

MINUTES

OF THE

One Hundred and Seventeenth
ANNUAL SESSION



OF THE

Elk River Association

of

Primitive Baptists

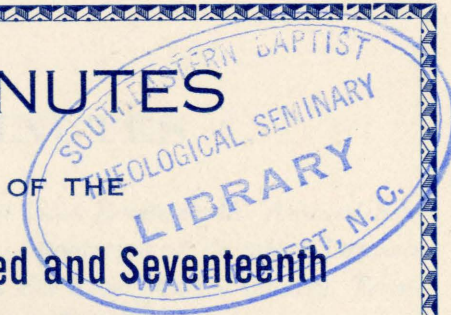


HELD WITH THE CHURCH AT

ELK RIVER, COFFEE COUNTY, TENN.

Friday, Saturday and Sunday

September 12th, 13th, and 14th, 1924.



MINUTES

Of the One Hundred and Seventeenth Annual Session of the Elk River Association of Primitive Baptists held with the church at Elk River, Coffee County, Tennessee, September 12, 13 and 14, 1924.

1. Introductory sermon was preached by Elder J. G. Woodfin.
2. The Association was called to order by the Moderator.
3. After which the Association was organized by electing Elder J. G. Woodfin, Moderator, and C. L. Stone, Clerk.
4. The names of the churches were called and the Messengers' names enrolled. (See Table)
5. By motion and second, brethren of our faith and order were invited to seats with us.
6. Appointed committee as follows:
 - (a) ON PREACHING: Brother Blanton Willis, Sister Petty and Brother Sam Ashby.
 - (b) TO RECEIVE CONTRIBUTIONS FOR MINUTES: Brother C. G. Byrom, Tommy Warren collected \$18.00.
 - (c) COMMITTEE TO SOLICIT FUNDS FOR THE EXPENSE OF THE ASSOCIATION: Brother Sam Ashby, Brother Jam Bramlet, Brother Carroll Partain, Brother Parker.
7. On motion it was voted to have Five Hundred of these minutes printed and mailed to the different churches of the Association.
8. It was voted that the next meeting of this body be held with the Arbor Church in Moore County, Tennessee, on Friday before the second Sunday in September, 1925. Arbor is eight miles south of Lynchburg, one mile from Lois, and _____ miles north of Winchester Railroad Station.
9. Elder W. A. Pinkstaff was appointed to preach the introductory sermon, and Elder C. G. Byrum Alternate at the above named place.

ELDER J. G. WOODFIN, Moderator
C. L. STONE, Clerk.

VISITING MINISTERS

Elder J. E. Stewart Huntsville, Ala.
Elder A. N. Towery Fayetteville, Tenn.

ORDER OF PREACHING

Friday A. M. Elder J. G. Woodfin
Friday P. M. Elders W. D. Bostick and J. E. Stewart
Saturday A. M. Elders A. N. Towery and C. G. Byrom
Saturday P. M. Elder J. E. Stewart
Sunday A. M. Elders A. N. Towery and J. G. Woodfin

NOTE: We heard a sermon from each of our preachers and their preaching was enjoyed and appreciated very much. Motion made and seconded that the thanks of this body be tendered to the citizens of this community for their kind hospitality.

Motion to adjourn to meet at above named place. Prayer by Elder W. D. Bostick.

ELDER J. G. WOODFIN, Moderator,
C. L. STONE, Clerk.

CLERKS AND THEIR POSTOFFICES

Elk River (Betsie Willis School House
J. R. Bramlet Hillsboro, Tenn.
Flat Creek E. L. Philpot, Shelbyville, Tenn.
Arbor G. M. Smith, Mulberry, Tenn. Route 2
New Hope J. A. Chilton, Wartract, Tenn.
Mt. Pisgah J. T. Clardy, Shelbyville, Tenn.
Union Bellbuckle, Tenn.
Buckeye Charlie Johnson, Fayetteville, Tenn.
Concord C. L. Stone, Fayetteville, Tenn. Route 5
Mt. Moriah N. F. Boone, Mulberry, Tenn.
Mt. Olivet Joe Green, Petersburg, Tenn.
Shiloh W. T. Edde, Huntland, Tenn.
Corder Cross Roads J. B. Goodwin, Flintville, Tenn.

**MINISTERS OF THE ELK RIVER ASSOCIATION
AND THEIR POSTOFFICES**

Elder W. D. Bostick Fayetteville, Tenn.
Elder W. A. Pinkstaff Fayetteville, Tenn.
Elder W. L. Taylor Winchester, Tenn.
Elder J. G. Woodfin South Pittsburg, Tenn.
Elder C. G. Byrom Estil Springs, Tenn.

ARTICLES OF FAITH

1. We believe in only one true and living God and that there is a Trinity of persons in the Godhead, the Father, Son and Holy Ghost, and there are not three Gods, but only one.

2. We believe that the scriptures of the old and new Testaments are the words of God and the only true rule of faith and practice.

3. We believe in the fall of Adam and by his transgressions all his posterity fell and were made sinners. We believe in the corruption of human nature and in the impotency of man to recover himself by his own free will and ability.

4. We believe that sinners are justified in the sight of God only by the righteousness of Christ imputed to them, and good works are the fruits of faith and follow after justification, and are evidences of our gracious state.

5. We believe that the saints will persevere in grace and that none of them will be finally lost.

6. We believe that there will be a resurrection of the dead and a general and universal judgment and that the happiness of the righteous and the punishment of the wicked will be eternal.

7. We believe that the visible church of Christ, is a congregation of faithful men and women who have given themselves to the Lord, and have obtained fellowship with each other and have agreed to keep up Godly discipline according to the rules of the gospel.

8. We believe that Jesus Christ is the great head of the church, and the government is with the body.

9. We believe the water baptism, the Lord's Supper and washing of the saints' feet are ordinances of the Gospel, and to be continued until His second coming.

10. We believe that true believers are the only fit subjects for baptism and immersion is the only gospel mode.

11. We believe that none but regularly baptized persons have a right to commune at the Lord's table.

12. We believe that the Lord's Day ought to be observed and set apart for the worship of God and that no work or worldly business should be transacted thereon - works of piety and mercy necessarily excepted.

STATISTICAL TABLE 1924

CHURCHES	NAMES OF MESSENGERS	Baptised	Rec'd by Letter	Rec'd by confession	Dismissed by Letr.	Excluded	Deceased	Total Membership	Meeting Days	Money for Minutes
Arbor	W. D. Bostick									
Buckeye	Sam Ashby, James Jennings							100	1 Sab	\$ 2.00
Concord	Carroll Partain, Ben Dunn, Tommy Warren						1	90	3 Sab	\$ 2.00
Corder X Roads	Not Represented									
*Elk River	J. R. Bramlett	1						25		\$ 1.50
Flat Creek	Sister A. J. Petty						1	70	4 Sun	\$ 1.50
Mt. Moriah	Not Represented									
Mt. Olivet	Not Represented									
Mt. Pisgah	Not Represented									
New Hope	Not Represented									
Shiloh	Not Represented									
Union	J. G. Woodfin							6		.35
*Betsie Willis Schoolhouse	TOTAL	1	0	0	0	0	2	291		\$7.35

STATISTICAL TABLE 1924

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