

... MINUTES OF ...

The Fifteenth Annual Session

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CALLAHAN COUNTY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION,

—HELD WITH—

The Board Flat Baptist Church,

CALLAHAN COUNTY, TEXAS, AUGUST 6, 7 and 8, 1903.

OFFICERS.

Moderator,	JOHN N. HUMBREE,	Cottonwood.
Cor-Sec-Treas.,	P. H. MILLER,	Baird.
Clerk,	G. W. PARKS,	Scranton.

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The Next Session of this Body Will be Held With the Shiloh Baptist Church, Admiral, Texas Beginning Thursday at 8:30, p. m., Before the Second Sunday in August, 1904.

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Introductory Sermon, G. W. Parks.
Alternate, I. C. Underwood.

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PROCEEDINGS

Of the Fifteenth Annual Session of the Callahan County Baptist Association.

The Callahan County Baptist Association met with Board Flat Baptist Church, August 6th, 1903, at 8.30 p. m. R. D. Carter preached the introductory sermon from Isaiah 54:2. Subject: "The Expansion of the Kingdom." Bro. Carter showed that growth was to be characteristic of the Kingdom as was indicated by prophecy and parable.

The Association then adjourned till Friday at 9:00 a. m.

FRIDAY MORNING.

After devotional services, led by J. L. Mayes, the Moderator, J. M. Hembree, called the body to order. The former Clerk being absent, G. W. Parks was elected temporary Clerk.

R. D. Carter and R. D. Cecil were appointed reading clerks and letters from the following churches were read and messengers seated as named:

Antioch—D. J. Rowden, G. W. Miller, R. J. Phillips.

Baird—L. C. Underwood, Mrs. L. C. Underwood, R. D. Cecil, P. H. Miller.

Board Flat—Charley Barr, L. H. Mitchell, Mrs. Ellen Atwood, M. R. Crownover, Lee Crownover.

Cedar Bluff—J. S. Ray, R. R. Thames.

Clyde—H. S. Monk, Miss Rhoda Miller, Mrs. E. E. Kuykendall.

Cottonwood—Mrs. C. C. Hembree, J. M. Hembree, C. C. Hightower.

Cross Plains—W. M. Carey, P. Smith.

Dressy—J. C. Freeman, Mrs. E. F. Edwards.

Eagle Cove—D. M. Thomas.

Hope Wells—T. C. Pool, W. T. Pool, Mrs. Mattie Pool.

Atwell—J. M. Jones, J. M. Rouse.

New Hope—J. E. Blaylock, G. C. Daniels, G. W. Parks.

Pleasant Grove—Wm. Thomas, Sister Thomas, M. S. Whatley.

Shiloh—F. M. Dunlap, R. J. Harris.

Sweet Home—Hick Burnam, J. H. Wagley, J. R. Craighead.

Union—W. J. Mathews, Mrs. Mathews.

Rough Creek—T. S. Motley, Mrs. Motley.

The following officers were elected for the ensuing year: J. M. Hembree, Moderator; G. W. Parks, Clerk; P. H. Miller, Corresponding Secretary and Treasurer.

The Moderator then declared the body duly organized and ready for the transaction of business.

Call was made for petitionary letters and the following was presented:

Oplin—H. C. Grantham.

The petition was granted and messenger seated.

The Moderator called for corresponding messengers and visitors, and the following responded: J. L. Mayes, Cisco Association; J. R. Haile and Miss Lula Haile, Pecan Valley Association.

The Moderator appointed the Pastor and Deacons of Board Flat church as committee on religious services.

At 11 a. m. the body adjourned till 2 p. m. to hear preaching by Bro. Haile, who preached from John 17:18.

FRIDAY AFTERNOON.

2 p. m. Called to order by the Moderator. Prayer by Bro. Vmson.

The Moderator appointed the following committees:

ASSOCIATION MISSIONS.

M. S. Whatley, G. W. Miller, Hick Burnam

STATE MISSIONS.

R. D. Carter, R. J. Phillips, T. C. Pool.

HOME MISSIONS.

I. C. Underwood, W. M. Carey, J. H. Wagley.

FOREIGN MISSIONS.

R. D. Cecil, Charley Barr, H. C. Grantham.

FINANCE.

P. Smith, Lee Crownover, J. E. Blaylock

DENOMINATIONAL LITERATURE.

Mrs. I. C. Underwood, G. C. Daniels, Mrs. H. Mathews.

STATE OF RELIGION.

F. M. Dunlap, D. J. Rowden, W. J. Mathews.

DENOMINATIONAL EDUCATION.

R. D. Carter, J. R. Craighead, W. T. Pool.

MINISTERIAL SUPPORT.

M. R. Crownover, R. J. Harris, D. M. Thomas.

OBITUARIES.

J. R. Craighead, Mattie Pool, Ellen Atwood.

TEMPERANCE.

Rhoda Miller, Mrs. E. E. Kuykendall, Mrs. C. C. Hembree.

ORDAINED AND LICENSED MINISTERS.

H. S. Monk, J. C. Freeman, F. M. Dunlap.

AGED MINISTER'S RELIEF.

D. J. Bowden, Lee Crownover, D. M. Thomas.

SUNDAY SCHOOL BOARD OF THE S. B. C.

I. H. Mitchell, R. D. Carter, R. R. Thames.

BUCKNER ORPHANS' HOME.

Mrs. E. E. Kuykendall, Mrs. T. S. Motley, Mrs. I. C. Underwood.

NOMINATIONS.

J. M. Jones, J. M. Rouse, P. H. Miller.

W. D. Vinson of Pecan Valley Association was recognized as visitor.

Home missions report was read by I. C. Underwood and was discussed by W. D. Vinson. A collection of \$6.45, \$1.25 of which was from Antioch church. Report adopted. (See Report A)

R. D. Carter read the report on State missions. Discussed by R. D. Carter, J. L. Mayes, W. D. Vinson. Adopted. (See Report B)

At 4:30 p. m. the body adjourned till 9 a. m. Saturday.

At 8:30 Bro. I. C. Underwood preached from Acts 20:28, subject: "The Relation of Pastor and People."

SATURDAY.

9 a. m. Called to order by the Moderator. Minutes read and approved.

F. M. Dunlap read the report on State of Religion. The Report was adopted. (See Report C)

A motion carried to change the name of the committee on "Christian Education" to "Denominational Education."

A motion was carried to limit speeches to 15 minutes for the first speech and 5 minutes for the others.

R. D. Carter read the report on Denominational Education. Discussed by Vinson, Carter, Haile and others.

Personal pledges to be paid to the Educational Commission: Sister Kuykendall, \$5; D. M. Thomas, \$2.50; Bro. Thomas, \$1. Report adopted. (See Report D)

Mrs. I. C. Underwood read the report on Denominational Literature. Discussed by R. D. Cecil and others. Adopted. (See Report E)

M. S. Whatley read the report on Associational Missions. Discussed by M. R. Crownover and others. Report adopted. (See Report F)

J. M. Rouse read the report on Nominations. Report adopted. (See Report G)

Adjourned till 2 p. m.

SATURDAY AFTERNOON.

2 p. m. Body came to order, R. D. Carter in the chair.

R. D. Cecil read the report on Foreign Missions. By motion the discussion of the report was deferred until the night session.

Sister E. E. Kuykendall read the report on Buckner Orphans' Home. The report was discussed by Sister Kuykendall and R. D. Carter. The Report was adopted. (See Report H)

I. C. Underwood read the report on Aged Ministers' Relief. Discussed and adopted. (See Report I)

J. H. Wagley read the report on Obituaries, which was adopted. (See Report J)

M. R. Crownover read the report on Ministerial Support. Discussed by Bro. Crownover and others. Adopted. (See Report K)

The report on Sunday School and Colportage work was read and adopted after discussion. (See Report L)

Miss Rhoda Miller read the report on Temperance. After discussion the Report was adopted. (See Report M)

F. M. Dunlap read the report on Ordained and Licensed Ministers. Adopted. (See Report N)

R. D. Carter moved that the Moderator appoint Chairman of the committees for next Association. The motion carried. (See Report R)

P. H. Miller read his report as Corresponding Secretary. Adopted. (See Report S)

The Association adjourned till 8:30 p. m.



NIGHT SESSION.

8:30. Prayer and praise service, led by R. D. Cecil.

The Moderator being absent, Bro. M. S. Whatley was elected Moderator pro tem.

P. Smith read the report on Finance. Adopted. (See Report O)

R. D. Cecil read his report as Missionary. Adopted.
(See Report P)

It was decided by vote of the Association that any one whose name appears in the Minutes is hereby authorized to represent us in any of our sister Associations with whom we correspond.

Brothers J. M. Hembree, R. D. Carter, D. J. Rowden, G. W. Parks, M. R. Crownover, P. H. Miller, R. J. Harris and Miss Rhoda Miller were appointed messengers to the State Convention.

R. D. Carter was elected messenger to the Southern Baptist Convention, with G. W. Parks as alternate.

The special order for the evening, the discussion of the report on Foreign Missions, was taken up. W. D. Vinson discussed the report at length. After other discussion the report was adopted. (See Report Q)

It was moved and carried that the Clerk retain \$10 of the Minute funds for his services and that the remainder be expended in printing and distributing Minutes.

The following resolution was passed:

"Resolved, That we, as a body do express our most grateful appreciation of the kindness and hospitality bestowed upon us during this session by the good people of Board Bluff church and community."

The body then sing an old hymn and amid tears, gave each other the parting hand, after which the Association adjourned sine die.

JOHN M. HEMBREE, Moderator.

G. W. PARKS, Clerk.

REPORT A—HOME MISSIONS.

Home Missions embraces all of the Southern States, with the Territories and Cuba.

The Home Mission Board, which is located at Atlanta, Ga., co-operates with the State Boards and enables them to carry forward their work more advantageously.

In 1845, the same year the Southern Baptist Convention was organized, the Home Board began work in Texas, and has continually aided us in our work. The amount received from this Board this year will aggregate \$11,935.00. Our attitude toward the Home Board should be that of gratefulness and loyalty in its support.

Respectfully submitted,

J. C. Underwood,
J. H. Wagley,
W. M. Carey.

REPORT B—STATE MISSIONS.

We, your committee on State Missions beg to submit the following:

Enlightenment, enlistment and enlargement have characterized the work of our State Board for years. The two prominent features of this great commission, evangelism and church development have been the watchwords of our State Board.

Our Board had on the field last year more than 250 missionaries who baptised over 3,000 people.

There was raised by the Board for all purposes more than \$85,000. at a cost of about \$5,000 or less than 6 per cent. The cost of the State Mission work alone was about 3 per cent.

In view of the great work accomplished by the State

Board in the past, many feel that we have reached the limit of effort for State evangelization, but to the contrary, we are confronted with increasing demands.

We recommend that all of our people support our State work for the following reasons: The command of Jesus. The imperative need of the field, and our ability.

Respectfully submitted,
R. D. Carter, Ch'm Com.

REPORT C—STATE OF RELIGION.

We are commanded to rejoice with those that do rejoice, and weep with those that do weep. We are glad to hear of good revivals over the State, and some churches in our own bounds.

We know of no divisions or discords in our churches. All are looking forward to a great harvest. Let us pray that the Lord will send laborers into His vineyard, and that we may be greatly blessed and the Lord glorified and the churches built up and everybody made happy.

F. M. Dunlap.

REPORT D—DENOMINATIONAL EDUCATION.

We your committee on Denominational or Christian Education beg to submit the following:

Man is God's climax of creation, endowed with intellectual, moral and physical capacities, susceptible of infinite development.

A Christian or Denominational Education is the proper development of man morally, intellectually and physically under christian and denominational influences.

We believe that as Baptists we are under the highest obligation to educate our people. We rejoice in the advancement of our schools and glory in the conquests of our correlated system of schools in Texas.

We heartily recommend all our correlated schools in Texas, together with Simmons College of Abilene. Also our Theological Seminary of Louisville, Ky., for the ministry.

We urge the importance of ministerial education and ask that our people contribute liberally to this work.

Respectfully submitted,
R. D. Carter, Ch'm of Com.

REPORT E—DENOMINATIONAL LITERATURE.

We, your committee on Denominational Literature submit the following report:

The worth and importance of good reading cannot be over estimated. The reading of our denominational papers comes next in order to personal instruction on denominational work. We therefore recommend that our people subscribe for and read The Baptist Standard, The Missionary Worker, The Baptist, and The Foreign Mission Journal and The Home Field, which papers not only contribute to a strong denominational life, but also give the needed information for intelligent action in all departments of our work.

Respectfully,
Mrs. I. C. Underwood, Chm.

REPORT F—ASSOCIATIONAL MISSIONS.

Your committee on Associational Missions submits the following:

In view of the great blessings of a loving Heavenly Father so abundantly showered upon us during the year now past, your committee feels encouraged to say, "Brethren go forward." We have just past the hardest year in the history of our Association and have come through out of debt, and we have now a prospect for an abundant crop, and

we think it is the call of the Great Leader to attempt greater things for Him.

We find our Mission work in good condition through our consecrated Missionary, and we recommend your body to employ a Missionary for all his time.

Respectfully submitted,

M. S. Whatley, Chm.

REPORT G—NOMINATIONS.

We, your committee on Nominations beg to report the following names recommended as Board members:

Union—W. M. Mathews.

Antioch—D. J. Rowden.

Sweet Home—J. R. Craighead.

Hope Wells—W. T. Pool.

New Hope—J. E. Blaylock.

Shiloh—F. M. Dunlap.

Board Flat—Charley Barr.

Dressy—W. C. Gaultney.

Baird—P. H. Miller.

Eagle Cove—D. M. Thomas.

Cross Plains—W. M. Carey.

Clyde—J. S. Monk.

Rough Creek—T. S. Motley.

Cedar Bluff—R. R. Thames.

Cottonwood—Sam Thomason.

Oplin—H. C. Grantham.

Atwell—J. M. Jones.

Pleasant Grove—M. S. Whatley.

Lytle Cove—R. A. Pollard.

We also recommend to preach introductory sermon—G. W. Parks.

Alternate—J. C. Underwood.

J. M. Rouse, Chm.

REPORT H—BUCKNER ORPHANS' HOME.

We, your committee on Buckner Orphans' Home, beg to submit the following:

This home is located near Dallas, with the children's hospital department in Dallas.

This home is owned by Baptists of Texas. Dr. R. C. Buckner is founder and business manager.

This property cannot be used for the liquidation of any debts, therefore it will remain the property of the Baptists of Texas, and home for all white orphans.

Its purposes are to protect, care for and educate the orphans, to train them in the various industries, how to be self sustaining, and to teach them to be God-fearing and God-serving men and women.

It has cared for many widows and more than 2000 orphans. The Home is capacitated for 800 or 1000 children, and at present there are 400 or more there.

It costs at least \$65 a day to feed them, and requires 1500 yards of prints to make the girls and nursery children a dress a piece.

They often buy \$300 worth of shoes at one time.

The Home is non-sectarian, therefore all people should support it.

We recommend that all churches in the Association support this Home with their means, and that they pray earnestly, both in private and public for same.

Respectfully submitted,

Mrs. E. E. Kuykendall, Chm.

REPORT I—AGED MINISTERS RELIEF.

We, your committee on Aged Ministers Relief beg to report:

There are, approximately, 100 old and dependent ministers and ministers' widows who are looking to us—not for the luxuries of life, or even comfort, but actual necessities of life. While our people are doing something for these men and their dependent widows, the amount is so small compared with the needs of the work, that it should bring shame instead of gladness to us.

We recommend that our preachers and board members keep this work before our people, and take regular collections for it. Respectfully submitted,

D. J. ROWDEN, Chm.

REPORT J—OBITUARIES.

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

We find from the statistics that only 4 of our members have died the past year. New Hope, Wm. Miller; Baird, Sister Reno; Clyde, William White; Atwell, Franklin Abbot.

A wise God has seen fit, in His infinite wisdom, to call them from earth to heaven. We should not mourn for them as those who have no hope, because we know from Thy word that our loss is their gain.

Respectfully,

J. R. Craighead, Chm.

REPORT K—MINISTERIAL SUPPORT

We, your committee on Ministerial Support beg to report that in our opinion our churches as a rule are weighed and found wanting. We candidly believe that the one great weakness of the churches of our Association lies in: our failure to give an adequate support to our ministry.

We urge that this matter be prayerfully considered, and that we meet this difficulty heroically and manly.

Respectfully submitted,

M. R. Crownover.

REPORT L.—SUNDAY SCHOOL AND COLPORTAGE WORK

This work is under the Sunday School Board of the Southern Baptist Convention. The Board is located at Nashville, Tenn. The growth and development of this work has been phenomenal under the leadership of Bro. J. M. Frost as secretary.

Unbroken advancement has crowned the work until in finances the receipts reached last year, over \$100,000.

The chief work of this Board is the planting and watering of the Sunday School work, the publication and distribution of bibles, books, tracts and the convention series of Sunday School literature. The Board gave away last year, over 1700 books, 85,000 tracts, 21,000 copies of the scriptures.

We feel that we cannot set an estimate on the value of this work, and we heartily commend it to our people. We recommend that our Sunday Schools use the literature of this Board.

Respectfully submitted,

R. D. Carter, for Com.

REPORT M—TEMPERANCE.

We, your committee on Temperance submit the following report:

The bible admonishes us to "be temperate in all things."

Regarding the use of intoxicants, the demon of modern civilization, we note with great satisfaction the work of the W. C. T. U., whose teaching has wielded and is wielding a great influence for the temperance cause.

We note with pleasure the growing interest in prohibition over the State, as from time to time local option elections are victorious. May we pray and work until there is not a single county in the State but what has local option.

We are glad to note the stand the pastors and workers are taking in favor of temperance. Let us agitate the question and distribute literature and inform our people on this great question.

We do not deem it necessary to urge christians to abstain from the use of intoxicants as a beverage, but do urge vigilance and activity in efforts to create a stronger sentiment against the use of intoxicants and all narcotics.

Respectfully submitted,

Rhoda Miller,
C. C. Hembree,
E. E. Kuykendall.

Committee.

REPORT N—ORDAINED AND LICENSED MINISTERS.

Ordained:

R. D. Carter, Cottonwood.

C. C. Hightower, “

R. D. Cecil, Baird.

I. C. Underwood, Baird.

F. S. Rountree, Potosi.

M. S. Whatley, Crosscut.

J. W. Watson, Burkett.

G. W. Parks, Scranton.

J. Harris, Cottonwood.

R. H. Yeager, Cisco.

B. F. Lovvorn, Baird.

E. J. Burton, Burkett.

Licensed:

R. H. Williams, Eula.

A. A. Narsworthy, Eula.

Lee Crownover, Cross Plains.

R. S. Bright, Potosi.

J. H. Smith, Dressy.

F. M. Dunlap, Chm.

REPORT O—FINANCE.

We, your committee on Finance beg to make the following report:

Associated Missions,	
State	\$ 2 25
Home	6 .15
Foreign	\$.00
Buckner Orphans' Home,	17 .00
Old Ministerial Relief,	2 75
Minutes,	39 16
Total,	\$62 61

P. Smith, Chm.

REPORT P.

Baird, Texas, August, 1903.

To the Callahan County Baptist Association, to convene with the Board Flat Baptist church:

Dear Brethren and Sisters:—Your Missionary submits this report of work done during the year:

Time labored, months	11 1-3
Sermons preached by me,	165
Religious addresses by me,	85
Total sermons and addresses by me,	250
Sermons preached for me at my appointments	15
Sermons I have heard preached	91
Prayer meetings attended and held	27
Sunday Schools attended	17
Total number of services attended,	283

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Churches assisted in organizing	1
Constituent members	13
Sunday Schools organized	3
Prayer meetings organized	2
Received by letter in connection with work	22
" " baptism " " " "	20
Professions of faith " " " "	14
Church lots secured	1
Ministers ordained	1
Deacons ordained	7
Families visited	367
Families S. L. R. and prayed with	81
School houses preached at where no church	12
Number of churches preached for	15
Meetings assisted in some and held	7
Miles traveled	3,607
Tracts distributed, pages	12,260
Subscribers to papers:	
Missionary Worker	1
The Baptist	52
The Baptist Standard	19
Bibles and religious books sold:	
Bibles	15
Testaments	67
Testaments and Psalms	13
Religious books	308
Cost of above books	\$120 37
Financial statement of money collected:	
Associational Missions	\$ 89 54
State Missions	17 90
Foreign " "	6 20
Home " "	1 11

Minutes.....	1 50
Commission on books and credited on my account with Associational Board.....	36 20
Total.....	\$ 147 44
Total amount of salary.....	\$566 33 1-3
State Board paid.....	188 88 8-9
Associational Board paid.....	377 77 7-9

Respectfully submitted,

R. D. Cecil, Missionary.

P. S.—Missionary attended the Baptist General Convention, two mission rallies, five Sunday School Institutes, and all of the Fifth Sunday meetings for the year.

R. D. Cecil.

REPORT Q—FOREIGN MISSIONS.

We, your committee on Foreign Missions beg to submit the following:

The last report of the Foreign Board is one of the best reports ever made to the convention. We find that there was \$218,512.62 raised last year for foreign mission, yet that only amounts to about 5 cents per head. We only have 125 missionaries on the foreign fields, when we ought to have 1000. If our 3,000,000 Baptists in the South were properly developed we could easily support 1000 missionaries.

We give God the praise for the 1,790 baptisms last year. We are now doing great work, but possibilities of doing greater work is now before us. Information is one of the things greatly needed. To this end we recommend that our people read the "Foreign Mission Journal" which gives full information of the work on foreign fields.

Respectfully submitted,

R. D. Cecil, Chm.

REPORT R—CHAIRMAN OF COMMITTEES FOR NEXT YEAR.

Obituaries, J. E. Blaylock; State of Religion, D. J. Rowden; Denominational Literature, J. W. Sublett; Ministerial Support, M. R. Crownover; Denominational Education, R. J. Harris; Associational Missions, M. S. Whatley; Foreign Missions, G. W. Parks; Home Missions, I. C. Underwood; State Missions, R. D. Carter; Temperance, Miss Ada Cook; Aged Ministers Relief, B. F. Lovvorn; S. S. and Colportage, J. R. Craighead; Buckner Orphans' Home, P. Smith; Cooperation, A. A. Narsworthy.

REPORT S—CORRESPONDING SECRETARY AND TREASURER'S REPORT.

Dear Brethren: Your Secretary and Treasurer is glad to report that we have had a missionary on the field for full time and that his salary is all paid. The following is amount of money that this Association expended in the general work the past year:

Old Ministers Relief.....	\$ 6 75
Buckner Orphans' Home.....	140 14
Ministerial Education.....	62 70
Foreign Missions.....	72 21
Home Missions.....	51 57
State Missions.....	97 05
Associational Missions.....	386 23
Sunday School work.....	123 26
American Baptist Pub. Society.....	21 56
Total.....	\$ 961.87

Respectfully submitted,

P. H. Miller.

CONSTITUTION

Of Callahan County Baptist Association.

Art. 1. The name of this body shall be Callahan Co. Baptist Association.

Art. 2. This Association shall be composed of messengers giving satisfactory evidence of appointment from churches that are orderly and sound in doctrine and practice, provided that churches sending messengers must be constituted upon some recognized declaration of faith. The officers and board members shall also be ex-officio members.

Art. 3. Any church deemed in harmony with Art. 2, may, through messengers, co-operate through this body.

Art. 4. Should a church co-operating with this body, become disorderly or unsound in doctrine, the Association, on having evidence of the fact, may drop such church from the roll. Furthermore, a church sending messengers who are known to be antagonistic to the purposes of this body, or who are in many cases deemed unworthy, the body may, by majority vote, refuse them a seat.

Art. 5. The purpose of this body shall be to edify, combine and direct the energies of our people in the evangelization of the world; to promote harmony of feeling, and concert of action on all lines of denominational work.

Art. 6. The Association shall hold an annual meeting at such time and place as the body may from year to year appoint.

Art. 7. Each church shall be entitled to three messengers and for every additional 20 members over 50, one additional messenger, provided, that each church in addition to this number may elect and send their ordained ministers.

Art. 8. There shall be elected by ballot, on the first day of each annual session, or as soon thereafter as practicable, a moderator, a clerk, a corresponding secretary and Treasurer, who shall hold their office until their successors be elected.

Art. 9. There shall be appointed at each annual session of this body, an executive board; provided, that each church may recommend its member whose duty it shall be to prosecute the mission work of this body. The officers of the Association, shall be ex officio members of the Board.

Art. 10. Contributions for missions, or for any benevolent purpose, when sent to this body by individual churches or persons, shall be appropriated as directed by the donor.

Art. 11. No messenger shall absent himself from any session of this Association without the consent of the body, and any member so absentsing himself shall have his name dropped from the roll.

Art. 12. This constitution may be changed at any regular meeting, by a two-thirds vote of the members.

✂ ✂ ✂ Order of Business.

1. Preach the Introductory Sermon.
2. Read church letters.
3. Election of officers.
4. Call for petitionary letters.
5. Call for corresponding messengers and visitors.
6. Appoint committee on Divine Service, Ordained and Licensed Ministers, Finance, Obituaries, State of Religion, Denominational Literature, Ministerial Support, Denominational Education, Associational Missions, Foreign Missions, Home Missions, State Missions, Temperance, Aged Ministers' Relief, Sunday School Board of the Southern Baptist Convention, Buckner Orphans' Home.
7. Select place to meet.
8. Minister to Preach Introductory Sermon.
9. Appoint corresponding messengers.
10. Miscellaneous business.

STATISTICAL TABLE.

Church	Pastor	Post-office	Clerk	Parsonage	Female		Male		Total
					Children	Adults	Children	Adults	
Antioch.....	R. B. Carter.....	Cottonwood.....	G. A. Taylor.....	Bald.....	8	5	5	8	26
Atwell.....	C. C. Highmore.....	Cottonwood.....	J. M. Gage.....	Atwell.....	8	5	5	8	26
Bald.....	J. C. Underwood.....	Bald.....	P. H. Miller.....	Bald.....	12	5	10	8	35
Broad Flat.....	G. W. Parks.....	Saverton.....	J. A. Atwood.....	Cross Plains.....	7	5	7	8	27
Cedar Bluff.....	C. C. Highmore.....	Cottonwood.....	H. B. Thomas.....	Cottonwood.....	8	5	5	8	26
Clyde.....	P. O. Pike.....	Atkins.....	H. B. Brock.....	Clyde.....	17	8	10	7	42
Cottonwood.....	J. C. Underwood.....	Bald.....	H. B. Brock.....	Cottonwood.....	15	8	7	17	47
Cross Plains.....	J. B. Hale.....	Greensboro.....	T. F. Wolfe.....	Cross Plains.....	8	5	17	20	40
Dovey.....	W. D. Vance.....	Stockwood.....	C. L. Gentry.....	Dovey.....	5	5	5	8	23
Engle Creek.....	.....	.....	Wm. B. Thomas.....	Engle Creek.....	8	7	1	4	20
Hope Wells.....	G. W. Parks.....	Saverton.....	H. O. Gage.....	Hope Wells.....	10	5	4	10	29
New Hope.....	G. W. Parks.....	Saverton.....	L. C. Barker.....	Saverton.....	8	5	1	8	22
Opika.....	.....	.....	J. H. Bailey.....	Opika.....	.....	1	.....	.....	1
Plainsboro.....	J. B. Hale.....	Carbon.....	David Barker.....	Barkett.....	8	1	4	5	14
South Union.....	H. B. Williams.....	Hope.....	T. O. Kase.....	Engle Creek.....	7	.....	4	.....	11
Stitch.....	J. C. Mayes.....	Stockwood.....	P. M. Underwood.....	Atkins.....	8	4	8	.....	20
Sweet Home.....	H. B. Taylor.....	Carbon.....	J. H. Wagner.....	Stitch.....	8	1	8	.....	17
Talton.....	C. C. Highmore.....	Cottonwood.....	W. A. Hale.....	Cottonwood.....	4	.....	1	5	10
Totals.....					122	57	4	30	213

CONTRIBUTIONS FOR 1902-1903.

CHURCHES

	First & Mary	Our Mother's	Backus Or- phans' Home	Methodist Epis- copal	Foreign Missions	Home Missions	State Missions	Associational Missions	Sunday School	Minister	American Bapt- ist Society	Other Purposes	Total
Antioch		\$	\$ 9 60	\$	\$ 3 25	\$ 2 25	\$ 9 50	\$ 27 05	\$ 4 00	\$ 2 25		\$	\$ 57 25
Atwell	\$ 37 00		1 00					2 25		1 00			4 25
Bald	450 00		68 04	9 20	18 21	13 72	2 00	35 75	52 85	3 00	13 20	358 70	548 47
Board Flat	150 00		4 25		2 60	2 00	10 00	21 05	10 00	2 50	1 50		53 91
Cedar Bluff	45 00		35					3 15		50			4 30
Clyde	150 00				10 00	10 60	14 00	28 45	20 00	2 10	7 25	37 00	128 50
Cottonwood	100 00		11 95		3 25	2 75	9 25	29 60	6 00	2 30		33 00	56 10
Cross Plains	120 70		2 50		35		6 20	31 85		1 00		223 00	264 50
Dressy	150 00	3 00	2 75	53 50	5 50	1 75	5 00	8 15		1 00		24 95	104 65
Eagle Cove			7 55		60	65	2 50	18 30		1 00		2 00	32 60
Hope Wells	150 00	1 75	19 75			2 00	10 00	27 90	8 00	1 75			71 15
New Hope	150 00		18 00		12 00	3 75	3 25	20 75	8 00	2 50		13 40	81 65
Lytle Cove					2 50	3 00	4 75	9 55		2 10			21 90
Pleasant Grove	100 00	2 00			11 75	6 75	6 00	15 95		2 75			45 20
Rough Creek			5 00		2 10	2 15		13 00					22 25
Oplin					80	80		10 80		50			12 10
Sweet Home			10 00				7 70	20 55		1 11			29 38
Shiloh	100 00						6 00	18 25	13 60	2 25		5 00	55 40
Union								1 25		1 00			2 25
Other Sources								41 25					41 25
TOTAL		6 75	140 14	62 70	72 21	51 57	97 05	390 25	123 25	30 96	21 95	690 10	1677 07

PLEDGES FOR 1903-1904.

CHURCHES.	Associated Missions	State Missions	Home Missions	Foreign Missions	Buckner Or- phans' Home...	Missionary Ed- ucation	Old Missions' Relief	Total
Antioch	20 00	5 00	2 50	2 50	5 00			35 00
Baird	30 00	25 00	7 50	7 50	20 00	5 00	4 00	100 00
Boardman	25 00	10 00	10 00	10 00	10 00	5 00	10 00	80 00
Atwell		2 50						2 50
Clyde	20 00	10 00	5 00	5 00	10 00			45 00
Cottonwood	20 00	10 00	5 00	5 00	15 00	2 50	2 50	60 00
Cross Plains		5 00						5 00
Dreamy		5 00	5 00					10 00
*Hope Wells								50 00
*New Hope								42 00
Optim		2 50						2 50
*Pleasant Grove								60 00
St. John	20 00	5 00	5 00	5 00	5 00			40 00
Sweet Home	5 00	2 50						12 00
Sough Creek		2 50						2 50
TOTAL	\$ 144 50	\$ 55 00	\$ 40 00	\$ 35 00	\$ 45 00	\$ 12 50	\$ 17 50	\$ 331 50

*Hope Wells, New Hope and Pleasant Grove did not divide their Pledges.