

MINUTES

OF THE

EIGHTY-SEVENTH ANNUAL SESSION

OF THE

Mountain District Primitive Baptist Association,

CONVENED WITH THE

WILSON CHURCH, GRAYSON CO., VA.,

On FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 25th, 1885.

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MINUTES.

The introductory sermon was delivered by Elder N. C. Baldwin, from Rev. 5th chap. and 5th verse.

After a few minutes intermission, the Messengers assembled in the church-house and were called to order by singing and prayer by the Moderator. Received and read letters from all our churches but one.

Organized by appointing Elder WILLIAM LUNDY *Moderator* and B. RECTOR, *Clerk*.

1st. Called for correspondents from sister Associations : From the *Washington Association*, Brother Zachariah Ward, with a letter and minutes ; from *Roaring River*, a letter and minutes, but no messengers ; from *Senter*, Elders R. Kilby, J. R. Baldwin, T. C. Barker and N. C. Baldwin ; from *New River*, no messengers ; from *Indian Creek*, no messengers ; from *Keehukce*, a file of minutes.

2d. Agreed to take up correspondence with Abbott's Creek Association by minutes and messengers, when convenient.

3d. Called for transcients of our faith and order, and Revs. H. Baldwin and Troy Kilby, from the Senter Association, took seats with us.

4th. Authorized the Moderator to make all temporary appointments during this session.

5th. Appointed Brethren S. B. Jones, L. H. Hampton and H. S. Edwards, with the messengers of this church, to assign preachers to the stand during this session, who appointed for Saturday : 1st, H. Baldwin ; 2d, P. H. Roberts ; 3d, Thomas Barker, correspondent from the Senter Association, and 4th, James Shumate.

6th. Appointed correspondents to sister Associations : To *Washington*, Elders W. B. Halsey, James Shumate and S. M. Dickey. To *Senter*, Elders Wm. Hawkins and C. H. Collins. To *New River*, Elders Wm. Lundy, P. K. Roberts, and Bro. D. E. Stockner. To *Roaring River*, Elders E. F. Kane, J. Shumate, and Bro. Eli Kane. To *Indian Creek*, Elders Wm. Lundy, Wm. Hawkins, A. J. Wagoner ; and the Clerk to send a file of minutes to the Kehukee and Abbotts Creek Associations.

7th. Appointed a Committee of Arrangements, viz. : Wm. Hawkins, W. B. Halsey, J. M. Dickey, James Shumate and C. H. Collins, with the Moderator and Clerk. Correspondents and Transcients invited to sit with them.

8th. Adjourned until to-morrow morning at 9 o'clock. Prayer by W. B. Halsey.

SATURDAY, September 26th, 1885.

Met pursuant to adjournment. Prayer by Elder C. H. Collins.

1st. Called the roll of messengers and marked absentees.

2d. Called on Committee of Arrangements, who reported and were discharged.

3d. Read the Constitution and Rules of Decorum.

4th. Appointed a Committee of Finance : J. A. McMillan, J. M. Dickey and H. D. Estep, who reported :

Received from the churches..	\$29 33
From Treasurer.....	1 75
Allowed the Clerk.....	23 00
For Printing Minutes, &c.,.....	1 00
To Correspondents.....	16 08

5th. Called on Correspondents, who reported and were discharged.

6th. From Crooked Church : We ask the Association to consider the propriety of holding members from Fisher's - River Association without letters.

Answer : We, as an advisory counsel, say that it is not gospel order for a Primitive Baptist Church or Association to receive members or churches from another Primitive Baptist Church or Association, without letters of dismission.

7th. The next section meeting is appointed to be held with the Elk Creek Church on Friday before the second Sunday in August, 1866, William Lundy, William Hawkins and W. B. Halsey to attend.

8th. Called on the committee that was appointed to visit corresponding lines, who reported ; and the same committee continued, who is to visit our own churches and report anything that would interfere with correspondents or the peace in our own body.

9th. Appointed a Union Meeting with Union Church, the 1st Saturday and Sunday in July next : W. B. Halsey and Wm. Hawkins to attend. One with Little River church, the 3rd Saturday and Sunday in June next : Wm. Lundy and Wm. Hawkins to attend. One with Meadow Creek church, the 1st Saturday and Sunday in September next : W. B. Halsey and Jas. Shumate to attend. One with the Senter church, the 2nd Saturday and Sunday in May next : W. B. Halsey and C. H. Collins to attend.

10th. The Committee on the Ministry reported for Sunday : 1st, Joseph Baldwin, correspondent from the Senter Association, who preached from 1st Peter, 1st chapter and 1 and 2 verses. 2nd, W. B. Halsey, from Revelations, 3rd chapter and 22 verse. 3rd, Wm. Hawkins, from Revelations, 22d chapter, latter part of the 17th verse.

11th. Appointed the Clerk Treasurer, and have 800 copies of these Minutes printed and distributed as directed.

12. Our next Association to be held with the Mitchell's River church, Surry County, N. C., to commence on *Friday before the 4th Sunday in September next*. W. B. Halsey to preach the Introductory Sermon, and C. H. Collins, alternate.

13th. *Resolved*, That we tender our thanks to God and the brethren and friends of this vicinity for their kindness shown us during this session.

14th. *Resolved*, That we now adjourn to the time and place of our next meeting.

Prayer by Elder W. B. Halsey, and admonition by the Moderator.

B. RECTOR, *Clerk*.

WILLIAM LUNDY, *Moderator*.

STATISTICAL TABLE.

CHURCHES.	POSTOFFICES.	PASTORS.	NAMES OF MESSENGERS.	Contributions.....	Total Number...	Deceased.....	Excluded.....	Dism'd by Letter.....	Restored.....	Rec'd by Letter.....	Baptized.....	Licentiates.....	Ord. M'nisters.....	Church Meetings
Antioch.....	Elk Creek.....	A. J. Wagoner.....	E. F. Kane, J. W. Tedder, H. D. Estep.....	47 \$ 1.00	47	180	1	3	1	8	1	1	1	4
Cross Roads.....	Hamp' N' Roads, Cold Spring.....	Hawkins & Collins, Lundy.....	L. H. Hampton, J. O. Brewer.....	2.25	180	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	3
Crooked Creek.....	Collins' Mill.....	".....	Eli Kane, Alex. Burcham.....	.75	49	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	2	
Crab Creek.....	Sparta.....	".....	C. H. Collins, B. Rector.....	1.00	31	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	4	
Elk Creek.....	Month Whison.....	Hawkins & Shumate.....	J. M. Gambill, G. McReaves.....	1.50	98	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	2	
Fox Creek.....	Lowe Gap.....	W. B. Halsey.....	W. B. Halsey, J. A. McMillan, S. F. Halsey.....	1.50	84	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	3	
Fisher's Gap.....	Cabell.....	T. J. Lawson.....	Anderson Galycan.....	1.00	84	1	1	2	1	1	1	1	1	
Good Hope.....	Independence.....	Lundy.....	Wm. Lundy, D. E. Stockner.....	1.15	27	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	2	
Jordan.....	Spring Valley.....	Jas. Shumate.....	J. M. Murry, S. F. Anders.....	1.00	51	1	1	2	1	1	1	1	3	
Knob Fork.....	Sparta.....	Jas. Shumate.....	Jas. Shumate, R. Fender, H. S. Edwards.....	2.00	91	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	3	
Little River.....	Meadow Creek.....	Lundy.....	T. S. Higgins, A. Jennings, R. Davis.....	1.00	36	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	
Meadow Creek.....	Good Spring.....	John Willey.....	C. Gentry, W. Gentry, G. B. Gillespie.....	1.00	23	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	4	
Mitchell's River.....	Rusk.....	J. D. Draughn.....	S. B. Jones.....	1.00	18	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	
Mulberry.....	Delphia.....	Jas. Shumate.....	W. M. Halsey, B. F. Dixon.....	.40	61	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	4	
New River.....	Piney Creek.....	W. B. Halsey.....	W. M. Halsey, B. F. Dixon.....	1.50	39	1	1	5	1	1	1	1	4	
Piney Creek.....	Independence.....	S. M. Dickey.....	J. M. Dickey, J. W. McBride.....	1.00	39	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	2	
Peach Bottom.....	Sham Rock.....	Wm. Hawkins.....	Wm. Hawkins, P. K. Roberts, L. A. Boyer.....	1.50	77	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	
Rock Creek.....	Independence.....	S. M. Dickey.....	S. M. Dickey, D. J. Busick, J. K. Bryant.....	2.00	111	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	4	
Saddle Creek.....	Dobson.....	J. D. Draughn.....	M. H. Norman.....	1.00	20	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	4	
Seater.....	Sparta.....	A. J. Wagoner.....	A. J. Wagoner, I. Fender, D. C. Whitehead.....	2.00	128	1	1	2	1	1	1	1	1	
Union.....	Rugby.....	S. M. Dickey.....	F. Plummer, N. Shelton, M. Sabaston.....	1.00	67	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	
Wilson.....	Edwards N' Roads.....	Hawkins & Collins, Lundy.....	John Choate.....	1.00	64	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	2	
Zion.....	Pine Ridge.....	".....	Noah Hull.....	1.50	20	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	
Zion Hill.....	Lansburg.....	".....	".....	.50	16	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	2	
Chestnut Grove.....	".....	".....	".....											

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