

MINUTES

OF THE

87TH ANNUAL SESSION

OF THE

Oconee Primitive Baptist Association

Held With The Church At

Beaverdam

OGLETHORPE COUNTY, GEORGIA

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Introductory sermon was preached by Elder C. W. Vaughn. Text, Second Thessalonians, 2nd chapter, 13th verse: "But we are bound to give thanks alway to God for you Brethren, beloved of the Lord."

Association began. Prayer by Elder D. P. Smith.

Appointed Elder R. L. Cook and Bro. John F. Green to read letters from sister churches.

Item 1. Elected Elder J. M. Adams, Moderator; Bro. W. H. Robison, Clerk.

Item 2. Invited visiting ministers and Brethren to seats with us.

Item 3. Adopted Order of Business of last year for this session.

Item 4. Appointed the following committee to arrange preaching: Brethren J. T. Harrison, J. B. Moon, J. M. Breedlove, A. G. Adair, W. H. Haralson, together with messengers of this church.

Item 5. Appointed Elders J. F. Chandler, W. L. Allen and Bro. J. S. Whitworth to write Corresponding Letter.

Item 6. Called for correspondence from sister Associations with whom we correspond.

From the Yellow River—Elders R. L. Cook, D. P. Smith, W. W. West, T. C. West, Brethren John F. Green, John H. Adams, J. O. Adams, W. F. Adams, J. J. Adams.

From the Ocmulgee—Minutes.

From the Marietta—Elder W. E. Hembree, Bro. W. A. Harris, with Minutes.

From the Warwick—Elder J. M. Adams, with Minutes.

From the Delaware River—Elder C. W. Vaughn, Bro. F. S. Terry, Elder J. M. Adams, with Minutes.

From the Delaware—No tidings.

Called for visiting ministers and brethren from orderly Associations with whom we have no direct correspondence and received them.

Appointed correspondents to sister Associations.

To the Yellow River, Utoy Church, Fulton County, Georgia, near East Point, beginning Friday before the Fourth Sunday in September, 1925—Elders J. M. Adams, W. L. Allen, Brethren G. W. Malcom, Sr., W. J. Poss, H. L. Chandler.

To the Ocmulgee, New Hope Church, Jones county, on Central Railroad, beginning Friday before the second Sunday in September, 1925—Elders J. M. Adams and W. L. Allen, with Minutes.

To the Marietta, Powder Springs, Cobb county, Ga., on the Seaboard and Southern Railroads, beginning on Friday before the first Sunday in October, 1925—Elders J. M. Adams, J. H. Stewart, W. L. Allen, with Minutes.

To the Warwick—Elder J. M. Adams, Bro. G. W. Malcom, Sr., with Minutes.

To the Delaware River, First Hopewell Church, New Jersey, beginning on Wednesday before the first Sunday in June, 1925—Elder J. M. Adams, Bro. G. W. Malcom, Sr., with Minutes.

Adjourned to 8:30 Saturday.

SATURDAY MORNING

Met at the appointed time, and after singing and prayer by Elder R. L. Cook, renewed invitations to visiting ministers and Brethren and welcomed all.

Called for Circular Letter written by Elder J. H. Stewart. Was read and received it as ours.

Appointed Elder W. L. Allen to write the next Circular Letter.

Called for and adopted the Corresponding Letter written by Elders J. F. Chandler, W. L. Allen, Bro. J. S. Whitworth.

Appointed Union Meetings:

First District—Mount Paron, Walton county, Ga., beginning Friday before the fifth Sunday in May, 1925.

Second District—Brown's, Oglethorpe county, Ga., Wednesday and Thursday after the first Sunday in March, 1925.

Appointed the next session of this body to sit with the Monroe Primitive Baptist church, beginning Friday before the second Sunday in October, 1925.

Appointed Brethren G. W. Malcom, Sr., W. H. Haralson to receive contributions.

Called for and directed the Clerk to have one thousand Minutes printed and distributed in the usual way.

On motion, voted our thanks to brethren and sisters and friends for their kindness shown us while we have been with them.

Read and adopted the Minutes.

ELDER J. M. ADAMS, Moderator.

W. H. ROBISON, Clerk.

ORDER OF PREACHING.

Friday Morning—Elder C. W. Vaughn.

Friday Afternoon—Elder W. E. Hembree.

Saturday Morning—Elders D. P. Smith and T. C. West.

Saturday Afternoon—Elders R. L. Cook, W. L. Allen and J. F. Chandler.

Sunday Morning—Elders W. W. West, C. W. Vaughn and J. M. Adams.

NAMES OF VISITING MINISTERS.

C. W. Vaughn, Delaware River Association, New Jersey.

W. E. Hembree, Marietta Association, Milton County, Georgia.

D. P. Smith, Yellow River Association, Atlanta, Ga.

W. W. West, Yellow River Association, Atlanta, Ga.

T. C. West, Yellow River Association, East Point, Ga.

R. L. Cook, Yellow River Association, Social Circle, Ga.

NAMES OF ORDAINED MINISTERS.

Elder J. M. Adams.....Monroe, Ga.

Elder J. H. Stewart.....Winterville, Ga.

Elder J. F. Chandler.....Danielsville, Ga.

Elder W. L. Allen.....Social Cricle, Ga.

Elder J. W. Lord.....Jefferson, Ga.

CIRCULAR LETTER.

The Oconee Primitive Baptist Association, to the Churches of our Faith and Order in Fellowship and Correspondence with us, sends Christian Greetings in the Lord:

According to your arrangements at the last session, it has fallen to my lot to address you in the way of a circular letter, and we desire to call your attention to the third verse of the Epistle of Jude: "Beloved, when I gave all diligence to write unto you, and exhort you that ye should earnestly contend for the Faith which was once delivered unto the saints."

We will take notice to whom Jude was addressing, and it was to them that is sanctified by God the Father and preserved in Jesus Christ and called. And we hope today that we, the Primitive Baptists, through the eternal love of God, are still kept by that Faith, that was once delivered unto the saints, not by works of righteousness of our own but according to His own purpose, grace and glory.

Now we take notice to the Apostle Paul in speaking of this Faith, which was once delivered unto the saints; he tells us in the eleventh chapter of the Hebrews: "Faith is the substance of the things hoped for, the evidence of things unseen, for by it the Elders obtain the good report." Seeing now that he takes up the old patriots, we will not take space now to mention the work they did by Faith.

But we find he says after pointing out the works that Faith wrought upon them, and we feel to say it was this same Faith that was once delivered unto the saints. Wherefore, seeing we also are compassed about with so great a crowd of witnesses, let us lay aside every weight and the sin which does so easily beset us, and let us run with patience the race that is set before us, looking unto Jesus, the author and finisher of our faith. And we feel to say Him

being the author and finisher of our faith, if we are embraced in those that are preserved by Jesus Christ and called, that we are still kept in that Faith that was once delivered unto the Saints.

Now, brethren, that we have subscribed to it in our Article of Faith and Jesus being the author and finisher of our Faith that it is only through Him that we can even think a good thought and we hope that we will be kept by Him, that we might be found humble before Him, for He is our righteousness, sanctification and obedience.

J. H. STEWART.

CORRESPONDING LETTER.

The Oconee Primitive Baptist Association, now in session with the church at Beaverdam, to her Sister Associations with whom she corresponds, sendeth Christian greetings:

Dear Brethren and Sisters: We have been made glad in our hearts again to have the privilege of meeting together in an association of our body this once more.

Your correspondence has been edifying to us, in that of preaching the Truth of God as we believe it. Your correspondence has not been as full as we desire, although we feel thankful that it is as well with us as it is.

The next session of our body will be held with the church at Monroe, Ga., beginning Friday before the second Sunday in October, 1925, where we hope to meet again.

ELDER J. T. CHANDLER
ELDER W. L. ALLEN,
BRO. J. S. WHITWORTH.

**IN MEMORY OF OUR DEAD SINCE OUR LAST
SESSION**

Black's Creek—Bro. W. C. Perry.

Mount Paron—Bro. L. A. Malcom.

Moriah—Sister L. M. Meadow, Bro. R. G. Carithers.

Rock Springs—Sister Nannie Malcom.

Jack's Creek—Sister Sarah Ridgeway, Bro. John T. Chaffin.

Beaverdam—Sister H. Whitworth, Sister Martha Balkam.

STATISTICAL REPORT

NAMES CHURCHES	PASTOR	CLERKS AND THEIR POST OFFICE	MESSENGERS' NAMES	Baptized	Rec'd by Letter	Restored	Dismissed	Dead	TOTAL	Meeting Days	Minutes	Ministers
First Dist.												
Monroe	J. M. Adams.	J. Q. Adams.....Monroe	G. W. Peters..J. Q. Adams						14	4	\$1.50	\$4.00
Rock Spring..	J. W. Green..	H. P. Adair.....Rutledge	A. G. Adair..A. G. Malcom	2					171	3	1.50	5.00
Mount Zion..	J. H. Stewart.	W. J. Poss.....Athens	W. J. Poss Ganaway Malcom						27	1	1.50	
Mount Paron.	R. L. Cook...	Geo. M. Hollis, Social Circle	W. L. Allen.W. H. Haralson				1		185	1	3.00	5.00
Coal Creek..	S. A. Huff...	J. F. Bolton.....Monroe	J. M. Breedlove C. R. Garrett						26	1	1.50	
Jack's Creek.	R. L. Cook...	W. H. Robison..Good Hope	W. H. Robison G. W. Malcom						254	2	2.00	
Second Dist.												
Beaverdam ..	J. H. Stewart.	G. A. Stewart..Winterville	G. A. Stewart R. W. Stewart						2	6	3	1.00
Union	J. H. Stewart.	G. L. Chandler, Danielsville	G. L. Chandler G. W. Lord		1	1			23	1	1.50	
Cystra	J. M. Adams.	W. G. David....Danielsville	J. B. Moon..J. R. Carithers	4					16	3	1.50	
Big Creek ...	J. M. Adams.	W. T. Butler.....Athens	W. T. Butler..A. M. Hanson	1					15	1	1.50	2.00
Black's Creek	J. H. Stewart.	N. S. Lord.....Commerce	Mack Lord...E. H. Ingram	1					154	2	1.50	
Brown's	J. M. Adams.	J. T. Harrison....Crawford	G. W. Brooks.J. T. Harrison	1					19	2	1.50	5.00
Moriah	J. F. Chandler	J. S. Whitworth....Colbert	J. F. Chandler J. S. Whitworth						235	4	2.00	



