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SIXTY-FIRST ANNUAL SESSION

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HARMONY PRIMITIVE BAPTIST ASSOCIATION.

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BEULAH CHURCH, TERRELL COUNTY, GA.,

OCT. 6TH, 7TH AND 8TH, 1899.

OFFICERS:

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The Sixty-first Annual Session of the Harmony Primitive Baptist Association was held with Beulah church, Terrell county, Ga., Oct. 6th, 7th and 8th, 1899.

The Introductory Sermon was preached by Eld. W. H. Godwin, of Flint River Association. Text, "Go ye therefore" (Mathew 28th Chapter, 19th verse.)

After an intermission of one hour the messengers assembled at the house and the Association was called to order by our Moderator, Deacon J. R. Battle. After singing, prayer by Bro. G. Pritchard, of our Association.

Then called for letters, and heard letters from fifteen churches, and minuted their state. Then went into choice of officers by ballot, which resulted in the choice of Deacon J. R. Battle for Moderator and R. H. Jennings for Clerk.

Called for Petitionary Letters, and heard letter from Bluff Springs, asking to be received into our Association. They were received and our Moderator extended the right hand of fellowship to Messenger.

Invited visiting Ministers and Brethren to seats with us.

Appointed the followig committees :

On Preaching—T. C. Patrick, W. A. Webb, B. P. Brooks, J. T. Davis, T. J. Daniel.

To Examine Correspondence—M. D. Tatum, J. R. Williams, R. H. Stevens.

To Write Correspondence Letter—Eld. W. T. Everitt, I. S. Mills, T. C. Patrick.

To Arrange Business to Come Before Association—M. English, J. M. Cook, M. N. Fain.

On Finance—B. F. Markett, W. S. Armor, T. English.

On Deceased Deacons—T. J. Daniel, B. D. Jones, R. H. Jennings.

Called the Roll and read the Decorum.

Called for Correspondence and received from—

Upatoie minutes by the hands of Elder S. F. Phillips and Bro. D. McMichael. Union—No tidings.

Choctawhatchee, Ala.—No tidings

Flint River—Eld. W. H. Godwin with minutes.

Pulaski—No tidings.

Olive, Ala.—No tidings.

Echeconnee—Minutes by hand of Eld. A. A. Garrett.

Appointed Union Meetings at follows:

First District—(Third choice), Turkey Creek church, beginning on Friday before the fourth Sunday in June, 1900.

Second District—(Second choice), Chickasawhatchee, beginning on Friday before fifth Sunday in April, 1900.

Third District—(First choice), Pataula, beginning on Friday before the fifth Sunday in July, 1900.

The Association then adjourned until 9 o'clock Saturday morning. Prayer by Bro. Ely Nelson, of our Association.

Saturday morning 9 a. m. met pursuant to adjournment. Prayer by Eld. A. A. Garrett, of Echeconnee Association.

Heard report of committee on business. Report received.

Called for further correspondence.

Heard report of Committee to Examine Correspondence. Report found nothing claiming the attention of the Association.

Return Correspondence to sister Associations: Upatoie to meet with Ephesus church, Talbot county, beginning on Tuesday after first Sunday in September. Messengers: Elds. R. H. Jennings, W. T. Everritt, with minutes.

To Union. Send minutes.

To Choctawhatchee. Send minutes. Bro. B. P. Brooks.

To Echeconnee. To convene with Mt. Carmal church, 8 miles south of Calloden. R. H. Jennings.

To Olive, Ala. Send minutes.

To Flint River. Mizpah, 10 miles west of Pelham, at usual time. Eld W. T. Everritt. Bros. J. R. Williams, Ely Nelson, Eld. B. Page.

To Pulaski. Send minutes.

On motion visiting ministers were received by Moderator, who extended hand and received Licentiate J. A. Adams from Ocmulgee Association, Eld. W. A. Patterson from church at Statesboro, Ga.

Called for contributions. Received for Minutes, \$23.50; for Correspondence, \$56.60.

Agreed to have 900 minutes printed and divided as follows: 750 for church and the remainder retained for Correspondence. After printing and mailing the same, the clerk to have the remainder for his services.

Called for Correspondence Letter, which was read and adopted.

Called for report of committee on Deceased Deacons. Read and adopted.

Appointed the next session of our meeting to be held at Antioch church in Early county, at our usual time, beginning on Friday at 10 o'clock, before second Sunday in October next.

On motion, the thanks of the Association were tendered Beulah church and that community for care shown and the interest manifested in our Association.

Read the minutes and adjourned to the above time and place.

ORDER OF PREACHING.

Friday 10:30 a. m., Eld. W. H. Godwin, of Flint River Association. Friday

p. m., Eld. A. W. Patterson of the church at Statesboro, followed by Eld. J. A. Adams, of Ocmulgee Association.

Saturday 10 a. m., Eld. A. A. Garrett, of Echeconnee Association, followed by Eld. A. W. Patterson, of church at Statesboro. Saturday p. m., Eld. W. H. Godwin, of Flint River Association. Rain interrupted further preaching.

Sunday 10 a. m., Eld. S. F. Phillips, of Upatoie Association, followed by Eld. W. T. Everritt, of our Association. Sunday p. m., Eld. A. W. Patterson, of church at Statesboro. Closed by Elder W. H. Godwin, of Flint River Association.

The ministers were clothed with humility and preached Jesus to the comfort of His people. The congregations were very large Saturday and Sunday.

CLERK.

CORRESPONDENCE LETTER.

The Harmony Primitive Baptist Association, now in session with Beulah church, Terrell county, Ga., to our sister Associations with whom we correspond—Greeting.

DEAR BRETHREN: Through the tender mercy of an all wise God we have been permitted to hold another session of our meeting. Our churches are all represented, but 2 and bring tidings of peace, and love, and some ingathering at a portion of them. Our meeting has been held in love, our business has been attended to in unity. Your Correspondence, while not full by no means, has been heartily received, and the ministers have been enabled to preach Jesus to the comfort of our hungry souls. Praying God, peace and love to rest upon His children everywhere in this time of sorrow and trials with Zion and hoping to see a goodly number of you at our next session, which will be held with Antioch church, Early county, Ga., at our usual time, 7 miles north of Blakely, 10 miles from Arlington, at which places, those coming by rail, will be met Thursday before.

J. R. BATTLE, Moderator.

R. H. JENNINGS, Clerk.

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MEMORIAL.

It has pleased the Lord to remove from our midst two of our deacons. Brother Mathew Marshall of Macedonia church departed this life January 7th, this year, at his home in Terrell county. Brother B. M. Garrett was a member of Hepzibah church, and departed this life this year, at his home in Randolph county.

In speaking of these esteemed brethren, who served as Deacons for a number of years, Brother Marshall was a member of the church for about 24 years, served as Deacon over 20 years. Brother Garrett was a member of the church about 62 years, served as Deacon about 58 years. They always filled their seats when not providentially hindered, and were very conscientious in all church services, ever ready to try to do anything they felt was right and that worked for the peace of the church. Many times were they sent as messengers to the Association and were ever ready to bear their part in anything. They were very faithful to their fellowmen, always fulfilling their obligations. We mourn with their families and their churches in this their sad loss and bereavment, but not as without hope, for we feel that our loss is their gain.

ELD. R. H. JENNINGS,

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