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Constitution of East Union Association.

- ARTICLE 1. This body shall be called East Union Association of United Baptists, 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 adjournment.
- 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 last, 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 amondment 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 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.

ORDER OF BUSINESS.

- 1. Annual sermon
- 2. Body called to order by Moderator or assistant Moderator, Clerk, or assistant Clerk, or in their absence the body shall elect a Moderator pro tem.

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- 3. Appointment of Committee on Credentials and Enrollment.
- 4. Call for new churches.
- 5. Election of officers.
- 6 Appointment of Standing Committe s—Divine Service—Correspondence Obstuaries Nominations Foreign Missions—Home Missions—State Missions Sunday School Education Orphans' Home Ministers' Aid Society—Literature—Finance—Resolutions—Temperance—Digest of Letters.
 - 7. Call for corresponding letters.
 - 8. Report of Executive Board.
 - 9. Place of next meeting.
 - 10 Appointment for introductory sermon.
 - 11. Miscellaneous or new business.
 - 12. Reports of standing committees.
 - 13 Adjournment.

PROCEEDINGS.

First Day, October 1, 1907.

East Union Association met at 10 a.m. Devotional exercises were conducted by Bro. S. Stanfill, from 21 Corinthians, 13th chapter, then sung "How Firm a Foundation," and prayer.

Bro. A. F. Baker being absent, the introductory sermon was preached by Bro. I. Lawson, from John 3:1

Meeting then called to order by Bro. S Stanfill, and Brothers J. K. Smith and M. L. Blankenship were appointed tellers, and the following delegates were enrolled, representing the following charches:

Boston-J. L Reynolds.

Big Poplar-D. W Siler, E A. Shelton, Jason Lawson.

Cumberland River-J. M. Ellison.

Central Groue-L. F. Fuson, E. C. Dickson, Valentine Long, Jas. Hust.

Epusus-J. H. Lawson.

Jellico-A. F. Baker, D. O. Foley, P. L. Mahan.

Locust Grove—W. M. Engle, Sam Bennett, J. E. Dayis, Jo Davis, Wm. Reynolds, John Wilson.

Little Poplar-H. B. Lewallen.

Kensee-M. L. Blankenship.

New Hope-Lafayette Parson, Isham Lawson.

Old Poplar-Green Teague, Calvin Miller, James Prichard.

Pleasant View-S. Stanfill, J. S. Tye, R. B. Davison.

Rock Springs-W. M. Ricket, Bob Hill.

Sulphur Springs- Nathan Lawaon.

Wheeler Creek-Marshall Murray, John Hiden.

Then proceeded to elect officers, which resulted as follows:

S. Stanfill, Moderator; Isham Lawson, assistant Moderator; P. L. Mahan, Clerk; J. S. Tye, assistant Clerk.

New churches were now given opportunity to join. Received the Mt. Ash church by their delegates, Brothers Albert Hackler, Sidney Serginer; and the First Baptist church, Jellico, Ky., by their delegates, Brethren Geo. E. Boker, G. W. Tve.

Corresponding delegates from other Associations invited to seats with us, and received from Mt Zion Henry Hopkins; South Union, E. M. Jones and G. B. Williams.

Committees Appointed.

On State Missions-Rev. A. F. Baker, Green Teague

Home Mission-C, P. Miller, E, A. Shelton.

Foreign Mission-Rev. J. K. Smith, H. Lewallen.

Orphans' Home-Rev. M L. Blankenship, Herry Hopkins.

Digest of Letters-J. S. Tye, P. L. Mahan.

Ministers' Aid-D. W. Siler, J. M. Ellison,

Temperance-G. W. Tye, Owen Wilson.

Sunday School-Rev. J. K. Smith, R. B. Danison.

Education -Rev. Geo. E Baker, Winner Petrey.

Religious Literature-D. O Foley, Rube Danison.

Obituaries-W. M. Rickett, Marshall Murray.

Resolutions-J. C. Prichard.

Finance-J. S. Tve, P. L. Mahan.

Nomination-D. W. Siler, G. B. Williams, G. W. Tye

Divine Services--D. W. Siler, E. A. Shelton, Jason Lawson.

Time and Place of Next Meeting.

Meets with the Wheeler Creek church on Tuesday before the first Saturday in October, 1908, Rev. S. Stanfill to preach the introductory sermon; Rev. Isham Lawson, alternate.

Report of Committee on Nominations.

Recommend for Executive Board the following, who were elected: P. L. Mahan. J. W. Falkner, W. S. Jones, S. Stanfill, J. M Ellisor.

Report On Orphans' Home.

We, your committue on Orphans' Home, beg to submit the following report:

The plea for help always appeals to the heart of a christian and it strikes the heart with tenfold power when it is the cry of a homeless child for bread and a place to call home. It is the pride of our civilization that homes are provided for such little ones. It is the glory of christianity that orphans are so tenderly cared for. It is the joy of the Baptists of Kentucky that at Louisville one of the best orphan homes in the land is our property. There they are housed, fed and educated. They call for our sympathy, our prayers and our money. Will we respond?

ANNUAL REPORT, 1906-7.			
Gir	rls	Boys	Total
Received during the year	34	31	65
Returned to Home during year		4	12
Children in Home, June 30. 1906		16	57
Total in Home	83	51	134
Apprenticed during the year	16	11	27
Adopted during year	4		4
Returned to parent with bond		3	3
Returned to parents or guardians without bonds.		3	3
Died Sent to other institutions			2
Total leaving the Home			39
Remaining in Home June 22, 1907		34	95
Number now in the Home admitted prior to June 1, 190			
No. full orphans, present inmates			
No. half orphans, present inmates			
No. of children i aptized during present year		• • • • • • •	10
No. of children baptized previously			
Total number of church members		• • • • • •	16
STATISTICS FROM 1869-1907.			
Total admitted and returned to Home			1,324
Total admitted from the country	. .		984
Total admitted from Louisville			
No. of present inmates from Louisville			24
NOTE:—Of this number only ten were born in Loulsville; the other fourtee but brought by varying, untoward circumstances to reside in the city.	n wer	e born in th	e country

WHENCE CAME THEY?

Barren county sends us 4; Rell, 1: Breckinridge, i; Carter, 4; Clark, 3; Edmonson, 2; Fayette, 3; Fulton, 3; Garrard, 3; Grayson, 3; Graves, 7; Harlan, 1; Hart, 1; Jefferson, 24; Johnson, 2; Laurel, 5; Lincoln, 1; Madison, 2; Montgomery, 1; Ower, 2; Pulaski, 6; Rockcastle, 4; Sheloy, 4; Whitley, 7.

M. L. BLANKENSHIP, Committee.

Ministers' Aid Society, October 1, 1907.

We, your committee on Ministers' Aid Society, do report as follows: We think the ministers who have worn themselves out preaching the gospel are greatly neglected, and we urge the churches to not neglect the ministers, but that every church send to the Society something for their benefit.

J. M. ELLISON D. W. SILER,

Committee

Discussed by J. M. Ellison, Rev. M. L. Blankenship.

Home Missions.

The work of the Home Mission Board is to save the home, and its function is to constantly observe the changing conditions in our own land. We believe also it is the duty of christian people to look after the destitute both spiritually and financially, and to work to the support of weak churches and Sunday schools. We believe it is also curduty to look after the interest of the widows and orphans.

E A. SHELTON, Committee.

Discussed by Rev. M. L. Blankenship, Geo. E. Baker, P. L. Mahan, J. K. Smith.

Report on Sunday Schools.

Report of twelve churches: Only five churches report Sunday schools; pupils, 449; money contributed, \$199.19. Seven churches report show no Sunday school at all, and an increase of thirty-two pupils. Therefore we recommend that all the churches take charge, organize and maintain a Sunday school.

Discussed by P L Mahan and S. Stanfill.

On motion and second the meeting adjourned, to meet at 8:30 a. m October 25

Rev. J. Lawson preached at 7:30 p. m.

SECOND DAY OCTOBER 2, 1907.

Association met at 8:30 a.m. After singing "Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing," Rev. Stanfill read the 9th psalm; prayer by Rev. Marshall Murray.

On motion of Rev. M. L Blankenship, seconded by Rev. D. W. Siler, the reading of the minutes of previous day was omitted.

Committee on Nominations.

Recommend for Executive Board for the ensuing year Isham Lawson, James Prichard, Marshall Murray, D. W. Siler, Hubert Faulkner, M, L. Blankenship, P. L. Mahan, S. Stanfill, J. M. Ellison, who were elected.

Corresponding Delegates to Other Associations.

D. W. Siier, J. L. Reynolds and M. L. Blankenship, delegates to the South Union.
J. M. Ellison and M. L. Blankenship, delegates to the Mt. Zion.

Association.

Isham Lawson. Marshall Murray, delegates to the North Concord Association

M. L. Blankenship and P. L. Mahan, delegates to the General As-

sociation of Kentucky.

U. S. Jones, delegate to the Southern Baptist Convention, and J. M. Ellison alternate, to meet at Hot Springs, Ark., May 14, 1908.

Report on Religious Literature.

We, your committee, beg to report and recommend the following literature be kept in the homes by the heads of the families of all Baptists in this Association: The literature represented by the Southern Baptist Convention, journals and papers such as Home "Mission Journal" at Louisville, and "Foreign Missions" at Richmond, Va.; "The Western Recorder," "Baptist Refl ctor," "Argus," "Kentucky Mission Monthly." published in Louisville; book, "Faith and Work," by T. T. Eaton; book, "Moral Dignity of Baptism," by J. M. Frost, and the "Encyclopedia of Religious Morals." We recommend on temperance "Kentucky Issue" of Kentucky, and "Anti Saloon Journal" of We especially recommend the use of our literature pub-Tennessee. lished by the Southern Convention at Nashville, Tenn We think we ought to use our own literature; of course we can use all our own litera-We get this as cheaply as others ture and advance our own interests. sell for and we think it is our duty to use it in all ways we can conveniently do so. D. O. FOLEY, Committee. R B. DAVISON

Discussed by Rev. M. L. Blankenship and Rev. Geo. E. Baker Adopted.

Report on Temperance.

Wine is a mocker, strong drink is raging, and whosoever is deceived thereby is not wise.—Proverbs 20:1.

We, your committee on temperance, beg leave to submit the following report:

Temperance is the moderate use of things that are harmless, and the total abstinence of all that is hurtful. With gratitude to God we note the great progress in the cause of temperance during the last year. This is God's work. Several states have made great advances. More than 90 per cent of the state of Tennessee is prohibition territory. The Carolinas and the Virginias, Alabama, Mississippi and Texas, are making great strides toward banishing intoxicants from their lands. Georgia has already got a prohibitory law for the whole state. In our own state 90 out of 119 counties have voted whisky out. The present outlook is encouraging.

Resolved, That we recognize the Anti-Saloon League as one of the forces that have brought about this state of affairs.

Resolved, Also, that we endorse the "Kentucky Issue" as a me-

dium of temperance information.

Resolved. Further, that we recommend that pastors and the laity join heartily in supporting the officers of the law in making the existing laws effective.

GEO. W. TYE.

OWIN WILSON, Committee.

Discussed by Rev. M. Murray, M. L. Blankenship, Geo. E. Baker, P. L. Mahan. Adopted.

Report on Foreign Missions.

"For God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten son, that whosoeyer believeth in Him should not perish, but have everlasting life."

It was love for a lost, benighted world that sent the Son of God to the earth to be offered as a ransom for the lost The "So" in John 3:16 emphasizes God's love for a lost world, but Jesus Christ is the very expression of that love. Notice, too, this love encircles the whole world. Jesus did not die for Palestine, nor for Great Britain, nor for our own home land, but for the whole world. God's gift to the world was His only begotten Son A greater gift could not have been given. Our gift for the salvation of the world during the last year was \$774 50. Our Lord in the remarkable prayer of John 17, said: "As thou hast sent me into the world, even so have I also sent them into the world " The Macedonian cry, "Come over and help us," comes with increased emphasis to the East Union Association today. Oh, may we be awakened to hear that cry! May the love of the Lor I move us to go to their Before His ascension our Lord delivered His marching orders to His disciples: "Go ye into all the world and preach the gospel to every creature." How long, oh how long are we going to disobey?

Humbly submitted by your committee.

J. K. SMITH, H. B. LEWALLEN, Committee.

Discussed by Rev. J. K. Smith, Rev. Geo. E. Baker, P. L. Mahan, Rev. M. L. Blankenship Adopted.

Prayer, for "The Missionaries," lead by Bro. M. L. Blankenship.

Report of Committee on Education.

We, your committee on religious education, beg leave to submit the following report: We are glad to note that our Baptist denomination is awakening to the great importance of educating our boys and girls in Baptist schools and colleges; also to the fact that we must have schools and colleges equal to any others in the land. In order to do this we are under the necessity of making a great outlay of money. Kentucky Baptists are now making an effort to raise \$500,000 for educational purposes. Our beloved Dr. A. Gatliff, of Williamsburg, Kv., has headed the list of contributors with the princely gift of \$100,000. Dr. P. T. Hale is now visiting our churches and raising money for this fund. He is succeeding admirably, but he cannot visit all. We therefore recommend that the churches of East Union Association make a contribution and share in the blessed results that shall certainly follow this great movement.

We further recommend and urge that our Baptist people send their boys and girls to Baptist colleges instead of the state college or the schools of other denominations.

We further recommend that our ministers and members of the churches of the East Union Association enter upon a vigorous campaign of education among themselves, and suggest that we have a meeting every three months, beginning on Monday before every fifth Sunday and continuing one week, in which a course of systematic Bible study is conducted, and that every minister and as many members as possible in the Association, be urged to attend.

We further recommend that the District Board select the lecturers for the different departments of this course of study.

Respectfully submitted,

GEO. E. BAKER, Chairman. WYMER PETREY.

Discussed by Rev. Geo. E. Baker.

Report on Digest of Letters.

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	Churches represented	17
,	Increased by baptism	123
	Increased by letter	105
	Increased by relation	9
	Total	237
	Decreased by letter	48
	Decreased by deaths	17
	Decreased by exclusion	20
	Contributions for church expenses\$28	50.40
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FINANCIAL REPORT.

Money received at the Associations for		
For Orphans' Home		00
For Minister' Aid		00
For printing Minutes	16	95
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Total		95
Received for state missions from Pleasa		
From Mc. Ash		00
From Halsey	1	35
Foom Locust Grove	2	00
From Jellico	56	50
Total	\$90	85

Report on Resolutions.

We, the committee on resolutions, submit the following report: Resolved, That we tender our heartfelt thanks to the people of this church and vicinity for their hospitality and love shown us during our stay with them.

Resolved, That we thank the officers and members of this Association for their faithful adherence to duty.

Resolved, That this Association condemns the use of intoxicating dainks and request that each church discipline its members against the manufacture and sale thereof.

Resolved. That we request all the churches to take a collection for missions before next meeting.

Resolved, That the Association urge that the pastors of their respective churches insist on their members that they do not fail to represent their church in the Association.

Resolved, That this Association do request and insist on the church at Beech Bottom that they do represent this church by letter and delegation in our next Association, when convened.

JAMES C. PRICHARD, Committee. E. C. DICKSON,

Adopted.

Report on Obituaries.

We, your committee on obituaries, with sadness report that we find seventeen churches represented in our Association and that there has been seventeen deaths, in which we may say, with the Scriptures, "God's will be done." And we have sufficient reason to believe that our loss is their great gain.

MARSHALL MURRAY,
WW PRICKETT

Sister Sarah Woods, wife of S. B. Woods and daughter of Jesse Siler, Sr., died May 5, 1907. She joined the church at Rock Springs church in girlhood, received a letter, joined herself to Epheseus church, lived about six years the last of her life under the watchful care of the church at Meadow Creek, Ky., lived a faithful member and died happy in Jesus. She was born Dec. 16, 1857.

The following were appointed as chairmen of committees to report next year:

Obituaries-G. W. Tye.

Nominations-Jason Lawson.

Foreign Missions-U. S. Jones.

Home Missions-Rev. M. L. Blankenship.

State Missions-Rev. A. F. Baker.

Sunday Schools-J. S. Tye.

Education-J. K. Smith.

Ministers' Aid—P. L. Mahan. Literature—Rev. G. E. Baker. Temperance—J. M. Bennett.

Retired to a grove and had a sermon by Rev. Geo. E. Baker. Adjourned to meet with the Wheeler Creek church, Ark, Ky., Tuesday before the first Saturday in October, 1908.

Dismissed by prayer by Bro. Blankenship.

Ordained Ministers and Addresses.

C. P. Prichard	King, Ky.
I. Lawson	King, Ky.
John Reynolds	
A. J. Pridemore	Jellico, Tenn.
Marshall Murry	Peal, Ky.
Thos. Scheens	
J. A. Ingram	
J. P. Campbell	
D. W. Siler	
W. W. Mason	
S. Stanfill	
C. W. Hanly	
E. C. Diekson	
Thos. Hamblin	Lot, Ky.
J. M. Bennett	Bryant Store, Ky.
John McKeehan	Teague, Ky.
C. P. Miller	Teague, Ky.
A. F. Baker	Jellico, Tenn.
Micheal Broyles	
Joseph Jones	Bryant Store, Ky.



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Jellico First Ch., Jellico, Ky. Locust Grove	A. F. Baker, Jellico, Tenn G. E. Baker, Jellico, Tenn W. W. Mason, Ivory, Ky C. P. Miller, Teague, Ky.	11 13	12	1	18	1 4	406 11 207	406	1278 00	47 00	*27 50	\$600 OO	55 00	1 65			300			20					Not reported. U. S. Jones, Jellico, Tenn.	dartha Smith, Jellico, Tenn.
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