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MINUTES

OF THE

NINETEENTH ANNUAL SESSION

OF THE

BRUSHY MOUNTAIN

BAPTIST ASSOCIATION,

HELD WITH

MORAVIAN FALLS BAPTIST CHURCH, WILKES CO., N. C.,

August 25, 26, 27 and 28 1892.

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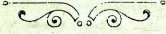
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<i>I. T. Privette,</i>	<i>Wilkesboro, N. C.</i>
<i>M. McNeil,</i>	<i>Wilkesboro, N. C.</i>

THE NEXT SESSION.

The next session will be held with Pleasant Home Church, Wilkes Co., N. C., Convening on Thursday before the fourth Sabbath in August 1893.



Proceedings,

**MORAVIAN FALLS CHURCH, WILKES COUNTY, N. C.
AUGUST 25TH 1892.**

The Nineteenth Annual session of the Brushy Mountain Association convened with Moravian Falls Baptist Church according to appointment of last year.

At 11:30 A. M. the Introductory sermon was preached by Elder I. T. Privette, Text, Acts 20-20.

INTERMISSION FOR ONE HOUR.

At 1. 30 P. M. the delegates assembled in the house, when Bro. R. A. Spainhour the Moderator of last year called the association to order. Prayer by Elder Milon McNeil, Elders Lee and McNeil read the letters and the following delegates were enrolled:

- Cub Creek, *T. P. Parlier, H. Curtis, J. H. Ellis.*
- Beaver Creek, *Z. T. Ferguson, G. B. Walker.*
- Moravian Falls, *F. J. Alexander, A. W. Steelman, A. A. Leach.*
- Mount Pleasant, *J. M. Eller, J. O. McNeil, J. D. Huffman.*
- Pleasant Home, *J. E. Bulis, A. C. McRary, T. A. McNeil.*
- Mount Zion,
- Mount Carmel, *J. Bolden, I. L. Ellis, N. F. Hester.*
- Little Rock, *M. G. Parsons, V. McGhinnis.*
- Lewis Fork, *T. D. Hall, Lindsay Triplette, A. M. Foster.*
- New Hope, *Anderson Eller, T. A. McNeil, A. S. Eller*
- Pilgrim, *A. M. Davis, A. L. Foster*
- Pleasant Grove, *B. R. H. Bumgarner, A. E. Church, George Parsons*
- Walnut Grove, *W. C. Russell, J. S. Jennings, W. A. Bently.*
- Stoney Hill, *J. M. Parsons, G. A. Eller, G. W. Walsh.*
- Zion Hill, *R. L. Welborn, T. A. Calton, J. M. German.*
- South Fork, *H. H. Eller, D. M. Glass, Wiley Huit.*
- Shady Grove, *H. J. Steelman, James Pardew, R. P. Yates.*
- Wilkesboro, *S. J. Ginnings, I. T. Privette, F. A. Womble.*

On motion proceeded to elect officers, R. A. Spainhour was re-elected Moderator, and V. McGhinnis Clerk by acclamation.

The following brethren accepted seats with the Association, Rev. Wm. Lee of Stony Fork Association, Rev. Asa Brown of Three Forks, Rev. W. R. Bradshaw of Catawba River, G. M. Isenhour of Caldwell, C. A. Jenkins representing Oxford Female College, J. C. Caddell representing the Biblical Recorder, Rev. C. Durham in the interest of the various departments of the mission work and also Sunday School and Colportage work of the state.

J. J. Hendren and Wesley Laws of Alexander County Association. J. S. Holbrook, J. A. McCann and Rev. W. F. Byrd of Elkin Association. Rev. . . . Turner of Broad River Association S. Carolina. Rev. W. R. Gwaltney of Wake Forest in the interest of Ministerial Education, Rev. Forister of Brier Creek Association.

The Moderator announced the following committees.

Arrangements—*A. Eller, J. O. McNeil, I. T. Privette, J. E. Bullis,*
 Devotional Exercises—*The Delegates of Moravian Falls and Cub Creek Churches, with Rev. W. C. Meadows of Walnut Grove Church.*
 Finance—*A. A. Leach, Irvin McNeil.*
 State Missions—*C. Durham.*
 Education—*W. R. Bradshaw, J. M. German. A. T. Pardew*
 Foreign Missions—*E. A. Womble, W. A. Bently, Irvin McNeil.*
 Periodicals—*M. McNeil, Lindsay Triplette, H. Curtis.*
 Temperance—*I. T. Privette, J. E. Bullis, J. O. McNeil.*
 Home Mission—*W. C. Meadows, I. T. Privette, J. M. Eller.*
 Orphanage—*A. A. Leach, Z. T. Ferguson, A. L. Foster.*
 Time and Place—*W. A. McGlamery, J. E. Bullis, T. D. Hall.*
 Rev. I. T. Privette read the report on Temperance.

TEMPERANCE

We believe that the using, selling and making of liquor as a beverage is unscriptural and a curse to our land. See Hab. 2nd 5-7. Pro. 23, 29-32. Gal. 5, 29. We therefore advise the churches to make every possible effort to reform their members from the use, making or selling or having anything do with intoxicating liquors as a beverage.

I. T. Privette, }
 J. O. McNeil, } Committee.
 J. E. Bullis, }

After a very lively discussion by a number of the brethren the report was adopted.

The committee on Devotion reported Rev Wm. Lee to preach to-night at 7. 30 P. M. Rev. Asa Brown to conduct devotional exercises to-morrow at 9. 30 A. M. The Association to meet for transaction of business at 10 A. M. On motion the Association adjourned to meet to-morrow at 9. 30 A. M.

Friday August 26—1892 9.30 A. M.

The Association met as per adjournment. After fifteen minutes spent in devotional exercises conducted by Rev. Asa Brown, the Moderator called the association to order. The report of Committee on arrangements was read and adopted. The roll of delegates was called. The minutes of yesterday was read corrected and approved. Rev. C. Durham read the report on State Mission.

STATE MISSIONS.

For more than one hundred years the Baptist of North Carolina, have been engaged in State Missions. Since the organization of our Baptist State Convention, in 1830, they have studied how to unite their efforts in this department, and hence, they have from year to year enlarged this work. State Missions therefore is the united effort of our Baptist Churches and Associations to preach the gospel in every town, and country neighborhood within the bounds of our State

Through all the years this work has been important and has been greatly blessed, but perhaps there never has been a time when this work has been so important to us as a denomination or so successful in reaching the destitute, and in building up churches as at the present time. The Board of Missions has this year more than one hundred Brethren preaching in the destitute sections. They are located in the limits of thirty four out of the forty associations connected with our Convention. We recommend 1st; That the Pastors see that the churches are informed about the history prospects and modes of State Missions. 2nd; That the people be given an opportunity at least once a year to contribute to it.

C. DURHAM, *Committee.*

The report was spoken to by Dr. Durham, and adopted.

At 11; A. M., Sermon by Rev. C. A. Jenkins, took Cash collection for State Missions, amounting to \$4.23. Pledges, \$104.00.

The Moderator announced the following correspondents to visit other Associations.

Three Forks—Rev. William Fairchilds, Brier Creek—Rev. I. T. Privette. Elkin—Rev. A. T. Pardew. Alexander—W. C. Meadows, and V. McGhinnis. Caldwell—R. P. Yeats J. M. German. Stony Fork—Rev. Wm. Fairchilds and J. D. Huffman. To Baptist State Convention—I. T. Privette, E. A. Womble and A. A. Leach. To Southern Baptist Convention—R. A. Spainhour.

Rev. M. McNeil read the report on

PERIODICALS.

The need of religious literature in the homes of our Baptist people is becoming greater every day. We need to be posted in the great work which the Baptist as a denomination is doing in this and other lands. A great many of our people are ignorant of what the Baptist are doing because they do not read our literature. Your Committee would recommend the Biblical Recorder as a medium through which the knowledge our people need, may be gained. We would further urge the brethren and sisters of the association to take and read the Recorder. We would also recommend our Home Field a monthly

Journal published by the Home Mission Board of the Southern Baptist Convention. This Journal informs us of the work our brethren are doing in the Southern States and Cuba. The Foreign Mission Journal informs us of the work which our missionaries are doing in Foreign lands and how God is prospering his cause there. We would also recommend Charity and Children, published under the direction of Bro. Mills of the Orphanage at Thomasville. This paper tells us what our denomination is doing for the Orphans of our State, who have no Father or Mother to educate or care for them.

Milton McNeil,
Lindsay Triplette, } Committee.
H. Curtis,

The report was discussed by J. C. Caddell, Dr. Durham and J. F. Spainhour.

The report was adopted.

Rev. W. C. Meadows read the report on Home Missions:

HOME MISSIONS.

The Home Mission work covers the Southern States and Cuba, and from this work great good is being accomplished by sending the gospel to the destitute portions of the Southern States, Indian Territory and Cuba. The gospel as we believe it is being preached and people are believing it. We therefore urge our people to do more for Home Missions in the next year than they have done in the past, so that the good work of preaching the gospel may go on until the gospel as we believe it, be proclaimed in every part of the Southern States and Cuba. We highly recommend our Home Field published by our Home Mission Board at Atlanta Ga.

W. C. Meadows, }
A. T. Pardew, } Committee.
J. M. Eller,

Remarks by Elders Meadows and Durham. The report was adopted. Took cash collection for Home Missions amounting to \$2.20. Pledges \$48.75. Committee on Devotional exercises made the following report. Dr. C. Durham to preach to-night at 7.30 P. M. and Rev. A. T. Pardew to conduct Devotional exercises to-morrow morning.

On motion adjourned to meet to-morrow at 9.30 A. M.

Saturday Augst 27-1892. 9.30 A. M.

Met pursuant to adjourment.

Devotional Exercises were conducted by Rev. W. F. Byrd. Minutes of previous day read and approved.

Rev. W. R. Bradshaw read the report on education.

EDUCATION.

Your committee beg leave to urge the churches to contribute liberally of their means to this important object. We believe in a call to the ministry, but the minister is a teacher and should avail himself of every means in his power to improve his mind, that he may rightly divide the word of truth. We urge the establishment of good schools in this Association. We recommend Boomer and Moravian Falls Academies to our girls and boys as a preparatory school, and Wake Forest College for higher education for our boys and Murfreesboro, Oxford and High Point for our girls.

A. T. Pardew,
J. M. German, } Committee.
W. R. Bradshaw,

Remarks by W. R. Gwaltney, J. F. Spainhour, W. R. Bradshaw and Dr. Durham. The report was adopted.

Took Cash collection for Ministerial Education amounting to \$4.36. Pledges \$46.25. A. A. Leach read the report on

Baptist Orphanage.

The Orphanage at Thomasville is a Monument to the wisdom and liberality of the Baptist of North Carolina. About one hundred and twenty children are at this Institution now, and there are applications coming in for others, which cannot be admitted for want of room. The Physical, Mental, and Moral wants of these children are to be supplied, and we must supply them. They look to us and God holds us responsible for their training here, that they become useful in this life, and eternally happy in the life to come. We urge the churches of this Association to do more for this Institution in the future than they have in the past.

A. A. Leach, }
Z. T. Ferguson, } Committee.
A. L. Foster,

Remarks by W. C. Meadows and J. C. Caddell. The report was adopted. Took cash collection for Baptist Orphanage amounting to \$8.11. Pledges \$109.25.

Dr. C. Durham read the report on Foreign Missions also a letter from Elder G. W. Greene our missionary at Canton China. The following is the report with the letter. Jesus said "Go ye into all the world and preach the Gospel to every creature. He that believeth and is baptized shall be saved; but he that believeth not shall be damned. See Mark 16. 15. Rom. 14. 16." Hence a great responsibility rest on us as a denomination to send the gospel to all the nations who are yet in heathen darkness.

E. A. Womble,
W. A. Bently, } Committee.
Irvin McNeil,

Canton China, June 19th 1892.

—TO THE BRUSHY MOUNTAIN ASSOCIATION.—

Dear Brethren:

Fourteen years I lived and labored among you. We had many precious meetings together, I shall never forget the Associations and the union meetings we had at the various churches. I have visited nearly all the churches and as I think over the names of the churches, the faces of the brethren whom I know there appear before my mind. Last year when I bade adieu to the large congregation assembled at Mt. Carmel, I knew nearly every one present. When I first severed the ties that had bound us together so long, I did not feel that I was going far away, and I expected to meet you at every Association and frequently on Fifth Sundays. But this last move has put me to far away to be present in person at your meetings but be assured, I am with you in spirit

This letter will take a month to reach Bro. Privette to whom I send it and I give it another month to allow for delays and accidents. It is a long way to you by way of San Francisco, but it is not far by way of God's throne

You can send the message by the telegraph of prayer, direct to the Father's ear, and the answer can come to me in the ends of the earth before you are done praying "Before they call, I will answer; and while they are yet speaking I will hear" "Though sundered far, by faith we meet Around one common mercy seat."

Now, as you are met in the church of my struggles and many delightful memories, think of me as there with you in heart, though far away in body. If I could be with you in person, I should delight to tell you much of what I have seen in this land of strange sights and strange people. More still I should be glad to go with you to your homes and sit down with your families and tell you of the millions of these people with no knowledge of Jesus, the Savior of sinners, with no Sabbath, working on that day as any other, with no rest in this life, and no hope of rest in the life to come. May I not ask of you, when you meet in the church yard and talk before meeting begins waiting for the preacher, that you will sometimes talk of the heathen and their need of the gospel, and of the men and women who are trying to give them the gospel?

Will you not frequently ask your brethren to join you in a collection of many littles to help on this work. Half a cent will pay for the Gospel of John in Chinese; which will tell a sinner how "God so loved the world that he gave his only begotten Son that whosoever believeth on him should not perish but have eternal life", Five cts. a piece from every member of every church in the Association would support a Christian Chinaman to go up and down in this great land for one year to preach to gospel to his countrymen. A complete New Testament costs only five cents.

Could you not talk with the brethren about these things, even though you should talk less about crops or about politics? And would it be improper for me in an undertone, to beg my brethren

not to let their zeal for political matters to cool their zeal for religious matters, and also not to suffer political differences to diminish their christian love for each other? I have seen several political campaigns in Wilkes County, and I remember something of what they are, and how they sometimes threaten to overshadow even things of greater importance. My own work this year is to try to learn the Chinese language. Few do much preaching until they have been here nearly two years. How I should like to spend occasional Sundays with some of your large Congregations and preach the gospel to you. But for a while I must be content to be silent, till I learn to speak to the thousands around me in their own tongue. I have learned the 23rd. Psalm, "The Lord is my Shephard," about well enough to read it, and after going over it with my teacher a few times more I think of trying to read it to a congregation of heathens.

While I am studying other brethren here are busily at work. There is a church here in this great City, and several churches in the towns around.

The Missionaries make frequent visits to these churches and try to instruct the members in the teachings of the Bible and also preach much to the heathen. There are several very fair preachers among the Chinese Christians, and each church has a native Pastor. In this way the gospel is preached in this City, and also in about a dozen other places, though there are only three men here besides me. Between thirty and forty sermons are preached in this city every week, by the Baptist, and others by other denominations. The ladies go to the houses and tell the women about Jesus. The women will not go to the Chaples to hear preaching. Last year about one hundred and twenty were baptised, and there are now over six hundred members in the churches.

But I have been writing of these things for the papers, and I must ask you to read in the Recorder and the Foreign Mission Journal many things about the work; which I cannot put in one letter, indeed, I am never at a loss for something to write, but I cannot begin to find time to tell all I want to tell my friends in North Carolina. The churches in this providence have organized an Association which met in February, a hundred miles up the River. I knew so little of the language that I did not think it best to go. By previous appointment Dr. Graves prepared a paper on the use of Wine, and other strong drinks. This has since been printed as a tract, and I send a copy herewith. The Missionaries hardly ever learn to write the Chinese Language, and so they must have a Chinaman to help them. The old man who helps Dr. Graves is a fine scholar: but not a Christian. While copying this paper for Dr. Graves, he was convinced that it done him no good but much harm to drink wine, and so has quit it altogether

He is a heathen man, but there are some men in Wilkes Co., who claim to be Christians who make, sell, and drink, not only Wine, but Whisky and Brandy. My teacher is also a Heathen, but he would not read the tract at all, some people claiming to be Christians do not like to hear about the Temperance question. If there are any persons in the Association who are not yet convinced

give them this tract to read, and surely that will convince them, unless they are harder than the heathen. With Christian love for all the brethren and sisters I am your brother,

G. W. GREENE.



The report of Committee on Finance read and approved.

Treasurers' report read and approved. S. J. Ginnings was re-elected Treasurer.

On Motion—of Dr. C. Durham, the clerk was allowed \$5.00 for his services. The remainder of minute fund to be used for printing Minutes. The thanks of the Association was tendered to the good people of Moravian Falls for their kind hospitality in entertaining the Association, also to the Methodist for the use of their church.

The Committee on Time and Place of next Association reported:

Time,—Thursday before the fourth Sabbath in August 1893.

Place,—Pleasant Home Church, Rev. A. T. Pardew to preach the Introductory Sermon.

The Committee on Devotional Exercises made the following report:

Rev W. R. Gwaltney to preach to-night at 7:30 P. M., Dr. C. Durham to preach to-morrow at 10; A. M., at the Baptist Church, and Rev. W. R. Gwaltney at the Methodist Church.

On Motion— adjourned to meet for Sunday School mass meeting at Baptist Church at 9.30 A. M.

V. MC. GHINNIS,
CLERK.

R. A. SPAINHOUR,
MODERATOR.

SABBATH.

Met as per adjournment.

Sunday School mass meeting addressed by J. C. Caddell, Rev. W. F. Byrd, J. F. Spainhour and Dr. C. Durham. At 10:30 A. M., Sermon at Baptist Church, by Dr. Durham, and at Methodist Church by Rev. W. R. Gwaltney.

Proceedings, of the Fourth Annual Session, of the Brushy Mountain Baptist Sunday School Association,

Held with Lewis Fork Church, commencing on Friday before the third Sunday in March 1892.

Friday March 18, 1892.

Met according to appointment, but owing to cold weather did not organize. Saturday at 11. A. M., The Moderator not being present the Association was called to order by the Clerk. Prayer by Rev. J. F. Eller. H. J. Steelman was called to the chair, and the letters from the different churches were handed in and read by the Clerk, and the following delegates were enrolled:

Lewis Fork,—Lindsay Triplette, T. D. Hall, J. R. Triplette.

Moravian Falls,—A. A. Leach, A. W. Steelman,

Mt. Pleasant,---P. Walsh, J. O. McNeil.

Pleasant Grove,—John M. Bumgarner, H. M. Bumgarner.

Shady Grove,---H. J. Steelman, D. J. Pardew, A. T. Pardew.

No other Churches were represented.

On Motion—proceeded to elect officers, H. J. Steelman was elected Moderator, and J. O. McNeil Clerk.

On Motion—took up the subjects for discussion.

First Subject—“*The Bible Doctrine of Sunday Schools*”

Remarks by Rev. J. F. Eller, and H. J. Steelman. 2nd. “*The best methods of getting up an Interest in Sunday Schools.*”

Remarks by R. L. Proffit and A. A. Leach. 3rd. “*True methods of Sunday School work.*” Remarks by Rev. J. F. Eller.

4th. “*Is the Sunday School beneficial to the upbuilding of the Redeemers Kingdom.*” Remarks by Rev J. F. Eller and J. O. McNeil.

The Committee on Time and Place of next Sunday School Association reported: Time,—Friday before the fifth Sunday in April 1893.

Place,—Pleasant Grove Church. Rev. J. F. Eller to preach the Introductory Sermon, Rev. I. T. Privette, Alternate. Nearly all the Churches of the Brushy Mountain Association have Sunday Schools.

But few were represented at the last Sunday School Association.

It is earnestly hoped that all will be represented next time, with full statistics.

J. O. MC NEIL,
CLERK.

H. J. STEELMAN,
MODERATOR.

STATISTICAL TABLE.

CHURCHES.	Pastors and their Addresses.	Clerks & their Addresses.	Baptized.	Rec. by Letter.	Restored.	Dis. by Letter.	Excluded.	Died.	Males.	Females.	Total.	Preaching.	Ministers.	Licentiates.
Cub Creek,	L. P. Gwaltney,	Vashti,	J. H. Ellis,	Moravian Falls.					20	29	49	2		
New Hope,	M. McNeil,	Wilkesboro,	L. M. McGlamery,	Stony Hill,	1		7	5			142	4		
Wilkesboro,	L. P. Gwaltney,	Vashti,	S. J. Ginnings,	Wilkesboro.	2		2		12	23	35	2	3	
Moravian Falls,	W. R. Bradshaw,	Moravian Falls.	A. A. Leach,	Moravian Falls.	7		7	1	1	23	29	52	1	1
Walnut Grove,	C. C. Pool,	Partee,	R. M. Edsill,	Poor's Knob.	9	2	1	1	2	34	99	135	3	1
Mt. Pleasant,	W. C. Meadows,	Poor's Knob.	J. O. McNeil,	Lewis Fork.	4	1	1	2	2	41	88	129	2	2
Pilgrim,	J. W. Church,	Reedy Branch.	Z. V. Church,	Millers Creek.			3	6	1	21	44	65	3	
Beaver Creek,	M. McNeil,	Wilkesboro.	Z. T. Ferguson,	Yellow Hill.	1	2	1		1	12	37	49	2	2
Little Rock,	S. D. Barnes,	Boomer.	W. C. Andrews,	Meadow Hill.			2		1	20	29	49	1	1
South Fork,	W. B. Carlton,	Wilbar.	W. H. Joines,	Wilbar.	1		2	10	2	20	38	58	1	
Pleasant Home,	M. McNeil,	Wilkesboro.	T. J. McNeil,	Millers Creek,	4	3	1	2	2	27	48	75	3	2
Stony Hill,	Wm. Lee,	Summit.	G. W. Walsh,	Parsonville,	1	5			1	11	11	22	3	1
Mt. Zion,														
Pleasant Grove,	J. W. Church,	Reedy Branch.	J. A. Foster,	Reedy Branch,	4		1	6	9	32	41	1		41
Lewis Fork,	W. N. Church,	Gap Creek.	Z. C. Church,	Reedy Branch,	9	2		3	43	104	149	1	1	1
Mt. Carmel,	S. D. Barnes,	Boomer.	T. B. Hester,	Moravian Falls,	1				12	19	31	4		1
Zion Hill,	W. J. Bumgarner,	Swanner.	J. M. German,	Boomer,	1				32	65	97	3		1
Shady Grove,			R. P. Yates,	Adley,			1	2	18	28	46	1		1

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PLEDGES.

CHURCHES.	Home Missions.	State Missions.	Foreign Missions.	Education	Orphanage	Minute Fund.	Pastors Salary.	Total for all objects.
Cub Creek,	\$ 5.00	\$ 5.00	\$ 15.00	\$ 3.00	\$ 5.00	\$ 1.50	\$ 100.00	\$ 140.41
New Hope,	1 00	2 00	1 00	1 00	1 00	1 48	1 55	8 36
Wilkesboro,	5 00	5 00	10 00	5 00	5 00	3 64	1 00	14 56
Moravian Falls,	25 00	75 00	75 00	25 00	75 00	100 00	1 10	510 88
Walnut Grove,	2 00	2 00	1 00	1 00	1 00	3 28	1 10	47 38
Mt. Pleasant,	1 00	1 00	1 00	1 00	1 00	1 00	1 50	9 10
Pilgrim,	1 00	1 00	1 00	1 00	1 00	1 25	65	2 65
Beaver Creek,	1 00	1 00	1 00	1 00	1 00	65	65	2 73
Little Rock,	1 00	1 00	1 00	1 00	1 00	75	75	5 75
South Fork,	1 00	1 00	1 00	1 00	1 00	50	50	10 50
Pleasant Home,	25	5 00	1 00	1 00	2 00	1 47	1 00	6 25
Stony Hill,	50	1 00	25	25	1 00	1 37	50	3 37
Mt. Zion,								
Pleasant Grove,	1 00	1 00	50	1 00	2 00	75	20 00	20 75
Lewis Fork,	1 00	1 00	1 00	1 00	1 00	1 60	50	6 85
Mt. Carmel,	2 00	2 00	10 00	2 00	4 00	50	50	
Zion Hill,	1 00		50 00	2 00	5 00	1 64	50 00	64 55
Shady Grove,				2 00	5 00	45		1 95

CONTRIBUTIONS.

CHURCHES.	Foreign Missions.	Home Missions.	State Missions.	Foreign Missions.	Education	Orphanage	Minute Fund.	Pastors Salary.	Total for all objects.
Cub Creek,	\$21.16	\$ 3.00	\$ 7.38	\$ 7.37	\$ 1.50	\$ 100.00	\$ 140.41		
New Hope,	2 31	90	2 12	1 48	1 55	1 00	1 55		
Wilkesboro,	4 82	1 73	3 37	3 64	1 00	1 00	1 00		
Moravian Falls,	84 08	25 00	75 00	100 00	1 10	200 00	200 00		
Walnut Grove,	2 00	2 00	2 00	3 28	1 10	35 00	35 00		
Mt. Pleasant,	1 60	3 00	1 00	1 00	1 50	10 00	10 00		
Pilgrim,	25	25	25	1 25	65	5 75	5 75		
Beaver Creek,	2 08			1 00	75	50	50		
Little Rock,	1 00	1 00	1 00	1 00	75	10 50	10 50		
South Fork,				81	50	6 25	6 25		
Pleasant Home,	2 40		57	25	50	3 37	3 37		
Stony Hill,	1 00	25							
Mt. Zion,									
Pleasant Grove,	1 00	1 00	1 00	1 75	75	20 00	20 00		
Lewis Fork,	1 00	1 00	1 00	1 60	50	50	50		
Mt. Carmel,	5 72	1 63	2 86	1 64	1 50	50 00	50 00		
Zion Hill,	1 00		50			64 55	64 55		
Shady Grove,						1 95	1 95		

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CONSTITUTION.

1st. This Association shall be known as the BRUSHY MOUNTAIN BAPTIST ASSOCIATION, and shall be composed of delegates chosen by the churches; each church being entitled to three delegates, and all regular ordained ministers as members *ex Officio*.

2nd. The object of this Association shall be the promotion of Gods' kingdom in the hearts of men.

3rd. The delegates thus selected should bear from each respective church a letter certifying their appointments, and communicating information relative to the state of the church and interest thereof.

4th. The association just formed shall choose by ballot a Moderator, Clerk, and Treasurer, who shall continue in office for one year, and until others are chosen. The last two offices may be held by the same individual.

5th. It shall be the duty of the Moderator to preside at meetings of business; to keep order during each session: to decide questions of order, subject to an appeal of the house by any member; and to perform all other duties pertaining to his office.

6th. It shall be the duty of the Clerk to keep a faithful and correct record of all the proceedings of each session of the association, to keep a printed copy of the minutes of each session of the Association. and every ten years have them bound for the use of this body; and to perform other duty assigned to him by the Association.

7th. It shall be the duty of the Treasurer to keep a correct record of all the funds coming into his hands and to report the same at the order of the Association.

8th. There shall be a Committee of Arrangements consisting of five members besides the Moderator and Clerk.

9th. All letter of grievances or queries, together with all letters from corresponding Associations requiring any attention thereon, shall be submitted to the Committee of Arrangements, and reported back to the Association.

10th. This body shall have no coercive power to exercise lordship over God's heritage, but shall only be considered an advisory council in all matters respecting the internal regulations of the churches.

11th. When an offence may have been committed by one church against another or where a series of difficulties may have arisen in an individual church, it shall be the duty of the association (after due labors have been had between the offending and offended churches or an individual church as the case may be) to take the matter into consideration and advise upon it.

12th. The Association shall not maintain permanent fellowship towards any of her churches which neglect to institute and preserve gospel order among their members, nor any of churches and ministers that treat her constitution with contempt; but shall sustain with all her influence, such as promote principles and order.

13th It shall be the province of this Association to invite visiting and corresponding brethren to seats, who shall be entitled to speak on any point under discussion, but not to vote.

14th. The Association shall in all cases, (except in matters pertaining to the constitution,) be governed by a majority of the members present, and shall not adjourn until they have gone through the business of the Association, except in extraordinary cases.

15th. Each church having an ordained or licensed minister shall report the same to the association, in order they may appear as such on the face of the minutes.

16th. The Association shall furnish the churches with the minutes of her proceedings: and it shall be the duty of the churches to enable her to do so.

17th. The Association shall have a fund, created and sustained by voluntary contribution from the churches, which shall be held by the Treasurer, and subject to the disposition of a majority of the Association present at any annual session.

18th. The Association shall hold an annual session at such time and place as the body may from time to time designate.

19th. By appointment of the association, there may be an Introductory, a Missionary, and a Denominational sermon preached at each annual session.

20th. This constitution may be altered or amended at any time, two-thirds of the members present concurring.

ABSTRACT OF PRINCIPLES.

1st. We believe in one only true and living God, and that there are three persons in the Godhead—the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost, and these three are one.

2nd. We believe that the Old and New Testaments are the word of God and the only rule of Faith and Practice.

3rd. We believe in the impotency of man to deliver himself from his present fallen state.

4th. We believe that salvation is by grace, through faith in our Lord Jesus Christ.

5th. We believe that Baptism and the Lords Supper are ordinances instituted by Jesus Christ and should be practiced by all true believers.

6th. We believe that Baptism is the immersion of a believer in water by a qualified administrator, and that only persons thus baptised should take the Lord's Supper.

7th. We believe in the final perseverance of Saints in Grace to Glory.

8th We believe in the resurrection of the dead and a general Judgement.

9th We believe that the happiness of the Righteous and the punishment of the Wicked will both be Eternal.

BY-LAWS.

1st. At each assembling of the Association, for the transaction of business, the Moderator shall invite members to order; then the the Association shall be opened by praise and prayer.

2nd. When the Moderator takes his chair, each member shall take his seat, and the minutes of the proceeding day shall be read.

3rd. The Moderator may speak to points of order, in preference to other members, arising from his seat for that purpose; and on points of order, no member shall speak more than once, without leave of the house

4th. He shall rise to put a question, but may state in sitting.

5th. All Committees shall be appointed by the Moderator, unless otherwise ordered by the body.

6th. He shall have a general direction of the house; he shall have a right to name any member to perform the duties of the chair.

7th. When any member is about to speak in debate or deliver any matter to the Association, he shall rise from his seat and respectfully address the Moderator, and confine himself to the question under debate, and avoid personally. And when two or more rise at the same time, the Moderator is to name who is to speak first. No member shall speak oftener than twice on the same question, without leave of the Association.

8th. While the Moderator is putting any question or addressing the Association no person shall speak, stand up, walk out, or across the house; nor when a member is speaking, entertain private discourse, stand up or pass between him and the chair.

9th. After a motion is stated by the Moderator or read by the Clerk, it shall be deemed to be in possession of the Association, but may be withdrawn before a decision or amendment.

10th. All papers addressed to the Association shall be presented by the moderator.

11th. No member shall absent himself from the Association without leave.

12th. If any member is speaking or otherwise, transgress the rules of the Association, the Moderator shall, or any member may, call him to order, in which case the member so called to order, shall sit down.

13th. In all elections, the Moderator may vote; in other cases he shall not vote, unless the association be equally divided.

14th. The rules of decorum may be altered or amended by a majority concurring.