

# MINUTES

OF THE

**Seventy-Eighth Annual Session**

OF THE

**LOWER CANOOCHEE ASSOCIATION**

**Of Primitive Baptists**

**Held With Savannah Church**

CHATHAM COUNTY, GEORGIA

**October 8, 9, and 10th, 1926.**



## OFFICERS:

Elder J. Walter Hendricks, Moderator..... Savannah, Ga.

J. L. Brown, Clerk ..... Metter, Ga.

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1. Meeting opened with singing and prayer by Elder D. R. McElveen of Stilson, Georgia.
2. Introductory Sermon by Elder W. B. Screws.
3. The Association was called to order by the Moderator.
4. Called for letters from the Churches which were handed in, read statistics minuted.
5. On Motion organized permanently by electing Elder J. Walter Hendricks, Moderator, and J. L. Brown, Clerk.
6. Invited visiting Brethren to seats with us.
7. Called for petitionary letters, none presented.
8. Appointed committees as follows: ON PREACHING;—D. R. McElveen, C. H. Warnoch, H. S. Parrish, Geo. S. Cargill and M. L. Mixon. ON GENERAL MEETINGS:—Joe D. Brannen, Aaron McElveen and B. F. Lee. ON FINANCE:—E. J. Bird, H. V. Franklin and L. F. Martin.
9. Called for report of committee on preaching, who reported as follows: Friday P. M. Elder T. E. Sikes; Saturday A. M. Elder S. C. Davis, followed by Elder G. D. Todd. P. M. Elder C. E. Sanders; Sunday A. M. Elder Aaron Parrish, followed by Elder W. W. Riner. P. M. Elder J. T. McArthur, closed by the Moderator.
10. On motion agreed to carry in our minutes the names and addresses of all visiting ministers.
11. On motion adjourned until 10:00 o'clock Saturday morning.

SATURDAY, 2ND DAY.

12. Met pursuant to adjournment. Singing and prayer by Elder G. Dewey Todd.
13. Called the roll.
14. On motion appointed next session of this body to convene with the church at Metter, Ga., on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday before the Second Sunday in October 1927.
15. Called for report of committee to arrange general meetings, who reported as follows: Upper Black Creek, Fifth Sunday in January and Friday and Saturday before; Middle Ground, Fifth Sunday in May and Friday and Saturday before; Lanes, Fifth Sunday in July and Friday and Saturday before.
16. Correspondence having been suspended, we cordially invite all orthodox Primitive Baptist to visit our annual sessions.
17. Called for report of Committee on Finance, who reported as follows: For Minutes, \$24.00; for Visiting Ministers, sent in by the Churches, \$157.59; by public contribution, for Ministers, \$106.68; for Minutes, \$6.00.
18. On motion agreed to have 500 copies of these Minutes printed, the



Clerk to superintend the printing and distribution of same.

19. On motion the foregoing Minutes were read and adopted.

20. On motion the Association adjourned.

J. L. BROWN,  
Clerk.

ELDER J. WALTER HENDRICKS,  
Moderator.

In behalf of the Moderator, Ministers, Messengers and the visitors, composing this Association; we wish to extend our thanks to the brethren, sisters and friends of the Savannah Church for their hospitality and the system in which they so bountifully provided for the meeting, and with a heart full of love and gratitude we wish to invoke the blessings of our kind Heavenly Father upon them.

CLERK.

#### NAMES AND ADDRESSES OF VISITING MINISTERS

G. D. Todd, Glennville, Ga. Bethel Association.

Aaron Parrish, Quitman, Ga. Ochlocknee Association.

W. W. Riner, 66 Currier St. Atlanta, Ga. Primitive Western Assn.

T. E. Sikes, Vidalia, Ga. Upper Canoochee Association.

S. C. Davis, Screven, Ga. Bethel Association.

J. T. McArthur, Cordele, Georgia.

#### ORDAINED MINISTERS AND THEIR POST OFFICES:

D. R. M'ELVEEN .....	Stilson, Ga.
J. WALTER HENDRICKS .....	Savannah, Ga.
C. H. WARNOCK .....	Register, Ga.
Wm. H. CROUSE .....	Statesboro, Ga.
C. B. SPIVEY .....	Metter, Ga.
C. E. SANDERS .....	Collins, Ga.

#### CHURCHES, THEIR OFFICERS AND POST OFFICES:

Churches	Pastors	Clerks	Post Office
Lake .....	W. B. Screws	S. W. Warren .....	Metter, Ga.
Middleground .....	R. H. Kennedy	L. F. Martin .....	Statesboro, Ga.
Brooklet .....	W. T. Nipper	W. Lee M'Elveen ....	Brooklet, Ga.
Statesboro .....	W. H. Crouse	Paul F. Groover .....	Statesboro, Ga.
Fellowship .....	T. E. Sikes	C. H. Warnock .....	Stilson, Ga.
Savannah .....	J. W. Hendricks	E. W. Parrish ....	Savannah, Ga.
Metter .....	W. H. Crouse	Geo. W. Brown.....	Metter, Ga.
Upper Black Creek, R. H. Kennedy		B. J. Fordham .....	Brooklet, Ga.
Upper Lotts Creek, J. W. Hendricks		W. D. Hall .....	Metter, Ga.
Lanes .....	S. C. Davis	P. S. Richardson .....	Stilson, Ga.

#### CONSTITUTION

Whereas, the assembly of delegates at Limestone Church, Washington County, Georgia, on Saturday before the fourth Sunday in September, 1829, for the several churches, viz: New Hope, Hebron, Mill Creek, Limestone, Hines, Fox Bay, Canoochee, Lake, Upper Black Creek, Bethlehem, Little Briar Creek, Gumlog and Bethseda, having then and there agreed to become two bodies, for convenience, called Upper and Lower Ca-



noochee Associations.

And in the Lower Canoochee Association, Composed of the several churches, viz: Nevil's Creek, Mill Creek, Lower Lotts Creek, Lake, Fellowship, Deloach's, Upper Black Creek, Ashe's Branch, Bethlehem, Anderson's, Fox Bay, Sunlight, Cedar Creek, Beard's Creek, Bethel, Lanes, Upper Mill Creek, and Bay Branch do agree to unite on the following Principles:

1. This Association shall meet annually to worship and praise God.
2. This Association shall be composed of messengers, whose names shall be inserted in their letters.
3. It shall be the duty of the Association to elect a moderator and clerk to keep a record of each minute.
4. This Association will call for and admit into its body any church that is orderly and orthodox; also if any church wishes to withdraw from her body, she may do so at her discretion.
5. This Association will make its own rules to govern itself, while in session; but none of its rules shall be binding on the churches, for they are free; and so declared in God's word.
6. This Association will appoint a committee to arrange preaching during its session.
7. This Association will appoint a committee to arrange general meetings according to the request of the churches.
8. This Association will appoint a committee on finance.
9. This Association will receive all visiting brethren who are orderly and orthodox Primitive Baptists, and manifest the same by moderator extending the right hand of fellowship.
10. In all cases involving a change in this constitution a two-thirds vote shall be required.

#### ARTICLES OF FAITH.

1. We believe in one true and living God, and that there are three persons in the Godhead, the Father, Son and Holy Spirit.
2. We believe in the fall of man and his inability to recover himself.
3. We believe Jesus Christ to be the Son of God.
4. We believe particular election, effectual calling of the elect, and final preservation of the saints.
5. We believe the Scriptures of the Old and New Testaments to be the word of God.
6. We believe that Baptism and the Lord's Supper are ordinances, and the washing of the saints' feet is an example of Jesus Christ, and true believers are the only fit subjects of these ordinances, and believe the only true mode of baptism is immersion.
7. We believe that no minister has the right to the administration of the ordinances of baptism and the Lord's Supper, but such as are regularly called and come under the imposition of hands by a presbytery.
8. We believe in a final judgment, in a future reward and punishment, and that of eternal duration.

# STATISTICAL TABLE 1926

CHURCHES	COUNTY	NAMES OF MESSENGERS	Meeting Days	Received by Baptism	Received by Letter	Received by Confession	Recommended by Letter	Rec'd by Restoration	Excluded	Dead	Total membership	Money for Minutes	Money for Ministers
Upper Lotts Creek.....	Bulloch .....	J. T. Kingery, J. W. Hendricks	4				2			2	71	4.00	16.00
Metter .....	Candler .....	J. L. Brown, E. J. Bird	3				1			1	12	5.00	20.00
Upper Black Creek.....	Bulloch .....	B. F. Lee, Meldrim Davis	3				4			2	59	3.00	15.00
Brooklet .....	Bulloch .....	D. L. Alderman, R. H. Warnock	4				3		2		64	2.00	14.00
Savannah .....	Chatham .....	Geo. S. Cargill, M. L. Dixon	2		9		6		10	5	35	2.50	7.50
Lanes .....	Bulloch .....	D. R. M'Elveen, P. S. Richardson	1	1	5					1	28	1.50	10.00
Lake .....	Candler .....	Joshua Everett, Joe D. Brannen	1	4	1				2	3	25	5.00	15.00
Fellowship .....	Bulloch .....	C. H. Warnock, A. J. Proctor	3	1			4			3	47	1.00	15.00
Statesboro .....	Bulloch .....	H. S. Parrish, H. V. Franklin	2	2	1		3			3	98	5.00	25.00
Middleground .....	Bulloch .....	Chas. Akin, L. F. Martin	1	2						4	76	5.00	20.00
TOTALS .....			9	16			23		14	24	9 35	34.00	157.50





