

PROCEEDINGS

OF

East Union Association of United Baptists

1905

HELD WITH THE CHURCH AT
PLEASANT VIEW, IN ITS FIF-
TEENTH ANNUAL MEETING.
REV D. W. OAKS, MODERATOR
OF LAST YEAR, PRESIDING.



Constitution of East Union Association.

ARTICLE 1. This body shall be called East Union Association of United Baptist, and shall be composed of churches of the United Baptist faith and order.

ART. 2. Each church composing this body shall be entitled to representation, with one vote for every twenty members, or fraction thereof.

ART. 3. This body shall meet annually according to agreement

ART. 4. This body, at each annual meeting, shall elect, by private ballot, a Moderator, Clerk and Assistant Clerk, whose duties shall be such as custom imposes on such officers.

ART. 5. The business of this body shall be for the advancement and growth of Christ's Kingdom among all the churches of this body or elsewhere. Planning and advising and using all lawful and necessary means in our power to build up new churches and building them up in the most Holy faith.

ART. 6. This body shall exercise no ecclesiastical authority.

ART. 7. This body may appoint a committee to carry out or perform any business under Article 5.

ART. 8. This body shall be constituted by and with messengers and delegates from the different churches belonging to this Association.

ART. 9. New churches will be received by a vote of the delegates present, upon approved evidence of their United Baptist faith and principles. A majority rules.

ART. 10. Visiting brethren of same faith and order will be invited to seats with us, and allowed the liberty of speech, but not to vote.

ART. 11. The Constitution may be altered or amended, except Article 6, by concurrence of two-thirds of the members present, after notice having been given at its previous annual meeting.

ART. 12. No member shall speak more than twice upon any one subject without leave of the Association. Chairmen of committees are given ten minutes, all others five, unless time is extended by the Association.

ART. 13. Members wishing to speak shall arise and address the Moderator with brotherly respect, and await recognition from him, and then speak. Any brother, having received recognition from the chair, is entitled to the floor undisturbed, while his five minutes lasts, if he does not digress from the subject on which he is speaking. Members shall call no brother by any other appellation than that of Brother.

ART. 14. Any brother may arise to a point of order, if any brother digress from the subject on which he is speaking, question of privilege.

ART. 15. A motion with a second is before the Association for action, unless another is made to amend, then the amendment is for action, afterwards the original.

ART. 16. No member shall absent himself from the house during the business hours, without leave of the Moderator,

ART. 17. All whispering and laughing strictly forbidden during business hours.

ART. 18. Two members arising and addressing the Moderator at the same time, both claiming the floor, the one farthest from the Moderator shall be entitled to the floor first and the other next.

ART. 19. This Association may withdraw its fellowship from any church in its bounds for a violation or departure from the United Baptist faith and practice.

ART. 20. The Chair, having decided any question which is thought to be contrary to the constitution of United Baptist faith, any brother may appeal from his decision to that of the house.

ART. 21. On each morning at the opening of the Association there shall be given one hour, or such less time as is necessary, to the offering of resolutions and such new business as is necessary.

ART. 22. If the Moderator fails to exact the rules of this Constitution in the transaction of business, any member of this Association may move him to order, if he fails to exact such rules, the Assistant Moderator shall take the Chair.

It is ordered that this Association adopt Mell's Parliamentary Practice for our guide in the transaction of the business of our Association.

This done by order of the Association.

First Day, October 3.

The East Union Association of United Baptists met in its Fifteenth Annual Meeting on October 3, 1905, at 10 o'clock a. m., and was called to order by Bro. D. W. Oaks, the Moderator of last year. A motion to postpone the preaching of the annual sermon until night was lost. After singing "How Firm a Foundation," Bro. A. F. Baker read the second chapter of First Samuel, and the annual sermon was preached by Bro. D. W. Oaks from the first chapter and eighth verse of Acts of the Apostles.

"Wonderful Story of Love," led by Bro. Baker, was then sung.

The Moderator then appointed a committee on enrolment and credentials, as follows: Bros. John Tye and Wilkes Siler.

Boston—J. L. Reynolds and D. W. Oaks.

Clear Fork A. F. Petrey, Jasper Petrey, S. Siler, A. A. Oaks.

Cumberland River—S. Stanfill, J. A. Ingram, P. B. Stanfill.

Red Ash—By letter.

Jellico—J. F. Archer, W. S. Jones, H. Baker, J. L. Mahan, J.

W. Foley, T. C. Mahan.

Little Poplar—Not represented.

Locust Grove—Not represented.

Mossy Gap—Not represented.

New Hope—Not represented.

Pleasant View I. S. Tye, James Miller, Frank Carter, Hiram

Stanfill.

Poplar Creek—C. P. Miller, J. C. Prichard, John McKehan.

Poplar Springs—Not represented.

Rock Springs—Wm. Pickett.

Salubur Springs—W. Lawson, C. P. Rose, John Reynolds.

Saxton—Wm. Petrey, F. F. Walker.

Wheeler Creek—Not represented.

Ephesus—By letter.

Big Poplar—F. W. Siler.

Kensee—H. H. Mullens, H. Z. Conley.

Bros. J. A. Ingram and P. B. Stanfill were appointed a Committee on Articles of Faith, and Big Poplar and Kensee Churches being found constituted on the articles of the United Baptist, were received into the Association and their delegates seated.

Bros. Sanders and E. M. Jones were appointed tellers, and the vote of the Association being taken, Brother D. W. Oaks was elected Moderator and brother A. F. Baker assistant; Bros. P. L. Mahan Secretary and F. F. Walker assistant.

Adjourned to meet at 2 o'clock; prayer by John McKehan.

Association met at 2 o'clock. Opened by singing "Come Thou Fount of Every Blessing," prayer by S. Stanfill.

Bros. W. B. Estes, L. S. Sanders and all visiting brethren of the United Baptist faith and order invited to seats with us.

Corresponding Letter from South Union Association received by the hands of J. B. Cox, E. M. Jones, M. Cornelius.

The following committees were appointed:

Foreign Missions—S. Stanfill, T. C. Mahan.

Home Missions—J. S. Tye, J. H. Miller.
 State Missions—A. F. Baker.
 Sunday Schools—Frank Carter, F. F. Walker.
 Education—P. L. Mahan, D. W. Siler.
 Orphans' Home—J. A. Ingram, L. S. Sanders.
 Ministers Aid Society—P. B. Stanfill, J. McKehan.
 Temperance—A. A. Oaks, J. F. Archer.
 Literature—A. D. Petrey, Wm. Rickett.
 Obituaries C. Rose, J. Little.

Divine Service Pleasant River delegation committee that was appointed last year on the consolidation of East Union and Mount Zion Associations, reported, report received and committee discharged.

Motion and seconded that the pastors and clerks of the different churches composing this Association present the matter of consolidation of the two Associations to their respective churches and report in their church letters whether they are in favor of consolidation or opposed to consolidation of the two Associations.

COMMITTEE ON ORPHANS' HOME.

Collection of \$4.51 was taken for Orphans' Home.

The printer, proof-reader or copyist was at fault in our last issue and gave us more boys than we claim and fewer girls, so we shall be obliged to print a corrected report:

	Girls	Boys	Total
Enrollment, June 30, 1904	44	34	78
Returned to home	3	4	7
Received	17	8	25
Total	64	46	110
Replaced in homes	2	2	4
Returned to relatives and guardians	2	4	6
Adopted	5	4	9
Apprenticed	12	3	15
Discharged (over age)	1	1	2
Discharged to other institutions	3	5	8
Deaths	0	0	0
Total leaving the Home	25	19	44
Remaining in the Home, June 30, 1905	39	27	66

Total number of children sheltered in the Home as entered on records: 1,203. Of these only 320 have come from the city. The other 883 have been sent to us from the country. Only two of the thirty-two enrolled this past year came from the city. We trust that the country churches will bear in mind this large proportion of benefit received, and still continue to send us as generous gifts as in the past.

MARY E. ABERCROMBIE, Sup't.
 BRO. SANDER, { Com.
 J. A. INGRAM, }

Old Poplar Creek Church, Whitley County, Ky., was chosen as the place for holding the next annual meeting, fifteen miles east of Williamsburg, beginning on Tuesday before the first Saturday in October, 1906, Bro. S. Stanfill to preach the annual sermon, with Bro. D. W. Oaks alternate. The Association then adjourned until Wednesday morning at nine o'clock. Prayer by W. B. Estes.

Second Day, October 4.

The Association was called to order at 9 a. m. by the Moderator. After singing prayer was offered by Bro. John McKehan. A motion was adopted that Mount Zion Church be marked off the Minutes, as it has disbanded and there is no such church. Minutes of the first day's proceedings were read and adopted.

Committee on Correspondence—J. A. Ingram, John Reynolds.
Committee on Nominations—John Reynolds, P. B. Stanfill, A. Petrey, Bro. Archer, J. Jones, J. S. Tye, John McKehan, W. Petrey, N. Lawson.

Committee on Resolutions—A. A. Oaks, J. C. Prichard.

Report on Home Missions received and committee discharged. Discussed by James H. Miller, W. B. Estes, S. Stanfill, J. A. Ingram.

Report on Sunday-schools received and committee discharged. Discussed by Frank Carter, F. F. Walker.

Report on Foreign Missions received and committee discharged. Discussed by S. Stanfill, W. B. Estes and D. W. Oaks.

A collection of \$4.62 was taken for Rev. John McKehan.

Report on State Missions received and committee discharged. Discussed by A. F. Baker, J. A. Ingram, W. B. Estes.

Association adjourned until 1:30 p. m.

Association met at 1:30 p. m. Prayer by Rev. Estes.

REPORT ON FOREIGN MISSIONS.

We, your committee, beg leave to make our report: Our work in Africa is wonderful in results, baptisms 355. In China we have 88 missionaries; baptisms 710. Japan, Baptisms 42. Brazil, baptisms 866. Italy, baptisms 121. Mexico, baptisms 137. Grand total, 2,231. Increase over previous year, 155 baptisms. State of Kentucky increase of giving to offerings, \$339.49. Total contributions \$25,258.37. Now then how much did we give of this amount? The State Board asks for an increase in giving to the amount of \$3,000 in Kentucky this year

H. K. SMITH, Chm'n.
S. STANFILL.
T. MAHAN.

COMMITTEE ON HOME MISSIONS.

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

The territory is vast; the numbers crowding our cities of the South and West will require a great effort on our part to meet them. Let us do something in this great work; according to the

statistics given by the Southern Baptist Convention, the amount expended by the Home Mission Board in Kentucky amounts to \$3,179.25. That amount embraces the money appropriated to Mountain schools and to agency expenses, as well as for the support of the mission work reported. The cash receipts of the Home Board the last year were \$169,988.92; of the above amount Kentucky gave \$14,295.58 in cash, which was an increase of more than 67 per cent. in five years, besides the cash contributions reported and included in the Minutes of the General Association.

We further recommend that our churches give more liberally to the Home Mission work; that their giving should be so liberal as to embrace the emigration. We further recommend that the colored man of the South should not be neglected. We strongly recommend our Home Field, published by the Board, which is filled with Missionary reading.

J. W. MILLER,
J. S. TYE.

REPORT ON SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

We, your Committee, offer the following report:

We believe that early impressions made by the word of God are the most lasting, and the way to get such impressions as are calculated to benefit and elevate our children, is to be found in the Sunday-school. We have no reason to be discouraged over the report of the East Union Association on Sunday-schools, for the last year. There might be room for doubt as to whether all has been done that might have been done, but this does not in itself imply a reason for discouragement. The figures indicate a very hopeful outlook. According to the report, out of the eleven churches reported, seven reported Sunday-schools, with an enrolment of 515. Only four churches of those reported are left without Sunday-schools. A little concentrated effort would, no doubt, bring about similar results in these. We would recommend that every church, not now maintaining a Sunday-school, organize and carry on one throughout the year; or a part of the year if not convenient for all for the benefit of the children, because we believe there are more people brought to Christ through this organization than any other part of the work of the church.

Teachers enrolled, 41; money contributed for that purpose, \$200.27.

FRANK CARTER,
F. F. WALKER.

REPORT OF EXECUTIVE BOARD.

The Executive Board had nothing to report, and on motion was released.

Report on Education was received and adopted. Discussed by Prof. Woods.

Report on Ministers' Aid Society was received and committee discharged. P. B. Stanfill, John McKehan, N. Lawson, committee. Discussed by P. P. Stanfill and John McKehan.

Collection of \$1.20 was taken for Ministers' Aid Society.

Report on Correspondence was received and committee discharged.

Messengers to Lynn Camp Association, John McKehan; to South Union Association, D. W. Oaks, John McKehan, J. L. Reynolds, A. A. Oaks and John Reynolds; to North Concord, J. S. Tye.

Report on Temperance received and adopted.

REPORT ON TEMPERANCE.

We, the Committee on Temperance, beg leave to report as follows: We believe that the subject of temperance is of striking interest, and in fact we believe that the traffic in liquor in this country is the greatest curse that confronts the cause of Christ today. It is a detriment to everything that is good and great and grand; it is a foe to the school, to the church and to the State at large, and distress, poverty and crime are its illegitimate offspring. It is the blight of childhood, the heartbreak of motherhood, the restlessness of fatherhood, the shame to manhood, and, worst of all, the gateway to hell. The Christian world is aroused and prompted at last, that the saloon must go. Temperance measures are pressing to the front in every civilized country. We call your attention to the fact, as did your committee last year, that the Legislature of Tennessee has passed measures whereby almost the entire State has been freed from this great evil, and its good effects are easily seen by us on the border. We hope our State, Kentucky, will awaken to a sense of duty and justice and pass such measures in the near future as will remove the cure from our great State. We plead with every Christian voter throughout the bounds of our Association to support only such men for office whose personal preference, character and records constitute an irreversible guarantee that their official services will promote temperance reform. We also advise that the pastors of the different churches press the cause upon the people. We further urge that the churches do not tolerate dram drinking as a beverage by their members.

A. A. OAKS,
JAMES ARCHER.

COMMITTEE ON CORRESPONDENCE.

We, your Committee on Correspondence, recommend that we keep up a friendly correspondence with our sister associations by letter and messengers, as follows: South Union, North Concord, East Concord and Clinton Associations, referring to Minutes of this Association for Letter of Correspondence.

J. A. INGRAM,
WM. REYNOLDS.

REPORT ON RESOLUTIONS.

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

Resolved, That we request ministers throughout the Association to give special attention to the doctrine of repentance toward God and faith in Jesus Christ made perfect by works, but salvation by God through the Holy Ghost.

Resolved, That we, as an Association, tender our sincere thanks to the members of Pleasant View Church and the community for their kindness and hospitality to us during our stay with them.

Resolved, That we tender our thanks to the Moderator and Assistant Moderator, Clerk and Assistant Clerk, for the proficiency and faithful performance of their duties in this Association.

A. A. OAKS.

J. C. PRICHARD.

Report on resolutions received and adopted.

REPORT ON FINANCE.

On motion and second M. M. Ellison and J. A. Ingram were appointed to superintend the printing and distribution of the Minutes. On motion and second this Association now adjourns to meet with the Old Poplar Creek Church, on Tuesday before the first Saturday in October, 1906.

D. W. OAKS, Moderator, Saxton, Ky.

P. L. MAHAN, Clerk, Jellico, Tenn.

TABLE OF STATISTICS.

		Received by Baptism	Received by Letter	Dismissed by Letter	Excluded	Deceased	Total
CHURCHES.							
MESSENGERS.							
Boston	J. J. Reynolds, D. W. Oaks, R. Bolton	18	6	4	1	4	176
Clearfork	A. D. Petrey, Jos. Singleton, R. B. Stanfill	8	1	1	2	1	4141
Cumberland River	S. Stanfill, J. A. Ingram, R. B. Stanfill	2	7	4	1	2	2333
Jellico	J. F. Archer, W. D. Jones, A. Baker, T. G. Mahan, N. Foley	56	10	13		3	3365
Sulphur Springs	N. Lawson, C. P. Rose, J. Keepwood	7	4	4		3	41
Saxton	W. M. Petrey, F. F. Walker	2		8			83
Wheeler Creek	Not represented						11
Whesus	Letter; no Delegates			3			43
•Big Poplar	D. W. Siler						47
•Kensae	H. H. Mullins, H. S. Conley	13	10	1	1	8	29
Little Poplar	Not represented						201
Locust Grove	Not represented						222
Nov Hope	Not represented						234
Pleasant View	J. S. Iye, James Miller, H. Carter, Hiram Stanfill	9	2	3	1	1	150
Poplar Creek	C. P. Miller, J. C. Pritchard, John McKeahan		1	1			145
Poplar Springs	Not represented						10
Rock Springs	William Beckett	15	3	5	1	1	1119
Red Ash	J. J. Robinson, F. Jeffries	1	27				45

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