

**MINUTES**

OF THE

**Seventy-Seventh Annual Session**

Of The

**Lower Canoochee Association**

**Of Primitive Baptists**

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**Held With Upper Lotts Creek Church**

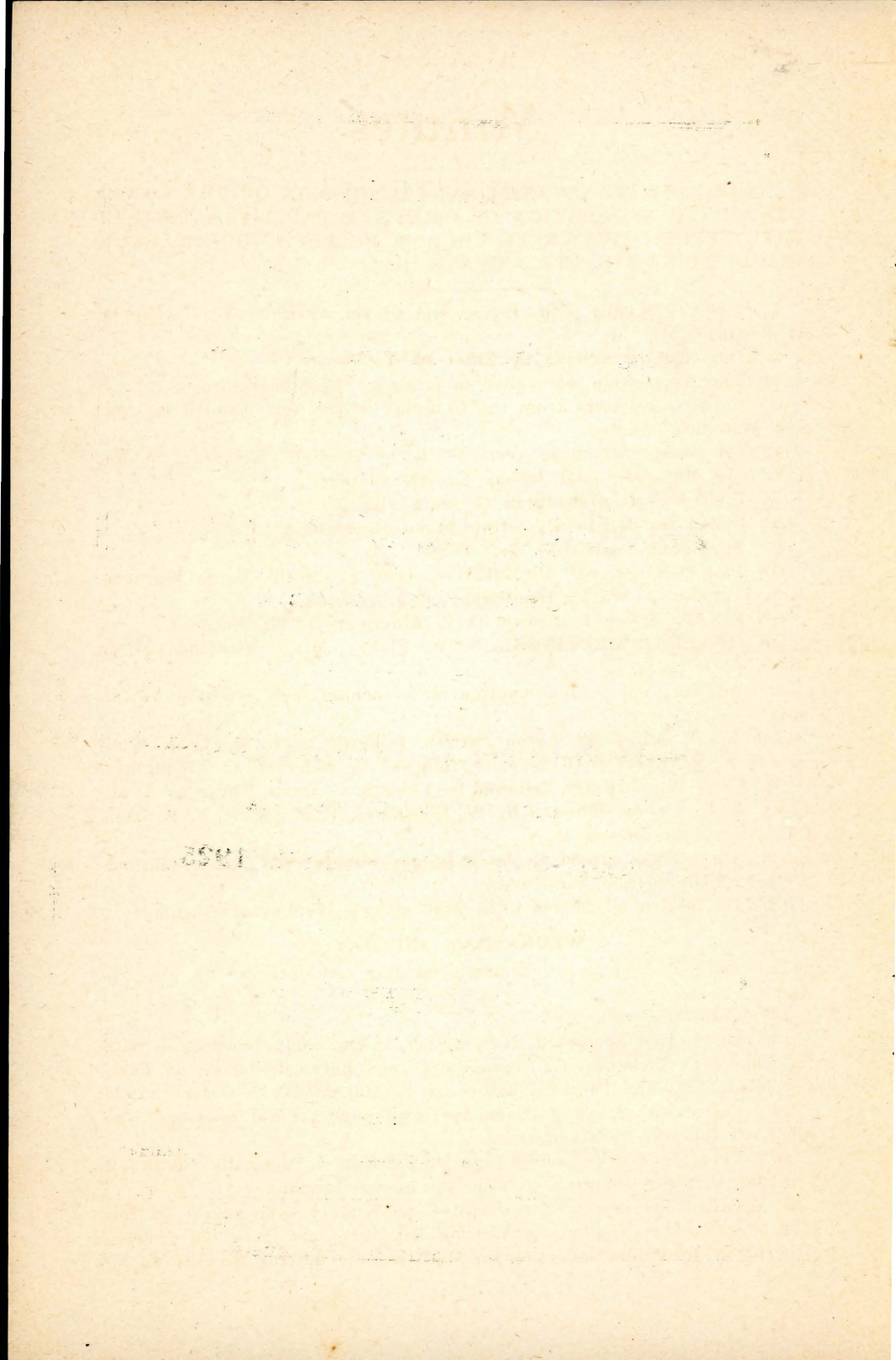
**BULLOCH COUNTY, GEORGIA**

**October 6th, 7th and 8th, 1925.**



**OFFICERS:**

Elder J. Walter Hendricks, Moderator..... Savannah, Ga.  
Joshua Everett, Clerk..... Metter, Ga.





# Minutes

THE SEVENTY-SEVENTH ANNUAL SESSION OF THE LOWER CANOOCHEE ASSOCIATION OF PRIMITIVE BAPTISTS CONVENED WITH UPPER LOTTS CREEK CHURCH, BULLOCH COUNTY, GEORGIA, OCTOBER 6TH, 7TH AND 8TH, 1925.

1. Meeting opened with singing and prayer by Elder W. T. Nipper, of Macon, Ga.

2. Introductory Sermon by Elder W. T. Nipper.

3. The Association was called to order by the Moderator.

4. Called for letters from the Churches which were handed in, read and statistics minuted.

5. On motion organized permanently by electing Elder J. Walter Hendricks Moderator and Joshua Everett Clerk.

6. Invited visiting Brethren to seats with us.

7. Called for petitionary letters, none presented.

8. Appointed committees as follows:

ON PREACHING:—D. R. McElveen, Geo. S. Cargill, H. F. Warnock, J. S. Franklin, J. Walter Hendricks.

ON FINANCE:—J. L. Brown, D. L. Alderman, J. W. Warnock.

ON GENERAL MEETINGS:—N. W. Flake, M. N. Kirkland M. L. Dixon.

9. Call for report of committee on preaching, who reported as follows:

Tuesday P. M., Elder Aaron Parrish, followed by G. D. Todd. Wednesday A. M., Elder J. G. Woodfin, followed by Elder W. C. Kicklighter. P. M., Elder W. W. Riner, followed by Elder S. C. Davis. Thursday A. M., Elder W. B. Screws, followed by W. F. Mimms. P. M., Elder T. E. Sikes, followed by the Moderator.

10. On motion agreed to carry in our minutes the names and addresses of all visiting ministers.

11. On motion adjourned until 9:30 o'clock Wednesday morning.

## WEDNESDAY, 2ND DAY

12. Met pursuant to adjournment. Singing and prayer by W. T. Nipper.

13. Called the roll.

14. On motion appointed next session of this body to convene with the Church at Savannah, Ga., corner 38th and Barnard Streets, on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday before the Second Sunday in October, 1926

15. Called for report of committee to arrange general meetings, who report as follows: None requested.

16. Correspondence having been suspended, we cordially invite all orthodox Primitive Baptists to visit our annual sessions.

17. Called for report of Committee on Finance, who report as follows: For Minutes, \$34.00; for Visiting Ministers, sent in by the Churches, \$155.50; by Public Collection for Ministers, \$50.06; for Minutes, \$6.00.



18. On motion agreed to have 500 copies of these Minutes printed, the Clerk to superintend the printing and distribution of same.

19. On motion the foregoing Minutes were read and adopted.

20. On motion the Association adjourned.

JOSHUA EVERETT,

Clerk.

Elder J. WALTER HENDRICKS,

Moderator.

In behalf of the Moderator, Ministers, Messengers and visitors, composing this Association; we, with a heart full of love and gratitude, wish to invoke the blessings of our kind Heavenly Father upon all the brethren and sisters and friends for their hospitality, in so bountifully providing for the meeting, which we appreciate very much. CLERK.

### NAMES AND ADDRESSES OF VISITING MINISTERS

J. G. WOODFIN, South Pittsburg, Tenn., Elk River Association.

W. T. NIPPER, Macon, Ga., Echeconnee Association.

G. D. TODD, Glennville, Ga., Bethel Association.

W. B. SCREWS, Glennville, Ga., Bethel Association.

AARON PARRISH, Quitman, Ga., Ochlocknee Association.

W. C. KICKLIGHTER, Ocilla, Ga., Brushy Creek.

W. W. RINER, Atlanta, Ga., Primitive Western.

T. E. SIKES, Vidalia, Ga., Upper Canoochee.

W. F. MIMMS, Cordele, Ga.

S. C. DAVIS, Screven, Ga., Bethel Association.

J. T. McARTHUR, Cordele, Ga.

J. J. JOHNSTON, Kite, Ga., Upper Canoochee.

J. S. BAXLEY, Auburn, Ala., Fellowship Association.

R. H. KENNEDY, Colli-s, Ga., Bethel Association.

### ORDAINED MINISTERS AND THEIR POST OFFICES

D. R. McELVEEN ..... Stilson, Ga.

J. WALTER HENDRICKS ..... Savannah, Ga.

C. A. WARNOCK ..... Register, Ga.

Wm. H. CROUSE ..... Statesboro, Ga.

C. B. SPIVEY ..... Metter, Ga.

### CHURCHES, THEIR OFFICERS AND POST OFFICES

| Churches                       | Pastors         | Clerk                | Post Offices    |
|--------------------------------|-----------------|----------------------|-----------------|
| Lake .....                     | W. B. Screws    | S. W. Warren .....   | Metter, Ga.     |
| Middleground .....             | R. H. Kennedy   | L. F. Martin .....   | Statesboro, Ga. |
| Brooklet .....                 | W. T. Nipper    | R. H. Warnock .....  | Brooklet, Ga.   |
| Statesboro .....               | W. H. Crouse    | Glen Bland .....     | Statesboro, Ga. |
| Fellowship .....               | W. B. Screw     | C. H. Warnock .....  | Stilson, Ga.    |
| Savannah .....                 | J. W. Hendricks | F. W. Parrish .....  | Savannah, Ga.   |
| Metter .....                   | W. H. Crouse    | G. W. Brown .....    | Metter, Ga.     |
| Upper Black Creek.....         | R. H. Kennedy   | B. J. Fordham .....  | Brooklet, Ga.   |
| Upper Lotts Creek              | J. W. Hendricks | W. D. Hall .....     | Metter, Ga.     |
| Lanes .....                    | S. C. Davis     | D. R. McElveen ..... | Stilson, Ga.    |
| Spring Grove, not represented. |                 |                      |                 |

### CONSTITUTION

Whereas, the assembly of delegates at Limestone Church, Washington County, Georgia, on Saturday before the fourth Sunday in September



ber, 1829, for the several churches, viz: New Hope, Hebron, Mill Creek, Limestone, Hines, Fox Bay, Canoochee, Lake, Upper Black Creek, Bethlehem, Little Briar Creek, Gumlog and Bethseda, having then and there agreed to become two bodies, for convenience, called Upper and Lower Canoochee Association.

And in the Lower Canoochee Association, Composed of the several churches, viz: Nevil's Creek, Mill Creek, Lower Lotts Creek, Lake, Fellowship, DeLoach's, Upper Black Creek, Ashe's Branch, Bethlehem, Anderson's, Fox Bay, Sunlight, Cedar Creek, Beard's Creek, Bethel. Lanes, Upper Mill Creek, and Bay Branch, do agree to unite on the following principles:

1. This Association shall meet annually to worship and praise God.
2. This Association shall be composed of messengers, whose names shall be inserted in their letters.
3. It shall be the duty of the Association to elect a moderator and clerk to keep a record of each minute.
4. This Association will call for and admit into its body any church that is orderly and orthodox; also if any church wishes to withdraw from her body, she may do so at her discretion.
5. This Association will make its own rules to govern itself, while in session; but none of its rules shall be binding on the churches, for they are free; and so declared in God's word.
6. This Association will appoint a committee to arrange preaching during its session.
7. This Association will appoint a committee to arrange general meetings according to the request of the churches.
8. This Association will appoint a committee on finance.
9. This Association will receive all visiting brethren who are orderly and orthodox Primitive Baptists, and manifest the same by moderator extending the right hand of fellowship.
10. In all cases involving a change in this constitution a two-thirds vote shall be required.

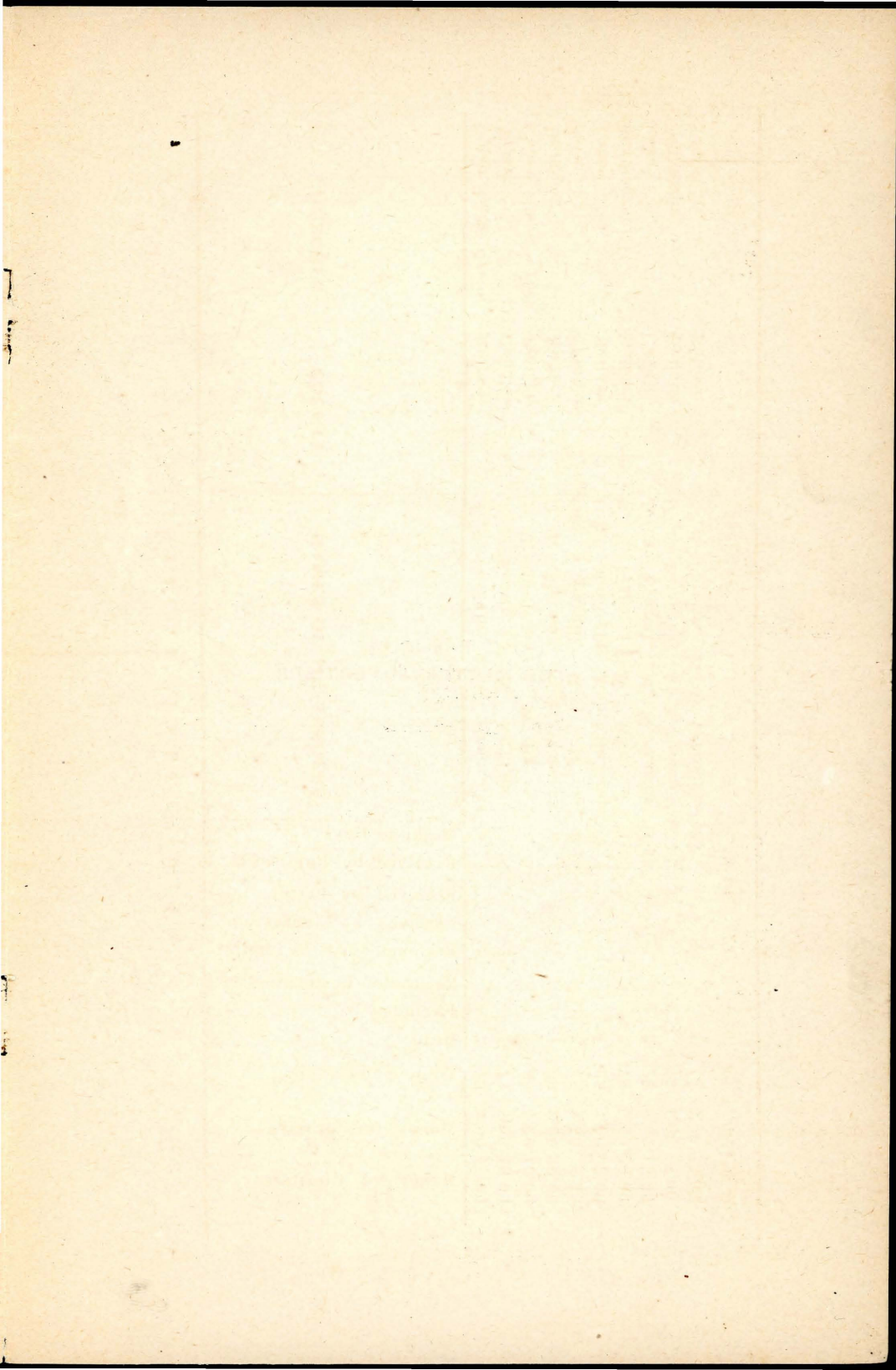
#### ARTICLES OF FAITH

1. We believe in one true and living God, and that there are three persons in the Godhead, the Father, Son and Holy Spirit.
2. We believe in the fall of man and his inability to recover himself.
3. We believe Jesus Christ to be the Son of God.
4. We believe particular election, effectual calling of the elect, and final preservation of the saints.
5. We believe the Scriptures of the Old and New Testaments to be the word of God.
6. We believe that Baptism and the Lord's Supper are ordinances, and the washing of the saints' feet is an example of Jesus Christ, and true believers are the only fit subjects of these ordinances, and believe the only true mode of baptism is immersion.
7. We believe that no minister has the right to the administration of the ordinances of baptism and the Lord's Supper, but such as are regularly called and come under the imposition of hands by a presbytery.
8. We believe in a final judgment, in a future reward and punishment, and that of eternal duration.



# STATISTICAL TABLE 1925

| CHURCHES           | COUNTY        | NAMES OF MESSENGERS             | Metti g Days | Received by Baptism | Received by Letter | Received by Confession | Recommended by Letter | Rec'd. by Restoration | Excluded | Dead | Total membership | Money for Minutes | Money for Ministers |
|--------------------|---------------|---------------------------------|--------------|---------------------|--------------------|------------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|----------|------|------------------|-------------------|---------------------|
| Upper Lotts Creek  | Bulloch ..... | J. S. Franklin, J. W. Hendricks | 4            | 1                   |                    |                        | 2                     |                       | 3        | 2    | 75               | 4.00              | 16.00               |
| Metter .....       | Candler ..... | J. L. Brown, M. N. Kirkland     | 3            | 5                   | 1                  |                        | 2                     |                       | 1        | 3    | 14               | 5.00              | 16.00               |
| Upper Black Creek  | Bulloch ..... | M. J. McElveen, L. W. Brown     | 3            |                     |                    |                        |                       |                       | 1        | 1    | 65               | 3.00              | 15.00               |
| Brooklet .....     | Bulloch ..... | D. L. Alderman, R. H. Warnock   | 4            | 4                   |                    |                        | 7                     |                       |          | 1    | 69               | 2.50              | 20.00               |
| Savannah .....     | Chatham ..... | Geo. S. Cargill, M. L. Dixon    | 2            | 13                  | 10                 |                        |                       | 1                     | 1        | 3    | 147              | 2.50              | 7.50                |
| Lanes .....        | Bulloch ..... | D. R. McElveen, Mabel Hallman   | 1            | 1                   |                    |                        |                       |                       |          | 1    | 25               | 1.00              | 6.00                |
| Middleground ..... | Bulloch ..... | N. M. Flake, J. W. Warnock      | 1            | 2                   | 2                  |                        | 1                     |                       |          | 2    | 78               | 5.00              | 20.00               |
| Lake .....         | Candler ..... | Joshua Everett, M. W. Farlow    | 1            | 14                  | 4                  |                        |                       |                       | 1        | 2    | 129              | 5.00              | 15.00               |
| Fellowship .....   | Bulloch ..... | H. F. Warnock, A. J. Proctor    | 3            | 2                   | 1                  |                        |                       |                       | 2        |      | 55               | 1.00              | 15.00               |
| Statesboro .....   | Bulloch ..... | C. H. Parrish, H. V. Franklin   | 2            |                     |                    |                        | 3                     |                       |          | 1    | 12               | 5.00              | 25.00               |
| TOTALS .....       |               |                                 | 42           | 18                  |                    |                        | 15                    | 1                     | 9        | 16   | 969              | 24.00             | 155.50              |





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