

# MINUTES

Of The

NINETY-SIXTH ANNUAL SESSION

Of The

## Senter District Primitive Baptist Association

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Held With

THE CHURCH AT BIG HELTON

Ashe County, North Carolina

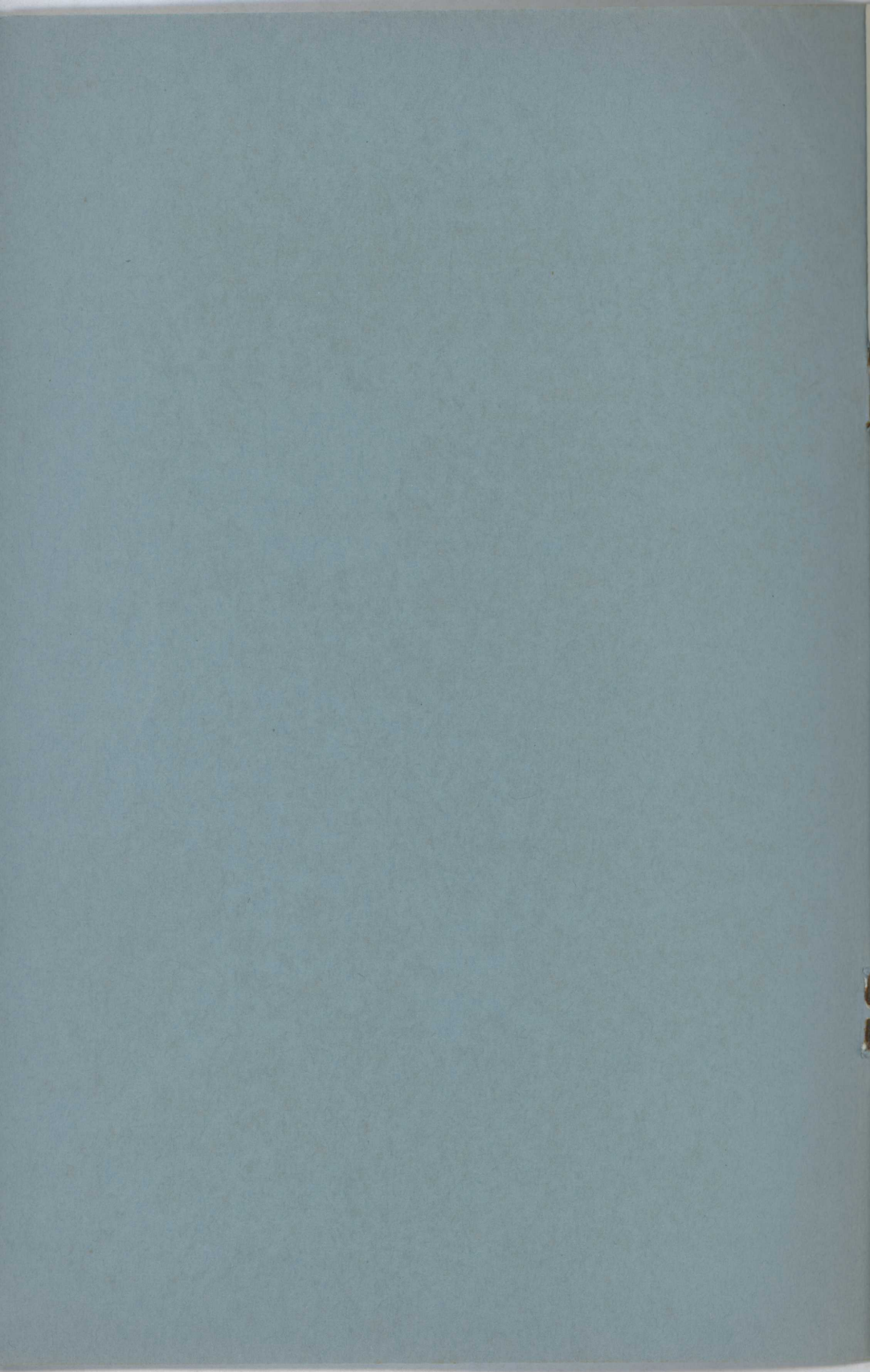
FRIDAY, SATURDAY AND SUNDAY

SEPTEMBER 9, 10 & 11, 1949

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ELDER EDD DAVIS — Moderator

W. W. MILLER — Clerk





## Proceedings

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 9, 1949

The Association met pursuant to adjournment of last year and was called to order by prayer and praise by Elder C. N. Tilson.

The introductory sermon was delivered by Elder Ed Davis. After a short intermission the messengers assembled in the church house and was called to order by prayer by Elder J. C. Sparks.

1st. On motion received and read letters from all our churches and seated the messengers.

2nd. On motion called for petition letters. Received none.

3rd. On motion organized the Association by electing Elder Ed Davis, Moderator and W. W. Miller, Clerk.

4th. On motion called for correspondents from sister Associations. The following came forward and were seated:

From St. Clairs Bottom, Elder C. N. Toliver, Bro. J. G. Perry.

From Mountain, Elder J. C. Sparks, Elder C. B. Kilby, Elder Stevy Roberts, Bro. Harry Stamper.

From Indian Creek, Elder M. K. Cook, Elder Webb Kilby.

From Abbotts Creek, Elder D. P. Broadway, Bro. R. I. Blevins, Bro. C. B. Owens

From Roaring River, Elder W. J. Brown. *at Wellington*

From Upper Mayo — Elder W. J. Brown.

From Fishers River, Elder J. G. Fulk.

5th. On motion called for transient and visiting brethren from sister Associations and the following came forward and were seated.

From St. Clairs Bottom, Monroe Richardson.

From Mountain, Bro. A. C. Walker, Bro. Lon Mc Reeves, Bro. Clarence Ward, Elder Coy Roberts.

From Indian Creek, Bro. J. L. Davis, Bro. Luther Eastridge.

From Abbotts Creek, None.

From Roaring River, Bro. D. C. Long.

From Upper Mayo, None.

From Fishers River, None.

From Powells Valley, None.

6th. On motion we seated the correspondents and visiting brethren from sister Associations.

7th. On motion that the Moderator make all temporary appointments during this session.

8th. He appointed a committee on Ministry as follows: Bros. Felix Bare, Fred Weaver, Clifford McNeill.

9th. Appointed a committee on Finance: Bros. F. T. Miller, Ed Severt and C. N. Davis.

10th. Appointed a committee on Arrangements: Bros. Gaither Kilby, Callie Severt and Carl Ball.

11th. Appointed a committee to appoint correspondents to sister Associations. Bros. Rex Jones, R. L. Speaks and B. O. Dolinger.

12th. On motion that the committee on Arrangements set at Bro. B. O. Dolinger's.



13th. On motion that we adjourn until tomorrow morning at 10:00 a. m.

### SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 10, 1949

The Association met pursuant to adjournment of yesterday and was opened with prayer by Elder D. P. Broadway.

1st. On motion called on committee on Arrangements to report. Report received and committee discharged.

2nd. On motion called the roll and erased the absentees.

3rd. On motion we omit reading the Constitution and Rules of Decorum.

4th. On motion that correspondents who were appointed to sister Associations report. Received the report and excused those who failed to go.

5th. Called on committee that was to appoint correspondents to sister Associations to report. Their report is as follows:

To St. Clairs Bottom: To be held with the Troutdale church, beginning on Friday before the third Sunday in September, 1950. Elder Ed Davis, Bros. F. F. Miller and Callie Severt.

To Mountain: To be held with the Little River church in Sparta, N. C., beginning on Friday before the first Sunday in September, 1950. Elder Ed Davis, Bros. G. E. Kilby and W. W. Miller

To Indian Creek: To be held with the Pilgram Rest church in Greenbrier county, beginning on Friday before the last Sunday in August. Go by Hillsville then to Narrows, Va., to Lewisburg, W. Va. Elder G. D. Roten, Bros. R. B. Dillard, P. T. McNeill.

Abbots Creek: To be held with the Pleasant Hill church, beginning on Friday before the 4th Sunday in August, 1950. 6 miles southwest from Statesville. Elder Ed Davis, Bros. P. T. McNeill, F. T. Miller

Upper Mayo: To be held with the Cedar Grove church, Mayodan, N C., beginning on Friday before the third Sunday in May, 1950. Bros. Rex Jones, Tom Severt, Fred Weaver.

Fishers River: Held with Liberty church, 12 miles west of Pilot Mountain, just off Highway 268 near Copeland school. Friday before the second Sunday in July, 1950, Elder G. D. Roten, Clifford McNeill, C. N. Davis.

Roaring River: Held with the Meadow Fork church, 24 miles north of North Wilkesboro on Highway 18, towards Sparta, Friday before the 4th Sunday in September. Bros. Felix Bare, Clifford McNeill, G. E. Kilby.

6th. That we continue to correspond with Washington, Ebenezer and Powells Valley Associations by minute.

That we refrain from sending minutes to New River and Ketocton.

7th. That we omit having the Constitution and Rules of Decorum printed in this minute.

8th. On motion that we appoint the Clerk-Treasurer to superintend the printing of these minutes. To have 1000 copies printed and distributed as usual.

9th. On motion that the next Associaion be held with the Horse Creek church, 14 miles Northwest of West Jefferson,



beginning on Friday before the second Sunday in September, 1950. That Elder G. D. Roten preach the introductory sermon.

10th. On motion called on Finance committee to report. The report is as follows:

Carried over from last year -----	\$ 15.00
Received from all the churches -----	177.25
Total -----	\$192.25
Allowed Moderator -----	\$ 10.00
Allowed Clerk -----	10.00
Allowed for printing Minutes and postage -----	50.00
Allowed for Correspondents -----	122.25
Total -----	\$192.25
Given at stand on Sunday for correspondents and visiting Elders by brothers, sisters and friends -----	\$ 73.00

12th. On motion we read the Minutes.  
 13th. On motion we have the Articles of Faaith printed in the Minutes.

14th. On motion we put the directions and miles to corresponding Associations.

15th. On motion that we return thanks to God for his mercy and to brethren, sisters and kind friends for their kind hospitality during this session and that we adjourn with prayer by Elder M. K. Cook.

ELDER ED DAVIS, Moderator  
 W. W. MILLER, Clerk.

**ORDER OF PREACHING**

Friday — The inductory sermon was delivered by Elder Ed Davis. Ephes. 1st chapter.

Elder W. J. Brown — No special text.

Friday night at Beaver Creek — Elder D. P. Broadway.  
 Text: Gen. 8th chapter, 22nd verse. Elder W. J. Brown. Text: Rev. 5th chapter, 1-4 verses.

Saturday — Elder J. C. Sparks to introduce.

Elder C. N. Tilson, failed to get text.

Elder M. K. Cook, failed to get text.

Afternoon — Elder W. J. Brown. Text: Daniel 2nd chapter, 44th verse.

Elder A. T. Whittington, no special text.

Elder J. G. Fluk. Text 139th Psalm.

Sunday — Elder Coy Roberts. Text: Gen: 45th chapter, 28th verse.

Elder Webb Kilby, failed to get text.

Elder D. P. Broadway. Rev. 21st chapter, 2nd verse.

Afternoon — Elder C. B. Kilby. Text: Rom. 4th chapter, 8th verse.

Elder S. P. Roberts Text: 1st Cor., 2nd chapter, 12th verse.

Elder Ed Davis to close.

ELDER ED DAVIS, Moderator.  
 W. W. MILLER, Clerk.

**ORDAINED ELDERS AND THEIR POST OFFICES**

Elder Ed Davis -----	Tuckerdale, N. C.
Elder G. D. Roten -----	West Jefferson, N. C.

Elder Leo V. Bagley -- ---- -- ---- Crumpler, N. C.  
 Elder Blair Kilby -- ---- -- ---- Rugby, Va.

#### DISTRIBUTION OF MINUTES TO CHURCHES

Churches and No. of Minutes	Clerks and their P. O.
Senter — 85 -- ----	Rex Jones, Crumpler, N. C.
Roans Creek — 60 ----	F. T. Miller, Laurel Springs, N. C.
Bear Creek — 35 ----	S. J. Miller, Wagoner, N. C.
Beaver Creek — 35 -- --	P. T. McNeill, West Jefferson, N. C.
River View — 30 -- ----	T. E. Hartzog, Idlewild, N. C.
North Fork — 60 -- ----	W. W. Miller, Clifton, N. C.
Pond Mountain — 85 ----	C. N. Davis, Whitetop, Va.
Horse Creek — 45 -- ----	Carl Ball, West Jefferson, N. C.
Big Helton — 85 ----	B. O. Dolinger, Sturgills, N. C.
South Fork — 30 ----	Jennie Douglas, Piney Creek, N. C.

#### DISTRIBUTION OF MINUTES TO SISTER ASSOCIATIONS

Association and No. of Minutes	Clerks and their P. O.
St. Clairs Bottom — 30 --	Elder C. N. Tison, Chilhowie, Va.
Mountain — 50 -- ----	Arthur Gambill, Sparta, N. C.
Indian Creek — 30 ----	J. R. Lilley, Hinton, W. Va., Box 133
Fishers River — 50 ----	A. J. Key, Ararat, N. C.
Washington — 40 -- --	M. C. Southerland, Birchleaf, Va.
Ebenezer — 20 -- --	O. F. Carpenter, Brightwood, Va.
Powells Valley — 30 --	M. V. Browning, Maynardsville, Tenn.
Abbotts Creek — 25 -- --	T. R. Freeman, Steeds, N. C.
Roaring River — 20	A. T. Whittington, N. Wilkesboro, N. C.
Upper Mayo — 20 --	J. W. Moorefield, 618 W. 28th St. Winston - Salem, N. C.

#### ABSTRACT OF PRINCIPLES

1st. We believe in the one only true and living God, Father, Son and Holy Ghost and these three are one.

2nd. We believe that the scriptures of the Old and New Testament are the word of God and the only rules of Faith and practice.

3rd. We believe in the doctrine of election by grace.

4th. We believe in the doctrine of original sin and in man's impotency to recover himself from the fallen state he is in by nature, by his own free will and ability.

5th. We believe that sinners are called, converted, regenerated and born again by the Spirit of God and shall never finally fall away.

6th. We believe that sinners are justified in the sight of God only by the imputed righteousness of Jesus Christ.

7th. We believe that Baptism and the Lord's Supper are ordinances of Jesus Christ and that true believers are the only subjects of those ordinances and we believe that the only true mode of baptism is by emersion.

8th. We believe in the resurrection of the dead and a general enjoyment and the joys of the righteous and that the punishment of the wicked will be eternal.

9th. We believe that no minister has a right to administer the ordinance of the Gospel except such as are regularly called and come under the impressions of the hand by presbytery.



# Statistical Table

## CHURCHES — Names of Messengers and Pastors

Church	Sat. of Church Meeting	Ordained Elders	Licentiates	Rec. by Ex. & Baptism	Restored	Rec'd by Letter	Dismissed by Letter	Excluded	Deceased	No. in Fellowship	Contribution
SENDER — Rex Jones, Felix Bare, Harley Blevins. Pastors, Elders Ed Davis and Dewey Roten	2	0	0	9	0	0	0	2	78	\$22.25	
ROANS CREEK — F. T. Miller, Fred Weaver, Tom Severt. Pastors, Elders Ed Davis and G. D. Roten	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	51	20.00	
BEAR CREEK — Ed Severt, C. G. Severt, George Caudill. Pastors, Elder G. D. Roten	1	0	1	1	0	0	0	1	31	8.00	
BEAVER CREEK — P. T. McNeill, R. L. Speaks, Gordie Severt. Pastors, Elder G. D. Roten	4	0	0	0	0	2	1	1	31	11.00	
RIVER VIEW — Clifford McNeill, T. E. Harzog, J. F. Hartzog. Pastor, Elder G. D. Roten	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	27	10.00	
NORTH FORK — W. W. Miller, B. C. Miller, F. M. Roten Pastor, Elder G. D. Roten	1	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	45	39.00	
POND MOUNTAIN — Ed Davis, C. N. Davis, A. J. Davis. Pastor, Elder Ed Davis	1	1	0	2	0	0	0	0	69	13.00	
HORSE CREEK — Carl Ball, Millard Davis, A. Eldreth. Pastor, Elder G. D. Roten	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	28	10.00	
BIG HELTON — Blair Kilby, G. E. Kilby, B. O. Dolinger. Pastors, Elders Ed Davis, Blair Kilby	3	1	0	5	0	0	2	0	81	38.00	
SOUTH FORK — Avery Jones, J. F. Royal, Ben Weaver. Pastors, Elders M. K. Cook, L. V. Bagley	1	1	0	5	0	1	1	0	26	6.00	

