

MINUTES OF THE
FIFTY-SECOND
ANNUAL SESSION
OF THE
Black Creek
Primitive Baptist
Association



HELD WITH THE CHURCH AT
UPPER BLACK CREEK
LUCAMA, N. C.

FRIDAY, SATURDAY and SUNDAY

October 26, 27, 28, 1928

Proceedings

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 26, 27, 28, 1928

1st. The services were opened by praise and prayer by Elder J. P. Tingle.

2nd. The introductory sermon was preached by Elder J. C. Hooks from the following text: Matthew 24:14.

3rd. The conference was opened with praise and prayer by Elder Isaac Jones.

4th. On motion Elder J. C. Hooks was chosen moderator and Elder E. L. Cobb was chosen Clerk who called brother I. A. Lamm to his assistance.

5th. On motion visiting brethren and messengers from sister associations were invited to seats with us.

6th. Elders F. W. Keene and I. R. Greathouse and J. P. Tingle were appointed to preach this afternoon and they used the following texts. F. W. K. Exod. 25:21, 22. I. R. G. Gal. 2:31, J. P. T., Jonaah, "Salvation is of the Lord."

7th. Brethren J. B. Murray and F. W. Boswell were appointed a committee on finance.

8th. Letters from 23 churches composing this association were called for and read.

9th. Petitionary letters to join this association were called for.

10th. Called for corresponding messengers from sister associations:

Contentnea, minutes Elders Joshua Mewborn, Jas Corbett, and J. P. Tingle.

Little River, minutes Elder E. F. Pierce, Brethren R. D. Langdon, J. F. Adams.

Kehukee, minutes, Brother E. P. Williamson.

Seven Mile, minutes, Brethren M. S. Byrd and W. P. Griffin, Eld. L. A. Johnson.

White Oak, Minutes, Elders Isaac Jones, W. W. Roberts and Bro. W. W. Quinn.

Mill Branch, Minutes, no messenger.

Baltimore, Minutes, no messenger.

Warwick, Minutes, no messenger.

Delaware, Minutes, no messenger.

Delaware River, Minutes, no messenger.

Staunton River, Minutes, no messenger.

Lower Country Line, Minutes, no messenger.

Upper Country Line, Minutes, Elders M. B. Martin, and F. W. Keene.

Salem, Minutes, no messenger.

Fisher's River, Minutes, no messenger.

Zion, Minutes, no messenger.

Mayo, Elder D. G. Staples.

Abbotts Creek, Minutes, Elder Sam McMillian.

Oconee, Minutes, no messenger.
Miami, Elder I. R. Greathouse.
Soldiers Creek, Elder J. C. Chester.

11th. Appointed our next session of the association to be held with the church at Creeches, to commence Friday before the fourth Sunday in October 1929 at 11 o'clock. The introductory sermon to be preached by Elder J. C. Hooks, and Elder R. H. Boswell to be his alternate.

12th. The following messengers were appointed to visit the sister associations, that we correspond with.

Contentnea, Elders John Gardner, R. E. Adams, and J. T. Williams.

Kehukee, Elders R. H. Boswell, and R. E. Adams.

White Oak, Elders W. H. Schenck, J. T. Williams, R. H. Boswell.

Little River, Elder J. T. Williams, and Bro. D. A. Thompson.

Lower Country Line, Elders S. B. Denny, R. E. Adams, Brethren I. S. Davis, J. B. Murray.

Upper Country Line, Elders R. E. Adams, J. W. Wyatt, Bro. J. B. Murray.

Seven Mile, Elders W. H. Schenck, H. F. Hutchens, Bro. J. B. Murray.

Mill Branch, Elders H. F. Hutchens and R. H. Boswell.

Baltimore, Minutes.

Delaware, Minutes.

Delaware River, Minutes.

Warwick, Minutes.

Abbott's Creek, Brethren J. B. Murray, D. A. Thompson and Eld. R. H. Boswell.

Mayo, Elders W. H. Schenck, J. W. Wyatt.

Staunton River, Elders R. E. Adams, J. W. Wyatt.

Fisher's River, Minutes.

13th. The officers of this association together with deacons of this church were appointed a committee of arrangements.

14th. Elders Jas. Corbett, Joshua Mewborn, J. C. Chester, W. E. Grimes, were appointed to preach Saturday morning and they used the following texts, J. S. Lamentations 5:1, J. M. 9th Chap. Matthew few verses, J. C. C. Psalms 106-3, E. W. G. John 14-18.

Elders A. D. Hancock 1st. Peter 2nd verse, E. F. Pearce, "Return O Lord and look down from Heaven and visit this Vine" preached Saturday afternoon.

Elders A. B. Denson, Exure Lee, D. G. Staples, Leonard Stephenson was appointed to preach Sunday morning and they used the following texts A. B. D. 1st Peter 1st. 22, 23, 24. E. L. Isaiah 53:1, D. G. S. Romans 8:31. L. H. S. 2nd Timothy 2:11. Elder N. H. Harrison preached Sunday afternoon, and used text John 4th:22, 23, 24.

15th. The messengers of the churches were called for and those that were present were inserted in the statistical table.

16th. The messengers that were appointed last year to visit sister associations were called on to report and those that failed to attend were excused.

17th. The committee on finance made the following report:

Received from churches -----	\$157.00
Paid for minutes -----	\$ 30.00
Allowed Clerk for Services -----	15.00
Given to visiting ministers -----	112.00
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Total -----	\$157.00 \$157.00

18th. The report was received and the committee discharged after the money was disposed of to the proper ones.

19th. In as much as all of our business is done on Friday it is hereby agreed that any messenger from any church or association who failed to make his report can make his report to the Clerk any time during the meeting and the Clerk is authorized to record same in our minutes.

20th. Agreed that the constitution and rules of decorum be printed with these minutes.

21st. The Clerk is authorized to have printed 1500 copies of these minutes and distribute them among the churches and associations with whom we correspond and have one recorded on our Books.

22nd. The following brethren J. E. Johnson, J. S. Rogerson, and J. B. Boswell were appointed to preserve order during the services Saturday and Sunday.

23rd. Agreed that a committee of Elders J. C. Hooks, S. B. Denny, and E. L. Cobb be appointed to write resolutions of respect for the love and esteem of our brethren W. C. Boyette who was a member of our finance committee so long and Elder J. T. Spencer who has departed this life and gone home.

24th. Resolved that our thanks be extended to all the brethren and friends of this community and other sections who so kindly prepared for and entertained us and that our moderator give public expression at the close of the association.

25th. After reading the minutes and approved the association adjourned to meet again at the time and place appointed for our next session with praise and prayer by the moderator.

ELDER J. C. HOOKS, Moderator
ELDER E. L. COBB, Clerk.
BROTHER I. A. LAMM, Asst. Clerk.

RESOLUTIONS

WILLIAM CLAYTON BOYETTE

Brother William Clayton Boyette was born April 7, 1875 and was married to Martha Williamson in 1894, who survives him together with two sons and two daughters.

Brother Boyette united with the Primitive Baptist Church at Contentnea in Wilson county, July, 1900 and was ordained as deacon of said church in October, 1913, which office he filled with much honor to himself and to his church until his death which occurred March 18, 1927. In the death of Brother Boyette, his companion has lost a devoted husband, his children a loving father, his church a faithful deacon and the Black Creek

Association a useful officer.

Brother Boyette was one of Wilson County's most prominent and substantial citizens, having served as county commissioner for a number of years, and was President of the Planters Bank of this city. His wise and fatherly counsel will be greatly missed in this community.

Written by request of the Black Creek Association,

S. B. DENNY,
E. L. COBB
J. C. HOOKS

ELDER J. T. SPENCER

Elder J. T. Spencer was one of our beloved ministers holding his membership among the churches composing the Black Creek Association, and so far as we have learned he was a peace loving man and was held in high regard to that end, by our brethren.

Brother Spencer fell asleep some two years ago and we trust our loss was his eternal gain, for he had a good hope in the blessed Lord through grace. We pray the blessings of our God upon his loved ones he left behind.

S. B. DENNY,
E. L. COBB
J. C. HOOKS

CHURCHES, PASTORS, CLERKS AND THEIR POSTOFFICES AND THE TIME OF HOLDING YEARLY MEETING

1. Aycock's—Pastor Elder J. C. Hooks, Fremont, N. C.; Clerk W. L. Minshew, Black Creek, N. C., September 4th Sunday.
2. Beulah—Pastor, Elder J. T. Collier, Micro, N. C.; clerk, A. B. Atkinson, Kenly, N. C.; J. W. Woodard, Kenly, N. C.; September, 3rd Sunday.
3. Contentnea—Pastor, Elder G. W. Boswell, Wilson, N. C., R. F. D. No. 3; clerk F. W. Boswell, Wilson, N. C., R. F. D. No. 3; October, 3rd Sunday.
4. Cross Roads—Pastor, Elder J. W. Gardner, Goldsboro, N. C.; clerk, C. L. Gurley, Jr., Princeton, N. C., September 4th, Sunday.
5. Creeches—Pastor, Elder J. T. Collier, Micro, N. C.; clerk G. G. Creech, Kenly, N. C., August 1st Sunday.
6. Dudley—Pastor, Elder J. B. Roberts, Greenville, N. C.; clerk, Carrie Aycock, Fremont, N. C., August, 3rd Sunday.
7. Goldsboro—Pastor, Elder J. W. Gardner, Goldsboro, N. C. R. F. D. No. 1; clerk, W. H. Evans, Goldsboro, N. C., June 1st. Sunday.
8. Healthy Plains—Pastor, Elder G. W. Boswell, Wilson, N. C., R. F. D. No. 3; clerk, W. F. Boykin, Blackstone, Va., assistant clerk, Hilliard Boykin, Bailey, N. C., August 2nd Sunday.
9. Lower Black Creek—Pastor, Elder J. C. Hooks, Fremont, N. C., clerk, R. L. Lucas, Black Creek, N. C., September 2nd Sunday.

10. Memorial—Pastor, Elder J. C. Hooks, Fremont, N. C.; clerk, Larry Aycock, Kenly N. C.; October 1st Sunday.
11. Mill Branch—Pastor, Elder A. B. Denson, Rocky Mount, N. C.; clerk, E. P. Weaver, Sharpsburg, N. C., R. F. D. No. 1; August 1st Sunday.
12. Nashville—Pastor, Elder R. H. Boswell, Wilson, N. C.; clerk, L. G. Edwards, Rocky Mount, R. F. D. No. 2, September 4th Sunday.
13. New Chapel—Pastor, Elder J. W. Gardner, Goldsboro, N. C., R. F. D. No. 1, clerk, Albert Smith, Goldsboro, N. C., R. F. D. No. 1; September 2nd Sunday.
14. Peach Tree—Pastor, Elder J. T. Williams, Castalia, N. C.; clerk, S. A. Walker, Spring Hope, N. C.; August 2nd Sunday.
15. Pittman's Grove—Pastor, Elder E. L. Cobb, Wilson, N. C. clerk, Lee Pope, Kenly, N. C.; July 2nd Sunday.
16. Sandy Grove—Pastor, Elder G. W. Boswell, Wilson, N. C. clerk J. B. Murry, Middlesex, N. C.; August 1st Sunday.
17. Sappony—Pastor, Elder J. T. Williams, Castalia, N. C.; clerk, J. R. Lindsey, Nashville, N. C.; R. F. D. No. 1, September 3rd Sunday.
18. Scott's—Pastor, Elder S. B. Denny, Wilson, N. C.; clerk, I. A. Lamm, Wilson, N. C., R. F. D. No. 2, October 1st Sunday.
19. Upper Black Creek—Pastor, Elder G. W. Boswell, Wilson, N. C., R. F. D. No. 3; clerk, J. S. Rogerson, Kenly, N. C.; September 4th Sunday.
20. White Oak—Pastor, Elder E. L. Cobb, Wilson, N. C.; clerk J. J. Eason, Walstonburg, N. C.; August 1st Sunday.
21. Wilson—Pastor, None; clerk, J. W. Thorne, Wilson, N. C.; August 4th Sunday.
22. Elm City—Pastor, Elder T. H. B. Pridgen, Wilson, N. C., R. F. D. No. 3; clerk, J. J. Thorne, Elm City, N. C.
23. Little Vine—Pastor, Elder J. W. Wyatt, Selma, N. C.; clerk, D. M. Morris, Selma, N. C., R. F. D. No. 1; July 2nd Sunday.

MINISTERS OF THIS ASSOCIATION AND THEIR POSTOFFICE

Elder R. H. Boswell	-----	Wilson, N. C.
Elder G. W. Boswell	-----	R. F. D. No. 3, Wilson, N. C.
Elder J. T. Collier	-----	Micro, N. C.
Elder S. B. Denny,	-----	Wilson, N. C.
Elder John W. Gardner	-----	Goldsboro, N. C.
Elder J. C. Hooks	-----	Fremont, N. C.
Elder T. H. B. Pridgen	-----	R. F. D. No. 3, Wilson, N. C.
Elder J. T. Williams	-----	Castalia, N. C.
Elder J. W. Wyatt	-----	Selma, N. C.
Elder E. L. Cobb	-----	Wilson, N. C.
Elder R. E. Adams	-----	Wilson, N. C.
Elder H. F. Hutchens	-----	Selma N. C.
Elder W. H. Schenck	-----	Selma, N. C.

LICENTIATES

Brother Joseph Pittman	-----	Micro, N. C.
Brother Johnnie Joyner	-----	Sharpsburg, N. C.
Brother W. R. Hines	-----	Wilson, N. C.

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ASSOCIATIONS**

Churches	Clerk	Post Office	No. Copies
1.	Aycocks—W. L. Minshew,	Black Creek, N. C.	75
2.	Beulah—A. B. Atkinson,	Kenly, N. C.	100
3.	Contentnea—F. W. Boswell,	Wilson, N. C., R. F. D.	95
4.	Cross Roads—C. L. Gurley,	Princeton, N. C.	30
5.	Creeches—G. G. Creech,	Kenly, N. C.	48
6.	Dudley—W. H. Burch,	Mount Olive, N. C.	16
7.	Goldsboro—W. H. Evans,	Goldsboro, N. C.	30
8.	Healthy Plains—Hilliard Boykin,	Bailey, N. C.	55
9.	Lower Black Creek—R. L. Lucas,	Black Creek, N. C.	90
10.	Memorial—Larry Aycock,	Kenly, N. C.	90
11.	Mill Branch—E. P. Weaver,	Sharpsburg, N. C.	50
12.	Nashville—L. G. Edwards,	Rocky Mount, N. C.	32
13.	New Chapel—Albert Smith,	Goldsboro, N. C., R. 1	27
14.	Peach Tree—S. A. Walker,	Spring Hope, N. C.	20
15.	Pittsman Grove—Lee Pope,	Kenly, N. C.	25
16.	Sandy Grove—J. B. Murry,	Middlesex, N. C.	70
17.	Sappony—J. R. Lindsey,	Nashville, N. C., R. 1	43
18.	Scotts—I. A. Lamm,	Wilson, N. C.	40
19.	Upper Black Creek—J. S. Rogerson,	Kenly, N. C.	100
20.	White Oak—E. L. Cobb,	Wilson, N. C.	22
21.	Wilson—J. W. Thorn,	Wilson, N. C.	80
22.	Elm City—J. J. Thorn,	Elm City, N. C.	20
23.	Little Vine—D. M. Morris,	Selma, N. C.	10

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Associations	Clerks or Moderators	Address	No. Copies
Contentnea—H. L. Brake,	Rocky Mount, N. C.		22
Kehukee—R. L. Bailey,	Robersonville, N. C.		37
Little River—Elder H. F. Pearce,	Princeton, N. C.		22
Seven Mile—Eld. W. G. Turner,	Dunn, N. C.		10
White Oak—Eld. Isaac Jones,	Maple Hill, N. C.		15
Upper Country Line—Eld. J. W. Gilliam, Jr.,	Altamahaw, N. C.		18
Lower Country Line—J. H. Gooch,	Stem, N. C.		17
Salem—W. L. Teague,	Winston-Salem, N. C.		10
Baltimore—Frank G. Scott,	Lutherville, Md.		6
Delaware—C. W. Vaughn,	Baltimore, Md. 704 Linwood		
Rowland Park, care Eld. J. T. Rowe,	Baltimore		4
Warwick—Eld. R. Lester Dodson,	Rutherford, N. J.		5
Delaware River—Eld. H. C. Kerr,	Delma, Delaware		4
Abbotts Creek—A. L. Owens,	Salisbury, N. C., R. 2.		14
Mayo—Eld. J. A. Fagg,	Walnut Cove, N. C.		20
Fisher's River—Eld. E. P. Stone,	Francisco, N. C.		22
Staunton River—Eld. W. R. Dodd,	Witmel, Va.		15
Zion—A. M. Jennings,	Galax, Va.		11
Oconee—Eld. J. M. Adams,	Monroe, Ga.		25
Black Creek—Eld. E. L. Cobb,	Wilson, N. C.		50

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Art. 11. The names of the several members of this Association shall be enrolled by the Clerk and called over as often as the Association requires.

Art. 12. The Moderator shall be the last person who shall speak on the subject, who may give his opinion if he chooses before he puts the matter to a vote, but shall not vote himself unless the Association be equally divided.

CONSTITUTION AND FORM OF GOVERNMENT OF THE BLACK CREEK PRIMITIVE BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

From a long series of experiences, we, the church of Jesus Christ, being regularly baptized upon a profession of our faith in Christ, are convinced of the necessity of the constitution of churches in order to perpetuate a union and communion with each other in union. We, therefore, propose to maintain and keep in order the rules of our Association according to the following plan or form of government, viz:

Article 1. The Association shall be composed of members chosen by the different churches in our union, duly sent to represent them in this Association, who shall be members whom they judge best qualified for the purpose and upon producing letters from the irrelative churches certifying their appointment, they shall be entitled to a seat, provided they shall not violate the rules laid down in this constitution.

Art. 2. In the letters from the different churches shall be expressed, their number in full fellowship, those baptized, received by letter, restored, dismissed by letter, excommunicated, and dead since our last association.

Art. 3. The members thus chosen and convened shall not have any ecclesiastical power of the churches, nor shall they infringe on any of the fraternal rights of any church in this union.

Art. 4. The Association when convened shall be governed and ruled by a regular and proper decorum.

Art. 5. The Association shall have a Moderator and Clerk, who shall be chosen by the suffrage for the members present.

Art. 6. New churches may be admitted into this union who shall petition by letter and messages, and upon examination, if found orthodox and orderly, they shall be received by the Association and manifested by the Moderator giving the member the right hand of fellowship.

Art. 7. Every church in the union shall be entitled to representation in this Association by not to exceed three of its members.

Art. 8. Every query presented by any member of the Association shall be twice read and if there be a majority for its being debated, it shall be taken into consideration and debated; but if there be a majority against it, it shall be withdrawn.

Art. 9. Every motion made and seconded shall come under the consideration of the Association, except it be withdrawn by the members who made it.

Art. 10. The Association shall endeavor to furnish the

churches with the Minutes of this Association. The best method of effecting the purpose shall be at the discretion of the Association.

Art. 11. We think it absolutely necessary that we should have an association fund, for defraying the expenses of the same for the raising and supporting of which we think it the duty of every church in this union to contribute voluntarily such sums as they think proper and send by the hands of their messengers to this association and the money thus contributed by the churches and received by this Association, who shall be accountable to the Association.

Art. 12. The Minutes of this Association when printed, shall be read and corrected, if need be, and signed by the Moderator and Clerk before the Association rises.

Art. 13.—Amendments of this plan or form of government may be made at any time by a majority of the union, when they may deem it necessary.

Art. 14. The Association shall have power; 1, to provide for the general rule of churches; 2, to preserve inviolably, a chain of communion among the churches; 3, to give the churches all necessary advise in matters of difficulty; 4 to inquire into the cause why the churches fail to represent themselves at any time in this Association; 5, to appropriate the monies by the churches contributed for any Association fund to any purpose strictly connected with this Association; 6, to appoint any members by and with his or their consent to contract any business which they may see necessary; 7, the Association shall have power to withdraw from any church in the union which violates the rules of this Association or deviates from the orthodox principles of religion; 8, to admit any of the distant brethren in the ministry who may be present at the time of its sitting whom it shall judge necessary; 9 the Association shall have the power to adjourn itself to any future time or place it may think most convenient to the churches in this Union .

Art. 15. We shall not hold in our churches any person who is in the practice of visiting Masonic lodges or the lodges of any and all secret societies or who on any occasion conforms to their customs or parades nor will we countenance any such individual who may reside or come among us in the character of a preacher. We will not countenance any preacher who shall travel within the bounds of our Association establishing societies for the collecting of money, or who himself be collecting money to support any institution whatever. We will not fellowship any member or members of Missionary, Bible Tract, or Sunday School union societies, nor advocate the theological schools, nor any person who does fellowship with them, nor will we hold any such in our churches.

STATISTICAL TABLE

Churches	Name of Messengers	Baptized	Rec'd by Letter	Restored	Dis. by Letter	Excluded	Deceased	Total Membership	Contribution
Aycock -----	S. H. Blow, W. A. Bogue, W. L. Minshew -----	4					3	74 \$	8.00
Beulah -----	J. W. Bailey, S. E. Woodard, A. B. Atkinson -----		2				4	98	10.00
Contentnea -----	F. W. Boswell, Al. Boswell, D. A. Thompson, Ira Lucas -----	4	1			1	4	98	10.00
Cross Roads -----	C. L. Gurley, Andrew Brewer, B. P. Parrish -----							24	7.50
Dudley -----	R. E. Fields, I. S. Davis, Carrie Aycock -----						1	16	3.00
Goldboro -----	W. H. Eyrans, H. A. Herring, D. C. Vanhoy -----							28	5.00
Lower Black Creek -----	L. D. Mercer, M. L. Smith, R. L. Lucas -----	3						96	8.00
Healthy Plains -----	D. A. Fulghum, G. C. Coleman, Hillard Boykin -----				1		4	51	5.00
Memorial -----	Larry Aycock, W. E. Garris, G. M. Davis -----	2					4	96	8.00
Mill Branch -----	J. H. Adams, Johnnie Joyner, E. P. Weaver -----						1	48	6.00
Nashville -----	A. J. Price, J. H. W. Whitfield, J. E. Hocutt -----	1	1					27	5.00
Peach Tree -----	W. C. M. Sykes, W. B. Walker, S. A. Walker, -----					3		17	3.00
New Chapel -----	W. R. Hines, Andrew Gurley, A. J. Smith -----						2	23	7.00
Pittmans Grove -----	Lee Pope, J. T. Evans, Barney Bass -----		1				1	23	5.00
Scotts -----	David Bryant, I. A. and S. A. Lamm, Walter Butts -----	3			2		3	35	6.00
Upper Black Creek -----	J. S. Rogerson, W. R. Barnes, J. R. Exum -----		2		2	2	3	106	10.00
White Oak -----	J. G. Owens, J. I. Reason, J. M. Walston -----	3				2	1	20	9.50
Willson -----	J. A. Stephenson, W. H. Keaton, J. B. Barron, T. D. Thomas -----	1	1		2		1	80	12.00
Elm City -----	J. J. Thorn, A. M. Whitehead, W. B. Barnes -----	1						19	5.00
Little Vine -----	D. M. Morris, R. N. Radford, Elder J. W. Wyatt -----							10	5.00
Sappony -----	E. B. Barnes, W. N. Crocker, J. R. Baker -----							42	6.00
Creeches -----	G. G. Creech, Troy Barnes, J. H. Creech -----			1			1	50	8.00
Sandy Grove -----	J. B. Murry, W. T. Brantly, L. G. Brantly -----	1				1		70	5.00
	Total -----	25	7	5	6	9	30	1151	\$157.00



