem, Bro. Samuel Ritter; Pleasant Ridge, Sister Jane Fisher and Bro. R. M. Johnson; Mt. Pleasant, Sister Nancy Dozier; Mt. Zion, Sister Annie Green; Refuge, Sister Easter Qualls; Jessievile, Sister Ida Jones; Marble, Eld. D. H. Smith. We extend our heartfelt sympathy to the bereaved and feel that we should be admonished that we, too, are mortals and ere long we will be called one by one to step across the river, whether prepared or unprepared. Let us strive to be ready when the summons shall come.

J. W. SHEPARD,  
J. R. THORNTON,  
J. R. HARPER,

*Committee.*

We, your Committee on Nominations, have selected Eld. M. C. Melton to preach the introductory sermon at the next session, with Eld. W. J. Chitwood, alternate.

A. R. CHITWOOD,  
G. M. FISHER,  
W. E. BAILEY,

*Committee.*

Your Committee on Finance submits the following report:

Received for Minute Fund.....	\$23.80
Received for Orphans' Home.....	3.20
Received for Associational Missions.....	15.70
Received for Foreign Missions.....	1.00

Total .....\$43.70

W. J. HUDDLESTON,  
JOHNNIE NEWKIRK,  
J. R. BOND,

*Committee.*

Your Treasurer submits the following report:

Balance on hand from last year.....	\$ 31.83
Received of J. A. Stephens.....	1.00
Received of J. R. Qualls.....	1.00
Received of S. N. Qualls.....	.50
Received of H. L. Cooper.....	1.00
Received of E. Q. Laster.....	1.00
Received of W. D. Cooper.....	1.00
Received of W. F. Ayers.....	.50
Received of J. P. Emery.....	2.00
Received of Ivan Emery.....	1.00
Received of J. T. Blakely.....	1.00
Received of T. P. Breashears.....	1.00
Received of A. L. Adamson.....	1.00
Received of J. W. Bonner.....	1.00
Received of Sister Stella Cearley.....	1.00
Received of Sister Delia Bonner.....	.50
Received of Finance Committee.....	43.70
Received of Washita Church.....	5.00
Collection on Sunday at Association.....	13.00
Collection for Foreign Missions.....	3.60
Collection for State Missions.....	2.30
Received of Lee McKinzie.....	.25

Total receipts .....\$114.18

#### DISBURSEMENTS.

Paid to Bro. W. F. Cockrell.....	\$15.00
Paid to Bro. J. P. Emery.....	6.00
For printing Minutes and Clerk's fee.....	23.70
Paid to Orphans' Home.....	3.20
Paid to Foreign Missions.....	18.20
Paid to State Missions.....	2.30

Total disbursements.....\$68.40

Balance on hand for Associational Missions..... 45.78

J. T. BLAKELY, *Treasurer.*

*Be it Resolved*, That we, the Buckville Association, tender our hearty thanks to Concord Church and community for the kind and generous manner in which they have cared for us during our stay with them.

I. G. NEAL.

*Be it Resolved*, That we tender our thanks to the Moderator and Clerk for their prompt and careful attention to duty.

I. G. NEAL.

## 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.....	Gladstone, Ark.
W. J. Chitwood.....	Chandler, Ark.
W. T. Smith.....	Chandler, Ark.
W. T. Seymore.....	Haws, Ark.
J. P. Emery.....	Story, Ark.
E. P. Chitwood.....	Washita, Ark.
J. W. Shepard.....	Washita, Ark.
S. H. Jennings.....	Mt. Valley, Ark.
J. E. Ritter.....	Jessieville, Ark.

## LICENSED MINISTERS.

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

## 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 three (3) members, 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 Clerk, who shall be chosen by ballot at each annual session, and shall continue in office until their successors are elected.

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 Association 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	Associational Missions	Foreign Missions	Orphans' Home	Pastor's Salary	Sunday School	Days of Meeting
Brady Grove.....	H. A. Belote .....	R. C. Chapmond .....	Cedar Glades .....	1	1	2	0	0	26	\$1 50	\$	\$	\$0 50		1	2d
Bethlehem.....	J. B. Adams .....	W. T. Masner .....	Jessieville.....		3	3		1	38	65				8 50	1	
Buckville.....	M. C. Melton .....	G. L. Williamson .....	Buckville.....		1		12		33	50	1 75			28 00		1st
Big Mazarn.....		J. F. Reece .....	Chandler.....						42	1 00						3d
Cedar Glades.....	M. C. Melton .....	G. T. Thompson .....	Cedar Glades.....	4	3	4			72	60				21 30		1st
Concord.....	J. P. Emery .....	W. H. Cumble .....	Aly.....					1	35	60	8 75			11 00	1	2d
Fowler's Springs.....	W. L. Cockrell .....	G. Winkler.....	Mt. Valley.....	1					16	60						2d
Glaizer Poe.....	S. H. Jennings .....	R. E. De Bruler.....	Mt. Valley.....	1		1		1	43	1 00	1 25					
Harvey's Chapel.....	W. A. Neighbors .....	W. J. Huddleston.....	Haws.....	2	5	2		1	37	1 00	1 00	50	50		1	3d
Jessieville.....	S. H. Jennings .....	J. S. Murders.....	Jessieville.....			2		1	42	1 00				14 42	1	3d
Happy Home.....	D. T. Green.....	Jennie McCoy.....	Hot Springs.....						12	75						3d
Marble.....	S. H. Jennings .....	J. W. Pullen.....	Beaudry.....		2		2	1	79	1 10				11 00		2d
Mt. Tabor.....	J. P. Emery .....	F. M. Ratliff.....	Gladstone.....	1	3	2		1	93	1 60				15 00		
Mt. Pleasant.....	H. A. Belote .....	A. N. Echols.....	Muse.....		2				29	50						
Mt. Zion.....	J. M. Crawford .....	G. E. Adamson.....	Oakwood.....	2		2	1	1	63	75						
New Home.....	W. J. Chitwood .....	C. R. Houser.....	Bear.....		1	2	1		81	1 50	1 50					2d
New Prospect.....	J. L. Lanier.....	John Snodgrass.....	Hot Springs.....						32	1 00				16 50		
Pleasant Valley.....	H. A. Belote .....	I. G. Neal.....	Cedar Glades.....	4	2				22	50				10 75	1	4th
Pleasant Ridge.....	J. A. Davis.....	J. C. Graves.....	Lena.....	4	1			2	30	1 45						
Prairie Grove.....	E. P. Chitwood .....	A. N. Wilson.....	Liberty.....	1	8		1		39	50						2d
Rock Springs.....	J. B. Adams .....	J. A. Fisher.....	Cedar Glades.....		4	4			87	1 00						1st
Refuge.....	J. P. Emery .....	J. T. Blakely.....	Story.....			4	2	1	64	1 10	14 50			10 00	1	3d
Shady Grove No. 1.....	D. T. Green.....	J. W. Crain.....	Hollis.....		1		2		43	1 40				7 00		1st
Shady Grove No. 2.....	W. L. Cockrell .....	I. K. Moon.....	Fir.....		2	3			44	1 00	1 45	50	2 20	10 00		1st
Sweet Home.....	J. P. Emery .....	S. H. Noles.....	Stillwater.....	15					38	1 20	4 00			22 00		1st
Washita.....	J. P. Emery .....	R. C. Phillips.....	Washita.....	7	5		3		61	1 00	2 50	2 50		50 00		4th
White Plains.....	M. C. Melton .....	J. A. Young.....	Buckville.....	1	2	9			46	1 00				25 00		
				34	46	41	24	11	1245	\$23 80	\$36 70	\$3 50	\$3 20			