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HELD WITH THE
PAINT ROCK CHURCH Scott County, Tennessee
October 7, 8, and 9
1910
Moderator, Eld. R. D. ELLIS, Oneida, Tenn., R. No. 1 Clerk, W. J. JEFFEES, Oneida, Tenn., R. No. 1
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# MINUTES

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# ORDER OF BUSINESS.

#### FIRST DAY.

- 1. Devotional Exercises.
- 2. Introductory Sermon.
- 3. Read Letters and enroll Messengers.
- 4. Election of Officers.
- 5. Call for new Churches.
- 6. Call for Corresponding Letters and Delegates.
- 7. Appointment of Committees:
  - (a) Divine Service.
  - (b) Correspondence.
  - (c) Obituaries.
  - (d) Queries.
  - (e) Sunday Schools.
  - (f) Temperance.
  - (g) Finance.
  - (h) Resolutions.
- 8. Select place of next meeting.
- 9. Select for next Introductory Sermon.
- 10. Miscellaneous.
- 11. Announcements.
- 12. Adjournment.

#### SECOND DAY.

- 1. Devotional Exercises.
- 2. Read and correct Minutes.
- 3. Report of Committees:
  - (a) Correspondence.
  - (b) Obituaries.
  - (c) Queries.
  - (d) Sunday Schools.
  - (e) Temperance.
  - (f) Finance.
  - (g) Resolutions.
- 4. Treasurer's Report.
- 5. Who superintend the printing of Minutes.
- 6. Read and correct Minutes.
- 7. Adjournment.

#### MINUTES.

#### FIRST DAY.

The Forty-first Annual Session of the West Union Association of the United Baptists was held with the Paint Rock Church, Oct. 7th, 8th and 9th, 1910, Moderator, Elder R. D. Ellis, presiding.

A sermon introductory to the business of the Association was delivered by Elder M. C. Cross. Text: Acts 15-6, "And the apostles and elders came together for to consider of this matter."

The letters from the various churches called for and read, presenting the following table of statistics: (See Exhibit A.)

The Association proceeded to elect officers for the ensuing year. Elder P. R. Brown and Bro. J. L. Chastain were appointed tellers and announced Elder R. D. Ellis, Moderator; Elder W. T. Pennington, Assistant Moderator; W. J. Jeffers, Clerk, and Elder A. M. Gregory, Assistant Clerk.

At this point the Association refused to recognize the delegate from Bethadia Church, as the delegate was not a member of that church.

Rules of Decorum were read and strict compliance therewith requested.

Called for new churches and received Wolf Creek permanently.

Marsh Creek Church presented a letter, which was received and delegates seated for the present session and a committee, viz: G. C, Duncan, M. C. Murphy, M. C. Cross, S. G. Morgan, T. M. Ellis, W. T. Pennington and J. B. Troxel, was appointed to meet at Marsh Creek Church on the first Saturday of November, 1910, and investigate matters concerning the reception of this church.

Ordered that the Moderator appoint all committees during this session.

Also received Mt. Olive Church, subject to final approval at our next session by bringing in Constitution and Articles of Faith.

Received Oak Grove Church by letter from South Concord Association.

Called for letters and corresponding delegates from sister Associations. Received a letter from South Concord by the haud of Elder G. W. Roberts. Letter read and delegate seated. A letter from Hiwassee by the hands of Elder P. R. Brown and Bro. J. L, Chastain. Letter read and delegates seated. A letter from South Union by the hands of Elders M. Lay, T. L. Lay and L. D. Angel. Letter read and delegates seated. A letter from Stocton's Valley by the hand of E. T. Price. Letter read and delegate seated.

At this point Elders R. D. Cecil, of Nashville, J. S. Jeffers, of New River, and R. B. Gibson, of Pulaski County Association, were invited to seats and accepted.

The following committees were announced by the Moderator:

Correspondence-W. T. Pennington and A. M. Gregory.

Divine Service-H. Terry, Jesse Smither and T. F. Wilson.

Obituaries-S. G. Morgan, M. J. Chambers and J. S. Stanley.

Queries-T. M. Ellis, A. M. Gregory and J. S. Jeffers.

Sunday Schools-R. C. Cecil, J. S. Stanley, J. S. Jeffers, Isaac Low and L. C. Bridges.

Temperance-M. C. Cross, G. C. Duncan, W. A. Cross and R. A. Chitwood.

Finance-P. R. Brown, J. L. Chastain, F. M. Chambers and G. W. Roberts.

Resolutions—M. Lay, T. L. Lay, T. M. Ellis, R. D. Cecil and A. M. Gregory.

Committee on Divine Service reported: Tonight at the church, Elders R. D. Cecil and M. Lay; at the Stanley school house, Elders S. G. Morgan and J. B. Troxel; at Annadel, Elders J. M. Chambers and James Trammell. Tomorrow at the stand, Elders P. R. Brown, F. M. Chambers, G. W. Roberts and L. C. Bridges.

Next annual session meets with the Helenwood Church, Helenwood, Scott County, Tennessee.

Voted that Elder G. C. Duncan preach the next Introductory Sermon and that W. T. Pennington be his Alternate.

Ordered by the Association that W. R. Hamblen be published in our minutes, as he is an excluded member of Buffalo Church holding minister's credentials.

Closed with singing and prayer until 8:30 tomorrow.

#### SECOND DAY.

The Association met Saturday at 8:30 and after the reading of I Psalm, was led in prayer by Elder R. D. Cecil.

Minutes of yesterday's proceedings read and received.

Second Beech Grove, a newly organized church, asked admittance into this body; granted. Rock Spring Church presented Constitution and Articles of Faith, which were read and the church was permanently received into this Association.

Read corresponding letters and appointed messengers to bear them as follows:

To Stocton's Valley—Meets with the Fair View Church, eight miles northwest of Jamestown, Fentress Co., Tenn.; Elders James Trammell, Jno. Blevins, W. A. Cross, J. G. Phillips and R. D. Ellis.

To South Union-Meets with the Pine Grove Church, eight miles northwest of Williamsburg, Ky.; Elders G. C. Duncan, J. K. Cordell, M. C. Cross and and S. Cox.

To Hiwassee-Meets with Ten Mile Church, Meigs Co., Tenn., Friday before the fourth Saturday in September, 1911; Elders A. M. Gregory, S. G. Morgan, R. C. Cecil and A. J. Chambers.

To South Concord—Meets with Pleasant Hill Church, Wayne Co., Ky., Wednesday before the first Saturday in October, 1911; Elders S. G. Morgan, J. B. Troxel, James Trammell, Jesse Smither and J. M. Chambers.

To New River—Elders Monroe Sexton, T. M. Ellis, J. C. Gibson, J. M. Chambers, E. Newport and Clabe Jeffers.

Total.....\$40.68

Committees on Obituaries, on Queries, on Sunday Schools, on Temperance and on Resolutions made their reports, which were received and committees released. Said reports are marked in regular order as Exhibits B, C, D, E and F, attached hereto.

The Temperance and Sunday School questions were ably discussed by R. D. Cecil, of Nashville; J. S. Stanley, of Alderville, and others.

The Evangelists selected by the Association last session made the following reports:

Preached 103 sermons; witnessed 48 conversions; received 37 into the church, by letter 3, restoration 2, baptized 16; organized 1 church and visited 15 churches. M. C. CROSS, Evangelist.

Being appointed as an Evangelist by this Association for the year 1910, beg leave to submit the following report: I have labored in revivals 115 days; I have traveled 705 miles; preached 167 sermons; witnessed 107 conversions; baptized 41, received 89 into the church; I have visited 20 churches, 11 Sunday Schools and organized 1 church and 1 Sunday School.

Respectfully submitted.

R. D. ELLIS, Evangelist.

Each of the above reports read and received and the Evangelists released.

At this point the Secretary, Elder A. M. Gregory, of the West Union Sunday School Convention reported. Report received and ordered printed in our minutes. (See Exhibit G.)

The Association proceeded to select three Evangelists for the ensuing year. E. T. Price and J. V. Bilbrey were appointed tellers and announced Elders M. C. Cross, R. D. Ellis and W. T. Pennington elected.

Treasurer's report:

On hand October 9, 1909 Received October 9, 1909	•
Total Paid for printing, etc	
Balance October 8, 1910 Received October 8, 1910	

Total......\$57.05

Committee on Divine Service reported: Tonight at the church, Elders A. M. Gregory, W. T. Pennington, John Blevins and S. G. Morgan; at Annadel, Elders A. J. Chambers, T. M. Ellis and F. M. Chambers; at the Stanley school house, Elders S. Cox, G. W. Roberts and M. J. Chambers; tomorrow at the stand, Elders G. C. Duncan, R. D. Ellis, J. M. Chambers, R. C. Cecil and P. R. Brown.

Ordered 1200 copies of the proceedings of this Association printed, Clerk to superintend the printing and distribution and be allowed \$8.00 for his services.

#### EXHIBIT A.

# STATISTICAL TABLE.

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The following churches were not represented; last year's membership given: Bethlehem, 73; Big Creek, 40; Beech Grove, 22; Hickory Grove, 45; New Prospect, 17; Pine Creek, 63; Cupp, —; Rock Creek, 46; Sulphur Springs, 28; Lowes Branch, 7. Total, 341. Total of the churches represented, 2,973. Grand total, 3,314.

#### EXHIBIT B.

#### OBITUARIES.

1. Kissie Croley, aged 22 years, was a member of Buffalo Church five years. Invited her brothers to meet her in Glory. She was called early, but passed to that great beyond in full faith.

2. Elder Jehu Phillips, very aged, was a member of Buffalo Church at the time of his departure. He lived a Christian life about fifty years and labored in the ministry of the gospel of Jesus Christ many years. May his friends meet and live with him in Heaven.

3. Mary Cooper, wife of Geo. W. Cooper, was a devoted member of New Salem Church at the time of her sudden departure some months ago. While visiting at her nearby neighbor's home she was called to eternity; no time to say good by to husband, no time to say good by to her son or either of her two daughters. (Think as you go.) Mrs. Cooper was a faithful Christian about 46 years and we feel she has gone to reap her reward in Heaven.

4. Marion Chitwood, born March 11, 1844; departed this life February 8, 1910, age 65 years, 10 months, 27 days. He was a devoted member of Second Bethlehem Church and served as Deacon about sixteen years; was a member of the church about 22 years. He leaves a wife and seven children. May they all meet and live with him in Glory.

5. Phœbe West, wife of Wesley West, departed this life July 5, 1910. She was a devoted member of the Cherry Fork Church about twenty years and at a ripe old age passed to the great beyond, full of faith.

6. Mary Slaven, wife of Abner Slaven, departed this life more than a year ago. She was a faithful member of Otter Creek Church. She leaves a husband and children to mourn her absence.

7. Jane Troxel, born December 3, 1883, departed this life July 17, 1909. She was a faithful member of Otter Creek Church about six years. Gone, we hope, to reap her reward in Heaven.

8. Henry Marton was a member of Oak Grove Church at the time of his departure, July, 1910. He joined the church at an early age, 13 years. He leaves a wife and child. May wife and child meet husband in Glory.

9. Julia Jones, wife of Wm. Jones, was a devoted member of Oak Grove Church about four years. Her death occurred in a burning house with three of her children about one year ago. She leaves a husband and two children. We feel our loss is her gain.

10. Louis Rookard, aged about 70, was a member of New Hope Baptist Church at the time of his death. He was a faithful member, joining the church about forty years ago. He departed full of faith and has gone, no doubt, to live with God. 11. Maria Grant, born about 1885, joined the Pine Grove Church at an early age and lived a devoted member until her death, April 17, 1910. She leaves a husband and one little girl.

12. Elder Wesley Perry, born March 26, 1843, departed this life March 4, 1910. Elder Perry joined the church in 1867. He was a minister of the gospel about forty years and was instrumental in accomplishing much for the Church of God and was faithful until death. His last words, "I have nothing to dread but the sting of death and leaving some of my children uusaved." May we all pray for the saving of his children.

13. Minnie Silcox was a member of New Salem Church about three years. She sang, "Jesus Lover of My Soul" and sank to rest in Jesus' arms, we believe.

14. Eli Perry, born July 20, 1849, departed this life July 12, 1910; Mr. Perry was a member of the Baptist family about thirty-eight years; was faithful unto death. He leaves a wife and seven children. His dying words to his daughter, "I see mamma. There is nothing between me and my God. Be a good girl." May his daughter fill this request.

15. Elder J. H. Sanders, born December 5, 1866, departed this life April 29, 1909. Claimed a hope in Christ February 8, 1886, and joined the Black Creek Church. Lived there until deatb Elder Sanders was ordained to the ministry of gospel shortly after he joined the church. He served as pastor of the Black Creek Church thirteen years. He was faithful to the end. He leaves a wife and four children. We feel our loss is his eternal gain.

16. Elijah Terry, born December 16, 1835, departed this life July 12, 1910. Served in the Uuited States army 3 years, 9 months, 12 days. He was a member of the church twenty-four years. Ordained to the ministry of the gospel February, 1905. He leaves a wife and seven children to mourn his absence. His last words, "The time has come that I must go." He has gone, we hope, to reap his reward in Heaven.

17. Matilda Byrd, wife of Bratcher Byrd, aged 45 years, departed this life January 23, 1910. She claimed a hope in Christ and joined the Black Creek Church August, 1902. Was a faithful and devoted member till death. She leaves a husband and two children.

18. B. C. Sumacher, born August 6, 1860, departed this life December 8, 1908. He was a member of the Baptist Church about twenty-five years. Served as a Deacon for a number of years. He died in full faith. He leaves a wife and ten children. We desire your prayers for the widow and orphans.

19. Nancy Sharp, born January 18, 1818, departed this life October 22, 1909, aged 91 years, 9 months, 4 days. She claimed a hope in Christ early in life. Was a devoted Christian about seventy years. Was a member of New Salem Church at the time of her death. On her dying bed she sang and rejoiced in full faith and said, "I am going to live with Christ in Glory."

20. Nancy Davidson, born January 5, 1859, departed this life December 16, 1909. Claimed a hope and joined the church at Black Creek in 1881 and was a faithful member until death:

S. G. MORGAN,

M. J. CHAMBERS,

J. S. STANLEY,

Committee.

#### EXHIBIT C.

#### QUERIES.

What advice would you give a Baptist Church that has a Sunday School headed by an infant-baptized Methodist.

Answer-We advise all Baptist Sunday Schools to place the Sunday School work in the hands of Baptist people.

ELDER A. M. GREGORY,

ELDER T. M. ELLIS,

Committee.

#### EXHIBIT D.

#### SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

We, your Committee on Sunday Schools, beg leave to submit the following report:

We find that there are a number of churches in our Association that reported no Sunday Schools. We request the leading members of churches to organize a Baptist Sunday School in each church and run said Sunday School all the year, using Baptist literature.

We further advise, as we believe the Sunday School is the church at work and is the direct cause of souls being saved, that each Sunday School send delegates to the West Union Convention, which meets at Smith Creek, with the New Salem Church, on the second Saturday in July, 1911. R. C. CECIL,

J. S. STANLEY, L. C. BRIDGES, J. S. JEFFERS, ISAAC LOW, Committee.

#### EXHIBIT E.

#### TEMPERANCE.

We, your Committee on Temperance, beg leave to submit the following report:

That we should not only abstain from intoxicating drinks ourselves, but should preach and advise our churches to hold a strict discipline against intemperance in any form. We further advise our people to be temperate in all things, as the Scripture sets forth. ELDER G. C. DUNCAN.

> ELDER W. A. CROSS, ELDER M. C. CROSS, ELDER R. A. CHITWOOD, Committee.

#### EXHIBIT F.

#### RESOLUTIONS.

We, your Committee on Resolutions, submit the following report: Whereas, There has been a Sunday School Convention organized by this Association; therefore, be it

Resolved, That we request said Convention to report each year to this Association and that said report be printed in our minutes.

Be it resolved. That this Association select three Evangelists for the ensuing year, as we feel that the work of the Evangelists last year was of great interest to this Association; be it further

Resolved, That each delegate be instructed to advise the churches to look after the needs of these Evangelists where they labor.

We advise our churches to use strict discipline over its members who follow after new and strange doctrines.

That we tender a resolution of thanks to Paint Rock Church and entire community. ELDER A. M. GREGORY,

ELDER T. M. ELLIS, ELDER M. LAY, ELDER T. L. LAY, ELDER R. D. CECIL, Committee.

EXHIBIT G.

#### WEST UNION SUNDAY SCHOOL CONVENTION.

July 9, 1910.

To the Elders and Messengers composing the West Union Association of United Baptists--Greetings:

The West Union Sunday School Convention met in its Sixth Annual Session with the Jakes Branch Sunday School on the second Saturday in July, 1910, and after devotional exercises were conducted by Pres. R. D. Ellis, the Convention was called to order and letters called for and read from the various Sunday Schools, presenting the following statistics:

Sunday Schools	Delegates.	Enrolled	Average Att
	J. F. Chambers, Lee Adkins, Jesse Blakley Thomas Smither, Fairnelin and Lillie Sil-	30	25
<b>D</b> (1)	cox, John and Ida Mathews	36	34
	J. C. Stanfill	29	$\frac{16}{36}$
	T. J. Carden M. and L. Marcum, W. H. and R. Thomas	$\frac{50}{72}$	- 50 - 44
	Mrs. Martha Crain, Savannah Crain, Rev.	12	11
Helenwood	R. B. Gibson	70	52
Mt. Pleasant	Letter. No Delegate	50	30
Mt. Zion	R. D. and T. M. Ellis, W. J. and M. T. Jeffers		60
New Salem	Mollie Lay, A. J. and M. J. Chambers	80	57
New Hope	J. R. Lay	63	43
Oak Grove	A. M. Gregory, Geo. W. Stephens	71	60
Paint Rock	A. J. Phillips, Geo. Chambers, Henry Cross	56	55
	M. W. Patterson	50	40
Turkey Creek	Letter. No Delegate	37	20
	Total	764	572

### STATISTICS.

After which the Convention went into the election of officers and was permanently organized by electing Rev. R. D. Ellis, Pres.; T. M. Ellis, Vice Pres.; A. M. Gregory, Sec'y; J. B. Jeffers, Ass't Sec'y.

Then the Convention went into a general routine of business and various plans were presented and discussed relating to the Sundáy School work and how to advance it.

We find fully one-half of our churches have no Sunday Schools and we know of no way to reach all classes with God's word as successfully as through the Sunday School. Therefore, we would ask you to give us earnest and faithful workers throughout our bounds to assist in an effort to establish a Baptist Sunday School in all our churches. R. D. ELLIS, President.

A. M. GREGORY, Secretary.

We hereby tender our thanks to Paint Rock Church and entire community for their generous hospitality and tender regard for our comfort during our stay with them.

Minutes of today's proceedings read and received.

The Association was harmonious throughout.

Closed with singing and prayer.

ELDER R. D. ELLIS, Moderator, Oneida, Tenn., R. F. D. No. 1. W. J. JEFFERS, Clerk, Onei Oneida, Tenn., R. F. D. No. 1, Box 41.

### ARTICLES OF FAITH.

1st—We believe in one only and true God, the Father, Son and Holy Ghost, equal in power, essence and glory, one True Eternal God.

2d—We believe in the fall of man and his inability to recover himself by any creative power.

3d—We believe that sinners are justified through and by the righteousness of Jesus Christ imputed to them.

4th—We believe we have no right to commune with any but legally baptized church members, and immersion is the only mode.

5th—We believe in the resurrection of the just and the unjust, and that the enjoyment of the righteous and the punishment of the wicked will be eternal.

6th—We believe that the visible Church of Christ is a body of faithful persons who have given themselves up to the Lord, and to watch over each other in the fear and admonition of the Lord.

7th—We believe in the final perseverance of the saints in Grace and Holiness and no one of them will be finally lost.

### RULES OF DECORUM.

1st—The Association should begin and end with prayer by the Moderator.

2d.-A Moderator and Clerk to be chosen of our body.

3d.—One person only shall speak at a time, who shall rise from his seat and address the Moderator and then speak.

4th—The person up shall not, while speaking, be interrupted by anyone except the Moderator; nor shall the Moderator interrupt any member, nor prevent his speaking until he gives his light on the subject, unless he shall violate the rules of decorum.

5th—The speaker shall strictly adhere to the subject and shall in nowise reflect on the imperfections of the persons that spoke before him, but shall fairly state the case and convey his ideas as near as he can.

6th—No member shall abruptly absent himself from the Association without leave from the Moderator.

7th—No person can speak more than three times on any one subject, nor more than five minutes at a time without leave from the Association.

8th—No person shall have the liberty of laughing or whispering during business or public speaking in the Association.

9th.—No member of the Association shall address another by any other appellation than that of Brother.

10th—The names of the several members of the Association shall be enrolled by the Clerk and called over as often as the Association shall require.

# NAMES AND ADDRESSES OF ORDAINED MINISTERS.

Bridges, L. CElk Valley, Tenn.
Baird, JesseElk Valley, Tenn.
Baird, M. DElk Valley, Tenn.
Crabtree, AlbertElk Valley, Tenn.
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