

MINUTES

OF THE

Sixty-Second Annual Session

OF THE

EASTERN ASSOCIATION,

HELD WITH THE

MOUNT OLIVE BAPTIST CHURCH,

Wayne County, N. C.,

OCTOBER 3rd, 4th and 6th, 1905.

FOR NEXT SESSION:

Place of Meeting—Lisbon, Sampson County.

Time—Tuesday after the first Sunday in October, 1906.

Introductory Sermon by Rev. C. M. Rock.

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Clerk—A. F. Robinson.....R. F. D. No. 4, Clinton, N. C.
Treasurer—Maury Ward.....R. F. D., Rose Hill, N. C.

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C. E. Daniel, W. H. Middleton, W. H. Murray,
J. A. Powell, L. Middleton.

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J. L. Stewart, J. T. Albritton, C. F. Hopper, J. M. Alderman, L. M. Hobbs,
C. T. Tew, T. L. Brown, C. M. Rock, W. B. Rivenbark,
L. R. Carroll, R. C. Sandling, W. A. Melvin.

MINISTERS PRESENT THIS SESSION.

J. T. Albritton, L. R. Carroll, R. C. Sandling, J. M. Alderman, T. L. Brown,
J. H. Booth, W. B. Rivenbark, C. M. Rock, E. J. Edwards,
J. M. Page, Archibald Johnson, Hight C. Moore.

CHURCH COVENANT.

Having been led, as we believe, by the Spirit of God to receive the Lord Jesus Christ as our Savior, and on the profession of our faith, having been baptized in the name of the Father and the Son and the Holy Ghost, we do now in the presence of God, Angels and this Assembly, most solemnly and joyfully enter into covenant with one another as one body in Christ. We engage, therefore, by the aid of the Holy Spirit, to walk together in Christian love, to strive for the advancement of this Church in Knowledge, Holiness and Comfort; to promote its prosperity and spirituality; to sustain its worship, ordinances, discipline and doctrines; to contribute cheerfully and regularly to the support of the ministry, the expenses of the Church, the relief of the poor and the spread of the Gospel through all nations. We also engage to maintain family and secret devotion, to religiously educate our children, to seek the salvation of our kindred and acquaintances; to walk circumspectly in the world; to be just in our dealings, faithful in our engagements, and exemplary in our deportment; to avoid all tattling, back-biting, and excessive anger; to abstain from the sale and use of intoxicating drink as a beverage, and to be zealous in our efforts to advance the kingdom of our Savior.

We further agree to watch over one another in brotherly love, to remember each other in prayer, to aid each other in sickness or distress; to cultivate Christian sympathy in feeling and courtesy in speech; to be slow to take offense, but always ready for reconciliation, and mindful of those rules of our Savior—to secure it without delay. We moreover engage that when we remove from this place we will as soon as possible unite with some other church, where we can carry out the spirit of this covenant and principles of God's Word.

CONSTITUTION.

Article 1. This Association shall be known and denominated as the Eastern Association.

Art. 2. The object of this Association shall be the promotion of Christ's kingdom among men, and the means of accomplishing this shall be in strict conformity to the New Testament.

Art. 3. This Association shall be composed of all ordained ministers who are members or pastors of churches of this body, and three delegates from each church, chosen from the membership assembled in Conference and Executive Committee.

Art. 4. The delegates from each church shall bear a letter certifying their appointment and communicating information relative to the state of the church. Provided, however, That when any church has prepared a letter, and through inadvertance the letter fails to be presented, her delegates may be received without its presentation.

Art. 5. The officers of this Association shall be a Moderator, Clerk and Treasurer, who shall be chosen annually from among its members by ballot, by a majority of its members voting, and continue in office until their successors are elected.

Art. 6. It shall be the business of the Moderator to enforce an observance of the Constitution, preserve order, appoint committees, decide all questions of order, give his opinion on all questions under discussion after others have spoken, and give the casting vote in case of a tie.

Art. 7. It shall be the duty of the Clerk to record the proceedings of each annual session and superintend their printing and distribution among the churches.

Art. 8. It shall be the duty of the Treasurer to receive all funds sent up by the churches, or collected during the session of this body and distribute the same as ordered by the Association. He shall also make to the Association an annual report of the condition of the treasury.

Art. 9. The Association shall appoint an Executive Committee of five members, who shall co-operate with the State Board so far as practicable in the mission work within our bounds, and during the interval between the sessions of this body take such steps as they may deem advisable for the advancement of the same, making annual reports of their work to the Association, which report, together with that on State Missions, shall be the first business of the second day of the session. Further, That our missionaries shall report their work quarterly to the Executive Committee, in order that said committee shall be prepared to make full report of their work to this body.

Art. 10. The Association shall not maintain fellowship with any of the churches which neglect to observe gospel order.

Art. 11. The Association may invite visiting and corresponding brethren to seats and extend to them the privileges of the body, except that of voting.

Art. 12. The annual session of this Association shall commence on Tuesday after the first Lord's day in October, at such place as may be chosen.

Art. 13. By appointment of the Association there shall be an introductory sermon of a denominational character.

Art. 14. This Constitution may be amended at any annual session by a vote of two-thirds of the members present.

RULES OF ORDER.

1. At the meeting of the Association the Moderator of the preceding session shall preside until his successor is known. In case of his absence a chairman pro tem shall be elected.
2. Each session of the Association shall be opened with religious exercises, to be opened by whomsoever the presiding officer may name.
3. At each daily session, and previous to proceeding to business, the names of the delegates shall be called and the proceedings of the previous daily sessions read.
4. The members shall observe toward the officers and each other that courtesy which belongs to Christians.
5. Any member wishing to speak shall rise and address the presiding officer; he shall confine himself strictly to the question under consideration and avoid personalities.
6. No member shall speak more than twice on the same question, without permission.
7. All motions seconded shall be definitely stated by the presiding officer before discussion.
8. No motion shall be withdrawn after discussion.
9. When a question is under discussion no motion or proposition shall be received except to adjourn, to lay on the table, to amend, to commit, to postpone to a definite time, which several motions shall have preference in the order in which they are stated.
10. After a motion has been decided, any member having voted in the majority may move a reconsideration.
11. No member shall absent himself during the session of the Association without permission of the presiding officer, and no one shall take final leave of absence without permission of Association; and if any shall do so their absence shall be noted in the minutes.
12. All questions except such as relate to the Constitution shall be decided by a majority of votes.
13. The Association shall have the right to decide what subjects shall be admitted to consideration.
14. The Rules of Order may be altered or amended at any session of the Association by a majority vote.

ORDER OF BUSINESS.

1. Appointment of Finance Committee.
2. Appointment of Committee on Digest of Church Letters.
3. Calling the roll of churches and enrolling delegates.
4. Election of officers.
5. Calling for Petitionary Letters.
6. Appointment of Committees.
7. Appointment of Corresponding Delegates.
8. Reports of Standing Committees.
9. Reports of Special Committees.
10. Report of Treasurer.
11. Miscellaneous Business.
12. Incidental and routine business shall be in order at any time.
13. Adjournment.

PROCEEDINGS.

The sixty-second annual session of the Eastern Baptist Association convened with the Mount Olive Baptist Church, Wayne County, N. C., October 3, 1905.

Introductory sermon was preached by J. H. Booth, from Matt. 24—14 and 28—19 and 20.

On motion by C. M. Rock, the Association took a recess till 2 o'clock p. m.

FIRST DAY—AFTERNOON SESSION.

Devotional exercises were conducted by C. M. Rock by reading eighth chapter of Romans, and prayer was offered by R. C. Sandlin.

On motion by C. M. Rock, Brother C. E. Daniel was elected Moderator pro tem.

On motion, C. M. Beach and Thad Jones were elected reading clerks.

On motion, Maury Ward, W. J. Fryar and J. D. Roberts were elected as Finance Committee.

On motion, the roll of churches was called and the following delegates enrolled:

Alum Springs—Preston Chesnutt and Gaston Kelly.

Bethel—E. M. Johnson and Maury Ward.

Beulah—A. T. Britt.

Boykin's Chapel—By letter.

Bowdens—

Bear Marsh—John King and Homer Brock.

Clinton—H. B. Giddens, R. C. Sandlin and J. E. Burgess.

Concord—W. A. Moore.

Corinth—D. W. Fussell and I. D. Johnson.

Delway—C. M. Beach, L. W. Alderman and W. H. Hagwood.

Dobson's Chapel—D. J. Bradshaw and P. J. Dobson.

Cedar Fork—R. H. Sloan.

Ebenezer—J. E. Highsmith and A. J. Alderman.

Faison—J. C. Hines, W. B. Hargrove and J. Burnham.

Hallsville—S. S. Bostic.

Island Creek—J. H. Evans and S. D. Wells.

Ivanhoe—F. J. Anders.

Johnson's—C. C. Everett, H. S. Boyette and J. L. Carlton.

Kenansville—P. H. Kornegay, Henry Doyle and B. C. Barden.

Lisbon—E. C. Herring and J. C. Robinson.

Mount Zion—

Maple Hill—D. H. Marshburn.

Mount Gilead—A. C. Peterson, D. T. Peterson and B. Matthis.

Magnolia—Theo. Middleton, J. M. Brown and K. E. Hollingsworth.

New Hope—J. F. Williams, J. H. Carlton and C. E. Daniel.

Piney Grove—J. E. Boyette, G. Darden, C. T. Boyette.

Poplar Grove—L. D. Rodgers.

Rose Hill—W. B. Henderson and W. C. Savage.

Rowan—J. M. Boon and T. W. Boon.

Sharon—W. Blanchard, R. C. Seawell and J. Sheffield.

Siloam—D. T. Johnson, Love Jones and J. B. Highsmith.

Springvale—A. F. Robinson.

Warsaw—H. G. Owen, B. L. Blackmore and S. M. Carlton.

By motion, the letter from Rowan was laid on the table.

Motion by C. M. Rock that the rules be suspended and that C. M. Beach cast the vote of the Association for C. E. Daniel for Moderator.

On motion by J. T. Albritton to amend said motion by deferring the elec-

tion of Moderator till to-morrow morning, the amendment prevailed and the election was deferred.

On motion, the rules were suspended and H. G. Owen cast the vote of the Association for A. F. Robinson for Clerk, and C. E. Daniel for Treasurer of the Association.

An invitation was extended to visiting brethren and Hight C. Moore, of our Sunday School Board; E. J. Edwards, of the Biblical Recorder, and A. Johnson, of Charity and Children, announced themselves and were welcomed to seats with us by the Moderator.

On call for Petitionary Letters the church at Cedar Fork presented a letter and asked for membership in our body. On motion, it was referred to a committee consisting of J. T. Albritton and J. M. Alderman.

On motion by L. R. Carroll that the Moderator pro tem proceed to appoint the various committees for the Association, which was objected to on the ground that the Moderator pro tem had no authority to act further than the permanent organization.

The Committee on Devotional Exercises announced preaching to-night at 8 o'clock by Hight C. Moore.

On motion by B. L. Blackmore the Association adjourned till 9 o'clock to-morrow morning. Prayer by Hight C. Moore.

WEDNESDAY—MORNING SESSION.

Devotional exercises were conducted by Brother Thad Jones reading 18th chapter of Matthew, and prayer by Brother Jones.

The Association was called to order by the Moderator pro tem, C. E. Daniel. The roll of delegates was called and the minutes of yesterday were read and approve.

On motion by J. T. Albritton the rules were suspended and the clerk cast the vote of the Association for Brother C. E. Daniel Moderator.

By previous motion the Moderator proceeded to appoint the various committees for the Association, viz.:

State Missions—C. M. Rock, J. C. Hines and J. A. Powell.

Home Missions—J. T. Albritton, B. Matthis, J. H. Carlton.

Foreign Missions—L. R. Carroll, C. M. Beach and L. Middleton.

Women's Work—Thad Jones, A. T. Britt and A. C. Peterson.

B. Y. P. U.—C. M. Beach, W. A. Moore and I. D. Johnson.

Orphanage—R. C. Sandlin, S. M. Carlton and Stewart Wells.

Periodicals—J. M. Alderman, W. H. Hagwood and J. E. Highsmith.

Ministerial Education—T. L. Brown, E. N. Johnson and J. L. Carlton.

Sunday Schools—J. H. Booth, E. C. Herring and J. E. Boyette.

Ministers' Relief—W. B. Rivenbark, Theo. Middleton and S. A. Strickland.

Digest of Church Letters—J. E. Highsmith, J. M. Alderman and W. H. Middleton.

To Nominate Delegates to Southern Baptist Convention and Baptist State Convention—H. G. Owen, C. C. Everett and B. Hood.

To Nominate Preachers and Place for Next Session—L. W. Alderman, D. H. Marshburn and F. J. Anders.

An invitation was again extended to visiting brethren, and Brothers W. I. Lane and J. E. Peterson, of Goldsboro, and J. M. Page, of Southport, reported themselves and were welcomed to seats with us.

The committee to whom the Cedar Fork letter was referred reported favorably and the church was received as a member of our body and the delegates were given the hand of welcome by the Moderator.

Rev. B. F. Deloatch, of the M. E. Church, was announced and welcomed to a seat with us.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES.

Report on State Missions was read by C. M. Rock, as follows:

We, the committee, note with pleasure the steady and rapid growth of the

work of our State Mission Board. It has proven its wisdom in management by its practical results. We learn that at least one-half of our churches have received aid from this Board, and that this half now gives two-thirds of the money contributed for advancing our Lord's Kingdom in the State. Judging the future by the past, we may expect still greater results in the years to come. Therefore, brethren, by more earnest prayers and more liberal contributions, let us take a great part in this glorious seed-sowing and reaping. Let us join hands with our beloved and efficient leader, Brother Livingston Johnson, and take North Carolina for Jesus. We heartily commend the work of our State Mission Board to the hearts of all our brethren.

C. M. ROCK,

J. C. HINES,

J. A. POWELL,

Committee.

Report of the Executive Committee was read (in connection with the above report) by W. H. Middleton, as follows:

Your committee is glad to report progress in this department of the Master's work. Our missionary, Brother J. H. Booth, has served the following churches during the last Associational year, viz.: Hallsville, Sharon, Maple Hill and Cedar Fork. He has preached 114 sermons, organized one church (Cedar Fork), and has baptized 23 persons and one awaiting baptism. Brethren C. M. Rock and J. M. Alderman have aided Brother Booth in meetings on the field. There is a great work before us in our Association. The Master bids us go forward. Will we obey?

Respectfully submitted,

C. E. DANIEL,

Chairman of Executive Committee.

Pending motion to adopt the above reports, the Association was addressed by J. H. Booth, C. M. Rock and E. J. Edwards. The reports were adopted.

Report on the Orphanage was read by R. C. Sandlin, as follows:

Rev. M. L. Kesler has been elected to succeed Rev. J. B. Boon, who declined to serve longer as general manager of the Orphanage. Brother Kesler is a man of fine common sense, broad sympathy and excellent judgment. He is most admirably suited for the responsible position to which he has been called. The completion of a system of waterworks has been done at an enormous cost, but it was a real necessity. The scourge of typhoid fever last fall was due to lack of sewerage, and we hope under present conditions this dreadful epidemic will not be repeated. The general condition of the Orphanage is excellent. There are 300 children there, and they are making good progress. The per capita cost of maintaining a child there is \$5 per month, and this includes all the labor of all the employees. Within the last year a common dining hall has been erected, at which 225 children have their meals at the same time. Most of the money for the building was provided by a bequest in the will of the late Judge Faircloth, and it has been named the Faircloth Hall. The Eastern Association has always been loyal to the Orphanage, and we urge our churches to rally to its aid during the coming year and help to wipe out the debt that hangs over the institution.

Pending motion to adopt, the Association was addressed by A. Johnson, E. J. Edwards and R. C. Sandlin. At this point a cash collection was taken for the Orphanage of \$40.17, of which Charity and Children gets \$22.00. Report was adopted.

Report of Finance Committee.

We, your Committee on Finance, beg leave to offer the following report of the moneys sent to this Association, with the letters received into our

hands and paid over to the Treasurer, taking his receipt therefor, is as follows:

Minute Fund	\$ 34.31
Associational Missions	305.84
State Missions	91.64
Home Missions	69.20
Foreign Missions	79.43
Gospel Missions	21.89
Ministerial Education	54.86
Ministers' Relief	74.35
Orphanage	84.04
Sunday School Missions	1.00
Total	\$ 816.56

J. D. ROBERTS,
W. J. FRYAR,
MAURY WARD,
Finance Committee.

By motion the report was adopted.

Historian's Report.

Elder J. T. Albritton, who was appointed by this Association as Historian, read the following report, to-wit:

A SHORT HISTORY OF BEAR MARSH CHURCH.

Last year I gave a short history of the organization of the Eastern Association. I hope to give a history of the churches now belonging to this body in the papers that follow, beginning with Bear Marsh, the oldest church whose name appears on the Associational roll, except Rowan. Her house of worship stands on a high bluff overlooking the stream known as Bear Marsh, in the county of Duplin, and five or six miles east of the W. & W. Railroad. She was constituted February 25, 1763 during the administration of Arthur Dobbs, the royal Governor of the State, and at a time when Baptists were despised and slandered by the constituted authorities, and when they were not allowed to teach school or perform the marriage ceremony. They could not even build a house of worship without first getting permission from the ruling powers.

In 1760 Rev. James Reed, a missionary of the Church of England, said of the Baptists of the State, that they "are obstinate, illiterate and grossly ignorant. In 1769 George Tryon characterized them as "enemies to society and a scandal to common sense." They thought about as much of the Baptists of North Carolina as Dr. Featley and his English brethren did of the Baptists of England.

Under combined operation of the Toleration Laws and the infamous Schism Act, which were in power throughout the administration of all the royal Governors, Baptist and other dissenters were much handicapped in their efforts for educational and denominational development. The schools in Edenton, New Bern and Charlotte suffered under the operation of the Schism Act, which provided that no one under pain of three months imprisonment should teach schools, unless he had obtained license from the Bishop, had engaged to conform to the liturgy of the Episcopal Church and had received the Lord's supper in some of that denomination's churches within the year. Queen's Museum at Charlotte College, chartered in 1771, was deprived of its charter in 1773 because complaint was made to the King that the College would operate as a Seminary for the instruction of the youth in the principles of the Presbyterian Church.

As regards the building of houses of worship the court records of Craven county show that several Baptist applied June, 1730, for permission to build a house of worship. They were refused and bound over in the sum of

40 pounds each for their good behavior and their appearance at next court. They again applied in June, 1740, and were again refused and bound over to September court. They applied the third time in 1741 and the New Bern Journal of September 6th, 1883, tells us how they fared in the following editorial:

In looking over the old dusty records in the register's office, we find an entry in the minute docket of the County Court of 1741, noting the application by Baptists to be allowed to build a church in New Bern. Instead of granting the application these applicants were all publicly whipped, bound over to keep the peace and required to give bond for their good behavior, and also to take the test oath.

Anyone wishing to verify the correctness of the above quotation can do so by looking over the files of the New Bern Journal for 1883. The editor examined the records by my request, the statement having been previously made by me that Baptists had been whipped in North Carolina for no other reason than that of asking permission to build a house of worship, and that statement having been publicly denied.

There is a tradition that the Bear Marsh church was constituted in a log house that stood on the plantation at present belonging to Mr. D. F. Brock, and on which he now lives. The house stood a few yards back of his residence and near the Sollis graveyard. In the light of the foregoing facts the tradition strikes me as being true and worthy of belief. We know that many Baptist churches were in those early times organized in outhouses and private dwellings, probably because of the difficulty of getting permission to build from the constituted authorities. Brethren will bear in mind that in those days the Episcopal church was the established religion of the province and was supported by public taxation. Baptists were especially obnoxious to State establishments of religion, on account of their undying devotion throughout the country to the doctrine of soul liberty, a doctrine which now has the support of a large part of the Christian world, and is shaking the very foundations of all religions established and maintained by law.

Elders John Nobles and Jeremiah Rhame, the latter the pastor of Red Banks Baptist Church, Pitt county, came into the Bear Marsh section by request of some Baptists living there and organized the church on the date above mentioned. The membership consisted of five males and five females. Rhame was their first pastor. In 1775 William Goodman succeeded Rhame in the pastorate and served the church till 1781, when he went southward. Charles Hines succeeded Goodman and continued in the pastorate until May, 1792. Brother Hines' pastorate was a period of great prosperity. Burkitt and Roads' History of the Kehukee Association, published in 1803, says: "Elder Hines' charge being too great, having the charge of several branches—colonies—that went out from Bear Marsh, Elder Francis Oliver, who had been exercising his gifts in the ministry, was called, ordained and took charge of Bear Marsh Church, and Elder Hines was dismissed on the 17th of May, 1792. The labors of Elder Oliver have been greatly blessed and several branches gathered. One branch is at Nahunga, in Duplin county, another at Pleasant Plains, in Wayne county" (page 289). The Nahunga church was first near Cooper's Mill, and four or five miles north of Kenansville. She worships now in a comparatively new house a few miles east of Warsaw. She is now called Johnson's. Pleasant Plains, a few miles from Seven Springs, went off several years ago to the Anti-Missionary brethren. Their house has tumbled into decay and the body has become extinct. Through the varying vicissitudes of nearly a century and a half old Bear Marsh has kept up the ordinances of religion without intermission and has for the most part adhered to the third Lord's Day in every month from the beginning of her existence. She has had her seasons of great weakness and great prosperity. At one time her roll contained but seven members, while in 1860 she had about 300 members. Her present membership is about one hundred and twenty.

In addition to the log house in which she first worshiped she has built

on the spot where stands her present house three houses of worship. The first was a creditable building for those times, but was destroyed by fire a short time before the year 1834. They rebuilt at once, and the minutes of the Goshen Association, which met at Bear Marsh Church, October, 1834, in their new house, contains this record: "Their once beautiful house, it is true, was burned up, but God has enabled them to erect another on the ground thereof, in which we now have the happiness of taking sweet council together in an Associational capacity." Some of the trees burned by the fire still stand in the grove to tell the story of the destroying flame. The present house of worship was built about forty-eight years ago, the timbers of the old house that were suitable having been worked into the new one.

Bear Marsh has held membership in five Associations. The Kehukee, the Neuse, the Cape Fear, the Goshen, and the Union (changed to Eastern in 1865). Two of these bodies were organized at Bear Marsh—the Neuse in October, 1794, and the Cape Fear in October, 1806. Many pastors have served Bear Marsh since the death of Elder Francis Oliver in 1808. Of these I have gathered the names of Allen Morris, Hillary Morris, Benjamin Davis, J. W. Wallace, Henry Swinson, Robert McNabb, L. F. Williams, C. C. Gordan, H. E. Minor, J. D. Hupham, J. N. Stallings, J. R. Oliver, J. B. Harrell, R. C. Sandling, A. C. Dixon, J. N. Tolar, W. L. Bilbro, T. J. Baker, C. G. Wells and the writer. Probably a few names have been inadvertently left out. The present pastor is Rev. Theo. J. Hood, recently ordained to the ministry at Bear Marsh.

Mount Olive Baptist Church, with which this body holds its present session, was the last colony to withdraw from the mother church. Upon application of the writer, letters were granted to him and about twenty other members to form a new church at Mount Olive. The organization was effected on Saturday before the fourth Sunday in March, 1869, a few brethren from other Baptist churches having put in their letters with us. Among the early pastors of Bear Marsh church stands out pre-eminently the name of Elder Francis Oliver. He came from Virginia to Onslow county, N. C., in early life, married soon afterwards and moved to Duplin county, settling on a plantation near Bear Marsh about 1783. Upon the same plantation his son, Benjamin, lived and died, and on which his grandson, Joseph B. Oliver, now resides. Francis Oliver was a wise leader among his fellow-citizens, and was selected to represent them in the convention of the State to consider the Federal Constitution. As before stated, he was ordained to the pastorate of Bear Marsh church May 17, 1792, which position he held until his death in 1808, which occurred in Georgia, while on a visit to relatives in that State. Less than four years from the date of his ordination he was chosen to preside over the old Neuse Association, a large influential body, covering from sixteen to twenty counties, and having among his ministry such men as William and Fleet Cooper, Abram Baker, John Dellahunty, Needham Whitfield and Job Thigpen. Besides his pastoral labor, Brother Oliver did much evangelistic work, organizing and helping to organize many churches. Of course, he traveled by private conveyance, there being at that early date no railroads in the State. On one of his evangelistic tours his beloved daughter, who often accompanied him in his ministerial work, was drowned while attempting to cross a swollen stream, and he himself narrowly escaped the same fate. He left behind him two sons—John and Benjamin—who were honored and useful members of Bear Marsh church up to their death, the former serving as clerk and the latter as deacon. Brother John Oliver died about 1843 or 1844 and his brother died about 1880, having served his church with loving fidelity and the Eastern Association as Moderator for several sessions, and as chairman of the Executive Committee for a long term of years, or until age and infirmity compelled his retirement from service.

John R. Oliver, who devoted many many years of his afflicted life to the gospel ministry, was a son of Benjamin Oliver and a grandson of Francis Oliver. Being a great sufferer from rheumatism, the amount of travel and labor he accomplished was a matter of astonishment to his friends. He

entered into rest in the year 1883. Francis Oliver being dead, yet speaketh to the world through his great grandchildren, Rev. W. B. Oliver, of Florence, S. C., and Dr. R. T. Bryan, our beloved and honored missionary to China.

Should God spare my life I hope to have something to say about other churches belonging to this body at our next meeting. So many pleasant memories of the brethren who have labored among us and passed on to the better land rush upon me that I lay down my pencil with great reluctance.

By motion, this paper was thankfully received and adopted.

The Report on Periodicals was read by Rev. J. M. Alderman, as follows:

Your Committee on Periodicals is glad to report that we have better literature than ever before. The Biblical Recorder, our State organ, is better able to feed our minds and inspire our hearts. The North Carolina Baptist is worthy of praise, especially because of its attitude on the temperance question. Charity and Children should be read by every Baptist in the State, that we may keep in heart to heart touch with the Orphanage. The Home Field and Foreign Mission Journal should be carefully read, that we may be intelligent regarding our work in the Home and Foreign fields. We would also encourage the use of the literature of our Sunday School Board, of Nashville, Tenn, purchased through the Baptist Book Store, at Raleigh, N. C.

J. M. ALDERMAN,
J. E. HIGHSMITH,
W. H. HAGWOOD,
Committee.

Pending motion to adopt, the Association was addressed by J. M. Alderman, E. J. Edwards and J. M. Page. Report was adopted.

On motion the Association adjourned until 2 o'clock p. m. Benediction by J. T. Allbritton.

WEDNESDAY—AFTERNOON SESSION.

Devotional exercises were conducted by song and prayer by W. B. Rivenbark.

Report of Committee to Nominate Executive Committee.

Your Committee to Nominate Executive Committee for ensuing year begs leave to nominate the following brethren, viz.: C. E. Daniel, W. H. Middleton, W. H. Murray, J. A. Powell and L. Middleton.

By motion the report was adopted.

Report of Treasurer.

The Treasurer's Report was read by Brother C. E. Daniel, as follows:
C. E. Daniel to the Eastern Association debtor to amount received from Finance Committee of last Association, viz.:

State Missions	\$ 54.69
Associational Missions	199.75
Foreign	70.85
Gospel Missions	11.50
Ministers' Relief	45.35
Orphanage	96.10
Ministerial Education	27.53
Home Missions	61.80
Minute Fund	38.95
Charity and Children, Johnson Church.....	2.58

Total received of Finance Committee.....\$ 609.05

Collection at Association for Orphanage.....	14.23
Collection for Cedar Fork Church.....	40.45
Received from J. C. Williams, Associational Missions..	10.00
Received of Lisbon Church Associational Missions....	4.00
Received of Warsaw Church, Associational Missions..	10.00

Total\$ 687.73

Disbursements—

Paid to L. R. Carroll, missionary.....	\$ 50.00
Paid to Walters Durham, Treasurer.....	4.69
Paid to W. H. Middleton, Treasurer of Ex. Com.....	117.26
Paid to W. H. Middleton, Treasurer of Ex. Com.....	82.49
Paid to J. H. Booth for Cedar Fork Church.....	40.45
Paid to Walters Durham, Foreign Missions.....	70.85
Paid to Walters Durham, Ministers' Relief.....	45.35
Paid to Walters Durham, Ministerial Education.....	27.53
Paid to Walters Durham, Home Missions.....	61.80
Paid to D. W. Herring, Gospel Missions.....	11.50
Paid to S. H. Averitt, Treasurer, Orphanage.....	110.33
Paid to S. H. Averitt, C. & C., Johnson Church.....	2.53
Paid to S. H. Averitt, cash collections.....	14.23
Paid to A. F. Robinson, clerk.....	38.95
Paid to W. H. Middleton, for missionary.....	10.00

Total\$ 687.96

On motion, the report was adopted.

By motion, W. H. Middleton, E. C. Herring and T. L. Brown were appointed a committee to audit Treasurer's report.

The committee reported as follows:

We, your Committee, have audited the above report and find it correct.

W. H. MIDDLETON,
E. C. HERRING,
T. L. BROWN,
Committee.

Brother C. E. Daniel offered his resignation as Treasurer of the Association, and by motion it was accepted. By motion, the rules were suspended and the clerk cast the vote of the Association for Maury Ward for Treasurer.

Report on Home Missions.

Owing to want of time your committee makes a very unsatisfactory report. It is with profound gratitude to God that we are able to report a gratifying increase in the work of 1905 over that of 1904. The minutes of the Southern Baptist Convention at last session reported 718 Missionaries, 10,551 Baptisms, 10,019 additions by letter; total additions, 20,570. Increase over 1904 of 102 Missionaries, 3,025 baptisms and 749 by letter; total additions, 3,773. The year closed with no debt and with a surplus of \$13,720.27. The work of the Home Board embraces the cities, the foreign population, the negroes and Indians. We heartily recommend enlarged contributions from our churches for this department of our work.

JOHN T. ALBRITTON,
B. MATTHEWS,
J. H. CARLTON.

By motion, the above report was made special order for to-night at 8 o'clock.

Report on Ministerial Education.

To educate young men called of God to the ministry and approved by the churches to which they belong was one of the leading objects for which

our Baptist State Convention was organized. Thus early was the need felt in the State for an educated ministry, yet this work has never enlisted a very enthusiastic support at the hands of our churches. The Board of Education, located at Wake Forest, aided sixty-one young men who were preparing themselves for preaching the Gospel last year. The Secretary estimates that he could use \$5,000 annually in this work, with great advantage to the denomination. We earnestly urge that the churches of this Association grant to this cause a more generous support. We would further suggest that the students and friends of the Southern Baptist Seminary should receive contributions from our churches.

T. L. BROWN,
E. M. JOHNSON,
J. L. CARLTON,
Committee.

Pending motion to adopt, the Association was addressed by T. L. Brown, J. M. Page, J. D. Roberts, W. B. Rivenbark, J. M. Alderman and W. H. Hagwood. Report was adopted.

The report on Sunday Schools was read by J. H. Booth, to-wit:

Believing that the Sunday School is the Church engaged in studying and teaching the Scriptures; that this work is clearly authorized in the Bible; that it is the richest and ripest field for Christian endeavor at the present time, and that our State Convention is seeking wisely to emphasize it as a factor in our development, and that for us as churches and as an Association it presents a wide open door of splendid opportunity, your committee would earnestly recommend—

First, That all our churches put more life and energy and consecration in this important teaching work committed to them.

Second, That every Sunday School be kept open if possible every Sunday in the year.

Third, That special effort be made by fathers, superintendents and other workers to enlist in the Sunday School the adult members of our churches as well as an increasing attendance on the part of the children.

Fourth, That we encourage the organization of branch and union schools where practicable.

Fifth, That each school send full report to the Association, so that the Sunday School table in the minutes may contain complete statistics.

Sixth, That our schools provide themselves with Baptist literature, such as that furnished by our own Baptist Sunday School Board of Nashville, Tenn.

Seventh, That we arrange with our State Sunday School Secretary to hold within our territory during the coming year one or more Sunday School Institutes, with a view to training our officers and teachers and improving our Sunday School condition.

Eighth, That we heartily endorse the Sunday School department of the Baptist State Convention; that we recognize Sunday School Missions as one of our regular objects of benevolence, and that we pledge ourselves to contribute toward its maintenance and enlargement.

J. H. BOOTH,
E. C. HERRING,
J. E. BOYETTE,
Committee.

Pending motion to adopt, the Association was addressed by J. M. Alderman and A. Johnson. Report was adopted.

Report on Foreign Missions.

It is peculiarly gratifying to note the progress of the Gospel in all lands to-day. Especially has the Lord blessed the work of the Southern Baptist Convention. We have missionaries now in China, Japan, Africa, Italy, Mexico, Brazil, Argentina. In 1895 we had 91 missionaries in the field. To-day we have 181. Then 85 churches, now 194; then 581 baptisms for the

year, now 2,231; then, after 50 years' work, a total membership of 3,493; now 11,423; then the contributions for the year were \$135,435, this year they were \$283,415. Less than 10 cents on the dollar was used for expenses and over 90 cents goes to the missionaries. The Board has ten medical missionaries on the field, eight male and two female, all graduated physicians. They are doing good work. Thousands come for treatment to our hospitals and dispensaries. Thus, in addition to bodily treatment they have the Gospel message. We have now theological training schools with over one hundred now in attendance. We hope to double this number before long. The Foreign Mission Journal, the organ of our Convention, has a monthly average circulation of 31,314 copies and all expenses paid. We hope soon to increase its circulation to 50,000. We cheerfully commend it to every Baptist.

L. R. CARROLL,
C. M. BEACH,
L. MIDDLETON,
Committee.

Pending motion to adopt, the Association was addressed by L. R. Carroll, T. L. Brown and C. M. Beach. The report was adopted.

On motion by Elder J. T. Albritton, the Constitution was amended so as to make the Executive Committee members of the Association.

Resolution by J. T. Albritton to authorize the trustees who have charge of the Warsaw High School property to convey to the Baptist Church at Warsaw one-half acre of the land on the south side of College street for the purpose of building a Baptist parsonage, and that alone. The resolution was voted down.

Report on Woman's Work was read by Brother I. D. Johnson, to-wit:

Your committee begs leave to report as follows on Woman's Work: We find eight Women's Missionary Societies in the bounds of our Association, and each raised the following amounts since last Association:

Delway	\$ 3.30
Johnson's	22.27
Mount Olive	12.45
Magnolia	26.78
Kenansville	19.00
Corinth	6.60
Clinton	41.12
Warsaw	26.75
Total	\$ 158.27

Respectfully submitted by
A. T. BRITT, I. D. JOHNSON,
THAD JONES, Committee.

By motion, the above report was made special order for to-morrow morning at 9 o'clock.

On motion, the Association adjourned until 8 o'clock to-night. Benediction by J. H. Booth.

WEDNESDAY—NIGHT SESSION.

Devotional exercises were conducted by W. H. Middleton, reading third chapter of Colossians, and prayer by Brother D. S. Kennedy. Called to order by the Moderator. On motion, the special order was taken up, that being the consideration of Home Missions. Pending motion to adopt, the Association was addressed by Rev. Archibald Johnson. The report was adopted.

By motion of T. L. Brown, the Association adjourned until 9 o'clock to-morrow morning. Benediction by Brother Elbert N. Johnson.

THURSDAY—MORNING SESSION.

Devotional exercises were conducted by C. M. Beach, reading fifth chapter of 2 Corinthians, and prayer by C. M. Rock and W. B. Rivenbark. The Association was called to order by the Moderator.

Special order was called for and the report on Woman's Work was adopted.

Moved that B. Y. P. U. be stricken out of the list of objects and Education be inserted. The motion was carried.

Moved by C. M. Beach that pledges be taken for the different objects as they are discussed. The motion prevailed.

Report of Committee on Digest of Church Letters was read by Rev. J. M. Alderman, as follows:

CHURCHES.	Baptisms.	Total Number of Members.	Contributions.		Average per Member of		Average Attendance of Sunday Schools.
			Running Expenses.	Mission Objects.	Running Expenses.	Mission Objects.	
Alum Springs	1	6					
Bethel	1	107	\$ 73.45		\$.68		
Beulah	1	98					
Boykin's Chapel	1	65	7.00		.10		
Bowden's							
Bear Marsh	1	118	105.20	54.70	.89	.46	25
Clinton	3	231	494.00	266.67	2.13	1.15	78
Concord		53	128.00	54.00	2.41	1.02	25
Corinth	1	149	272.00	91.88	1.82	.61	140
Delway	22	42	166.00	108.00	3.95	2.57	45
Dobson's Chapel	4	96	100.00	44.50	1.04	.46	....
Ebenezer		33	39.27	10.69	1.16	.32	20
Faison	5	31		17.00		.54	15
Hallsville	14	133	63.20	15.00	.47	.11	10
Island Creek	2	228	160.00	64.35	.70	.28	30
Ivanhoe	1	60	87.99	21.00	1.46	.35	20
Johnson's	5	147	203.00	219.29	1.38	1.49	39
Kenansville		78	278.00	27.70	3.56	.35	30
Lisbon		89	211.00	62.15	2.37	.69	22
Mt. Olive	3	184	930.00	142.40	5.05	.77	90
Maple Hill	1	40	80.75	11.00	2.01	.28	20
Magnolia	26	170	252.25	143.28	1.48	.84	80
Mt. Gilead	16	162	139.36	47.75	.80	.29	35
New Hope		161	125.00	134.24	.77	.83	60
Piney Grove	15	136	106.50	20.00	.75	.14	37
Poplar Grove	6	45	40.00	16.50	.84	.36	20
Rose Hill	7	45	76.00	31.00	1.66	.69	40
Sharon		45	40.00	10.00	.84	.22	....
Siloam		98	111.20	41.50	1.15	.42	45
Spring Vale	4	84	64.40	20.60	.76	.23	25
Rowan		45		4.00		.08	....
Mt. Zion							
Warsaw	1	176	483.50	98.15	2.74	.55	65
Cedar Fork	9	20					
Total	149	3169	\$4756.72	\$1856.80	\$ 1.50	\$.58	916

We learn from the Digest of Church Letters this year—

First, That we have baptized 149 persons; last year 67.

Second, That we have a total membership of 3,169.

Third, That nine churches report no Sunday Schools. The other churches report an average attendance of 38.

Fourth, That the total average of pastors' salaries and running expenses is \$1.50 per member.

Fifth, That the average contribution for mission objects is 58 cents.

Sixth, That Mount Olive and Delway have reported greatest average for running expenses; Hallsville and Island Creek the lowest; Delway and Johnson have reported the largest average for mission objects, and Boykin's Chapel and Rowan the smallest.

J. E. HIGSMITH, W. H. MIDDLETON,
J. M. ALDERMAN, Committee.

Pending motion to adopt, the Association was addressed by J. M. Alderman, J. D. Roberts, D. S. Kennedy, C. M. Rock, J. T. Albritton and C. M. Beach. Report was adopted.

Resolution by Elder C. M. Rock was read, as follows:

Noting the rapid growth of prohibition in our State and a demand for more stringent laws;

Resolved, therefore, That the Eastern Association put herself on record as advocating a general prohibition law for the State, and also to work to bring this to pass.

The resolution was adopted.

Report of Committee to Nominate Delegates to the Baptist State and Southern Baptist Convention.

We, your committee, nominate as delegates to Baptist Convention Thad Jones and J. M. Page, and as delegate to the Southern Baptist Convention Brother C. M. Beach.

C. C. EVERETT, H. G. OWEN,
W. H. HOOD, Committee.

Report adopted.

Report on Ministers' Relief.

The aid rendered our aged servants of God for the past year has been somewhat gratifying. In contributing to these faithful heralds of the Cross we have brightened their hearts and homes. There are now about thirty-eight being aided by the board, and we should show our appreciation and love for their consecrated services in pointing souls to the haven of rest, by liberally contributing of our means for their support. The amount contributed this year for this work is \$74.35. These aged servants of God deserve and need a better support, and in their behalf we would earnestly ask that our contributions be increased. Respectfully submitted,

W. B. RIVENBARK, THEO. MIDDLETON,
S. A. STRICKLAND, Committee.

Report on Education.

Your committee, feeling that the growth and development of the Baptist cause in the Eastern Association depends so greatly on the proper education of our young people, urge that the churches of this Association look closely to the public and private education of all the children in their respective communities. Let us not only see to it that schools run and that the children attend, but let us be interested also in what kind of training the coming men and women receive. No man nor woman is worthy to teach the young who is not an active Christian. Seeing the mighty influence the teacher wields over the pupils, we urge that our brethren see to it that this influence leads to higher and nobler things.

I. D. JOHNSON, C. M. BEACH,
W. A. MOORE, Committee.

Pending motion to adopt, the Association was addressed by C. M. Beach and J. T. Albritton. Report was adopted.

Report of Committee to Nominate Preachers and to Recommend Place for Next Session.

We, your committee, recommend that the next session of this Association meet with Lisbon Church, Sampson County, and that Rev. C. M. Rock preach the introductory sermon.

By motion, the report was adopted.

By motion, the Treasurer was authorized to pay out all moneys in hand to the different objects of the Association for which they were designated.

By motion, the Clerk was allowed \$15 for his services.

By motion of C. M. Rock a vote of thanks was tendered to the people of Mount Olive for their very kind and hospitable entertainment of the Association.

By motion, the roll of churches was called and pledges taken for different objects, to-wit:

TABLE OF PLEDGES.

CHURCHES.	State Missions.	Home Missions.	Associational Missions.	Foreign Missions.	Orphanage.	Ministerial Education.	Ministers' Relief.	Gospel Missions.	To Send Delegate to S. B. Convent.
Alum Springs									
Bethel	\$ 6.00	\$ 6.00	\$15.00	\$ 8.00	\$ 6.00	\$ 5.00	\$ 3.00	\$ 4.00	
Beulah									
Boykin's Chp..	1.00	1.00	2.00	1.00	2.00	1.00	1.00		
Bear Marsh...	2.50	2.50	15.00	7.50	7.50	2.50	2.50		\$ 1.00
Clinton	15.00	10.00	15.00	15.00	25.00	10.00	10.00		
Concord	5.00	5.00	15.00		10.00	2.50	2.50	15.00	1.00
Corinth	5.00	5.00	25.00	5.00	15.00	5.00	5.00		2.00
Dobson's Chp.	3.00	5.00	3.00	5.00	5.00		2.50		1.00
Cedar Fork....	1.00	1.00	2.00	1.00	1.00				
Delway	15.00	13.00	35.00	20.00	25.00	10.00	5.00		2.00
Ebenezer .....									.25
Faison									
Hallsville	3.00	2.00	15.00	2.00	7.00		4.50		1.00
Island Creek..	5.00	10.00	35.00	5.00	15.00	5.00	5.00		2.00
Ivanhoe									
Johnson's	10.00	10.00	30.00	12.50	15.00	3.00	5.00	3.00	2.00
Kenansville ...	5.00	5.00	15.00	10.00	10.00	5.00	5.00		2.00
Lisbon	10.00	10.00	25.00	10.00	10.00	5.00	3.00		2.00
Maple Hill	1.00	3.00	3.00	3.00	3.00	1.00	1.00		
Mt. Gilead			15.00						1.00
Mt. Olive	20.00	20.00	50.00	20.00	20.00	10.00	10.00		3.00
Magnolia	10.00	5.00	15.00	10.00	10.00	5.00	5.00		1.50
New Hope		3.00	25.00		25.00	3.00	3.00	50.00	
Piney Grove...	3.00	3.00	5.00	3.00	2.00	2.00	2.00		
Poplar Grove..	2.00		5.00	2.50	5.00		2.50		.25
Rose Hill	3.00	3.00	6.00	3.00	7.50	5.00	2.50		1.00
Sharon	1.00	1.00	4.00	1.00	2.00	1.00	1.00		
Siloam	1.00	4.00	15.00	4.00	5.00	3.00	3.00		1.00
Spring Vale...	2.00	2.00	5.00	2.00	5.00	1.00	1.00		1.00
Warsaw	10.00	5.00	15.00	10.00	15.00	5.00	5.00		3.00

Report of Trustees of Warsaw High School.

We beg leave to report as follows: That we have rented the vacant lot for the year 1905 for \$15, but we have made no disposition of the school house and lot to the citizens of Warsaw, owing to other propositions made by them, which we were not at liberty to accept. Those interested in having a school at Warsaw have expressed a willingness to accept the school house and lot on the terms proposed in the resolution passed at the last Association and put \$75 worth of improvements on the property each year and keep it insured, if no other disposition can be made of the same. That the present building on the lot is not large enough to accommodate the pupils in the district, should there be a special tax school voted for in the district, and it is very likely such a movement will be started in the near future. Then the public authorities could not use our school building. That the building is insured and the citizens of Warsaw have already spent \$85 in repairing the building.

Respectfully submitted,
L. A. BEASLY,
Chairman.
H. G. OWEN,
Secretary.

Report was spoken to by J. T. Albritton and adopted.

The following resolution was submitted by J. T. Albritton, looking to disposition of Warsaw High School property:

Resolved, That the Trustees appointed at last session of this body, to lease to the town of Warsaw our school property north of College street in that town, be instructed and are hereby authorized to sell said school property to the town on such terms as may be agreed upon by the said Trustees and the Trustees appointed by the town, for school purposes, as set forth in last year's resolution: Provided, That when said property shall cease to be used for a non-denominational school it shall revert back to the Eastern Association.

Resolution was adopted.

On motion, the letter from Rowan church was taken from the table and discussed by R. C. Sandling and a collection was taken to aid them in building a house of worship, amounting to \$17.35.

Treasurer's Receipt to Finance Committee.

Received of J. D. Roberts, W. J. Fryar and Maury Ward, Finance Committee, eight hundred and sixteen and fifty-six one-hundredths dollars, belonging to the association, as per report of said committee to this session of the Eastern Association.

Mount Olive, N. C., October 4, 1905.

C. E. DANIEL,
Treasurer of Eastern Association.

Report of the Work Done by the Missionary Societies of the Eastern Association for the Year Ending October 1, 1905.

	State Missions.	Home Missions.	Foreign Missions.	Frontier Missions.	Other Objects.	Total.
Clinton, W. M. S.....	\$ 5.35	\$ 4.19	\$ 6.15	\$25.63	\$ 1.30	\$ 42.62
Clinton, Y. L. M. S.....	2.50	3.32	1.45	15.20	1.30	23.77
Clinton, Sunbeams	4.00	2.68	2.00	.....	.....	8.68
Warsaw, W. M. S.....	4.75	11.00	10.75	.....	.....	26.50
Mount Olive, W. M. S.....	4.00	2.00	12.55	.....	.....	21.55
Johnson's, Sunbeams	3.11	2.77	2.51	.....	.....	8.39
Magnolia, W. M. S.....	2.00	6.00	6.78	12.00	.....	26.78
Kenansville, W. M. S.....	2.00	4.00	4.00	.....	.....	10.00
Delway, W. M. S.....	.78	.....	.....	.....	.....	.78
Total	\$28.49	\$35.96	\$35.19	\$52.83	\$ 2.60	\$ 168.07

MRS. W. B. STEWART,
Vice-President for Eastern Association.

On motion by J. T. Albritton the Association adjourned, to meet with the Baptist Church at Lisbon, Sampson County, N. C., on Tuesday after the first Sunday in October, 1906. Benediction by Rev. R. C. Sandling.

C. E. DANIEL, Moderator.

A. F. ROBINSON, Clerk.

ORDAINED MINISTERS.

Bear Marsh—J. T. Albritton.
Clinton—J. L. Stewart, R. C. Sandling, L. M. Hobbs and C. M. Rock.
Mount Gilead—C. T. Tew.
Mount Olive—C. F. Hopper.
New Hope—W. B. Rivenbark.
Siloam—W. A. Melvin.
Delway—J. M. Alderman and T. L. Brown.

DENOMINATIONAL STATISTICS.

CHURCHES.	Additions.				Losses.			Membership.	
	Baptisms.	By Letter.	Restored.	Excluded.	Died.	Letter.	Males.	Females.	Total.
Alum Springs	1	1	1	1	1	1	3	3	6
Bethel	1	1	1	1	1	1	42	65	107
Beulah	1	1	1	1	1	1	42	56	98
Boykin's Chapel	1	1	1	1	1	1	32	33	65
Bear Marsh	1	1	1	1	1	1	46	72	118
Clinton	3	11	11	4	4	7	97	134	231
Concord	1	1	1	1	1	1	21	32	53
Corinth	1	1	1	1	1	1	71	78	149
Cedar Fork	9	4	4	4	4	1	6	14	20
Dobson's Chapel	1	1	1	1	1	1	41	55	96
Delway	22	1	1	1	1	6	26	16	42
Ebenezer	1	1	1	1	1	1	16	17	33
Faison	5	2	2	1	1	2	47	16	28
Hallsville	14	1	1	1	1	1	83	145	228
Island Creek	2	1	1	1	1	2	25	35	60
Ivanhoe	1	1	1	1	1	2	69	78	147
Johnson's	#5	1	1	1	1	8	24	54	78
Kenansville	1	1	1	1	1	1	44	45	89
Lisbon	1	1	1	1	1	1	16	24	40
Maple Hill	1	1	1	1	1	1	63	99	162
Mount Gilead	16	1	1	2	2	1	73	111	184
Mount Olive	3	11	1	1	1	10	60	110	170
Magnolia	26	17	2	2	2	2	64	97	161
New Hope	15	3	3	4	4	7	56	80	136
Piney Grove	6	1	1	1	1	1	19	26	45
Poplar Grove	19	1	1	1	1	1	22	23	45
Rowan	7	1	1	1	1	1	12	33	45
Rose Hill	1	1	1	1	1	1	22	23	45
Sharon	1	1	1	1	1	1	15	30	45
Siloam	1	1	1	1	1	1	53	45	98
Spring Vale	4	2	1	1	1	4	33	51	84
Warsaw	1	5	1	1	1	2	72	100	172

*Awaiting. †Joined other churches.

CHURCHES, PASTORS, CLERKS AND THEIR POSTOFFICE ADDRESSES AND TIME OF HOLDING MEETING.

CHURCHES.	PASTORS AND POSTOFFICE.	CLERKS AND POSTOFFICES.	Time of Meeting.
Alum Springs		Gaston Kelley, Kenansville.	
Bethel	J. L. Stewart, Clinton	Maury Ward, Rose Hill	4th Sunday.
Beulah	D. S. Kennedy, Kenansville	W. T. Britt, Turkey	3rd Sunday.
Boykin's Chapel	No Pastor	L. M. Boykin, Clinton	
Bear Marsh	T. J. Hood, Goldsboro	Homer Brock, Mount Olive	3rd Sunday.
Clinton	Elder J. M. Page, Clinton	A. B. Carroll, Clinton	1st & 3d Sunday.
Concord	T. L. Brown, Delway	W. D. Wilkins, Magnolia	2nd Sunday.
Corinth	T. L. Brown, Delway	I. D. Johnson, Rose Hill	3rd Sunday.
Cedar Fork	J. H. Booth, Magnolia	R. H. Sloan, Hallsville	
Dobson's Chapel	W. B. Rivenbark, Teachey	Newton Brock, Kenansville	3rd Sunday.
Delway	T. L. Brown, Delway	George D. Herring, Delway	2nd Sunday.
Ebenezer	R. C. Sandling, Clinton	J. E. Highsmith, Parkersburg	3rd Sunday.
Faison	J. M. Page, Clinton	T. W. Smith, Faison	1st Sunday.
Hallsville	J. H. Booth, Magnolia	D. W. Burton, Hallsville	2nd Sunday.
Island Creek	W. B. Rivenbark, Teachey	J. H. Evans, Wallace	1st Sunday.
Ivanhoe	J. A. Smith, Wilmington	C. R. Corbett, Ivanhoe	3rd Sunday.
Johnson's	T. L. Brown, Delway	L. Middleton, Warsaw	1st Sunday.
Kenansville	C. M. Rock, Magnolia	J. A. Gavin, Sr., Kenansville	4th Sunday.
Lisbon	T. L. Brown, Delway	W. B. Lamb, Ingold	4th Sunday.
Maple Hill	J. H. Booth, Magnolia	J. R. Marshburn, Maple Hill	3rd Sunday.
Mt. Gilead	J. M. Alderman, Delway	B. Matthews, Taylor's Bridge	4th Sunday.
Mt. Olive	L. R. Carroll, Warsaw	B. A. Summerlin, Mount Olive	2d & 4th Sunday.
Magnolia	C. M. Rock, Magnolia	H. M. Swinson, Magnolia	1st Sunday.
Piney Grove	J. L. Stewart, Clinton	S. H. Hare, R. F. D. No. 3, Clinton	2nd Sunday.
New Hope	J. M. Alderman, Delway	J. H. Carlton, Warsaw	2nd Sunday.
Poplar Grove	J. W. Bell, Faison	J. W. Westbrook, Faison	4th Sunday.
Rose Hill	J. T. Albritton, Calipso	W. C. Savage, Rose Hill	4th Sunday.
Rowan	J. W. Bell, Faison	L. H. Best, Clinton	
Sharon	J. H. Booth, Magnolia	W. Blanchard, Sloan	
Siloam	J. M. Alderman, Delway	A. A. Maynard, Kerr	3rd Sunday.
Spring Vale	J. M. Alderman, Delway	J. M. Marshburn, Clinton	1st Sunday.
Warsaw	C. M. Rock, Magnolia	W. G. Owen, Warsaw	2d & 3rd Sunday.

FINANCIAL STATISTICS.

CHURCHES.	State Missions.	Associational Missions.	Home Missions.	Foreign Missions.	Gospel Missions.	Orphanage.	Ministerial Education.	Ministers' Relief.	Poor.	Other Objects.	Minute Fund.	Pastor's Salary.	Improvements.	Other Church Expense.	Totals.	Present Indebtedness.	Sunday School Expenses.	Value of Church Property.	Sunday School Missions.
Alum Springs.	50										1.50				1.00				
Bethel.	8.10	19.90	8.25	11.05	6.40	8.95	5.80	8.95			1.65				75.10				
Beulah.																		400.00	
Boykin's Chp.	1.00	2.00	1.00	1.00		1.00		1.00			.80				7.80			4.00	
Bear Marsh.	13.60	15.00	2.50	4.50	3.00	8.10	2.50	2.50		5.20	2.00	100.00		6.00	165.90				
Clinton.	36.88	19.08	76.02	40.92		50.03	10.00	23.00	8.00	26.00		400.00		52.60	760.67				1.00
Concord.	1.00	20.00	1.10		15.00	8.95		1.10				125.00			170.00		18.04	700.00	
Corinth.	3.00	38.00	6.60	7.00		10.00	3.00			12.00	1.68	225.00		5.00	363.88		35.00	500.00	
Cedar Fork.																			
Dobson's Chp.	5.00	30.00	5.00			5.80		2.50		1.00					143.50			600.00	
Delway.	9.05	46.30	7.25	12.00	3.00	21.40	4.00	4.60			1.25	125.00		15.00	248.85				
Ebenezer.	3.84			1.11		1.84					.30	36.00			42.79			200.00	
Faison.	6.00			6.00		2.50		1.00			1.50	60.00			17.00			1250.00	
Hallsville.	2.00	15.00	1.00	2.00		5.00	2.00	3.00			2.00	60.00			92.00	12.55		550.00	
Island Creek.	5.00	35.00	10.00	8.00		4.23	2.00	5.00				125.00			101.23			600.00	
Ivanhoe.	2.00					5.00								2.24	94.99			500.00	
Johnson's.	21.44	34.35	12.65	18.29	3.49	63.87	2.00	5.25	40.00	4.77		200.00			422.29		13.78	1000.00	2.40
Kenansville.	5.00	5.00	5.00	8.00		3.70					1.00	250.00			277.70			1000.00	
Lisbon.	5.00	25.00	5.55	5.00	15.00	11.60	3.00	2.00			.25	55.00	150.00		233.55				
Maple Hill.	4.00			3.00		2.00	1.00	1.00			1.00	125.00			183.35		10.00		
Mt. Gilead.		15.00			21.45	7.00	2.00	2.00			11.60	1.00			238.55			800.00	
Mt. Olive.	12.26	50.00	17.93	37.21		25.00					150.00	675.00		60.00	1072.40				
Magnolia.	7.00	10.00	23.91	11.78		27.30	4.50	5.00	10.25	2.50		250.00		12.00	795.53		45.00		
New Hope.		25.00	3.00		55.32	43.91	3.00	3.00				125.00			133.24				
Piney Grove.	3.00	5.00		3.00	3.00	2.00	2.00	2.00			1.00	100.00			120.00			350.00	
Poplar Grove.	2.00	5.00		2.50		3.00	2.00	2.00				40.00			56.50			350.00	
Rose Hill.	2.00	9.16	2.00	2.00		3.00		14.00	2.00		2.00	61.00		10.00				1250.00	
Rowan.																			
Sharon.	1.00	4.00	1.00	1.00		1.00	1.00	1.00			.65	40.00			50.65				
Siloam.	1.00	15.10	4.00	4.00	3.00	12.00	2.00	2.00			1.50	100.00			154.70		8.20	1000.00	
Spring Vale.	2.00	5.00	2.00	2.00		4.30	1.30	1.00				60.00			80.60		3.00	700.00	
Warsaw.	11.00	25.00	7.10	27.55		10.00	2.50	3.00	12.00	3.50		400.00	100.00	30.00	681.65		50.00	1500.00	

SUNDAY SCHOOL STATISTICS.

CHURCHES.	SUPERINTENDENTS.	Postoffices.	Number of Schools.	Officers and Teachers.	Number of Pupils.	Average Attendance.	Months Open.	Expenses.	Orphanage.	Missions.	Periodicals Taken.
Alum Springs.											
Bethel.											
Beulah.	W. J. Shipp.			3							
Boykin's Chapel.											
Bear Marsh.	C. A. Byrd	Mt. Olive	1	6	36	25	12				40
Clinton.	W. B. Stewart	Clinton	1	12	115	78	12				120
Concord.	W. D. Wilkins	Magnolia	1	5	30	25	12				30
Corinth.	I. D. Johnson	Rose Hill	1	10	155	140	12				105
Cedar Fork.											
Dobson's Chapel.											
Delway.											
Ebenezer.	J. E. Highsmith	Parkersburg	1	4	30	20	12	\$3.27	\$3.90		
Faison.	J. C. Hines	Faison	1	5	31	15	12				18
Hallsville.	D. W. Burton	Hallsville	1	8	42	10		3.20			
Island Creek.	E. Helat	Rose Hill	1	8	56	50	12				82
Ivanhoe.	J. W. Gurganus	Ivanhoe	1	3	26	20	12				
Johnson's.	W. H. Middleton	Warsaw	1	7	68	39	12				107
Kenansville.	Thad Jones	Kenansville	1	4	40	30	12				
Lisbon.	D. L. Herring	Garland	1	6	35	22	12				40
Maple Hill.	D. H. Marshburn	Maple Hill	1	3	25	20	12				
Mount Gilead.	E. L. Croom	Clinton	2	5	45	35	12	3.00			
Mount Olive.	C. H. Horton	Mt. Olive	1	10	100	90	12				180
Magnolia.	H. M. Swinson	Magnolia	1	12	100	80	12				125
New Hope.	C. E. Daniel	Turkey	1	6	80	60	12				
Piney Grove.	J. C. Hobbs	Keener	1	5	51	37	12	6.50			
Poplar Grove.	J. W. Bell	Faison	1	4	46	20	6				
Rose Hill.	W. D. Henderson	Rose Hill	1	6	90	40	12	6.00			
Rowan.											
Sharon.											
Siloam.	D. T. Johnson	Kerr, R. F. D.	1	7	70	45	12				54
Spring Vale.	A. F. Robinson	Clinton, R.F.D. 4	1	4	50	25	9				50
Warsaw.	S. M. Carlton	Warsaw	1	7	80	65	12				80

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