

# MINUTES

OF THE

THIRTEENTH & ANNUAL & SESSION

OF THE

## UNITED ASSOCIATION

OF THE

MISSIONARY BAPTIST CHURCHES,

HELD WITH

## CEDAR CREEK CHURCH,

Conway County, Arkansas,

SEPTEMBER 9<sup>th</sup> & 10, 1887.

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### OFFICERS:

ELD. J. K. BROADAWAY, MODERATOR.

E. A. WOOLVERTON, CLERK, Center Ridge, Ark.

J. J. STANTON, TREASURER, Springfield, Ark.

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# PROCEEDINGS.

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The United Association met at Cedar Creek Church on Friday, September 9th, 1887; Moderator and Clerk present. The introductory sermon was preached by M. K. Broadway.

On motion, E. A. Wolverton and G. W. Ford were appointed to read the letters from the churches.

On motion, suspended the order of business and called for petitionary letters; came forward, Bethlehem, Springfield, Mount Gilead and Lone Oak Churches, and through their messengers, asked to be received as members of this Body.

On motion, the above named churches were received and the hand of fellowship was extended to the messengers.

On motion, proceeded to permanent organization by election of officers, which resulted in the choice of J. K. Broadway for Moderator, E. A. Wolverton, Clerk; and J. J. Stanton, Treasurer.

On motion, W. L. Wolverton, H. C. Emmerson and Daniel Norwood were appointed a committee on devotional exercises. On order of business the following were appointed: B. H. Bearden, W. L. Wolverton, J. M. W. Massingale.

On motion, adjourned for dinner to meet at 4 o'clock, P. M. Prayer by Bro. Brundridge.

## AFTERNOON SESSION.

Met at 4 o'clock P. M. Prayer by Elder D. F. Knight.

On motion, the Moderator proceeded to the appointment of committees as follows:

Ministerial Education—B. M. Stephens, J. P. Cool, V. Malone.

Destitution—J. Mayall, John Fleenings and W. M. Boon.

Foreign Mission—T. C. Ford, W. M. Dewitt and H. A. Morgan.

Sabbath Schools—N. W. Melton, W. W. Duncan, M. G. Brewer.

Publications—J. E. Rhea, W. W. Horton, A. Bradley.

Finance—B. F. Barnes, Joe Jones, W. P. Melton.

— Temperance—W. T. Noland, L. Box, S. A. Neal.

On motion, Elders W. P. Gillam, Thos. Moody and J. M. Hart were received as corresponding messengers from Russellville Association, Wm. Brundridge, from Little Red River; W. C. Smith, from Peede. The following were appointed for correspondence: Russellville Association, which meets on Friday before the first Sunday in October, 1887, J. Mayall, M. F. Caperton, H. W. Melton and J. E. Rhea. Little Red River, John Fleming, W. M. Dewitt, S. A. Neal. Green Briar, B. M. Stephens, B. Beardon, G. W. Ford. Peede Association, T. C. Ford, J. K. Broadway, R. B. Edwards, M. G. Brewer.

On motion, went into election of delegates to State Convention which resulted in the election of B. H. Bearden, B. M. Stephens, J. Mayall, H. W. Melton and J. K. Broadway.

On motion, it was voted that the meeting of this body be on Friday before the second Sunday in September, 1888, with the church at Lone Grove, 13 miles south of Morrilton. Elder B. M. Stephens to preach the introductory, Elder J. K. Broadway, alternate.

Treasurer's report read and referred to Special Committee; also report of Executive referred to same committee, which consisted of W. L. Wolverton, John Flemmings and John Norwood.

On motion, adjourned to meet for business at 8 o'clock A. M. to-morrow. Prayer by B. H. Bearden.

Stand filled at 7 P. M. by R. B. Edwards and B. F. Barnes Saturday morning at 8 o'clock.

Met at 8 o'clock A. M., J. K. Broadway in the chair. Prayer by J. E. McCool.

Report on Ministerial Education read and adopted. (See report A.)

Report on Destitution read and adopted. (Report B.)

Report on Foreign Missions read and adopted. (Report C.)

Treasurer's report re-submitted and adopted. (Report D.)

Report on Sabbath Schools adopted. (Report E.)

Report on Publication read, discussed and amended by adding Tennessee Baptist and Baptist Flag. (Report F.)

Report on Finance read and adopted. (Report G.)

Report on Temperance read and after warm discussion, an amendment was offered to strike out the clause of "withdrawn fellowship from them." On vote the amendment was lost and the original was adopted. (Report H.)

On motion a committee of five was appointed to report on

the propriety of taking Bro. B. F. Barnes and M. F. Caperton as beneficiaries of this Association.

G. W. Ford, E. A. Wolverton, H. C. Emmerson, J. E. Rhea and John Norwood were appointed as above committee.

A collection was taken up for foreign missions, which amounted to \$2.90 in cash and \$4.00 in pledges. (Clerk's statement L.)

On motion adjourned for preaching by Bro. J. M. Hart. Prayer by Elder T. Moody.

#### AFTERNOON SESSION.

Met for business at 2 o'clock p. m., J. K. Broadaway in the chair. Report of Special Committee on Ministerial Education read and adopted. (Report J.)

Report of Special Committee on Domestic Mission Work for the past year read and adopted. (Report K.)

A collection was taken up to pay the claim of Bro. J. Mayall, which claim amounted to \$36.50. The collection amounted to \$37.00 in pledges and fifty cents in cash.

A collection was taken up for the benefit of Elder C. Maxwell, an aged Minister. Collection amounted to \$2.80, and was turned over to Elder D. F. Knight.

Report of Elder J. K. Broadaway as Missionary was read and adopted. (Report L.)

On motion, E. A. Wolverton, M. G. Brewer, B. F. Jones and W. P. Melton were elected an Executive Board for the next year.

Motion carried that the Clerk superintend the printing and distribution of the Minutes of this meeting.

On motion the money, amounting to \$21.60, was turned over to the Clerk to pay for printing these minutes and for his service as clerk.

On motion it was voted that we have no missionary for the next year.

It was voted that this Association raise \$25.00 to assist Pleasant Grove Church in securing a Pastor.

On motion, it was voted this Association have no Missionary for the present year. -

The committee on Queries reported two Queries: No. I. Has a church the right to receive a member having two wives? Answer: Each church should be the judge of its membership.

No. II. Should a Baptist Church receive members, by recommendation, from the Hard Shell Baptist Church? Answer: No.

Resolved, That the thanks of the Association be tendered to the people of this vicinity for the hospitable manner in which its members have been entertained during its session at Cedar Creek Church.

On motion, the Association adjourned. A hymn was sung, and the parting hand was taken in the best of feeling.

Preaching Saturday night by J. M. Brundridge.

On Sunday the Missionary sermon was preached by Bro. T. Moody, of Morrilton.

#### NAMES OF ORDAINED MINISTERS.

1. G. W. FORD,	Plummerville, Arkansas.
2. T. C. FORD,	Bee Branch, "
3. H. H. Russell,	" " "
4. J. MAYALL,	Lickmountain, "
5. W. W. REED,	Center Ridge, "
6. H. B. HARRIS,	" " "
7. THOMSON NUTT,	Rondo, "
8. J. K. BRADAWAY,	Liberty Springs, "
9. B. F. BARNES,	Scotland, "
10. C. MAXWELL,	Springfield, "
11. D. F. KNIGHT,	" "
12. B. M. STEPHENS,	" "
13. B. F. MILAM,	" "
14. J. W. S. LESLIE,	Marshal, "
15. B. H. BEARDEN,	Solgobachie, "
16. R. B. EDWARDS,	Old Hickory, "
17. W. A. HUTTO,	Bee Branch, "
18. G. H. TAYLOR,	Rondo, "
19. J. K. JOINER,	Scotland, "
20. C. L. BOYD,	Witts Springs, "
21. H. W. MELTON,	Lickmountain, "

#### (A.) REPORT ON MINISTERIAL EDUCATION.

We rejoice to say that educated Baptist Ministers are coming into our midst, and can safely say that the Baptists have as good talent and as well educated ministers as any denomination in the world. We would recommend that each church in the Association do all in its power to assist in the education of her young ministers. And would further recommend the Baptist College at Arkadelphia as a suitable place for the education of young ministers. May we all learn the truth and teach the truth, and nothing but the truth; and may all Baptists come to the

front in the education of the ministry, that we may rise above ignorance and prejudice.

We would recommend that each preacher in this Association study the Bible and be able to defend its doctrines; and that they would learn to make their exercises and their lives more consistent.

B. M. STEPHENS, Ch'm'n.

( B. ) REPORT ON DESTITUTION.

Your Committee on Destitution would report that in no Association is more needed than in the United. And we believe that we could do more if we would practice the gospel plan, as recommended by this body at its last meeting, and contribute of our means to the support and extension of the Master's Kingdom. Brethren, let us remember our duty as missionaries, and see that the gospel is preached in its purity to every creature, remembering that God will hold us accountable for the keeping of His vineyard. Let us arise to the help of the Lord and He will surely bless us.

Respectfully,

J. MAYALL, Ch'm'n.

( C. ) REPORT ON FOREIGN MISSIONS.

The work of the Foreign Mission is of great importance, and should enlist our warmest sympathies and strongest efforts to push forward the Master's kingdom in foreign lands, where it is now unknown. Therefore, we would recommend that steps be taken to give aid to the Foreign Mission work. We are happy to say the work in foreign lands is prosperous and promising, and we should feel encouraged and push forward the great enterprise.

T. C. FORD, Ch'm'n.

( D. ) TREASURER'S REPORT.

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Cash at last meeting of Association.	\$5 15
Antioch Church cash,	15 00
S. V. Potect cash,	1 00
W. W. Reed,	1 35
Mt. Mariah Church,	1 00
T. A. Weaver,	2 50
H. C. Emerson last year.	5 00
Total	\$31 00

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Cash to J. K. Broadway,	\$15 00
Cash to J. K.     "	2 50
Cash to J. Mayall,	13 50
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Total credit.	\$31 00

J. MAYALL, Treasurer.

#### ( E. ) REPORT ON SABBATH SCHOOLS.

We would recommend that the churches encourage this work and labor for the establishment of Baptist Sunday Schools in all the churches of this Association. We fear that there is not that enthusiasm in this work that should characterize us as christian people. Into our hands is committed the training of our children in the Lord's cause. It is from them that we must draw our future membership; there is no better place in which to work than in Sunday schools. We know by experience what early impressions make upon the minds of the young. These impressions make and form the character of the grown-up man or woman. There is no better place for the training than in the nursery—the Sunday school. Neither should older people stay away, for we are all children of the Lord, and should constantly seek after the things which pertain to our eternal welfare. May God increase our zeal in His glorious work is our prayer.

H. W. MELTON, Ch'm'n.

#### ( F. ) REPORT ON PUBLICATION.

First of all, christians should read carefully and studiously God's Holy Word. We believe our state Baptist paper, published at Little Rock, by Bro. Forbs, is sound in the faith, and would recommend that it be read and supported by every Baptist family in this Association. Also would recommend the "Tennessee Baptist" and "Baptist Flag," as good, sound Baptist papers. We would recommend for Sabbath schools the literature published by the Southern Baptist Convention.

J. E. RHEA, Ch'm'n.

#### ( G. ) REPORT OF FINANCE COMMITTEE.

Cash for printing minutes,	\$21 65
Cash for Foreign Missions,	3 25
Cash for education of ministers,	1 25
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Total,	\$26 15

B. F. BARNES, Ch'm'n.



## ( H. ) REPORT ON TEMPERANCE.

We are thankful to say that intoxicating liquors are being driven from among us as a beverage. We would recommend that our members quit the use of whiskey as a beverage; and would further recommend to churches that when members persist in the use of whiskey as a beverage that they be admonished, and if the member continues dram drinking we would recommend churches to withdraw fellowship from such. We believe that legal prohibition is perfectly consistent with our christian principles, therefore we are in sympathy with, and favor all laws, having for their object the suppression of the manufacture and use of whiskey as a beverage.

W. F. NOLAND, Ch'm'n.

## ( I. ) REPORT OF SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON MINISTERIAL EDUCATION.

We would recommend Eld. B. F. Barnes as a young minister of good character, sound in Baptist doctrine, and having been set apart by his church, would recommend that the churches of this Association take up collections for the purpose of assisting Bro. Barnes in his education. We further report \$1.25 for the benefit of Bro. Barnes.

G. W. FORD, Ch'm'n.

## ( K. ) REPORT OF SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON MISSIONARIES REPORT.

We find that Eld. J. Mayall was employed by the board to preach one year at Hattievile on a salary of \$50.00. We further find that he preached one-fourth of the time for which he was employed and received for said service \$13.50, which we think sufficient for the time he preached.

W. L. WOLVERTON, Ch'm'n.

The above report was adopted, whereupon Bro. J. Mayall claimed that he had preached the full time at Hattievile and the bounds of the Association together. A subscription was taken up to pay him for full time, which amounted to \$36.00 in pledges and \$1.50 in cash, making the total amount paid Bro. Mayall, cash \$15 and \$36 in pledges.

CLERK.

Your Missionary employed by the board to preach to the church at Pleasant Grove for the past year would report that we held meetings in that neighborhood at private houses, not having the privilege of using the school house until the latter part of the year. We then secured the use of the house and Baptist preaching is more favorably received there. The prospects are that the



church will become self-sustaining in one more year. I have received for my services from

Antioch,	\$15 00
T. A. Weaver,	2 50
W. L. Wolverton,	2 00
J. W. Todd,	50
Contributions at Association,	7 00

Total cash received,	\$27 00
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J. K. BROADAWAY.

#### CLERK'S STATEMENT.

There has been received during this session of the Association the following in cash and pledges being collections taken up by the body.

	Cash,	Pledges.
Education of B. F. Barnes,	\$1 25	
Relief of aged ministers,	2 80	
Foreign missions,	2 90	\$4 00
Domestic mission work,	11 00	46 00
<b>Totals,</b>	<b>\$17 95</b>	<b>\$50 00</b>

The following was reported by the messengers from the different churches:

For printing minutes,	\$21 65
Foreign missions,	2 25
Domestic missions,	29 85
<b>Total,</b>	<b>\$53 75</b>

E. A. WOLVERTON, Clerk.

# A STATISTICAL TABLE.

Churches	Messengers	Clerks	Post-Offices	Pastors	Rec'd					Total Members	Contributions			
					Baptism	Letter	Restoration	Exclusion	Died		D Missions	F Missions	Minutes	Total
Antioch.	B F Barnes, Thos Jones, Joe Jones	W H Sugg	Scotland.	JK Broadway	4			4	2	74	\$15 00		\$1 53	\$16 53
Bethlehem	J H Fleming, J E Rhea, T C Ford	T C Ford	Bee Branch	W A Hutto	12				12				1 00	1 00
Canan	W W Horton, Perry Horton, David Horto	A E Ledbetter	Marshall	J W F Lesley			3	11	44	4 00			1 00	5 00
C Creek	J S Powell, J S Duncan, B M Stephens	J H Lockhart	Springfield	B M Stephens	3		1	11	1	68			90	90
Cleveland	W Chronister, J G Dickson, L H Willis	Tutt	Rondo	JK Broadway	1			3	21				50	50
Desota.	H P Harris, M A Bold, W L Goodhue	H P Harris	Marshall	J W Lesley	3	4		3	5	47		\$2 25	1 00	3 25
Friendship	B H Bearden, F M Gilbert	G B Bearden	Solgochchie	B H Bearden					20	17			1 00	1 00
Lone Grove.	C N Melton, W F Noland, J H Ridling	W F Noland	Solgochchie	H W Melton	13	13	1		4	54			1 00	1 00
Lone Oak.	S V Poteet, I I Dugger, I E Antery	E E Rainwater	Morrilton	B H Bearden	25				7	18			1 00	1 00
Mt Mariah	W M Dewitt, A M Baker, M Strane	S F Leslie	Bee Branch	J M Brundrige	3	5	1	15	1	64	4 00		1 25	5 25
Mt Gilead.	J K Broadway, W T Tolson	L F Daniel	Liberty Spgs	JK Broadway	4	10	1		15				1 00	1 00
M View	W L Wolverton, R K Thomson, A Bradley	E A Wolverton	Center R	H H Russell	10	1	1		3	42	3 00		85	3 85
Pleasant H.	W P Melton, Jas Mahan	W P Melton	Center R	R B Edwards	1			12	1	21	1 35		1 00	2 35
P Springs.	D F Knight, James Coal, O Parker	J J George	Springfield	B M Stephens	10	5	1		4	43			1 65	1 65
P Grove.	H C Emers, P A Weaver	T A Weaver	Liberty Spgs	JK Broadway	2	1			1	10	2 50		50	3 00
Sardis.	R B Edwards, W J Williams, J E McCool	J M Massegill	Old Hickory	H W Melton	25	3	7			86			1 50	1 50
Sunny Side	J Mayall, J W Mayall, W J Sims	W J Sims	Lickmout'n	J Mayall					2	13			50	50
Springfield.	J S Sims, John Norwood, Amos Kirkandall	J S Sims	Springfield	B F Milam	3	9				12			50	50
Union Hill	W F Wittingham, M G Brewer, E F Neal	Jas Roach	Center R	J Mayall	1	1		2	4	50			85	85
Valley Home	S A Neal, W M Boon, R F Parish	J A Neal	Morganton	W A Hutto	1	1			1	21			1 00	1 00
Witt Sp'gs	W A Compton, H A Morgan	H A Morgan	Witt Sp'gs	C L Boyd				2	1	30			1 10	1 00
Mount P.	J W Ford, V Malone, Louis Box	S Trout	Springfield	H W Melton	4					21			1 00	1 00
Totals.					84	90	17	18	102	9	783	29 85	2 25	21 65 53 75