

MINUTES

—OF THE—

NINETY-SECOND ANNUAL SESSION

—OF THE—

Elk River Association

—OF—

PRIMITIVE BAPTISTS

—HELD WITH—

Arbor Church

Moore County, Tennessee,

—ON—

September 8, 9 and 10, 1899.

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Marceline, Mo.,  
MESSENGER OF PEACE,  
1899.

Statistical Table of Elk River Association.

| CHURCHES               | Months when Lord's Supper & Feet Washing are Observed. | MESSENGERS' NAMES                                                                                            | REC'D BY EX. AND BAP. | REC'D BY LETTER. | REC'D BY RELATION. | RESTORED. | DISMISSED BY LETTER. | EXCLUDED. | DECEASED. | TOTAL NUMBER. | SUNDAY OF MEETING. | CONTRIBUTION. |
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| <b>FIRST SECTION.</b>  |                                                        |                                                                                                              |                       |                  |                    |           |                      |           |           |               |                    |               |
| Elk River.             | May & Oct.                                             | J. R. Bramblett, R. H. Harden.                                                                               | 1                     | 3                |                    |           |                      |           |           | 25            | 1                  | \$1 00        |
| Wagoner's Creek.       | " "                                                    | James Walker.                                                                                                |                       |                  |                    |           |                      |           | 2         | 83            | 1                  | 1 00          |
| Bean's Creek.          | " "                                                    | W. E. Woods, G. W. Thompson.                                                                                 |                       |                  |                    |           |                      |           |           | 7             | 2                  | 1 50          |
| Shiloh.                | " "                                                    | Moses Walker, Gabe Cashion; no letter.                                                                       |                       |                  |                    |           |                      |           |           | 22            | 4                  | 1 00          |
| <b>SECOND SECTION.</b> |                                                        |                                                                                                              |                       |                  |                    |           |                      |           |           |               |                    |               |
| Fist Creek.            | " "                                                    | Elder J. E. Frost, J. N. Dunaway.                                                                            | 3                     |                  |                    |           |                      |           |           | 162           | 4                  | 2 00          |
| Bethel.                | " "                                                    | J. G. Frost.                                                                                                 |                       |                  |                    |           |                      |           |           | 8             | 2                  | 25            |
| Arbor.                 | June & Nov.                                            | James Conner, G. M. Woods.                                                                                   |                       |                  |                    |           |                      |           |           | 1             | 1                  | 1 50          |
| <b>THIRD SECTION.</b>  |                                                        |                                                                                                              |                       |                  |                    |           |                      |           |           |               |                    |               |
| New Hope.              | May & Oct.                                             | Thos. Galloway, J. M. Spencer.                                                                               | 1                     |                  |                    |           |                      |           |           | 170           | 1                  | 1 50          |
| Bethlehem.             | " "                                                    | Archie Collins, Thos. Spencer.                                                                               |                       |                  |                    |           |                      |           |           | 131           | 1                  | 1 50          |
| Mt. Pisgah.            | " "                                                    | James Brooks, W. T. Keller.                                                                                  |                       |                  |                    |           |                      |           |           | 36            | 3                  | 1 50          |
| Union.                 | " "                                                    | Elder B. A. McClain, R. H. Stephens, J. A. Stephens.                                                         |                       |                  |                    |           |                      |           |           | 119           | 1                  | 1 00          |
| <b>FOURTH SECTION.</b> |                                                        |                                                                                                              |                       |                  |                    |           |                      |           |           |               |                    |               |
| Buckeye.               | " "                                                    | Letter, no messengers.                                                                                       |                       |                  |                    |           |                      |           |           | 117           | 4                  | 50            |
| Concord.               | " "                                                    | W. R. Fields.                                                                                                |                       |                  |                    |           |                      |           |           | 1             | 4                  | 2 00          |
| Mt. Moriah.            | " "                                                    | J. Broadway, J. Mulliens, Eld. E. W. Walker, J. O. Kelth, Z. Parker.                                         |                       |                  |                    |           |                      |           |           | 2             | 2                  | 1 50          |
| Corder's X Roads.      | " "                                                    | W. J. Landess, John Sullivan, Thos. Smith.                                                                   |                       |                  |                    |           |                      |           |           | 2             | 2                  | 1 50          |
| Mt. Olivet.            | " "                                                    | F. M. McClure, J. H. Tolley, W. P. Tolley, R. E. Koone, Elder B. H. Bridges, R. M. Koone, Elder H. C. Hogan. |                       |                  |                    |           |                      |           |           | 131           | 3                  | 1 50          |
|                        | " "                                                    |                                                                                                              | 4                     |                  |                    |           |                      |           |           | 170           | 2                  | 1 50          |

Licensed Preachers.

|               |                             |
|---------------|-----------------------------|
| J. W. Spencer | Lynchburg, Moore Co., Tenn. |
| W. B. Chilton | Wartrace, Bedford " "       |
| S. H. Little  | Fayetteville, Lincoln " "   |
| J. N. Dunaway | Shelbyville, Bedford " "    |

Visiting Ministers.

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| Elder J. G. Woodfin | South Pittsburg, Marion Co., Tenn. |
| " D. H. Cordell     | Irving College, Warren " "         |
| " L. F. Evans       | Moxie, Wilson " "                  |
| " F. M. White       | Arno, Williamson " "               |

MINUTES.

The Elk River Association met with the church at Arbor, Moore Co., Tenn., September 8, 9 and 10, 1899.

The introductory sermon was delivered by Elder H. C. Hogan, text, "Prepare to meet thy God, O Israel."—Amos iv. 12, after which the messengers from the churches met and were called to order by the Moderator. Singing followed, and prayer by Elder E. W. Walker. The letters from the churches were called for and presented by their messengers. Letters read and messengers invited to seats. The letters showed the state of the churches to be as exhibited in the table.

The Association was organized by choosing Elder J. E. Frost, Moderator, Elder H. C. Hogan, Clerk, and J. G. Frost, Ass't Clerk. The Association then proceeded to business.

1. Read the Rules of Decorum.
2. Called for petitionary letters. None presented.

3. Called for corresponding letters from associations with whom we correspond with the following results:

- FLINT RIVER—Messengers, Brethren J. J. Combs and W. J. Rogers, with letter and minutes.
- CUMBERLAND—Messengers, Elder F. M. White, Brethren J. H. Hay and W. L. Loftin.
- MUD CREEK—No intelligence.
- SEQUACHIE—Elder J. G. Woodfin, messenger.
- ROUND LICK—Elder L. F. Evans, messenger, with letter and minutes.
- COLLINS RIVER—Elder D. H. Cordell, messenger, with letter.
- FOUNTAIN CREEK—Messengers, Joel Dodd, J. W. Powell and A. S. Foster.

All corresponding brethren invited to seats.

4. On motion of Eld. E. W. Walker the Association extended to all ministers and brethren who were not messengers, a hearty welcome and Christian greeting, and invited them to seats with us as guests.

#### COMMITTEES.

Appointed Archie Collins, W. P. Tolley, John Stephens and W. R. Fields, together with the Moderator and Clerk, a committee to arrange the order of business for Saturday.

Appointed the Clerk a committee on correspondence.

On motion the Association agreed to elect preachers to fill the stand Saturday and Sunday by private ballot. Elected Elders J. G. Woodfin, D. H. Cordell and F. M. White to preach on Saturday.

On motion the Association adjourned to meet Saturday morning at 9 a. m. Prayer by Elder B. A. McClain.

#### SATURDAY.

The Association met according to adjournment; prayer by Elder J. G. Woodfin, after which the Association proceeded to business as follows:

1. Called the roll; a quorum present.

2. Committee on arrangements made the following report: "We your committee on arrangements recommend the order of business as laid down in our former minutes.

"Respectfully submitted: Elder J. E. Frost, W. R. Fields, Archie Collins, J. G. Frost, John Stephens, W. P. Tolley, Elder H. C. Hogan."

Report adopted and committee discharged.

3. Called on the committee on correspondence to make its report. Reported letters of correspondence to the following associations: FLINT RIVER, when convened with Flint River church, Madison Co., Ala., commencing on Friday before the first Sunday in October, 1899, Elders B. A. McClain, H. C. Hogan and Brother I. B. Whittaker, messengers; CUMBERLAND, when convened at Big Harpeth, Williamson Co., Tenn., commencing Saturday before the fourth Sunday in September, 1899, H. M. Clark, J. G. Frost, R. H. Stephens, messengers; MUD CREEK, when met with Sardis church, Jackson Co., Ala., commencing on Friday before the fourth Sunday in September, 1899, Elders B. A. McClain, John Owens, W. T. Ferguson, Brethren A. Collins and G. W. Thompson, messengers; SEQUACHIE VALLEY, held at Mt. Paran, DeKalb Co., Ala., commencing Friday before the third Sunday in August, 1900, Elders J. E. Frost, W. M. Johnson, Brethren W. P. Tolley and J. N. Dunaway, messengers; ROUND LICK, held at Bildad, DeKalb Co., Tenn., commencing Saturday before the first Sunday in September, 1900, Elder H. C. Hogan, Brethren W. P. Tolley, R. H. Harden, W. R. Fields, messengers; COLLINS RIVER, held at Sulphur Springs, Warren Co., Tenn., commencing Friday before the fourth Sunday in August, 1900, Elders J. E. Frost, E. W. Walker, Brethren R. Harden and W. P. Tolley; FOUNTAIN CREEK, held at Zion church, Bedford Co.,

Tenn., commencing Saturday before the first Sunday in September, 1900, Elders J. E. Frost, B. A. McClain, W. T. Ferguson, Brethren J. G. Frost and R. H. Stephens.

#### SECTIONAL MEETINGS.

First Section, to be held with the church at Wagoner Creek, Franklin Co., Tenn., Friday before the fifth Sunday in April, 1900, Elders E. W. Walker and J. E. Frost to attend; Second Section, to be held with the church at Bethel, Moore Co., Tenn., Friday before the fifth Sunday in July, 1900, Elders E. W. Walker and W. T. Ferguson to attend; Third Section, to be held with the church at Mt. Pisgah, Bedford Co., Tenn., Friday before the first Sunday in May, 1900, Elder H. C. Hogan and Brother J. N. Dunaway to attend; Fourth Section, to be held with the church at Buckeye, Lincoln Co., Tenn., Saturday before the first Sunday in May, 1900, Elders B. A. McClain and W. T. Ferguson to attend.

#### COMMITTEE ON FINANCE.

Appointed W. R. Fields and J. M. Spencer a committee on finance who report \$19.75 received from the churches this year to pay for printing and distributing these minutes. Report received and committee discharged.

Requested Elder E. W. Walker to preach the introductory sermon at Mt. Pisgah, Bedford Co., Tenn., at 10 a. m. Friday before the second Sunday in September, 1900, Elder B. A. McClain in case of failure.

Appointed the Clerk to superintend the printing and distribution of 750 copies of these minutes, reserving 150 copies for correspondence, and that he be allowed the remaining funds on hand, after paying printing and distributing expenses, for his services.

Elected Elders L. F. Evans, J. G. Woodfin and F. M. White to preach on Sunday.

#### RESOLUTIONS.

Resolved, That it is with profound sorrow that Elk River Association, now in session with Arbor church, Moore Co., Tenn., has learned of the recent death of our aged and beloved sister, the devoted and faithful consort and companion of our venerable Moderator, Elder John E. Frost.

Resolved, That we extend to him our sincere sympathy and condolence in his sad bereavement. While his affliction in this dispensation of an all wise God is grievous and hard to bear, he is not without the comfort and consolation that his loss is her infinite gain; for we believe and have every confidence that she has gone hence to an eternal state of glory and happiness. And furthermore, she leaves him with the comforting thought that she was ever a faithful coadjutor and assistant in the work of his life to

which he was called and set apart at an early age. She cared for his affairs at home and reared their children and encouraged him to go forward in the work to which the Master had assigned him, and never murmured at her lot nor the loneliness of her situation. We pray the mercy of the Lord upon him and ourselves in this and all the dispensations of our Divine Father.

On motion the above resolutions were adopted by unanimous vote.

Resolved, That the thanks of this Association are hereby extended to the brethren, sisters and friends of this community who have so kindly entertained us during our meeting.

Minutes read and adopted.

On motion the Association adjourned; prayer by the Moderator.

ELDER J. E. FROST, Moderator.

ELDER H. C. HOGAN, Clerk,

J. G. FROST, Ass't Clerk.

### Order of Preaching.

Friday—Elders D. H. Cordell, F. M. White and J. G. Woodfin.

Saturday—Elders D. H. Cordell, F. M. White and J. G. Woodfin.

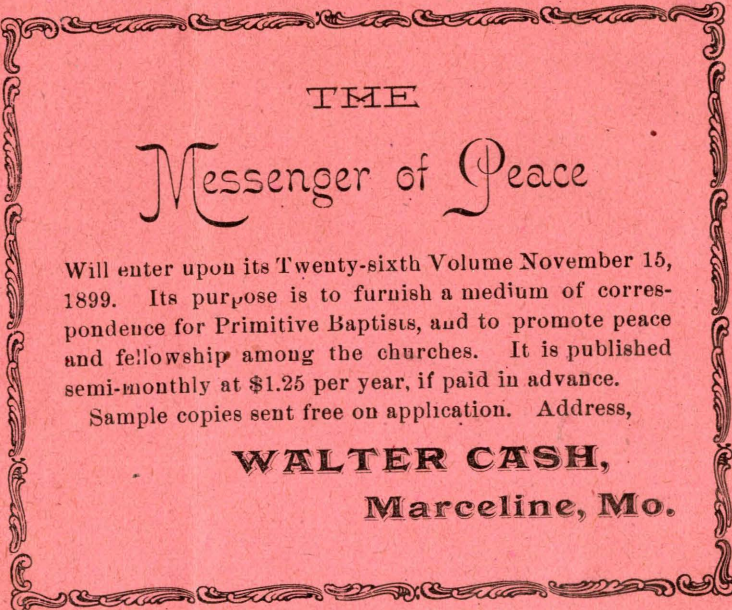
Sunday—Elders F. M. White, J. G. Woodfin and L. F. Evans.

### Church Clerks.

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|-----------------------------------------|-------------------------|
| Elk River, J. R. Bramblett.....         | Pelham, Tenn.           |
| Wagoner's Creek, J. K. Champion.....    | Decherd, "              |
| Bean's Creek, G. W. Thompson.....       | Maxwell, "              |
| Shiloh, George Syler.....               | Smithland, "            |
| Klat Creek, J. N. Dunaway.....          | Shelbyville, "          |
| Bethel, James Conner.....               | Lynchburg, "            |
| Arbor, Mack Edgmon.....                 | Fuga, "                 |
| New Hope, James Bramblett.....          | Wartrace, "             |
| Bethlehem, D. A. Kimbro.....            | Haley, "                |
| Union, J. W. Hale.....                  | Millersburg, "          |
| Mount Pisgah, T. A. Sykes.....          | Poplin's Cross Roads, " |
| Mount Moriah, R. J. Small.....          | Mulberry, "             |
| Concord, W. J. Landess.....             | Bellville, "            |
| Ruckeye, I. B. Whittaker.....           | Fayetteville, "         |
| Corder's Cross Roads, R. E. Koonce..... | Renegar, "              |
| Mount Olivet, J. H. Landess.....        | Petersburg, "           |

### Home Ministers.

|                         |                                  |
|-------------------------|----------------------------------|
| Elder E. W. Walker..... | Fayetteville, Lincoln Co., Tenn. |
| " J. E. Frost.....      | Shelbyville, Bedford "           |
| " B. A. McClain.....    | Fosterville, Rutherford "        |
| " W. A. Cashion.....    | Lois, Moore "                    |
| " John Owens.....       | Fuga, " "                        |
| " W. T. Ferguson.....   | Bellville, Lincoln "             |
| " W. M. Johnson.....    | Mont Eagle, " "                  |
| " H. C. Hogan.....      | Petersburg, " "                  |
| " R. H. Bridges.....    | Corders, " "                     |

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