



MINUTES

OF THE

FORTY-EIGHTH ANNUAL SESSION

OF THE

Tuckasiege Baptist Association,

HELD WITH THE

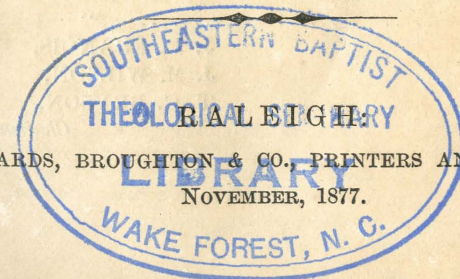
HEAD OF TENNESSEE CHURCH,

RABUN COUNTY, GA.,

August 17th, 18th, 19th and 20th, 1877.

The next Annual Session of this Association will be held with Crab Tree Church, Haywood County, N. C., Friday before the third Sabbath in Aug., 1878.

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LIST OF MINISTERS.

C. M. GREEN,	Waynesville.
S. H. HARRINGTON,	Franklin.
C. B. MINGUS,	Pigeon River.
W. HAYNES,	" "
C. WILLIAMS,	" "
J. V. REECE,	Forks of Pigeon.
C. S. BUCHANAN,	Webster.
W. R. CRAWFORD,	Caler's Hill.
E. D. BRENDLE,	Webster.
W. ENSLEY,	"
J. L. BUCHANAN,	"
JOHN LONG,	Qualla Town.
AX,	" "
JOHN JACKSON,	" "
M. M. BROWN,	East Laport.
B. N. QUEEN,	Neddie Rock.
W. C. MCCARTHY,	Qualla Town.
P. G. GREEN,	Valley.
L. QUEEN,	East Laport.
W. C. BERRY,	" "
L. W. HOOPER,	Rich Mountain.
W. H. CONNER,	Ocona Luffy.
JOSHUA AMMONS,	Franklin.
J. S. WOODARD,	"
P. R. RICKMAN,	"
I. D. WRIGHT,	"
S. GIBSON,	West's Mills.
A. A. JUSTICE,	" "
M. P. LONG,	Wikle's Store.
T. J. MARTIN,	Haysville.
THOMAS CARTER,	Head of Tennessee, Ga.
WM. DEWEESE,	Aquone.
M. MAY,	"

J. E. FRANCIS,
J. M. WILSON,
T. C. BRYSON,
Chairman.

PROCEEDINGS.

HEAD OF TENNESSEE CHURCH,
FRIDAY, Aug. 17th, 1876.

The Tuckasiege Baptist Association met with Head of Tennessee Church according to adjournment of the Forty-Seventh session.

Introductory Sermon by Elder W. H. Conner, at 11 o'clock A. M. Text: Acts 16: 3.

After an intermission of one hour, Elder E. D. Brendle called the body to order.

Devotional exercises by Elder I. D. Wright.

Clerk being absent, A. J. Herren was appointed Clerk, *pro tem*.

S. C. Herren and T. C. Bryson were appointed tellers.

The Churches of the various districts being called the following delegates were enrolled, viz:

FIRST DISTRICT.

Antioch.—Not represented.
Bethel.—Not represented.
Crab Tree.—Not represented.
Cove Creek.—Not represented.
East Fork.—Letter.
Friendship.—Not represented.
Jonathan's Creek.—Not represented.
Locust Field.—A. Haynes.
Mount Zion.—S. J. Williams.
Pleasant Hill.—J. E. Francis.
Waynesville.—S. C. Herren, A. J. Herren and S. H. Herrington.

SECOND DISTRICT.

Balsom Grove.—Not represented.
Caney Fork.—H. A. Brown.
Cedar Grove.—J. B. Allen.
Cullowhee.—Letter.
Echota.—Not represented.
Hamburg.—J. L. Owens and J. M. Wilson.
John's Creek.—Not represented.
Luffy.—Elder W. H. Conner and H. J. Beck.
Mount Pleasant.—James F. Murray.

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Scotts Creek.—Elder W. Ensley, Elder E. D. Brendle, A. W. Farmer, J. H. Queen, W. H. Queen and J. L. Queen.
Savannah.—Elder J. L. Buchanan, D. H. Ash and W. O. Buchanan.
Shoal Creek.—Letter.
Shady Grove.—Letter.
Sol's Creek.—Elder B. N. Queen.
Webster.—Not represented.
Yellow Hill.—Letter.
Zion Hill.—Not represented.

THIRD DISTRICT.

Briartown.—J. F. Tippett and J. M. Ownby.
Burningtown.—P. C. Wild, Joseph Wild, W. Cockram, Joshua Tallant, and S. Wilson.
Cartoogachaye.—Elder I. D. Wright, B. S. Dills, H. H. Dills, J. L. Leadford and T. E. Wright.
Cowee.—W. F. Potts, H. B. Grant, J. M. Rickman and T. C. Bryson.
Coweeta.—Elder M. P. Long, J. A. T. Sanders, T. W. Rhodes and C. L. Luther.
Franklin.—Elders J. S. Woodard, Joshua Ammons and P. R. Rickman, with J. D. Franks, John Ammons, John Elmore and E. H. Franks.
Liberty.—J. R. Sheppard, J. M. Mason and M. J. Mashburn.
Mountain Grove.—Not represented.
Nantehala.—Not represented.
Sugar Fork.—G. Bolick and W. P. Deal.
Head of Tennessee.—M. Grist, A. G. Dillard, L. H. Garland, D. P. Garland, J. B. Dillard, C. F. Garland and J. L. Garland.

Elder I. D. Wright was elected Moderator.

Samuel C. Herren was elected Clerk.

Corresponding Messengers from sister Associations were invited to seats and welcomed as follows :

Twelve Mile Association.—J. West.

On motion, the minutes of last year was to be taken as the form of business for the evening.

The following Committees were appointed :

On Religious Exercises.—A. Haynes, W. Farmer and John Ammons, with delegates of Head of Tennessee Church.

On Arrangements.—A. J. Herren and Elders W. Conner, P. R. Rickman, with Moderator and Clerk.

On Periodicals.—Elders J. S. Woodard, W. Ensley and Bro. J. F. Murray.

On Temperance.—J. D. Franks and S. H. Harrington.

On Finance.—H. J. Beck and E. H. Franks.

On Education.—E. D. Brendle and T. C. Bryson.

On Missions.—A. J. Herren and M. P. Long.

On Obituaries.—A. Haynes, Joseph Allen and W. F. Potts.

On Sabbath Schools.—W. H. Queen, S. J. Williams and John Elmore.

On motion, the Association adjourned to 9½ o'clock A. M., to-morrow.

SATURDAY, August 18th, 1877.

Association met according to adjournment. Moderator I. D. Wright in the chair.

Devotional exercises by Elder W. H. Conner.

Roll called and minutes of Friday read and approved.

An invitation was given to visiting Ministers and Elder Byers, from Liberty Association, responded and was welcomed to a seat.

On motion, the following Deacons were invited to seats, viz :

Clarksville Association.—W. H. Cannon.

Hiwassee Association.—M. England and S. J. Carter.

Fork Association.—W. J. Nevels.

On an invitation to Correspondents, J. S. Smiley, from Valley River, responded and was welcomed to a seat.

A. J. Herren, charmain of Committee on Arrangements, reported. Report adopted.

Reading of Rules of Order called for and read by the Clerk.

Circular Letter read by Elder B. N. Queen, and adopted.

On motion, Elder S. H. Harrington was appointed to write next Circular Letter.

Elder J. S. Woodard, chairman of Committee on Periodicals, reported. Report adopted.

Elder T. Carter being present was invited to a seat.

A. J. Herren, chairman of Committee on Missions, reported. Report adopted.

Sol's Creek and Caney Fork Churches being called, answered, letters read, and delegates seated.

On motion, the Association took recess for an hour.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Elder E. D. Brendle, chairman of Committee on Education, reported. Report adopted.

The following Correspondents were appointed, viz :

New Found.—A. Haynes, S. F. Murray and Elder C. M. Green.

Salem.—Elders W. Haynes, and C. B. Mingus.

Hiwassee.—Elder M. May and T. J. Martin.

Valley River.—J. D. Franks, H. J. Beck and Elders E. D. Brendle, W. Ensley, W. Haynes, B. N. Queen and W. H. Conner.

Transylvania.—Elder L. Queen and L. W. Hooper.
Twelve Mile.—J. L. Owens, James Wilson and J. A. Marshall.

On motion, Elder E. D. Brendle was appointed *Historian*.
 On motion, Elders E. D. Brendle, C. B. Mingus, I. D. Wright, B. N. Queen and C. M. Green were appointed a Committee to examine Licentiates.

On motion, Crab Tree, Haywood county, was appointed as the place for the next annual meeting of the Tuckasiege Association.

On motion, Elder J. S. Woodard was appointed to preach the Introductory sermon, and Elder S. H. Herrington his alternate.

On motion, a Committee was appointed to revise the list of Minister's names. Appointed: J. E. Francis, J. M. Wilson and T. C. Bryson.

On motion, 11 o'clock Sunday was the hour appointed for preaching the Missionary Sermon.

On motion, the Association adjourned until Monday 9 o'clock A. M.

SUNDAY, August 19th, 1877.

Elder B. N. Queen preached at 10 o'clock A. M. Text: John 19: 30.

Elder W. Ensley preached at 11 o'clock A. M. Text: Mat. 24: 14.

Collections \$16.20.

Elder E. D. Brendle preached at 3 o'clock P. M. Text: 1st Peter 3: 18.

MONDAY, August 20th, 1877.

Association called to order. Moderator I. D. Wright in the chair.

Devotional exercises by Elder S. H. Harrington.

Roll called and minutes of Saturday read and approved.

J. D. Franks, Chairman of Committee on Temperance, reported. Report adopted.

On motion, A. J. Herren, A. W. Farmer and J. W. Rickman were appointed a Committee to recommend Missionaries for the ensuing year.

A. Haynes, chairman of Committee on Obituaries, reported. Report adopted.

J. H. Queen, chairman of Committee on Sabbath Schools, reported. Report adopted.

A. W. Farmer, chairman of Committee to recommend Missionaries, reported. Report adopted.

H. J. Beck, chairman of Committee on Finance, reported. Report adopted.

On motion, any Delegate of this body visiting a sister Association, may do so as a Correspondent.

J. E. Francis, chairman of Committee to revise list of Ministers names, reported. Report adopted.

On motion, the Constitution and Rules of Order were ordered to be printed with the minutes.

On motion the collections of Sunday were given to Foreign Missions.

On motion, A. J. Herren was appointed Treasurer of the Tuckasiege Association.

On motion, Elders S. H. Harrington, W. H. Conner and T. Carter were appointed delegates from this body to the Western Baptist Convention.

On motion, the Clerk was to superintend the printing and distribution of the minutes, and receive \$7.00 for the same.

On motion, all moneys belonging to the Association was ordered to be paid over to the Treasurer.

J. L. Owens offered the following resolution, which was adopted:

Resolved, That the thanks of this body are due and are hereby tendered to the Brethren, Sisters and citizens of this community for the very hospitable manner in which they have entertained this meeting.

On motion, the Association adjourned to meet at Crab Tree, Haywood county, N. C., on Friday before the third Sabbath in August, 1878, at 11 o'clock, A. M.

I. D. WRIGHT, MODERATOR.

SAM'L C. HERREN, *Clerk*.

REPORT ON OBITUARIES.

Among the many sainted beings who have gone to join the bright hosts "beyond the stars," are, in the 1st District, Bros. J. P. Osborne, B. L. Pharr and Z. D. Westmoreland. 2nd District, are Sisters Puerly Dills, Emily Henson and Margarette E. Brown with Bros. James A. Hall, J. M. Beck, James Buchanan and Frederick Huffman. 3rd District, are Sisters Elizabeth Duvall, Elizabeth Bradley, Rosanah Jackson and Mary Parker, with Bros. Jacob Shoap and Joseph Davis. While we mourn the absence of these dear ones we have reasons to hope that they are now enjoying their treasures in Heaven.

A. HAYNES,
JOSEPH ALLEN, } Committee.
W. F. POTTS, }

APPENDIX.

REPORT ON PERIODICALS.

We should encourage the circulation of Baptist Literature in all the Churches of this Association. There is more general information diffused through Periodicals than perhaps through any other source save the Bible and its ministry. We would therefore encourage every Baptist family in our land to subscribe for the *Biblical Recorder*, it being the organ of our faith in North Carolina.

J. S. WOODARD,
W. ENSLEY, } Committee.
J. F. MURRAY, }

REPORT ON TEMPERANCE.

Intemperance, as we all know, exists to an alarming extent, and is the crying evil of our land. It is blackening characters, crushing intellects and damning souls. We would therefore earnestly advise total abstinence among all our brethren.

J. D. FRANKS,
S. HARRINGTON, } Committee

REPORT ON EDUCATION.

This is a subject which has very strong claims upon this Association, and the time has come when we can have no excuse for living and dying in ignorance, for if we will only encourage the means within our reach and do our duty toward God and our fellow-man the time is not far distant when not a bright-eyed boy or girl in our midst will grow up without being able to read and write. And although great good has been accomplished by Ministers with a limited education, yet we believe greater good might have been done if the same Ministers had been thoroughly educated. Now, we would admonish our young brethren in the Ministry to use every means at their convenience that they may keep pace with the rise and progress of the times and that they may be able to present the truths of God's word intelligently and understandingly to a people that they will meet at the bar of Almighty God.

E. D. BRENDELE,
T. C. BRYSON, } Committee.

REPORT ON MISSIONS.

DEAR BRETHREN.—Has this subject any claims upon our body? Has a sufficiency been consecrated by the christian world to carry on this great work, as God has required at our hands? We answer, No. Who is responsible for this great neglect, and what has Christ's cause suffered by it? We are all responsible to some extent. What of our Ministry—have they complied with their high commission, "Go ye therefore and teach all nations, &c.,"—and "Lo, I am with you always, even unto the end of the world"?

Have we been taught to observe this duty,

"O Watchman tell us of the night,
What the signs of promise are."

A. J. HERREN,
M. P. LONG, } Committee.

CIRCULAR LETTER.

"The most practical way and means of carrying out the missionary spirit as taught in the Bible."

Inasmuch as the promise laid down assumes that missionary labor is the doctrine of the Bible, I will take the ground, that if missionary labor is the Bible plan to establish Christ's Kingdom in the earth, that with the plan means may be found to carry it out. It would be doing injustice to say God has devised a plan without the means. God laid the plan to redeem, he afforded the means; God laid the plan of his earthly kingdom, and its bounds are the redeemed; but the plan is, that "the ends of the earth are to be possessed." War is proclaimed, captains of thousands, hundreds and fifties are commissioned. The commandment is to "go, and as ye go, preach; go preach the Gospel of my Kingdom to every creature; teach them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you, and lo, I am with you always, even to the end of the world." "But," says the officers, "where are the literal means for the campaign?" "Take no thought for your life, what ye shall put on; take neither gold nor silver, nor change of raiment, for the laborer is worthy of his meat." Meat is the grand means, literally, of carrying out the missionary spirit of the Bible. Where is that meat to come from? It would most assuredly be expected to come from the Kingdom. It could not be expected for officers representing one kingdom to draw much from the treasury of another kingdom; neither is it reasonable for one nation to expect support from an opposing one. Then, we conclude, that the government of Christ on earth was established and is carried on upon the missionary plan, and was designed to be a self-supporting government. If so, every subject owes his undivided allegiance to his King and should observe his law; and the law of our King is, we "shall not muzzle the ox that treadeth out the corn," and if his mouth is not muzzled he will be able at all times to perform the duty required of him. The nature and laws of this great missionary Kingdom are such, that each subject keeps a kind of wayside hotel, where the weary captain of a thousand or fifty may, while in the discharge of official business, find refreshment and a little help on his way; and each church is, or should be, a bank where the legal checks of the Kings' officers can be cashed at all times. Now, if this is not the case, we brethren as executors, had better begin now to set in order the things that are wanting.

Respectfully submitted,

B. N. QUEEN.

CONSTITUTION.

ARTICLE 1. This Association shall be called the Tuckasege United Baptist Association.

ART. 2. It shall be composed of male members, chosen by the respective churches in our Union, and duly sent to represent them in the Association; and upon their producing certificates from their respective churches, certifying their appointment, their churches having complied with this Constitution, they shall be entitled to seats in the body.

ART. 3. In the certificate shall be expressed the number baptized, received by letter, dismissed, excluded, restored and dead, since the last Association. Also, the number of teachers and pupils in their Sabbath Schools, the time of their prayer meeting, the amount of their pastor's salary, the name of their pastor, their Post Office, the number of ordained ministers and licentiates, the contributions, and the total number of members.

ART. 4. This Association shall have no power to lord it over God's heritage. Nor shall it have any clerical power over the churches. Nor shall it infringe upon any of the internal rights of any church in the union.

ART. 5. The Association shall have a Moderator, Clerk and Historian, who shall be chosen by a majority of the whole vote.

ART. 6. The Association has the right to determine what churches shall be admitted as members of the body.

ART. 7. The Association has the right to withdraw her fellowship from any church for not complying with her rules, or for violating the orthodox principles of the gospel.

ART. 8. Each church should furnish its licentiates with a written certificate, setting forth the privileges granted to them.

ART. 9. No church should grant license until the applicant has the rudiments of an English education; at least he ought to be able to read and write correctly.

ART. 10. That each licentiate study the following books, in connection with the Bible, the first year of his ministry, viz: Worcester's History, Orchard's History of the Baptists, 2 vols., Clark's View, and Buck's Philosophy of Religion. And for the second year's study, Ripley's Sacred Rhetoric, Conant's History of Bible Translation, and Dagg's Manual of Theology.

ART. 11. That the licentiates in the Association attend the meetings of this body, for encouragement and examination by a committee of three, appointed by the Moderator at the preceding session, in connection with the Moderator and Clerk of said session.

ART. 12. The Clerk of each Association shall transmit to the Clerk of each church sending up licentiates, the committee's opinion, in writing, in relation to the progress and ability of its young ministers.

ART. 13. The Moderator shall always have the Articles of Faith, the Constitution, and Rules of Decorum, at the meetings of the body.

ART. 14. This Constitution may be altered or amended by a two-thirds vote of the members present.

RULES OF DECORUM.

1. Every meeting for business shall be opened and closed by prayer, either by the Moderator, or by some one whom he shall appoint.

2. Every speaker shall rise and address the Moderator on any subject to be discussed, after the announcement of the motion by the Moderator.

3. No motion shall be debated unless seconded, and no member shall speak more than twice on the same motion without special leave of the body.

4. Every question shall be decided by the living voice, unless otherwise directed.

5. During hours of business, all private conversation, walking across or out of the house, without permission of the Moderator, shall be considered a breach of order.

6. The names of the delegates shall be called each day, previous to proceeding to business.

7. All resolutions shall be reduced to writing, signed by the mover, and handed to the Moderator before debated.

8. When a motion is under debate, no motion shall be received but to adjourn, to postpone indefinitely, to commit, to lay on the table, or to amend; which several motions shall have precedence in the order they are arranged. But no motion or proposition on a subject different from that under consideration, shall be admitted under color of amendment.

9. When a motion has been carried in the affirmative, or negative, it shall be in order for any member who voted with the majority, to move for reconsideration the same day, or succeeding day.

10. When the reading of a paper is called for, and objected to by any member, it shall be determined by a vote of the body.

11. No member shall absent himself from the Association, without leave of the Association.

12. All queries, except such as relate to the Constitution, shall be decided by a majority of votes.

13. All questions regularly sent up from the churches, may be answered, if expedient. And all matters relative to the good of the churches, shall be duly considered.

14. Should the presiding officer fail to enforce the foregoing regulations, he shall be regarded as untrue to his trust, and may be reminded of his duty by any member present.

STATISTICAL TABLE.

CHURCHES.	PASTORS.	CLERKS.	POSTOFFICES	Baptized	Rec'd by let.	Dismissed.	Excluded	Restored.	Died.	Or. Ministers	Total.	SS Teachers	SS Scholars.	Pastor's Salary.	Time of prayer meeting.	Time of Ch. Meeting.	Contributions.
Locust Field,.....	E. J. Morgan,...	A. J. Osborne,...	Pigeon River,.....	1	11	5	2	..	3	2	161	7	60	\$ 50	...	..	\$ 2 00
Mount Zion,.....	M. C. Compton,...	J. A. Burnett,...	Forks of Pigeon,...	15	1	9	2	..	..	1	47	5	35	50	2d	2nd	25
Waynesville,...	C. M. Green,...	M. J. Ownby,...	Waynesville,.....	47	9	..	..	..	..	2	147	7	70	200	1st	1st	3 00
East Fork,.....	J. V. Rease,....	A. E. Haynes,...	East Fork,	6	..	1	..	..	..	..	16	..	..	16	..	..	80
Shady Grove,....	J. F. Brown,....	.....	.....	..	2	3	..	..	2	..	22	..	..	..	2nd	..	..
Mount Pleasant,...	J. L. Buchanan,...	A. J. Hall,.....	Scott's Creek,.....	..	2	3	2	..	1	..	81	6	50	..	1st	1st	90
Caney Fork,.....	M. M. Brown,...	H. A. Brown,...	.....	..	..	2	..	..	1	..	52	2	35	..	..	..	..
Scott Creek,...	E. D. Brendle,...	W. H. Queen,...	Webster,.....	1	5	1	..	..	2	..	90	16	106	..	4th	4th	1 60
Cedar Grove,....	.....	D. J. Allen,....	Webster,.....	..	..	9	..	..	1	..	19	15	106	..	1st	1st	75
Cullowhee,.....	J. L. Buchanan,...	A. D. Hooper,...	.....	..	1	1	..	..	..	..	30	..	..	..	3rd	..	..
Yellow Hill,....	John Jackson,...	N. J. Smith,...	Lufty,	12	..	..	1	..	..	..	57	6	20	..	2nd	2nd	75
Lufty,.....	E. D. Brendle,...	H. J. Beck,....	Lufty,	4	1	5	..	..	1	1	40	6	40	20	..	..	1 00
Sol's Creek,...	B. N. Queen,...	L. W. Hooper,...	Neddy Rock,	2	2	3	2	..	..	..	65	4	25	..	1st	..	..
Shoal Creek,...	E. D. Brendle,...	S. J. Beck,....	Qualla Town,.....	..	3	..	..	..	1	1	44	5	60	..	1st	1st	25
Savanah,.....	C. L. Buchanan,...	C. C. Dills,...	.....	15	2	7	3	1	..	..	127	7	60	..	..	..	..
Hamburg,	J. L. Buchanan,...	J. M. Wilson,...	Hamburg, .....	..	..	5	..	..	..	..	49	6	75	1st	4th	75	
Coweeta,	M. P. Long,.....	T. W. Rhodes,...	Wilke's Store,.....	4	2	1	..	..	2	..	83	..	60	..	3rd	..	..
Franklin,.....	J. S. Woodard,...	J. K. Bryson,...	Franklin,	3	3	3	3	..	2	3	66	3	40	35	1st	1st	2 50
Liberty,.....	.....	M. J. Marshburn,...	.....	1	..	1	..	..	1	..	49	..	..	..	1st	..	75
Cartoogachaye,...	I. D. Wright,...	T. E. Wright,...	Franklin,.....	6	4	..	2	1	..	1	66	6	50	30	3rd	..	..
Cowee,.....	A. Ammons,.....	W. F. Potts,...	West's Mills,.....	7	..	6	2	..	2	..	170	..	..	..	4th	..	2 00
Briar Town,...	M. May,.....	J. W. Forrester,...	Axuone,	12	7	4	2	1	..	2	100	6	55	..	..	..	2 00
Head of Tennessee,	J. S. Dickson,...	L. H. Garland,...	Head of Tenn., Ga.	5	..	1	..	1	2	1	56	..	..	..	..	..	1 00
Sugar Fork,...	J. S. Woodard,...	W. P. Marshburn,...	Cullasajah,	31	12	1	..	..	..	..	118	..	..	..	3rd	..	2 00
Pleasant Hill,...	C. B. Mingus,...	J. J. Rodgers,...	Pigeon River,	1	2	4	1	..	48	4	50	1 50
Burning Town,...	J. S. Woodard,...	P. C. Wild,.....	Burning Town,.....	25	2	5	1	1	2	1	99	25	2nd

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