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## PROCEEDINGS OF ELK RIVER ASSOCIATION.

FIRST DAY, FRIDAY.

The introductory sermon was preached by Eld. J. G. Woodfin, from 1st Peter, 1st and 3rd; "Blest be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ," etc.

Messengers from the churches met and were called to order by the Moderator.

After singing a song of praise, prayer by Elder Bostic.

The letters from the churches were read and the messengers seated. The letters show the state of the churches as shown in the table. The Association organized by choosing Eld. W. A. Cashion, Moderator, and J. R. Bramblett, Clerk, W. J. Landess, Ass't Clerk.

Proceeded to business.

1. Read the Rules of Decorum.
2. Called for petitionary letters. None presented.
3. Called for corresponding letters with following result:

Cumberland—Messengers Elds. T. J. Taylor, W. J. Covington and Bro. C. N. Taylor, with letter and minutes. Were invited to seats. Appointed a committee on arrangements, W. C. Ayers, Enis Pitts, J. T. Clardy, together with moderator and clerk.

Elected visiting ministers to preach at the stand Saturday, Elds. J. R. Womack, Jesse Towery, W. J. Covington, in the order named.

On motion, adjourned until Saturday 9:30 A. M. Prayer by Eld. Covington.

## SECOND DAY, SATURDAY.

The Association met according to adjournment. After singing a song Eld. A. J. Willis offered prayer. Called the roll. The most of the messengers being present proceeded to business. Called for report of Committee on Arrangements. Report the adoption as contained in former minutes.

Report received and committee discharged. Called for report of Committee on Correspondence, who reported letter to Cumberland Association.

Cumberland Messenger Eld. W. A. Cashion. Association to be held at Providence church, Davidson county, Tenn.

## SECTIONAL MEETINGS.

First section to be held at Elk River church on the first fifth Sunday after March, 1910, and Friday and Saturday before. Eld. W. A. Cashion to attend.

Second section to be held with the church at Arbor beginning Friday before the first Sunday in June. Eld. W. A. Cashion to attend.

Third section to be held with the church at Mt. Pisgah, beginning on Friday before the first Sunday in May. Eld. W. A. Cashion to attend.

Fourth section to be held with the church at Concord beginning on Friday before the third Sunday in May. Elds. W. A. Cashion and B. A. McLain to attend.

Appointed a committee on finance. Bros. R. H. Stephens, H. C. Boaz reported \$16.50 received from the churches to pay for the printing and distribution of minutes. Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion the association ordered the clerk to have 500 copies of the minutes printed and he to have the remainder of the funds after paying for the printing and distributing the minutes.

Eld. W. A. Cashion was requested to preach the next introductory sermon to be held at Arbor Church, Moore county, Tenn., six miles south-east of Lynchburg, beginning on Friday before the second Sunday in September, 1910.

Elected visiting ministers to preach on Sunday, A. J. Willis, T. J. Taylor and J. K. Womack.

The association, on motion, extended to the brethren, sisters and friends of the community thanks for their kind hospitality during the meeting.

Minutes read and approved.

The association having gone through the session in peace, sung a song and gave each other the right hand of christian love and fellowship. Received the benediction by Eld. W. A. Cashion.

### THIRD DAY, SUNDAY.

The ministers elected to preach on Sunday filled their places as the arrangements were made. The congregation was attentive and orderly. We hope much good was done in the name of our dear Master.

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### ADDRESSES OF ORDAINED MINISTERS

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J. W. Spencer, Lynchburg, Tenn.  
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2. We believe that the scripture of the Old and New Testaments are the words of God and the only true rules of faith and practice
3. We believe in the fall of Adam, and by his transgressions all his posterity fell and were made sinners. We believe in the corruption of human nature and in the impotency of man to recover himself by his own free will and ability.
4. We believe that sinners are justified in the sight of God only by the righteousness of Christ imputed to them and good works are the fruits of faith and follow after justification, and are evidences of our gracious state,
5. We believe that the Saints will persevere in grace and that not one of them will be finally lost.
6. We believe that there will be a resurrection of the dead, and a general or universal judgement and that the happiness of the righteous and punishment of the wicked will be eternal.
7. We believe that the visible Church of Christ is a congregation of faithful men and women, who have given themselves to the Lord, and have obtained fellowship with each other, and have agreed to keep a Godly discipline, according to the rules of the Gospel.
8. We believe that Jesus Christ is the great head of the Church and that the government is with the body.
9. We believe that water Baptism, the Lord's Supper and washing the saint's feet are ordinances of the Gospel, and to be continued until His second coming.
10. We believe that true believers are the only fit subjects for baptism and immersion is the only gospel mode.
11. We believe that none but the regularly baptised persons have a right to commune at the Lord's table.
12. We believe that the Lord's Day ought to be observed and set apart for the worship of God and that no work or worldly business should be transacted thereon—works of piety and mercy and necessity excepted.

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CHURCHES	CLERKS AND THEIR POSTOFFICES
Elk River . . . .	J. R. Bramblett, Hillsboro, Tenn., Route 2.
Flat Creek . . . .	E. L. Philpott, Shelbyville, Tenn., Route 6.
Arber . . . . .	J. M. Spencer, Mulberry, Tenn., Route 2.
New Hope . . . .	J. S. Roberts, Wartrace, Tenn.
Bethlehem . . . .	W. C. Ayers, Haley, Tenn.
Mt. Pisgah . . . .	J. T. Clardy, Shelbyville, Tenn., Route 3,
Union . . . . .	W. R. Fields, Bellbuckle, Tenn.
Buckeye . . . . .	I. B. Whitaker, Fayetteville, Tenn.
Concord . . . . .	W. J. Landess, Fayetteville, Tenn., Route 5.
Mt. Moriah . . . .	N. F. Boone, Mulberry, Tenn., Route 1.
Corder's X Roads . . . .	R. M. Koonce, Fayetteville, Tenn., Route 7.
Mt. Olivet . . . . .	J. H. Landess, Petersburg, Tenn.

Names of Churches	NAMES OF MESSENGERS									
	Contributions	Total Mem's p	Sunday of Meeting	Dead	Excluded	Diss. by letter	Rec'd by letter	Restored	Rec'd by exp. and baptism	
Elk River -----	1.50	44\$	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	7
Shilo -----										
Flat Creek -----	2.50	91	4	3	1	1	1	1	3	1
Arber -----	1.50	54	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
New Hope -----	1.00	36	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Bethlehem -----	1.50	30	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Mt. Pisgah -----	1.00	13	1	2	1	1	1	1	1	1
Union -----	.50	16		2	1	1	1	1	1	1
Buckeye -----	2.50	130		1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Concord -----	1.50	65		1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Mt. Moriah -----	1.50	74		1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Mt. Olivet -----	1.50	75		2	1	1	1	1	1	1
Corder's X Roads -----										
TOTAL -----	\$16.70	628\$		9	2	4	1	1	1	7



