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Sixth Annual Session

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East Union Baptist Association

Held With The

MOSSY GAP CHURCH.

Whitley Co. Kentucky,

September 3rd and 4th, 1896.

Eld. S. Stanfill, Moderator, Pleasant View, Ky. Eld J. A. Ingram. Asst. Moderator, Williamsburg, Ky. J. R. Feley, Clerk, Carpenter, Ky. P. L. Mahan, Asst. Clerk, Jellico, Tenn.

EXECUTIVE BOARD.

P. B. Stanfill, Chairman, Pleasant View, Ky. C. G. Ellison, Sect. and Treas., Pleasant View, Ky. John Starfill S. S. Smith A. A. Oakes P. L. Mahan A. A. Oakes J. R. Foley R. F. McVey G. C. Teague

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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 in destitute neighborhoods; assisting the weak 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 bretheren 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. All speakers restricted to five minutes, unless time is extended by order of 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, Ques-

tion 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 fartherest from the Moderator shall be entitled to the floor first and the

other next.

ART 16 This Association may withdraw its fellowship from any church in its bounds for a violation or departure from the UnitedBaptist 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 decission 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 said rules, the Assistant Moderator shall take the Chair.

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

This done by order of the Association.

MINUTES.

MOSSEY GAP CHURCH, WHITLEY CO., KY.

The East Union Baptist Association met with the above named church Sept. 3, 1896, and after devotional exercises consisting of singing, selected and led by Eld. G. T. Hill and prayer led by Eld. J. A. Ingram.

The annual sermon was delivered by Eld. S. Stanfill from 1 Cor. 6:1, followed by prayer led by Eld. S. Stanfill. The body was then called to order by Bro. S. Stanfill, the moderator of last session. The moderator then appointed visiting bretheren as a committee on credentials, viz: R. B. Tye, G. T. Hill and Geo. Nicholson. For names of churches, delegates and statistics see table appended.

New churches called for and received Beechbottom by letter from North Concord Association. For delegates and statistics see statistical table appended. The moderator appointed Bros. G. T. Hill and George Nicholson tellers and the election resulted in the re-election of Elds. S. Stanfill moderator and J. A. Ingram assistant moderator. J. R. Foley clerk, and P. L. Mahan

assistant clerk. Corresponding letters called for and received one from Mt. Zion by the hands of Eld. R. B. Tye, and the Bro. invited to sit with us in council. It now being time for Resolu-

tions or new business as provided by the constitution.

Eld. J. A. Ingram offered a resolution on temperance which was discussed, ad pted and ordered to record. See Resolution No. 1 appended. Motioned by Eld. W. B. McGarity that Eld. J. A. Ingram be appointed both recording and corresponding secretary for East Union Association for an unlimited time. Motioned by W. B. McGarity that this association have an annual ministers' and deacons' meeting and the following named brotheren be appointed to make preparation for said meeting by selecting and inviting bretheren of sister associations to attend, viz: J. A. lugram. D, W. Oaks and W. B. McGarity. This meeting is for Bible study. The above committee offers the following report which was received and the committee discharged. "Your committee appointed to arrange for a Ministers' and Deacons' meeting, would suggest that we hold the annual meeting at Cumberland River Church beginning on Monday after the fourth Sunday in November 1896. The ministers and deacons of all the Baptist associations in Southeastern Kentucky are invited to attend." Committee: -W. B. McGarity, J. A. Ingram, D. W. Oaks.

Report of Executive Board. Your board beg leave to-submit the following as our annual report. Amount turned over by board lest year \$3.62. Received of Red Ash Baptist church \$5.00, Cumberland River \$4.25, Pleasant View \$8.00, Clear fork \$2.57, Jellico, Tenn. \$7.25, Mossey Gap \$11.65. Making a total reception of \$42.34. Paid your evangelist, S. Stanfill \$41.94, leaving a balance of 40c. in Treasury.

P. B. Stanfill Chairman.

C. G. Ellison, Sec. & Treas.

Report of Evangelist. Bretheren we beg leave to submit the following as our annual report. The amount of work done. (1) Mossey Gap, 11 days, 10 additions. (2) Rock Springs, 11 days, 3 additions. (3) Sulphur Springs, 7 days, 3 additions. (4) Kensee, 7 days, No additions. (5) Red Ash, 2 days, No additions. (6) Jellico. 4 days, 4 additions. (7) Boston, 2 days, 2 additions. Total amount of labor 44 days. Total additions 22: Received of board for services \$41.94. Received from friends 80cts. Making a total of \$42.74.

Bretheren we ask an interest in your prayers in behalf of the

work in the bounds of this association. May God bless you.

Respectfully submitted, S. Stanfill, Evangelist. The moderator appointed the following standing committees to report during the session. (1) On Divine Service; Wm. Wel's. G. C. Tearne and J. R. Foley. (2) On Correspondence; P. B. Stanfill and Bart Siler. (3) On Obituaries. (4) On Nominations; J. M. Jones, Simon Perkins, M. K. Vanderpool, Wm. Ellison, Wm. Wells, A. A. Oaks, L. D. Miller, Nate Lawson, P. L. Mahan, George Tye, B. F. Calloway and Eli Goins. (5) On Foreign Missions; W. B. McGarity and G. T. Hill. (6) On Home Missions; W. B. McGarity P. B. Stanfill. (7) On State Missions;

J M Jones and D W Oaks. (3) On Sabbath Schools; Georg e Nicholson and P B Stanfill. (9) On Education; Wm. Ellison, W B McGarity. (10) Orphans Home; S Stanfill, J A Ingram, and J R Foley. (11) On Ky. Baptist Ministers' Aid Society; Wm Sears and J Rapier. (12) On Baptist Literature; George Tye, John Stanfill and A A Oaks. (13) On Finance; J R Foley and

P L Mahan. (14) On Resolutions; J A Ingram.

Next annual meeting will be held with the church at Little Poplar, commencing on Friday before the first Saturday in Sept. 1897. Bro J A Ingram was chosen, by private ballot, to preach the next annual sermon with Bro. J W Mahan as alternate. Moved that the clerks transcribe the minutes of this association and that Bro. J A Ingram superintend the printing and distribution of them. Moved that the constitution be printed in these minutes. Moved that the association meet on Friday instead of Thursday. Moved to adjourn until 8:30 next day. After singing 'Children of the Heavenly King' and prayer by Bro. G T Hill, the benediction was pronounced by Bro. J W Mahan S Stanfill, Moderator. J R Foley, Clerk.

SECOND DAY'S PROCEEDINGS.

The body met at 8:00 p. m. on Friday, Sept. 4, pursuant to adjournment, and after devotional exercises conducted by Bro. R. B. Tye, consisting of singing, reading a portion of 2nd chapter of Hab., followed by prayer. During time for resolutions or new business a call for letter not given in yseterday was made and received from Rock Springs by the hand of Mat Jones. See statis-No delegates present.

Resolved that there be an old peoples' meeting held with the church at Boston on the 4th Saturday in Oct. 1896, and that all the old people be invited to attend. P. B. Stanfill, Adam Siler.

Report of standing committees called for, read discussed, adopted, and committees discharged as follows: DIVINE SERVICE. -Your committe asks leave to submit the following report: to fill stand Thursday morning, Bros. R. B. Tye and J. W. Mahan; Thursday night, Bros. D. W. Oaks and W. B. McGarrity; Friday morning John Allen, James Miller, Green Lawson and Tom Sears; Friday 4 p. m., S. Stanfill, J. A. Ingram, G. T. Hill; Saturday, J. A. Ingram, Jesse Rapier, G. C. Teague.

CORRESPONDENCE.

- The East Union Baptist Association to the Associations with whom we correspond sendeth Christian greeting. Dear Brethren, We are just about to close our sixth annual session with the church at Mossy Gap, Whitley Co., Ky. We feel that we have great reason to thank God and take more courage. One more

church added to our body by letter and two were not represented by either letter or messenger. Increased contributions to the different missions show greater interest than ever before. For particulars we refer you to cur messengers. Our next annual meeting will be held with the church at Little Poplar, Knox Co., Ky. on Friday before the 1st Saturday in Sep. 1897.

P. B. Stanfill, Bart Siler.

OBITUARIES.—No committee appointed.

EXECUTIVE BOARD.—John Stanfill, P. L. Mahan, S. S. Smith, A. A. Oaks, J. R. Foley, G. C. Teague, R. F. Mevey, P. B. Stanfill, Chairman, C. G. Ellison Sec. and Treas.

Or leved that this board examine the record book and see if it is ready for any and all records that should be placed therein.

R. Porr of Foreign Missions - Ve believe that the great work of the church of Christ is to give the Gospel to the world. The million and a quarter of people in the South gave last year \$105, 000. for this object, which supported missionaries in the following countries: three in Italy assisted by fourteen natives, thirteen in Brazil, assisted by four natives, nineteen in Mexico assisted by eighteen natives, forty-one in China assisted by forty-four natives six in Africa, six in Japan assisted by three natives. These preached to 98 churches and 128 out stations. There were 735 baptisms last year. No year, since the work was organized fifty years ago, has been so prosperous. In looking over the letters from the churches in our Association we find that only four report anything given, this past year, to Foreign Missions. When we consider that two thirds of all the p ople in the world have never heard of Christ, surely, we ought to give our means to send the them the Gospel. We would suggest that each pastor give his members an opporturity to give something, this year, to the great work. W. B. McGarity, G. T. Hill; Committee.

REPORT ON HOME MISSIONS.—Our Home Missions Board located at Atlanta, Ga., partially supported 411 missionaries last year. They worked among the Indians in Indian Territory, the Negroes of the South, the neglected portions of the large cities, the mountains and the destitute parts of the new States; they baptized 5,617 built 92 church houses and constituted 207 churches. To support this work \$54,000 were given. We would suggest that we appoint a committee to ask each member to give something next year to missions, which may be divided between the Foreign, Horra and Sate or District Boards so the giver may give to the one he desires.

Wm. B McGarity, P. B. Stanfill; Com.

REPORT IN STATE MISSIONS—We, your committee on State Missious, would refer you to the tabular statement of the Secretary of the General Association for fuller information as to the working of the Executive Boards of the different Associations of the State. We learn there is an increase also to our number by

their efforts in the previous year. Brethren let us work for the Master, heart and hand. By enabling our Executive Boards to send more laborers to the destitute places of our state and praying that the Lord may send more laborers into his vineyard.

D. W. Oaks and J. M. Jones, Committe. Sunday Schools.—While for more than a hundred years the disciples of Robert Rahes have been doing a great work in the Sunday school cause in almost all the civilized parts of the world. Yet but little has been done in the mountains of Kentucky and Tennessee until within the last fifteen years. And now since we can look around us on all sides and see the evidences of good in this great work, we heartily recommend that the churches now engaged in this work continue in the same and that those destitute of it, at once go to work and not cease until they are able to say 'We have a flourishing Sunday school'. In order that we may do more effectual and systematic work we recommend that it be the duty of the executive board to organize a Sunday school convention and carry on Sunday school work and report at our next meeting. We also recommend the use of the series of literature

P. B. Stanfill and Geo. Nicholson, Committee.

EDUCATION.—We rejoice to see that many of our people are paying more attention to education. Our public schools have better teachers; we recommend to parents that they send their children to the public schools; that we strive if possible to induce our young men and young women to attend Williamsburg Institute; that we urge our young preachers to attend the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary at Louisville, Ky. We believe that parents cannot make a better investment for their children than to educate them. Wm. Ellison and W. B. McGarity Com.

published by the Southern Baptist Convention at Nashville Tenn.

ORPHANS' HOME.—We your committee on Baptist Orphans' Home at Louisville, Ky., beg leave to say that this is a noble institution for the relief of suffering humanity. There are 114 orphans now in said home, who are dependent upon the benevolence of the Baptist of our state for food and raiment, and we advise each church in the bounds of this association to appoint a special committee to solicit and take up donations in her bounds. These donations to be taken up in potatoes, onions, apples, beans, clothing and other such things as may be needed for the support of those children and ship them direct to the home at Louisville.

J. A. Ingram, S. Stanfill, J. R. Foley.Com.

KY. BAPTIST MINISTERS' AID SOCIETY.—Bretheren, we believe
that if there is any object that demands the approbation and support of the denomintion at large it is this society. We believe
that all that is needed to enlist the needed sympathy and aid is to
present its claims to our people. One great reason why we
should rally to its support is that many of its benificiaries are lo-

cated among us. We recommend all our churches to take up collections at least once a year for this object.

W. B. Sears and J. Rapier, Com.

BAPTIST LITERATURE.—Your committee on Literature would recommend, for general reading The Western Recorder and The Baptist Evangelist. For Sunday school supplies the publications of the Southern Baptist Convention or The American Baptist Publication Society. G. M. Tye, A. A. Oaks and Jno. Stanfill, Com.

For report on Finance see table appended.

RESOLUTIONS.—Resolved that this body appoint Bro. J. W. Mahan as a deligate to the general association and Dr. C. G. Ellison his alternate. Resolved: That this body appoint Bro. W. B. McGarity as a deligate to the Southern Baptist Convention. Resolved that this body meet in its annual session Friday before first Saturday in Sept. instead of on Thursday, Resolved, that the constitution be changed so as to give the Chairman, in offering resolutions, ten minutes to speak; all other speakers limited to five minutes. Resolved that we advise our churches not to hold dram drinkers. Resolved that we tender our thanks to the officers of this body for the efficient manner in which they have presided over us during our deliberations, and to the brothers and sisters and neighborhood, generally, for their kindness and hospitality during this meeting. Resolved that we now adjourn to meet with the United Baptist Church of Christ at Little Poplar, Knox Co., Ky. on Friday before the first Saturday in Sept. 1897.

J. A. Ingram; Committee.

Closing Hymn selected and lead by Bro. G.T.Hill. Closing remarks by moderator Stanfill, followed by prayer, led by J. A. Ingram, and benediction by Bro. J. W. Mahan.

E.d Starling Stanfill, moderator; Eld. J. A. Ingram, asst.

mod.; J. R. Foley, Clerk; P. L. Mahan, asst. Clerk.

ORDER OF BUSINESS.

1. Annual sermon.—2. Body called to order by moderator of last session, assistant moderator, clerk, assistant clerk, or in their absence the body, shall elect a moderator pro. tem.—3. Appoint committee on credentials and enrollment.—4. Call for new churches.—5. Election of officers.—6. Call for corresponding letters.—7. Hear report of executive board.—8. Hear report of Evangelist.—9. Appointment of standing committees; a. Divine service, b. Correspondence, c. Obituaries, d. Nominations, e. Foreign missions, f. Home missions, g. State missions, h. Sabbath schools, i. Education, j. Orphans' home, k. Ministers' aid society, l. Literature, m. Finance, n. Resolutions.—10. Place for next meeting.—11. Appoint some one to preach next introductory sermon.—12. Miscellaneous or new business.—13. Hear reports of standing committees.—14. Adjournment.

Table of Statistics, Financial and Sunday School Reports.

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Red Ash church not represented; Dist. missions \$5; 77 last year. Beach Pottom; G.B. Lawson, pastor; F. Bawldin, clerk, Carpenter, Ky.; E. Goin and T. Brown, delegates; Total membership 66; For printing minutes 40c. Pastors' salaries: Boston, \$60; Sulphur Springs, \$25; Jelleco \$500. Boston gave orphans' home \$15. \$1.52 collected at Ass'n.