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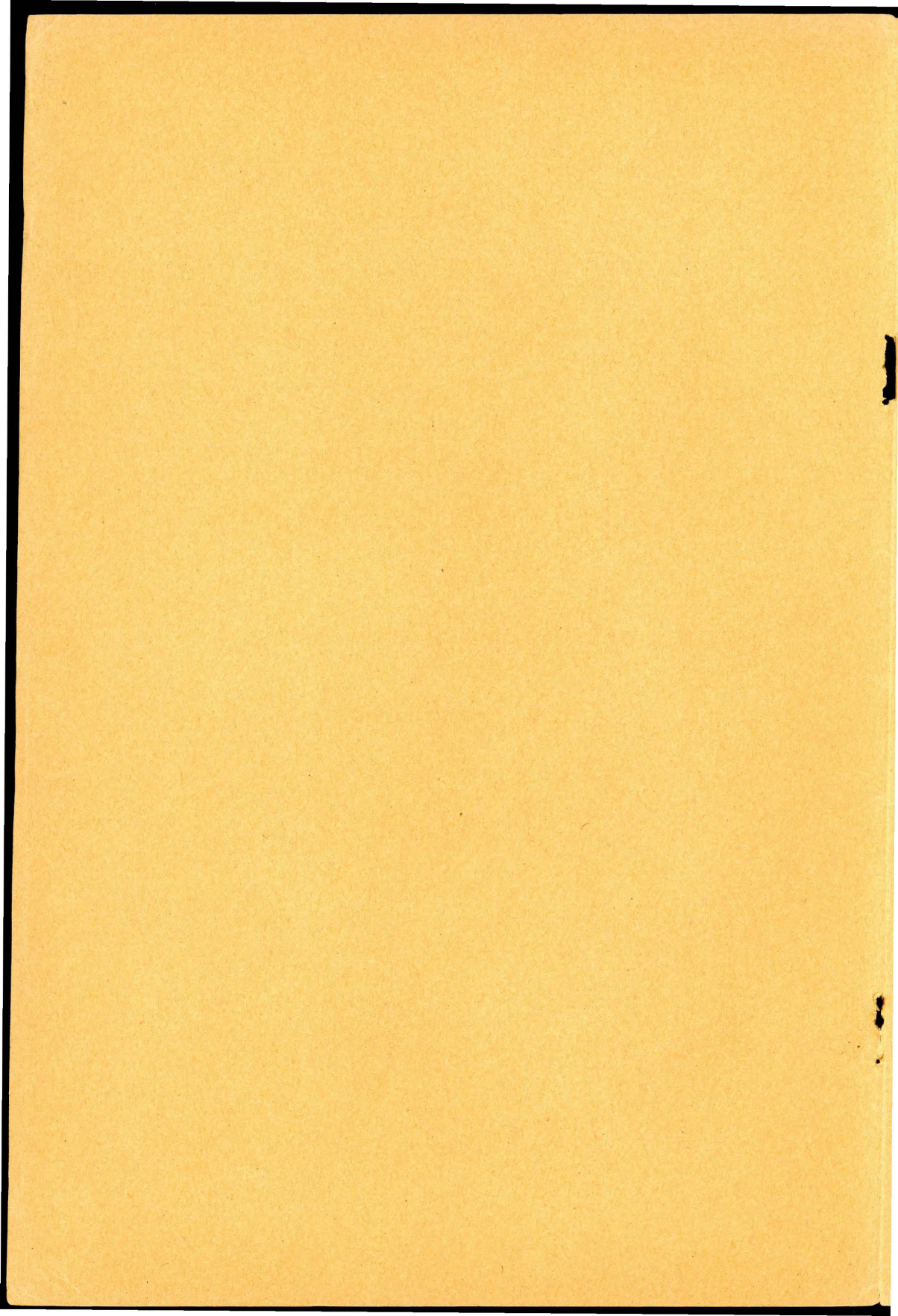
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MINISTERS AND THEIR POSTOFFICES

Geo. W. Revells, R. F. D., Sopchoppy, Fla.
C. C. Scarborough, Spring Hill, Fla.
M. Russell, Holland, Fla.
R. J. Carraway, R. F. D. No. 1, Arran, Fla.
John McKinsey, Sopchoppy, Fla.
H. G. Lewis, Woodville, Fla.
H. W. Spears, R. F. D. No. 1, Ben Haden, Fla.
J. R. Reeves, Spring Hill, Fla.
H. H. McAllister, R. F. D. No. 1, Wakulla, Fla.
J. F. Spears, Ben Haden, Fla.

LICENTIATES AND THEIR POST OFFICES

G. T. Barrow, Woodville, Fla.
J. W. H. McClellan, Aucilla, Fla.
J. L. Holland, Ebb, Fla.
M. M. Miller, Arran, Fla.

NAMES AND POST OFFICES OF MINISTERS OF THE WEST FLORIDA ASSOCIATION

W. D. Carroll, Westville, Fla.
M. M. Carroll, Westville, Fla.
H. H. Stewart, Argle, Fla.
W. S. Sellers, DeFuniak, Fla.

LICENTIATES

E. E. Redd, DeFuniak, Fla.
J. C. Ainsworth, Gainer, Ala.

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 12, 1923

The Association was held with Pleasant Grove Church, Friday before the second Sunday in October, 1923.

The introductory was preached by Rev. H. H. McAllister, from the 4th chapter and 30th verse of Galatians: "Nevertheless, what saith the Scripture? Cast out the bondwoman and her son, for the son of the bondwoman shall not be heir with the son of the free woman."

After intermission of one hour and thirty minutes, the Association was called to order by Rev. R. J. Carraway. Prayer by Rev. M. Russell.

Moved and carried that we adopt the order of business of last session.

Moved and carried that we call for correspondence from sister churches. Received six letter, which were read, and on motion received, together with the messengers.

On motion, Rev. C. C. Scarborough was elected Moderator, and Bro. H. C. Rehwinkel, Jr., was elected Clerk.

On motion, we called for petitionary letters. Received none.

On motion, we called for correspondence from sister associations.

Received Rev. W. D. Carroll, from West Florida Association. On motion, he was received with his message.

On motion, the Moderator appointed five committees, as follows:

Preaching Committee—Bros. J. C. Pigott, J. C. Coleman, C. M. McClellan.

Finance Committee—Bros. J. P. Bozeman and J. C. Coleman.

Correspondence Committee—Rev. M. Russell and H. G. Lewis.

Committee on Deceased Ministers and Deacons—J. C. McClellan, W. D. Carroll, R. J. Carraway.

Obituaries Committee—Rev. J. W. H. McClellan, H. H. McAllister, E. L. Carter. On motion, Moderator and Clerk were added to last-named committee.

Moved and carried that we send 50 copies of our Minutes to West Florida Association.

Moved and carried that we adjourn until tomorrow morning at 9 o'clock.

SATURDAY MORNING

Saturday morning, 9 o'clock, owing to the committees not reporting in time, Association work was put off until after 11 o'clock preaching.

SATURDAY AFTERNOON

Association was called to order by Moderator. Prayer by Rev. C. C. Scarborough.

On motion, we renewed the call for petitionary letters. Received none.

On motion, we renewed the call for correspondence from sister churches. Received two letters, which were read and received with the Messengers.

On motion, we called for report of Committee on Correspondence, which was received.

On motion, we called for report of Committee on Obituaries, which was received.

On motion, we called for report of Committee on Deceased Ministers and Deacons, which was received.

On motion, we called for report of Finance Committee, which was received.

On motion, we called for report of Treasurer, which was received.

Moved and carried that we correspond with West Florida Association, and on motion, we asked for volunteers to go to West Florida Association.

The following volunteered to go: Rev. H. H. McAllister and R. J. Carraway.

On motion, we instructed delegates to invite correspondence from West Florida Association.

Moved and carried that we hold the next session of the Association with White Church, in Woodville, Leon County, Florida.

On motion, the Clerk was instructed to give Bro. W. H. Bradshaw, of Lake Jackson Church, the balance of minutes fund after paying the Clerk for his services and printing and distributing the minutes.

On motion, the minutes were read and received.

On motion, the Association adjourned to the next time and place.

Ministers occupied the stand as follows:

Friday Morning—Elder H. H. McAllister.

Friday Night—Elder John McKinzie.

Saturday, 11 O'Clock—Elder John McKinzie.

Saturday Night—Elder M. Russell.

Sunday, 11 O'Clock—Elder W. D. Carroll.

REPORT OF CORRESPONDENCE COMMITTEE

Pleasant Grove Church, October 13, 1923.

Dear Brethren and Sisters:

It is with gratitude that we, your Committee on Correspondence, have the pleasure of writing a letter of correspondence to you.

First—We would suggest a better attendance at our church meetings. It is encouraging to the pastor to meet the brothers and sisters once a month, on Saturdays and Sundays. It makes him feel like the church loves him and appreciates his labors.

Second—We would suggest that we look after the financial condition of our ministers and help them to bear their burdens of carrying the Gospel to a waiting and dying world.

Third—We would suggest a closer adherence to the Gospel discipline in our church government. There are so many professing Godliness and denying the powers thereof. There are some of our preachers that do not preach sound doctrines. So may God help us to be more careful in the future than we have been in the past, is our prayer, for Christ's sake. Amen.

Respectfully submitted,

M. RUSSELL, Chairman.

REPORT OF OBITUARIES COMMITTEE

We, your Committee on Obituaries, beg leave to report the following deaths of members of our churches:

Sister Annie Revell was born March 24, 1856; departed this life February 10, 1923. She was united with Mt. Beason Church in 1881.

Brother Arthor Green was a member of Mt. Beason Church for a long time. Departed this life in May, 1923.

Brother Frank Wilks, age 79, and Sister Sarah Walters, who died September 3, 1923. Both were faithful members of Lake Jackson Church.

Sister Annie Vause was a member of Beulah Church. Departed this life February 4, 1923. She was a member for about five years.

Sister Bell Mathers was a member of Beulah Church for a number of years. Departed this life October 3, 1923. She was 74 years old at her death.

Brother William Strickland was born May 8, 1854, and departed this life January 24, 1923. He was a member of Whidden Lake Church for a long time.

Brother Perry D. Lewis was born December 22, 1854, and departed this life March 8, 1923. He was a member of White Church for a long time.

Sister Rachel Alligood was born October 11, 1856, and departed this life January 31, 1923. She was a member of White Church for a number of years.

Sister Annie Crosby was a member of White Church for a number of years.

Sister Mary Isler was a member of White Church for a long time.

Brother W. T. Green was born December 12, 1881; joined the church September 25, 1910; departed this life May 19, 1923. He was a member of Friendship Church.

Sister Bell Brumley Boykin united with Friendship Church May 23, 1915. Departed this life April, 1923.

Brother D. J. Hamerick was a member of Pleasant Grove Church. He was born January 20, 1843, and departed this life February 9, 1923. He was a faithful member for a number of years.

They all died in the faith. Though we hate to part with them, we bow to our Master's will and know that He knows best.

Respectfully submitted,
E. L. CARTER, Chairman.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON DECEASED MINIS-
TERS AND DEACONS

The Grim Reaper has again entered our ministerial ranks and called from us our dearly beloved Brother W. T. Green. He was born on the 12th day of December, 1881. He joined the Church of Friendship September 25, 1910, and was licensed to preach January 23, 1915, and was ordained August 22, 1915. He departed this life on the 19th of May, 1923, aged 41 years, 5 months and 7 days. He lived a faithful member and minister until the end.

Sister Rachel Alligood was a member of White Church for many years, being the wife of Deacon Geo. W. Alligood. She was born October 11, 1856, and departed this life January 31, 1923. We bow in submission to Him who doeth all things well, and say: We miss you, Brother Green and Sister Alligood, with the deep sorrow none can tell, but we know that all things with thee will be well.

Respectfully submitted,

C. M. McCLELLAN, Chairman.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON FINANCE.

We, your Committee on Finance, beg leave to make the following report:

We have received from all the churches \$35.18, including the amount left over from last Association as reported by the Treasurer.

Received from eight churches.....	\$27.70
Report of Treasurer.....	7.48
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	\$35.18

We recommend the printing of 250 copies of our minutes, and after paying for printing and distributing of same, the Clerk to have \$5.00 for his services and report the balance to the next Association.

Respectfully submitted,

J. P. BOZEMAN, Chairman.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Received from Association for Minutes, etc., 1922.....	\$32.90
Paid for printing Minutes of 1922 Session of Association, including postage.....	\$20.42
Clerk's fee, allowed by Finance Committee of Association	5.00
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Balance to be delivered to Association, 1923	\$ 7.48

Respectfully submitted,

H. C. REHWINKEL, JR.,

Clerk and Treasurer.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON CONSTITUTION AND
ORDER, AT BEULAH CHURCH, WAKULLA
COUNTY, FLA., OCTOBER 3, 1874.

The cause of this Constitution was not for convenience from geographical situation, nor from enmity to any of our sister churches or brethren, nor from a feeling of exclusiveness or selfishness or desire to be let alone, nor from a difference of opinion with our brethren or a disbelief of the long-established doctrines and usages of the old Baptist, as to add or detract from the commandments, nor with a view of severing the church of Christ into another fragment, or setting up another religious sect, thereby weakening the cause of our Master, already enfeebled by divisions and lessening the power and influence of the Gospel by trying to force nice distinctions, thus substituting ourselves and affording to other a pretext to substitute a system of perverse disputing and disgraceful wrangling for the simplicity of Christ's revealed will as taught in His word. We do rather pray for unity and a healing of the breaches already made. But we have been thrown into a dilemma, either to submit to the exclusion and unchurching of a part of our body directly, and all of us ultimately, and suspend all religious services as in the fear of God, asserting the sovereignty of the church and meeting together in a church and associational capacity for our mutual comfort and edification. We believe that the cause of truth demands that we adopt the latter alternative, assured from an intimate acquaintance with our Sister Elim, that she has not nor had not departed from the faith of God's elect, and that her exclusion from the Ocklocknee Association under the above charge, and the dropping of our Sister Mt. Zion for endorsing her supposed departure, was in the highest sense unjustified by facts associational, constitutional or scriptural, and a lamentable disregard of Ephesians 4 and 3. The order of this Association and of the churches of which she is composed is preserved unchanged in any particular, being that of the Primitive Baptist all over the world, to-wit: Salvation by grace through faith, which is the gift of God, Ephesians 2:8; that a church is a body of immersed believers, Acts 2:41, who only are entitled to the ordinances of the Lord's supper and washing of the Saint's feet, John 13; together with the Articles of Faith and Rules of Decorum, common to our people, which we omit in this provisional minute.

J. N. COGGINS, Moderator.

J. N. BARROW, Clerk.

ARTICLES OF FAITH

1. We believe in only one true and living God, and that there are three in the Godhead, the Father, the Son and the Holy Ghost. Isaiah 44:8; 45:21; I John 5:7; I Cor. 8:6.

2. We believe the Scriptures of the Old and New Testaments are the Word of God, and the only rule of faith and practice. II Tim. 3:16.

3. We believe in the doctrine of election of grace. Titus 3:7.

4. We believe in one Lord, one Faith and one Baptism. Ephes. 4:5.

5. We believe in man's impotency to recover himself from the state he is in by nature of his own free will and ability. John 5:7.

6. We believe that sinners are justified in the sight of God only by the imputed righteousness of Christ. I Peter 2:24; Isaiah 53:5.

7. We believe that God's elect shall be called, regenerated and sanctified by the Holy Ghost. Romans 15:16 and 8:30; II Thes. 2:13; II Peter 1:2.

8. We believe the faithful shall grow in grace and in the knowledge of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. II Peter 3:18; Colos. 1:10.

9. We believe that Baptism, the Lord's Supper and the Washing of Feet are the only subjects of these ordinances, and that the only mode of Baptism is by immersion. Mat. 28:19; I Cor. 24 to 26; St. John 13:14; I Tim. 5:10; Mat. 3:16.

10. We believe the punishment of the wicked shall be everlasting, and the joy of the righteous shall be eternal. Mat. 25:46.

11. We believe that no minister has the right to the administration of the Ordinances only such as are regularly called and come under the imposition of the hands of the Presbytery. I Tim. 4:14.

12. We believe in the resurrection of the dead and a general judgment. Rev. 20:5; Rom. 14:10.

J. M. SHEPARD, Moderator.

W. T. GREEN, Clerk.

CHURCHES	COUNTY AND STATE	DELEGATES	Received of Baptism	Received by Letter	Restored	Confession of Faith	Expelled	Dismissed by Letter	Died	Total Membership	Contributions	Yearly Meetings
Beulah.....	Wakulla Co., Fla.	H. C. Rehwinkel, Jr.....	..	..	..	..	..	..	12	36	\$ 3.00	Third Sunday in June
Friendship.....	Wakulla Co., Fla.	J. C. Pigott, E. L. Carter.....	1	..	..	..	..	12	12	51	5.00	Fourth Sunday in May
Mt. Beason.....	Wakulla Co., Fla.	Pastor John McKenzie.....	..	2	1	..	1	..	12	62	4.00	First Sunday in July
Whidden Lake...	Wakulla Co., Fla.	J. C. Coleman.....	..	..	1	..	..	..	1	49	3.20	Second Sunday in July
Lake Jackson...	Leon Co., Fla.	Morgan Spears.....	..	..	..	..	..	..	12	25	3.00	Fourth Sunday in July
White Church...	Leon Co., Fla.	C. R. Langston, Geo. A. Herring	..	2	..	..	2	2	12	98	5.00	Second Sunday in August
New Hope.....	Leon Co., Fla.	By Letter.....	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	20	3.00	First Sunday in September
Pleasant Grove..	Jefferson Co. Fla.	J. H. McClellan, C. M. McClellan	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	19	1.50	Second Sunday in July
			..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	\$27.70	

