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PROCEEDINGS.

OUACHITA COUNTY, ARK., }
October 3rd, 1891 }

The messengers composing the twentieth session of the Union Baptist Association met with the Church at Bethsadia on Saturday before the first Sabbath in October, A. D., 1891.

The introductory sermon was preached by Eld. Z. T. Rogers. Text: Proverbs 22 chapter and 28 verse. After preaching the congregation was dismissed till 1:30 o'clock, at which time the Association met for permanent organization. After devotional services by the Moderator, and prayer by J. N. Acker, was called to order by J. E. Askew, the former Moderator.

The letters from the different churches were then called for and read by Brethren O. G. Quinn and W. L. Mannahan, who were appointed reading clerks. After the letters were read and the names of the messengers were enrolled, the body proceeded to the election of officers, which resulted in the re-election of James E. Askew, Moderator, and R. H. Mitchell, Clerk. The body proceeded to business by adopting the order of business of our last session.

Call for petitionary letters: A letter from New Home church was presented and read, and on motion was received into the Associational compact, and the right hand of fellowship extended by the Moderator.

Invited visiting brethren to seats.

The following committees were appointed:

On Divine Service: J. W. Hudson, J. R. Sullivant, together with the messengers from Bethsadia church.

On Foreign Missions: Z. T. Rogers, B. T. Almond, C. J. Wilson.

On Documents: O. G. Quinn, W. L. Mannahan, W. A. Dean.

On Finance: R. B. Tidwell, C. N. Strange, D. P. Hazzard.

On Pastoral Support: J. W. Erwin, S. F. Snell, D. Easterling.

On Obituaries: A. Patterson, W. H. Harris, A. W. Tiffin.

On Literature: J. M. Cox, J. N. Acker, W. J. Wallthall.

On Temperance: E. W. Long, Z. T. Rogers, M. D. Armstrong.

On Destitution: W. J. Wallthall, W. A. Snell, W. J. Johnson.

On Education: J. F. Hartin, J. W. Biddie, J. F. Wallis.

On Sabbath Schools: J. F. Wallis, C. J. Wilson, J. R. Sullivan.

On Ouachita College: J. J. Haynes, W. O. Godey, A. E. Adams.

On Nominations: J. B. Hannah, W. T. Little, W. M. Munn.

Called for Correspondence. Received from Red River Association:

Eld. J. J. Haynes, Eld. W. R. Barham, G. B. Carter, Eld. H. J. P. Horn.

Returned Correspondence. To Red River Association: Eld. J.

N. Acker, J. F. Hartin, S. F. Snell, Z. T. Rogers, Eld. W. J. Wallthall, C. J. Wilson, J. W. Wingfield

To the Columbia Association: James E. Askew

To the Judson Association, Eld. W. J. Wallthall, J. H. Holerman, A. T. Denton.

The committee on Divine Service made their report as follows:

Eld. M. D. Armstrong to preach at the church to-night; Eld. W. Biddie at Centre School house to-night, and prayer Meeting Sunday at the church conducted by Bro. D. Easterling.

On motion adjournment till Monday morning 8 o'clock.

SABBATH.

At the hour announced the brethren engaged in a prayer meeting conducted by Rev. D. Easterling, he introduced the services by reading the 17th chap. of John. Several fervent prayers were offered and some feeling remarks made by some of the brethren who were in the organization of this body twenty years ago. At the close the brethren engaged in a general hand-shaking and our hearts were made to rejoice together in the reunion of many that had been absent from us.

At 11 o'clock the congregation assembled at the grove where seats were prepared, and was addressed by Eld. J. W. Erwin (in the absence of Eld. J. B. Searcy, who was appointed to preach at this hour by our last association.) Text: Mathew 28th chap. 19th verse. Theme: Spreading of the gospel. The sermon was delivered with earnestness and the duty of spreading the gospel at home and abroad was ably set forth. Eld. J. J. Haynes, followed with some appropriate remarks on foreign mission. At the close of the services, a collection was taken up for Foreign Mission amounting to \$35.55.

At 2 o'clock Eld. J. J. Haynes filled the stand and preached from Acts 10th chap and 34th verse. The sermon was delivered with much force and earnestness. Eld R H Mitchell preached at night at the church. Eld W R Barham preached at Picketts school house, Eld A W Tiffin, at Center Point schoolhouse.

MONDAY MORNING.

The Association met pursuant to adjournment. Divine services by the Moderator; prayer by Bro Sexton

On motion the names of all the Messengers who absented themselves before the body adjourned was erased.

Roll called and the names of absentees erased.

Called for report of committee.

The Committee on Temperance made their report, and after several speeches, it was on motion adopted.

REPORT ON TEMPERANCE.

Your Committee on Temperance submit the following: We believe temperance to be total abstinence from the use of every thing that leads to evil; and a moderate use of that which is good. Believing this to be the correct definition of the term; we do earnestly recommend its acceptance, particularly in the use of ardent spirits as a beverage. The Scriptures teach us to be temperate in all things. We earnestly recommend that the churches do not remain dormant to this monster evil of intemperance. We further recommend that the ministers of this association endeavor to indoctrinate their charges against the monster intemperance.— This monster destroys the usefulness of many good men; therefore, in conclusion, we would admonish all the members of this Association to use every legitimate means to suppress its use.

Respectfully submitted,

E. W. Long, Chairman.

The Committee on Documents made their report, and on motion it was adopted.

REPORT ON DOCUMENTS.

Your Committee on Documents having carefully examined the letters from the various churches beg leave to report: We find that many of the churches have been graciously revived, and that since the last session of this body two hundred and eight have been baptised within the bounds of this Association, 185 received by letter, 32 by restoration and 4 by voucher. Total accession 425—Total membership 2075—a number of churches not represented. Shady Grove No 2, Hope, College Hill, Bodcaw No 2, Laneburg, Provi-

dence No 2 and New Home each report Sabbath schools enrollment 306. Salem reports good Sunday schools, but does not give the number enrolled,

We recommend that the clerks of the various churches make their letters to the Association as short as practicable to express the facts to be conveyed.

Respectfully submitted,

O. G. QUINN, Chairman.

The committee on Foreign Missions made their report, and after several good speeches it was adopted.

REPORT ON FOREIGN MISSION.

Your committee on Foreign Mission would report that this department of our work never demanded our attention, prayers and contributions more than at present. Our foreign fields seem to be more prosperous than ever before. The Southern Baptist Convention has missionaries in South-central and Northern China, Africa and Japan. These are all missions to the heathens. Our Papal missions are in Italy, Brazil and Mexico. We have on these fields eighty Missionaries and eighty-six notable assistants. We have two hundred and twenty-five preaching places with about three thousand members of the churches. Our mission forces have been increased the last year nearly twenty per cent. This has called for an increase in contribution. Our receipts last year amounted to \$150,000. We, the Baptists of Arkansas, are asked for \$4,000 this year. We can easily raise this amount without injuring our other departments of Christian work. But in order to its accomplishment our pastors and active brethren and sisters must bestir themselves in this matter. We suggest that we raise in the bounds of this Association this year \$150,00, which is only about ten cents per member, and what we do let us do quickly.

Submitted. Z. T. ROGERS, Chairman.

The committee on Sabbath School made their report, and on motion it was adopted.

REPORT ON SABBATH SCHOOLS.

Your committee on Sabbath Schools report that from an examination of the letters sent up, there is a very great lack on the part of the churches in this great and very important work. Only a few Sunday schools are reported to the Association, and those reported give a very imperfect report of their work and development. We would most earnestly recommend and request all our churches and their pastors to awake to the interest of this important work;

urge and foster it; and in, corresponding with the Association we would ask them to give a full report of their Sabbath schools.

Our Sunday School Convention having discontinued, our Sunday school work has thereby lost one of its greatest auxiliary-helps.

J. F. WALLIS, Chairman.

The committee on Literature made their report and on motion it was adopted.

REPORT ON LITERATURE.

We, Your committee on Literature ask to make the following report: 1st, We recommend the Bible, the Word of God, the book of books. Our only sure guide and rule of faith and practice. 2nd, We recommend the Arkansas Baptist to every Baptist family as a sound paper in doctrine—ably edited. Its visits to us every week is a blessing. 3d, We recommend for Sabbath schools in our Association "Kind Words," published at Louisville, Kentucky. 4th, We also recommend the Harvest-Bells, by Bro. W. E. Penn.

J. M. Kox, Chairman.

The committee on Destitution made their report, and on motion it was adopted.

Your committee on Destitution report the following: That after obtaining all the information we can respecting the bounds of this association, we find that there is considerable destitution on its borders. On the east there is a scope extending from Bethsadia church to New Home church, a distance of twenty miles; altogether unoccupied by Baptist. On the west there is a vast territory lying between the Union and the South-western Associations, in which the gospel is not preached. Therefore, in order to show courtesy to the South-western Association, and not to trespass upon her bounds. Your committee claims half that destitution. And, therefore, recommend to this body that at an early day to furnish those destitutions with a dissemination of the precious truths of the gospel of the Son of God.

W. J. WALLTHALL,

W. R. JOHNSON,

S. F. SNELL.

The committee on Pastoral Support submitted the following report which on motion was adopted.

REPORT ON PASTORAL SUPPORT.

We, your committee on Pastoral Support would submit the following report: We believe that our churches are too negligent in the support of their pastors. The scriptures teach us that they

that preach the gospel should live of the gospel. For this reason we would recommend that each church should adopt some means by which their pastors may be better supported.

J. W. ERWIN,

D. EASTERLING.

S. F. SELL.

The committee on Obituaries made their report which was adopted.

REPORT ON OBITUARIES.

We, your committee, beg leave to report as follows: Since the last session of this body our beloved brother, Jesse Purifoy, departed this life May 25th, 1891. He made a profession of religion in the year 1885, and lived a consistent christian. Was liberated to preach soon after joining the church, though quite young, he was full of zeal and love to God.

Submitted,

A. PATTERSON, Chairman.

The committee on Education made their report, and after being spoken to by many of the brethren, it was adopted.

REPORT ON EDUCATION.

Your committee on Education reports as follows: That the wide-spread interest upon this most important subject has not decreased. Baptists seem to appreciate the necessity of christian education as one of the most imperative duties they owe their children. They are now enjoying the benefits of Ouachita College. This institution is the result of a united effort on the part of our brethren to remove the stigma of ignorance charged upon us as a denomination. It is the pride of our State, our people and our denomination. Let us, as members of Union Association, avail ourselves of these results; and take another step forward. We recommend that the pastors who serve the thirty-nine churches in this association take up a public collection monthly for the purpose of establishing a ministerial fund to be used by this association to aid in the education of young brethren who are engaged in the Master's special work of *teaching*. It is a fact that special work requires special training in the affairs of men, and our Master's servant having special gift and a divine calling.

We insist that, as a people, we believe it our sacred duty to assist them with our means in the preparation for this great life-work; and therefore, we urge this association to adopt this or some other plan that will begin this work of educating the young ministers within the bounds of Union Association.

Respectfully submitted,

J. F. HARTIS, Chairman,

J. W. BIDDIE,

J. F. WALLIS.

The committee on Ouachita College made their report, and after being spoken to by Eld. J. J. Haynes, it was adopted.

REPORT ON OUACHITA COLLEGE.

Your committee on the Ouachita College report as follows: The fifth annual session was by far the most prosperous in the history of the school. By referring to the catalogue we find there were 330 pupils enrolled, 220 boarders and 110 resident pupils. Every department of this school has by far surpassed the sanguine expectation of its most ardent friends, and put to blush its most critical enemies. The work done is thorough, the government complete. The present outlook is very encouraging, with the invincible J. W. Conger as President, with his 20 wide-awake teachers and 250 pupils enrolled to date. We may reasonably expect 350 or 400 pupils this year. Therefore, we recommend, brethren, that you send your children to our school as a christian institution. It is second only to our pulpit in the State. Every young preacher and teacher that has gone forth from this school has been a grand success. But there still remains a considerable debt on the main building that must be paid soon. Can we afford, as Baptist, to let the work and influence of this beloved institution suffer on the account of a financial failure? We hope and pray not. Dr. Searcy is the financial agent of the Board of Trustees, and has collected about \$5,000 this year, and there are \$7,000 that must be paid by Christmas; these are the facts in the case, and we trust and believe you will respond with a liberal contribution to liquidate the above claim.

Respectfully submitted,

J. J. HAYNES,

W. O. GODFREY,

A. E. ADAMS.

The committee on Nominations made their report and it was adopted as follows: The next session of the Union Association will be held with Macedonia church, Hempstead county, Arkansas, commencing on Saturday before the 1st Sabbath in October, 1892, Eld. W. J. Wallthall to preach the introductory sermon, J. W. Erwin his alternate; Eld. J. S. Thomas to preach a missionary ser-

mon on Sabbath at 11 o'clock, A. Patterson his alternate.

Respectfully submitted,

J. B. HANNAH, Chairman.

The committee on Finance made their report as follows: Your committee on Finance beg leave to submit the following report: We find the amount sent up from the various churches the following amount for the purposes mentioned:

For minutes.....	\$57 65.
For Foreign Mission.....	48 95.
For Bro. Diaz—Cuba.....	11 00.
Total.....	\$117,60

Respectfully submitted,

R. B. TIDWELL,

D. P. HAZZARD.

G. N. STRANGE.

On motion Bro. J. W. Hudson was re-elected treasurer.

Call for reports of District meetings.

The first district meeting of the Union Association will be held with Laneburg church, commencing on Friday before the 1st Sabbath in July, A. D., 1892.

PROGRAMME.

Introductory sermon to be preached by Eld. W. J. Wallthall.—Subject, the "Atonement."

ESSAYS—On Brotherly Love, J. W. Hudson; On Repentance, N. N. Gatlin; Lecture by Eld. E. W. Long—Subject: Does faith precede repentance in the process of regeneration?

E. S. CARTER, Clerk,

W. J. WALLTHALL, Moderator.

Report of the 2nd District of the Union Association was presented and read and amended by striking out the 2nd essay, and then adopted as amended.

REPORT.—The next meeting of the 2nd District of the Union Association will be held with New Liberty church on Friday before the 5th Sabbath in July, A. D., 1892. Introductory sermon by Eld. J. N. Sherfield, J. W. Biddie his alternate.

PROGRAMME.

Essay 1st, What relation does Baptism sustain to salvation?—by J. W. Biddie.

Essay 2nd, What is it to eat and drink unworthily at the Lord's

table?—by Eld. C. T. Wilson.

Essay 3rd, What relation does the Sabbath school sustain to the church?—by Eld. J. N. Sherfield.

J. H. BLACK, Moderator.

W. H. RILEY, Clerk.

On motion the clerk was appointed to superintend the printing and distributing of the minutes, and that he be allowed twenty dollars for his services.

MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS.

On motion the following named brethren were appointed to solicit contributions for foreign missions from their respective churches;

Baileview, W. M. Cabbage
Bedbury, F. B. Garner,
Bethsadia, R. H. Kirby,
Bluff Springs, F. A. Dillard,
Bodecaw No. 1, Peter Fuller
Bodecaw No. 2, W. G. Urrey
Bois d' Arc, J. A. Luck,
College Hill, J. E. Askew,
Corinth, C. L. Chasteen,
Falcon, J. J. Pelt,
Harmony, W. A. McKee,
Hope, Miss Jennie Black,
Liberty, Miss Laura Urrey,
Laneburg, Miss Pasia Almond,
Macedonia, B. J. Drake,
Melrose, Zack Levins,
Mt. Nebo, J. Powell,
Mt. Olive, P. J. Tidwell,

New Liberty, W. T. Hood,
Pleasant Hill No. 1, W. O. Godley
Pleasant Hill No 2, C. W. Rhea
Pleasant Grove, No 1, W. M. Barlow
Pleasant Grove, No. 2, G. S. Strange
Round Oak, J. L. Landers,
Salem, E. M. Pender,
Shady Grove Fo. 1, Jas. Gasten,
Shady Grove, No. 2, W. E. Moore,
Shiloh, W. G. Davis,
Shover Springs, C. J. Lasiter,
Union, S. T. Bailey,
White Oak Grove, J. J. Osteen,
Union Grove, S. W. Lee,
New Home, P. N. Voss,
Lebanon, D. L. Young,
Missionary Grove, J. W. Wingfield
Mt. Pisga, S. J. Glass.

On motion the following named brethren were appointed as messengers to represent this association in the Baptist State Convention, to-wit: Eld. E. W. Long, Eld. J. W. Wallthall, Eld. T. A. Middlebrook, Eld. J. N. Sherfield, Eld. R. H. Mitchell.

On motion, appointed Bro. L. C. Black, of Hope church as Financial Secretary of this body to receive the funds paid in for ministerial education.

On motion appointed a committee of five, consisting of J. F. Walls, J. W. Hudson, R. H. Mitchell and D. Easterling, to select any other minister to send to the college when the means in the

hands of the secretary will justify.

On motion, this association agrees to send Eld. T. A. Middlebrook to the Ouachita College this session.

On motion Eld. J. S. Thomas of Hope was selected a messenger from this association to represent this body in the Southern Baptist Convention, and Eld. C. T. Wilson alternate.

On motion the following named brethren were appointed as a committee to report at the next sitting of this body on the Ouachita College, to-wit: Eld. J. J. Haynes, Eld. T. A. Middlebrook, Eld. R. H. Mitchell.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

Received from the Finance Committee the following amounts:

Received for Foreign Mission.....	\$48 95.
“ Collected on Sabbath for Foreign Mission	35 55.
“ For Home Mission, Diaz, Cuba.....	11 00.
“ Minutes Fund	57 65.

Total amount received..... \$153 15.

Cr. by amount to Eld. J. B. Searcy	\$84 30.
“ “ “ W. A. Miller.....	11 00.
“ “ “ To Clerk.....	57 65.

Total..... \$153 15.

J. W. HUDSON, Treasurer

CLERK'S REPORT.

R. H. Mitchell, Clerk, in account with Union Association.

To amount on hand from last year.....	\$ 3 50.
“ “ Minute Fund.....	57 65.

Total..... \$61 15.

Cr. by amount for services.....	\$20 00
“ “ Printing and distributing minutes	41 15

Total..... \$61 15

RESOLUTIONS.

Resolved, 1st, That this body return its sincere thanks to the brethren, and especially the sisters and friends of this church and community, for their generous hospitality to this association during this sitting. On motion adopted.

Resolved, 2nd, That this body tender to the Bro. Moderator its sincere thanks for the able and impartial manner in which he presided over this body. On motion adopted.

On motion adjourned to meet with Macedonia church on Saturday before the 1st Sabbath in October, A. D., 1892.

JAMES E. ASKEW, Moderator.

R. H. MITCHELL, Clerk.

This closes another harmonious session of the Union Association. An appropriate hymn was sung and the parting hand was given amid tears of gratitude for this special peaceful session, and the regret we felt in separating, and of joy at the prospect of the great re-union of the family of God. Prayer by Eld. J. J. Haynes.

Clerk.

ORDER OF BUSINESS.

1. Call for credentials.
 2. Election of officers.
 3. Call for petitionary letters.
 4. Invite visiting brethren to seats.
 5. Appointment of committees.
 6. Receive correspondence.
 7. Return correspondence.
 8. Call for reports of committees.
 9. Election of treasurer.
 10. Call for reports of district meetings.
 11. Appointment of a person to preach the annual sermon.
 12. Appointment of a person to superintend the printing of minutes.
 13. Miscellaneous business.
- Messengers agreeing with the Abstract of Principles as set forth by this body.

ART. 6. The churches in this Union shall transmit to every annual session of the Association a written communication, specifying the names of their messengers, their number in fellowship, number baptized, received by letter, dismissed, ex-communicated, restored, or deceased, since the last session, and any other information that the churches may deem important.

ART. 7. This Association shall, at each session, appoint a Treasurer, whose duty it shall be to hold all funds sent up by the churches, or otherwise collected, also to disburse them as ordered by the Association, and shall present annually for insertion in the Minutes a clear and succinct statement of all the receipts and expenditures.

ART. 8. This Association shall furnish the churches with the Minutes of each session.

ART. 9. It shall be the duty of the Clerk of the Association to keep a regular file of the printed Minutes of each session of this day, and

NAMES OF LICENTIATES.

N. N. Gatlin, Prescott, Nevada county, Arkansas.
 W. J. Sexton, Woodlawn, Ouachita county, Arkansas.
 A. J. Meador, Bluff City, Nevada county, Arkansas.
 J. T. Davis, Hope, Hempstead county, Arkansas.
 C. T. Wilson, Hope, Hempstead county, Arkansas.

M. D. Andrews, Prescott, Nevada county, Arkansas.
 S. J. Hesterly, Prescott, Nevada county Arkansas.
 P. J. Almond, Wallaceburg, Hempstead county, Arkansas.
 J. W. Riddie, Wallaceburg, Hempstead county, Arkansas.
 P. M. Coon, Guernsey, Hempstead county Arkansas.
 Jas. Ellison, Holston, Nevada county, Arkansas.

ABSTRACT OF PRINCIPLES.

1. We believe in the existence of one only living God, and that He has made Himself known to His people under the name of the Father, and the Son, and the Holy Ghost, the same in essence and divine in perfection.

2. We believe 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 God hath chosen us in Christ Jesus, before the foundation of the world, that we should be holy and without blame before him in love, having predestined us unto the adoption of children by Jesus Christ.

4. We believe in the doctrine of Original Sin.

5. We believe in man's inability to recover himself from his fallen state.

That sinners are justified in the sight of God only by

the church of which he is a member.

CONSTITUTION.

ARTICLE 1. This union of churches shall be known and distinguished by the name and title of the Union Association of regular United Baptists.

ART. 2. This Association shall be composed of messengers sent up by the churches belonging to the same, and each church be allowed three (3) representatives, who shall be required to furnish satisfactory evidence of their appointment by their respective churches before they are allowed their seats.

ART. 3. The messengers, when convened, shall organize themselves into a deliberative body by the appointment of a Moderator and a Clerk, who shall be chosen by ballot, at each annual session, and shall continue in office until their successors are chosen.

ART. 4. This union of churches shall not interfere with the rights of the churches of which it is composed, but it shall regard them as independent bodies in all matters of internal government, and shall act as an advisory council, assuming no authority, except what is expressly delegated to it by the churches, or evidently implied by the very nature of the compact; nevertheless, this Association claims authority over its own members, the messengers from the churches, and the right to withdraw from any church when found heterodox in faith, or disorderly in practice.

ART. 5. Any church of the same faith and order may be admitted into this Union by petitionary letter and messengers to the annual meeting, by said messengers agreeing with the Abstract of Principles as set forth by this body.

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RULES OF DECORUM.

1. When the Messengers of the several churches shall assemble at the

place appointed for the session of the Association, the Moderator shall open the business by praise and prayer, in person or by proxy. If the Moderator or Clerk be absent, the Association shall appoint one pro tem.

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

3. When the Messengers' names are enrolled and called by the Clerk, the Association shall then elect by ballot a Moderator and Clerk, a majority of votes governing the election.

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

5. Any person wishing to make a motion, or to speak on any matter before the Association, shall rise to his feet and respectfully address the Moderator. If he be in order, the Moderator shall signify the same by calling the name of the person so rising, or otherwise, and no one, thus in order, shall be interrupted while in speaking unless he depart from the subject, or use personal reflection, nor shall any member speak more than twice on the same subject without leave from the Moderator, except to explain some of his preceding remarks.

6. Whenever sufficient time has been allowed for the discussion of any subject before the Association, the Moderator shall take the vote of the Association, and declare the result, the majority governing in all cases.

7. No member shall vacate his seat without the consent of the Moderator, while the body is sitting.

8. When one member shall speak to or of another he shall call him "brother."

9. The Moderator shall have the names of the Messengers called whenever it may be necessary.

10. The Moderator may speak on matters of debate as other members by calling one to fill his seat while speaking, but not until others have spoken, who may desire to speak.

11. The Moderator may invite visiting ministers, in good order, to seats in council, who may speak but not vote.

12. The Moderator shall be the judge of order, subject to an appeal to the Association.

STATISTICAL TABLE OF CHURCHES OF THE UNION ASSOCIATION.

CHURCHES	PASTORS.	CLERKS	MESSENGERS	POSTOFFICES	Baptisms	Rec'd by letter	Restored	Discharged	Excluded	Dead	Membership	Contribution for Minutes	Contribution for Foreign Mission	Sunday School Enrollment	Days of meetings	Home mission for Dias
Bols d' Arc	J N Sheffield	A M Hanchey	T D Wamble	Guernsey	6	1	1				57	150			4	
Bethesda	W J Wallthall	E S Carter	R H Kirby, A Patterson, E S Carter	Chidester	6	1	1	8	3	1	70	200			3	
Bodenw No 1	M D Armstrong	S L Fuller	Represented by letter.	Bodenw	8	0	0	4	0		110	300	\$7.00	25	4	
Bodenw No 2	T A Middlebrook	D M Urry	W S Little	Bodenw	3	3	0	5	0		42	200			3	
Betheny	M D Armstrong	J T Johnson	Represented by letter	Hope	15	0	0	3	4		70	200	\$10.50		2	
Bluff Springs	J W Erwin	F A Dillard	Represented by letter	Laureburg	5	7	0	0	3		64	150			3	
Belleview			Not represented								29				3	
College Hill	D S Mullins	H S Luck	J E Askew, J R Sullivan	College Hill				1			53	200		58		
Corinth	T A Middlebrook	C L Chastain	W M Munn, H S McMillan	Bodenw	8	1	2	0			39	125	1.25			
*Falcon	W R Story	J S Pelt	Not represented	Falcon							35				4	
Harmony	W R Story	W A McKee	S F Snell	Emmet	1	1	4				23	50				
Hope	J S Thomas	W N Atkins	J F Martin	Hope	1	3	0			4	100	150		50	2	
Mt Olive	J W Erwin	J W Keeling	A L Waters, J F Wallis, T A Middlebrook	Rosston	15	4	2	9			89	400			4	
Mt Paga	N J Price	J S Crain	D P Hazard, D Easterling, R Bright	Laureburg	8	14	1	5	1		65	150			1	\$11.00
Mt Nebo	James Downs	J A Powell	J A Powell	Lewisville					3		14	125			1	
Mt Zion	W R Barham	T M Gammage	John Homen, R B Tidwell	Rosston	6	2	1	10			61	225				
Missionary Grove	J W Wingfield	W D Stockton	J W Wingfield, J R Young	Prescott	1	3		3	1		43	125				
Macedonia	J J Haynes	J N Burnes	C J Wilson	Sardis	4	8		0		12	53	200	\$9.30		1	
New Liberty	M D Armstrong	M E Kersey	W T Hood, W A Snell, M E Kersey	Emmet	8	8		2			39	125			3	
Pleasant Hill No 1	W R Barham	J G Purifoy	W O Godley, S L Gully	Zama				3	1		10	50			2	
" Grove No 2	T A Middlebrook	J A Armstrong	G N Strange	Falcon	3	4		8	1		60	150	1.50		2	
" Grove No 1	Z T Rogers	W J T Carter	D C Walker, A E Adams, M H Barlow	Bluff City	4	5	3	7	1		53	150			3	
Providence No 1	M D Armstrong	B S Alford	T H McLellan	Lively	4			15	4	1	60	225	5.50		1	
Providence No 2	Z T Rogers	C M Herndon	J N Acker, R Bardwell	Hope	10	0	2	21	1	21	50	150	3.00		4	
Pleasant Hill No 2	A W Tiffin	W A Dean	W A Dean, D W Hay	Delta	0	8	1				23	150				
Round Oak	D S Mullins	O G Quinn	J W Landers, C W Hodge, O G Quinn	Woodlawn	2			1	2	1	28	125				
Shady Grove No 1		J P Gaston	J W Sumrell, J P Gaston	Lanet		4	1	3			25					
Shady Grove No 2	W J Wallthall	B W Franklin	J M Cox, W E Moore, B W Franklin	Prescott	54	9		5	2	2	125	220			37	
Salem	Z T Rogers	Geo Oliver	Z T Rogers, W H Harris, E M Ponder	Prescott	5	15	6	14	2	2	43	150			1	
Shiloh	G B Agan	L G Waldrop	Represented by letter only	Buckner	1	2		1	2	2	43	150				
Union Grove	J N Sheffield	F M Urry	J W Biddle, W T Lane	Wallaceburg	5	8		5			64	200	1.50			
Union	J W Erwin	S T Bailey	R H Mitchell, J M Bennett, W L Manahan	Brisbane	4	14	1	7	2	1	47	300			4	
Liberty	J N Sheffield	A J Sullivan	W J Canon, J N Sheffield, W L Cole	Prescott	8	9	2	0	1	1	91	205	6.00		1	
New Home	A W Tiffin	W J Sexton	A W Tiffin, W R Johnson, W J Sexton	Woodlawn	3	14		4			50	300			30	
Laureburg	J W Erwin	J W Hudson	J W Hudson, B L Almond, E W Tong	Laureburg	1	0					37	100			46	
*Shower Springs	J N Price		Not Represented.	Hope							25	100	2.00			
McLure			Not Represented	Hope							71					
White Oak Grove	J J Haynes	J J Oslen	J H Clark	De Ann	1	2		8	2		39					
Labanon	R H Mitchell	L C Young	J T Young, L C Young	Caney	3						47	150	1.40		4	
											10	50			1	
					208	185	32	181	45	20	2075	\$57.60	\$37.95	246		\$11.00

*Reported from last year.