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# MINUTES

OF THE

LAUREL RIVER ASSOCIATION,

OF

UNITED BAPTISTS,

BEGUN AND HELD AT

ROUGH CREEK MEETING-HOUSE,

LAUREL COUNTY, KENTUCKY,

ON FRIDAY, OCTOBER 6, 1865.

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# MINUTES.

Elder Wm. K. Davis delivered a sermon introductory to the business of the Association, from Acts, 10th chapter and 42d verse. After which letters from 15 Churches were read, and their Messenger's names enrolled and numbered as shown in the table of Statistics.

## STATISTICS.

CHURCHES.	DELEGATES.	Contributions.	By Baptism.	By Letter.	Dismissed.	Restored.	Excluded.	Deceased.	Total
Robin's Cr'k,	H. Wiser, J. M. Jackson, E. R. Jones, J. E. Westerfield, and P. Bolton	1 90	2	5	1	13			46
Liberty,	J. M. Huff, W. J. Warren and William Adams	1 25	5		2		2	1	35
Little Goose,	L. Hampton, G. Proffit, J. Philpot, D. Hubbard, W. Philpot and T. Philpot	1 00	1	3	8		1	1	58
Providence,	E. S. Jones, E. Williams, A. P. Smith, D. Weaver, W. Yager and W. Jones	2 00	17	1	1		2	1	134
Sinking Cr'k,	E. Combs, W. C. Barrett, J. J. Barrett and E. Lickliter	50	2	4	1		1	1	17
London,	S. M. Jackson, M. Jackson, H. Faris A. Deboard, W. E. Harkle-road and A. Dunn	2 00	2	4			1	1	35
Indian Cr'k,	G. B. Foley, J. Thompson, H. Warfield and J. C. Westerfield	2 00						4	9
Richland,	Wm. Trosper and Jas. A. Faris	70							21
Cane Creek,	D. D. Elum and B. F. Catching	50		2	2		1	1	12
Salem,	H. Johnson, J. Mourne, J. Deese W. Hibbard, S. Johnson and J. Proffit	1 50	3				3	2	82
Rough Creek	G. Brock, R. D. Goin, H. Williams, J. G. Evans, L. Jackson and R. Brock	2 50	27	9	15		3	4	146
Friendship,	James M. Bolton	1 00		1	1		1		28
Bethlehem,	W. K. Davis, W. Tye and H. C. Harmon	1 00			3		3	1	44
Lynn Camp,	P. J. Ernest, F. T. Hodges and H. Sturgeon	1 00					1	1	41
Mt. Sion,	S. Jones, and Eld. H. D. Harmon	1 00							72
Meadow Cr'k	Not represented								
Aggregate			59	29	28	1	30	15	720



1st. The Association being thus organized, private ballot was held for choice of Moderator and Clerk. Elder G. B. Foley was chosen Moderator, and J. C. Westerfield Clerk.

2d. Letters from Corresponding Associations were read as follows, to-wit: From North Concord, by her Messenger, Elder J. G. Ames; their next Association to be held with Pleasant Hill Church, Knox County, Ky., on Friday before the 2d Saturday in October, 1866. They have baptised 3; by letter 8; restored 3; dismissed 3; excluded 17; dead 5; total 482. From Jackson Association, by her messengers, Allen Bryant and A. Robins; their next Association will be held with Mt. Olive Church, Laurel County, Ky., on Friday before the 3d Saturday in September, 1866. From Cumberland River Association, by her messengers, Elder R. J. Shadoin, F. L. Warren, W. T. Hale, R. Elrod and M. Lewis. They have baptised 24; by letter 13; restored 1; dismissed 10; excluded 8; dead 10; total 724; their next Association to be held with Pitman Creek Church, Pulaski County, Ky., before the 1st Saturday in September, 1866. One other from Cumberland River Association, by her messengers, J. Woodall, Jesse Tyre, L. Richardson, H. M. Suthard, H. K. McKinney and J. Hubbell; their next Association will be held with Double Spring Church, on Friday before the 1st Saturday in September, 1866. They have received by baptism and letter, 157; total, 1409.

3d. The letters from North Concord and Jackson Associations, were received and their messengers invited to seats.

4th. Whereas there were two letters presented to us purporting to be from Cumberland River Association; It is ordered that we refuse to correspond with either of them until we ascertain which of them is the original Cumberland River Association.

5th. This Association will hold its next session at Robinson Creek Church, Laurel County, Ky., on Friday before the 1st Saturday in October, 1866.

6th Brethren Hiram Johnson and H. C. Harmon, are appointed a committee to write to corresponding Associations.

7th. Brethren H. Faris, H. D. Harmon and Hugh Sturgeon, with the Moderator and Clerk, were appointed a committee on arrangements.

Adjourned until Saturday, 9 o'clock, A. M.

SATURDAY MORNING, 9 o'clock, A. M.

Prayer by Elder Hiram Johnson.

1st. The arrangement of committee was called for, read, and received.

2d. Elders A. Robins, John Ward, James Woodall John M. Yaden, were appointed to preach to-day, and Elders R. J. Shadoin, John G. Ames, Jesse Tyre and G. B. Foley were requested to preach on Sabbath.

3d. Letters to corresponding Associations were read received, and the following brethren appointed messengers: To North Concord, E. R. Jones, H. Wiser, J. M. Bolton, H. D. Harmon, B. F. Catching, G. B. Foley, Jas. A. Faris and E. S. Jones. To Jackson, Hiram Johnson, George Brock, E. S. Jones, R. D. Goin, John Deese, W. Adams, A. P. Smith, J. Mourn, S. Johnson and Ragan Brock.

4th. Elder Hiram Johnson to preach the next introductory sermon, H. D. Harmon his Alternate.

5th. Brethren David Williams and H. D. Harmon were appointed a committee of Finance.

6th. Ordered, that the Clerk have 500 copies of our Minutes printed, and distributed among the Churches according to numbers.

7th. Query from London, Sinking Creek, Cane Creek, and Robinson's Creek: Do we fellowship Churches who grant their ministerial aid to constitute a body of members into a Church calling themselves Independent Baptists, knowing that they seceded from a sister Church, contrary to the rules of the Association?

7th. Ordered, that we defer answering the above query and appoint one member from each Church, (except Robinson Creek, Rough Creek and Providence,) as a committee to confer with those three Churches and report to this Association, on the 1st day of her next session. The following brethren were appointed said committee, to-wit: William Adams, Hiram Johnson, L. Hampton, E. Combs, S. M. Jackson, G. B. Foley, J. A. Faris, B. Catching, J. M. Bolton, W. K. Davis, P. J. Ernest, H. D. Harmon and William Johnson, who are to meet at Robinson Creek Church, on Friday before 4th Saturday in May, 1866.

9th. Ordered, that we tender our sincere thanks to the citizens in the vicinity of Rough Creek, for their kindness and hospitality, and to the Moderator and Clerk for officiating and promptness in business.

10th. Ordered that we adjourn until our Association in course.

G. B. FOLEY, *Moderator.*

J. C. WESTERFIELD, *Clerk*, Barbourville, Ky.