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## MINUTES

OF THE

# NINTH ANNUAL SESSION

OF THE

# EAST UNION ASSOCIATION

 $\mathbf{OF}$ 

# UNITED BAPTISTS,

HELD WITH

# Cumberland River Church, Whitley County, Ky.,

OCTOBER 6 AND 7, 1899.

#### OFFICERS:

ELD. J. A. INGRAM, Moderator. Williamsburg, Ky.

ELD. S. STANFILL, Assistant Moderator, Pleasant View, Ky.

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

I. O. SILER, Assistant Clerk, Jellico, Tenn.

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## Constitution of East Union Hesociation.

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- 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. Chairman 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 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 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 Parlimentaay 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 of last session, Assistant Muderator, Clerk, or Assistant Clerk, or in their absence, the body shall elect a Moderator pro tem.
  - 3. Appointment of Committee on Credentials and Enrollment.
  - 4. Call for new churches.
  - 5. Election of Officers.
- 6. Appointment of Standing Committees—Divine Service—Correspondence—Obituaries—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 6th, 1899.

The East Union Association of United Baptists met this day in its Ninth Annual Session, and was called to order by the Moderator of last year. After devotional exercises, consisting of Singing, Scripture reading and prayer by W. L. Smith, it was decided to postpone the Annual Sermon until night.

Wm. B. McGarity and John S. Tye were appointed a committee on Enrollment. Letters from the churches were called for and read, and messengers enrolled as follows:

Веесн Воттом-Eli Goins.

Boston-I. O. Siler, D. W. Oaks, J. L. Reynolds.

CLEAR FORK-M. M. Willie, C. S. Lindsay.

CUMBERLAND RIVER—J. A. Ingram, S. Stanfill, G. P. Campbell, J. M. Ellison, E. Foley, E. K. Chitwood.

Ephesus—M. K. Vanderpool.

Jellico-P. L. Mahan, E. W. Roach, Wm. B. McGarity.

LITTLE POPLAR-I. Lawson, W. A. Bennett.

LOCUST GROVE-G. T. Hill.

Mossy Gap-J. W. Wells.

MOUNT ZION-W. M. Lee.

NEW HOPE-M. D. Prichard, J. F. Prichard, John Prichard.

PLEASANT VIEW-J. S. Tye, James, Miller, W. J. McGee.

POPLAR CREEK-J. R Evans, B. F. Callaway, L. R. Reeves, James Miller.

Rock Springs-G. W. Tve. Wm. Rickett.

New churches were called for, and letters were presented from the Saxton Church by J. K. Smith and from Wheeler Creek Church by Thos. Murray and James Fletcher. After inquiring into their articles of faith, the Association admitted these two and gave the messengers the right hand of fellowship.

The election of officers resulted as follows: J. A. Ingram, Moderator; S. Stanfill, Assistant; P. L. Mahan, Clerk; I. O. Siler, Assistant.

The following committees were appointed:

CORRESPONDENCE-D. W. Oaks, E. K. Chitwood.

DIGEST OF LETTERS—B. F. Callaway, I. Lawson, W. J. McGee, D. W. Oaks, J. K. Smith.

DIVINE SERVICE—Pastor and Messengers from Cumberland River.

EDUCATION-J. K. Smith, L. R. Steely, P. L. Mahan.

FINANCE-J. S. Tve, Wm. B. McGarity.

Foreign Missions-W. H. Brummett, Wm. B. McGarity.

Home Missions-Frank Carter, James Miller.

LITERATURE - J. H. Parks, D. W. Oaks.

MINISTERS AID SOCIETY-W. L. Smith, W. J. McGee, S. Stanfill.

Nominations—J. W. Wells, Eli Goins, Wm. Lee, M. D. Prichard, G. W. Tye, C. S. Lindsay, J. S. Tye.

OBITUARIES-J. M. Ellison, E. W. Roach.

ORPHANS' HOME—E. W. Roach, G. W. Tye, L. R. Steely, James Fletcher, Wm B. McGarity.

RESOLUTIONS—A. W Smith, S. Steely, M. M. Ellison, Wm. B. McGarity.

STATE MISSIONS-A. J. Silcox, I. Lawson.

Sunday School-L. R. Steely, W. J. McGee, E. W. Roach.

TEMPERANCE-W. L. Smith, J. H. Parks, J. K. Smith,

The following corresponding messengers from sister Associations were received: M. M. Ellison, J. H. Miller, from South Union; W. L. Smith, A. W. Smith, from Clinton; W. H. Brummett, H. H. Htbbs, Gorman Jones. E. L. Stephens, from Mount Zion.

It was moved and carried that we print a letter of correspondence in our Minutes and messengers present a copy to Associations they are appointed to attend. D. W. Oaks and E. K. Chitwood were appointed to draft this letter.

It was moved and carried that we meet next year with New Hope Church, TUESDAY, BEFORE THE FIRST SATURDAY IN OCTOBER, commencing at 10 a. m.; that S. Stanfill preach the Introductory Sermon, I. Lawson, Alternate; that the Clerk and Assistant superintend the printing and distribution of the Minutes, and send to the churches according to the ratio of funds sent by each.

The audience sang "Children of the Heavenly King," and were dismissed by Wm. B. McGarity.

### AFTERNOON SESSION.

The Association was called to order by the Moderator, who read the 23rd Psalm and W. H. Brummett led in prayer.

The Committees reported.

#### REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON CORRESPONDENCE.

TO THE ASSOCIATIONS WITH WHICH WE CORRESPOND,

DEAR BRETHREN:—We are having a pleasant and profitable meeting with Cumberland River Church. Our statistics will be found in the Min-

utes. Only fifteen of our eighteen churches are represented. We hope to have you with us next year at New Hope. The program for the next meeting will be found in the Minutes.

D. W. OAKS, E. K. CHITWOOD.

#### REPORT ON OBITUARIES.

Your committee note with sadness the death of brethren and sisters as follows: New Hope, 1; Cumberland River, 4; Little Poplar, 9; Saxton, 1; Boston, 2; Poplar Creek, 2. Total 19.

J. M. ELLISON, E. W. ROACH,

#### NOMINATIONS.

We recommend that the Executive Board for next year be composed of brethren B. E. Parker, J. M. Bennett, E. E. Prichard, D. W. Oaks, Wm. B. McGarity, C. S. Lindsay, P. L. Mahan.

We further suggest that Wm. B McGarity represent us at the Southern Baptist Convention, U. S. Jones, Alternate; and that I. O. Siler, L. R. Steely and J. M. Ellisnn, represent us at the General Association,

J. S. TYE, E. FOLEY, WM. LEE,
D. W. OAKS, THOMAS MURRAY,
ELI GOINS, C. S. LINDSAY,
G. W. TYE, J. K. SMITH, J. W. WELLS,
M. D. PRICHARD, B. F. CALLAWAY.

It was moved and carried that the Moderator appoint a Chairman for

each Standing Committee to report next year. He appointed the following:

EDUCATION—J. C. Bird. FOREIGN MISSIONS—D. W. Oaks.

Home Missions-P. L. Mahan.

MINISTERS' AID SOCIETY-I. Lawson.

Nominations-J. S. Tye.

OBITUARIES-John Wells.

ORPHANS' HOME-S. Stanfill.

STATE MISSIONS-Wm, B. McGarity.

SUNDAY SCAOOLS—B. E. Parker.

TEMPERANCE-C. S. Lindsay.

#### EVENING SESSION.

Wm. B. McGarity preached the Annual Sermon from Galatians, 1:15-16. "The Christians Calling."

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#### SECOND DAY.

The Association was called to order by the Moderator, W. H. Cornelius led in prayer.

A letter of advice was presented by I. Lawson from Little Poplar asking what steps are necessary in dealing with the Adventists of their community who are members of the Little Poplar Church. A committee was appointed and reported:

"We, your committee to whom was referred the matter of advising Little Poplar Creek Church, do advise as follows: Rebuke and admonish all those who hold the doctrine of the Adventists, which, according to the Bible, is heretical. If they repent, forgive them; if they fail to renounce their heresy, exclude them according to Titus 3:10-11.

W. L. SMITH, W. H. CORNELIUS, D. W. OAKS, I. LAWSON, J. K. SMITH.

Discussed by W. L. SMITH.

#### REPORT ON SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

We, your committee, make the following report: Of the eighteen churches only eleven report Sunday Schools. We find that there are 643 Scholars, 77 Officers and Teachers. We are very hopeful for the Sunday school. It seems to be gradually advancing. The people are getting more and more interested in this glorious work.

E. W. ROACH, W. J. McGEE, L. R. STEELY.

Discussed by W. J. McGEE.

The following corresponding messengers were appointed:

To South Union-Wm, B. McGarity, D. W. Oaks, P. L. Mahan.

To North Concord—I. Lawson, M. D. Prichard, J. F. Prichard.

To MOUNT ZION-S. Stanfill, J. A. Ingram, E. K. Chitwood, G. P. Campbell.

To CLINTON—C. S. Lindsay, J. A. Ingram, S. Stanfill, P. L. Mahan, G. W. Tye, W. J. McGee, John Wells.

#### REPORT ON EDUCATION.

We are glad to note that the interest in education in the mountains of Kentucky and Tennessee is greater than it was ever before. There has been a decided improvement in public schools. We urge every one to paironize them. When the students passes from the public schools, we most heartily recommend Williamsburg Institute, at Williamsburg, Ky.

J. K. SMITH, J. R. STEELY, P. L. MAHAN.

Discussed by Prof. GORMON JONES, W. L. SMITH, H. H. HIBBS.

#### REPORT ON ORPHANS' HOME.

Our Orphans' Home, located in Louisville, and supported by the voluntary gifts of the Baptists of Kentucky appeals to every one who has a spark of religion. It receives children of Baptist homes, where mother or father is dead. Children from all parts of Kentucky are there. They are clothed, fed, sent to school and church and have all the attention, love and sympathy bestowed on children in the best homes. Last year messengers from every church in the Association pledged a contribution to the Home. We suggest that pledges be made now for contributions in money and provisions, followed by a cash collection.

WM. B. McGARITY, E. W. ROACH, G. W. TYE, JAMES FLETCHER.

Discussed by J. A. INGRAM.

Pledges were made as follows, by the Messengers: From Boston, \$5; Cumberland River, \$15; Jellico, \$15; Locust Grove, \$1; Mount Zion, \$1; Pleasant View, \$4; Rock Springs, \$2; Saxton, \$1; cash collection, \$3 18 Clear Fork and Mossy Gap promised collections. J. A. Ingram was appointed to receive and forward all provisions collected for the Home.

Benediction by H. H. HIBBS.

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#### AFTERNOON SESSION.

Devotional Exercises were conducted by W. H. BRUMMETT.

#### REPORT ON STATE MISSIONS.

We believe in State Missions. Our Secretary's report shows a decided improvement over the one of last year. The amount contributed to State Missions and colpertage is \$7,369.21, an increase of \$627.74, closing with a balance of \$104. We feel that we ought to greatly enlarge our work. There are several county seats in Eastern Kentucky that are without any Baptist house of worship. Let us take these for Christ. We do desire that our contributions shall be so enlarged that we can at once begin to cultivate our long neglected fields.

A. J. SILCOX, I. LAWSON.

Discussed by H. H. HIBBS, W. B. McGARITY and E. L. STEPHENS.

#### REPORT ON FOREIGN MISSIONS.

We believe that Jesus organized his church to save the world. He is the divinely Sent One. He left this great work in human hands, but

promised the guidance of the Holy Spirit. No church can claim the promise: "Lo, I am with you alway," unless it is missionary in action as well as profession. The Lord wants live missionary churches. In proportion as our churches are missionary, they have life. When they cease to be missionary they die.

In the last meeting of the Southern Baptist Convention, our brethren decided to increase our Foreign Mission work 25 per cent. That means that we must increase our contributions. Only a small propotion of our churches contribute anything to Foreign Missions.

We pastors are responsible for what our churches do or fail to do. We need more earnest prayer, more information, more sacrifice in giving. We must do more missionary work.

Figures convey a very poor idea of what we are doing in the six foreign fields that we are working, but help some. Last year we had thirtyfive men and forty-seven women missionaries and 128 native workers. There were 845 baptisms. Since then a dozen or more missionaries have been sent out—What part has your church in this glorious work? Better still, what part have you had? May the Lord bless us to do greater things for His cause this first year of the new century.

WM. B. McGARITY, W. H. BRUMMETT.

Discussed by WM. B. McGARITY, I. O. SILER, H. H. HIBBS and P. L. MAHAN.

Pledges for Foreign Missions were made as follows: Boston, \$3; Cumberland River, \$5; Jellico, \$25; Mosry Gap, \$2.50; Pleasant View, \$5; Saxton. \$2.50.

#### MINISTERS' AID SOCIETY.

This is a laudable cause and demands the sympathy and support of all. These old brethren have made our denomination what it is to day. They never received a support when they preached and now in old age have nothing. We that are blessed ought to give to their support. Let every church take up a collection and send it to George H. Cox, Owensboro, Ky.

S. STANFILL, W. L. SMITH.

Discussed by S. STANFILL and W. L. SMITH.

#### REPORT ON RELIGIOUS LITERATURE.

We, your committee on Religious Literature, would recommend that pastors of the several churches and Sunday school superintendents and teachers of the several Sunday schools see that each family has a Bible, and try to induce them to read the same. We also recemmend that they try to induce each family to take a religious paper, such as the Western

Recorder, Baptist Argus and Baptist Evangelist. We also recommend that our Sunday schools use literature published by the Sunday-school Board at Nashville, Tenn.

D. W. OAKS, J. H. PARKS.

#### REPORT ON FINANCE.

We have received the following for printing Minutes: Beech Bottom, 50c.; Clear Fork, \$1; Cumberland River, \$1; Boston, \$1; Ephesus, 50c.; Jellico, \$2; Mossy Gap, \$1.10; Mount Zion, 30c.; New Hope, \$1.08; Pleasant View. \$1.35; Poplar Creek, 50c.; Wheeler Creek, 55c.; Saxton, 50c.; Little Poplar, \$1; Rock Springs, 60c. Total, \$12.98.

J. S. TYE, Wm. B. McGARITY.

#### REPORT OF EXECUTIVE BOARD.

1st The Board met with the Sulphur Springs Church October 29-30, and organized by electing P. B. Stanfill Chairman. The program was discussed and a collection for Foreign Missions (\$1.28) was taken up.

2nd The Board met with Ephesus Church, December 31, and discussed the program for that day. On account of a big snow we failed to meet on Sunday, and failed to take up a collection.

3rd On April 29-30, we met with the Jellico Church, discussed the program and took up a collection (\$4.13) for Home, Foreign and State Missions.

4th We met at Saxton, July 29-30. The program was discussed and a collection for Foreign Missions was taken, amounting to \$2, which the church sent to Dr. R. J. Willingham, Richmond, Va. We suggest that these meetings be continued.

D. W. OAKS, SEC'Y.

#### REPORT ON HOME MISSIONS.

The Home Mission Board located in Atlanta, Ga., with Dr. F. H. Kerfoot, Secretary, has taken on new life. The Board does work in the mountain sections, on the frontier, in the cities, in Indian Territory among the negroes, and in Cuha. On account of the increased prosperity of the country, the needs have grown, and hindrances increased. Last year we had 653 Missionaries who baptized 6,552 communicants. Our million and a half Baptists in the South gave \$67,173 to this great work last year. Let us pray for our Home Board. There is scarcely a county in the South that has not felt its work. The coming century will bring still greater need of home work. Let all of us have a part.

E. FOLEY, J. K. SMITH, THOMAS MURRAY.

#### REPORT ON TEMPERANCE.

Whereas the Liquor traffic is one of, if not the greatest curse of the age, we recommend our churches to come strictly up to the Bible teaching on this subject. Read Lev. 10:9, Numbers 6:3; Prov. 23:2; Isaiah 28:7; Hab. 2:15; Luke 21:34; 1 Cor. 5:11.

W. L. SMITH.

Discussed by W. L. SMITH, I. O. SILER.

#### REPORT ON RESOLUTIONS.

- 1 That we return thanks to the pastor and members of Cumberland River Church and neighborhood for the kind entertainment furnished during this Association.
- 2 That we recommend that the pastors devote all the time they can to developing the spirituality of every member of their churches and that the churches look after the financial needs of their pastors.
- 3 That we denounce the foul slander heaped on Dr. F. H. Kerfoot, Secretary of the Home Mission Board, by the Shelbyville Sentinel, and that we endorse his position. These resolutions were passed separately.

After an old fashioned hand-shaking, the Association adjourned with prayer offered by Wm. B. McGarity, to meet at New Hope Church Tues. day before the first Saturday in October, 1900.

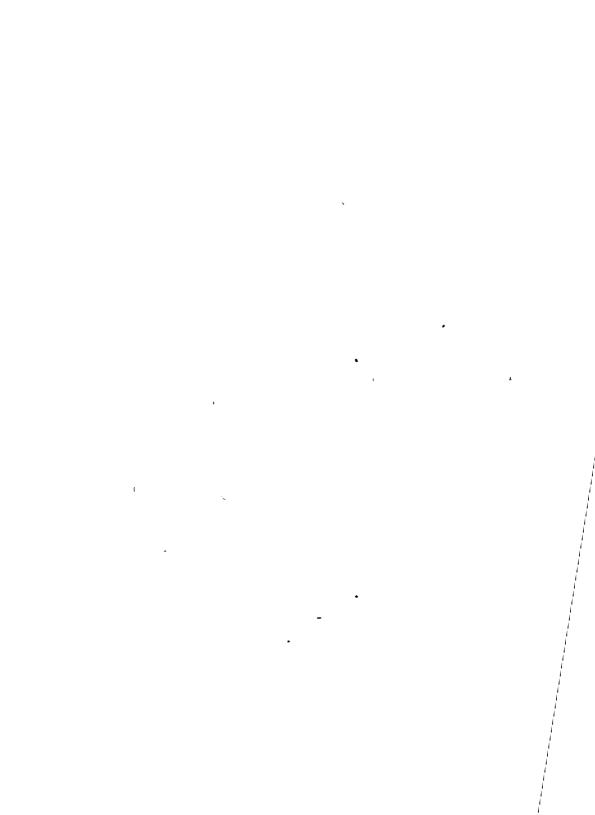
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