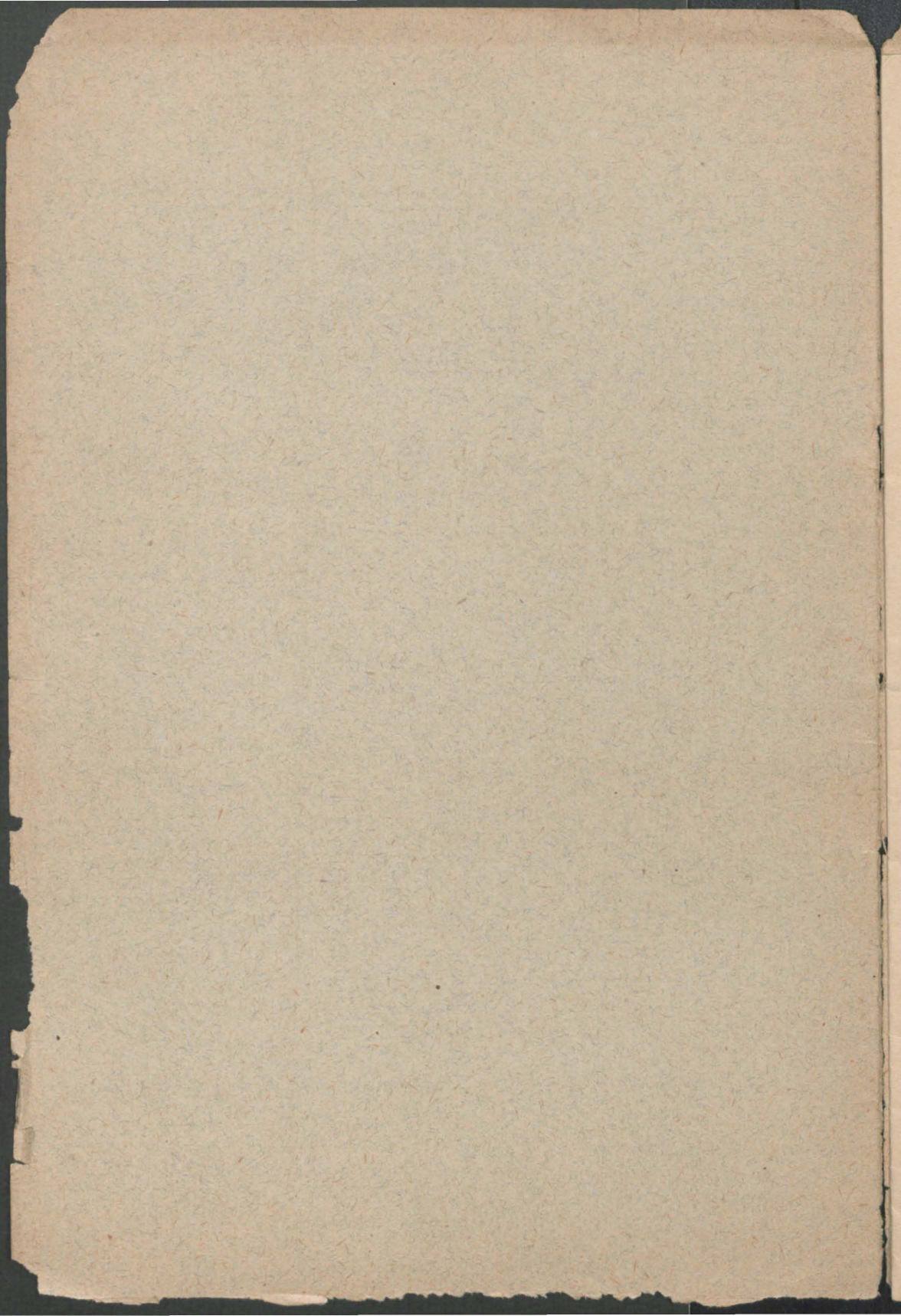


MINUTES
OF THE
143RD ANNUAL SESSION
OF THE
Ketockton Association of Old School
Baptists

HELD WITH
Happy Creek Church, Front Royal, Warren County, Va.,
ON THE
14th, 15th and 16th days of August
1908



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Of the 143d Session of the Kettocton Association of Old School Baptist, held with Happy Creek Church, Front Royal, Virginia, August 14, 15, and 16, 1908.

FRIDAY'S SESSION.

1. Pursuant to adjournment the Kettocton Association of Primitive Baptists met with Happy Creek church, Front Royal, Warren County, Va., August 14, 1908. After singing several hymns and prayer by Brother R. W. Thompson the introductory sermon was delivered by Brother J. A. Norton. Text: 1st Peter ii, 9. After which Brother J. H. Oliphant spoke from same subject.

2. An intermission of one hour was then taken for refreshments, after which the Association was called to order by the Moderator, and after singing, and prayer by Brother M. B. Moffett, letters from the different churches were read, and statistics as per statistical table.

3. The Moderator announced the expiration of his term, and the clerk was called to the chair, Brother Dalton expressing a desire to be relieved of the Moderatorship. Brother J. A. Norton was nominated and unanimously elected Moderator, and J. G. Wiltshire retained as clerk.

4. Brethren not in correspondence invited to seats with us. Elders J. H. Oliphant, and R. W. Thompson of Indiana, and M. B. Moffet of Illinois, reported.

5. Brothers R. H. Pittman, Martin Gander, J. B. Aleshire, B. F. Miller, A. J. Shuler, B. F. Coffman, R. T. Strickler and T. L. Seekford reported from Ebenezer Association. Correspondence continued.

6. Juniatta Association, Brother C. L. Funk reported. Correspondence continued.

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7. Patterson Creek. No one present. Correspondence continued.
8. Minutes from Salem and Fisher's River Association. Correspondence continued.
9. The circular letter was called for and read by the writer, Elder A. J. Garland, and referred to a committee composed of Elders J. H. Oliphant, R. W. Thompson and M. B. Moffett to be reported Saturday morning.
10. The following financial committee appointed: G. L. Case, J. B. Compton, Elias Moore, J. K. Hall, E. D. Phillips and Robert Moore.
11. Committee to arrange preaching: E. H. McDonald, W. P. Waters, H. C. Allnut, E. Nelson, M. H. Buck and Abner Iden.
12. Brother M. B. Moffett preached, using for a text, Matthew 6, 14, 15.
13. The meeting adjourns to meet Saturday morning at 9 a. m.

SATURDAY'S SESSION.

1. The Association met pursuant to adjournment. singing, and prayer by Brother Oliphant.
2. The committee appointed to arrange the order of preaching made the following report:
 - Saturday morning—Elders R. W. Thompson and C. L. Funk.
 - Saturday afternoon—Elders R. H. Pittman and J. H. Oliphant.
 - Sunday morning—Elders R. W. Thompson and M. B. Moffett.
 - Sunday afternoon—J. H. Oliphant.
3. The committee on circular letter reported same with two slight alterations.
4. The following messengers agreed to attend Ebenezer Association: Brothers T. S. Dalton, T. F. Moore, Geo. A. Comer, A. J. Garland, J. E. Payne, J. G. Wiltshire.

5. Patterson Creek Association: Brothers Dalton, A. M. Lewis, W. P. Waters, J. A. Norton, E. D. Phillips.

6. Juniatta Association: Elders T. S. Dalton and A. J. Garland.

7. Elder T. S. Dalton selected to preach the introductory at the Association of 1909. Elder A. J. Garland alternative.

8. The following committee appointed to invite visiting ministers to our next association: Elders C. H. Waters, T. S. Dalton and J. A. Norton.

9. Ordered that the number and distribution of minutes be as last year, and package, be sent to Salem, Fisher's River and Juniatta Associations, and Brothers Oliphant, Moffett and Thompson.

10. Thumb Run and Union Churches having called for the Association, it was ordered that the Association be held with Union Church next year.

11. A vote of thanks was extended to the good people in and around Front Royal who so kindly and cheerfully entertained during the Association.

12. The Association adjourned to meet with Union Church, Fauquier County, Va., Friday before the third Sunday in August, 1909.

J. A. NORTON, Moderator.

J. G. WILTSHIRE, Clerk.

SATURDAY'S SERVICES.

After the close of the business a hymn was sung and prayer by Elder R. T. Strickler, and Elder R. W. Thompson preached, using as a text, Rom. viii, 8. Elder C. L. Funk followed, using as a foundation for his remarks the four last verses of the eleventh chapter of Matthew.

After an intermission for refreshments we met and after praise and prayer, Elder R. H. Pittman addressed us from Luke xix, 9, 10. Elder J. H. Oliphant followed, using John iii, 3, as a text. The meeting then closed by singing and extending an invitation to any wishing to unite with the church.

SUNDAY'S SERVICES.

Met at 9.30 a. m. and after singing several hymns and prayer, the minutes were read and adopted. At 10 a. m., after singing and prayer, Elder M. B. Moffett preached from John xi. first clause of the 39th verse: "Jesus said, Take ye away the stone;" and latter clause of 44th verse: "Loose him and let him go." Elder R. W. Thompson followed, text. Rev. xxii, 17. In the afternoon after partaking of refreshments, Elder J. H. Oliphant delivered a grand discourse from John xv, 10, after which an invitation was extended to any wishing to unite with the church, and four came forward and were received, and our meeting closed with much good feeling and rejoicing.

CIRCULAR LETTER.

Beloved Brethren: By the mercy of God we are blessed with the privilege of coming together again. Our Association still holds the same old time honored doctrine of salvation by grace.

Brethren, we do not claim our Association to be for the purpose of lording it over God's heritage, or to be a court of appeal, but a meeting of the different churches for the purpose of hearing how the Lord has dealt with them and for the worship of God, and we feel glad to know that the churches composing this body have always kept themselves aloof from the inventions of men, and as far as possible have been found in the old paths of truth.

We believe that the Bible teaches all that we ought to believe or practice religiously; that sinners dead in trespasses and sin are born of God and called from this state by the direct and immediate influence of the Holy Spirit of God, without means and instrumentalities.

Brethren, may the Lord bless us with the rich reign of His Grace through our remaining days here, and may his presence rest upon our people everyway and give us grace to serve him with reverence and Godly fear. We find that many faithful servants of God who in their days of life guarded the doctrine of grace that we hold, and love so dearly, passed through sore trials, being imprisoned, smoked, and persecuted in various ways because of the doctrine they preached, and we are, through the mercy of God, raised up to defend this dear old cause. May the churches comprising this body take care that their pulpits are kept free from error, for in some places those who once claimed to love our precious cause, have turned aside after the things that please the world more than God. A faithful and sound ministry is a blessing to any church, and, brethren, may the Lord bless you with such precious gifts that his dear name be glorified, and that he may ever have true and faithful witnesses to contend earnestly for the faith which was once delivered to the saints, is my prayer.

A. J. GARLAND.

Addresses of Ministers Present.

- Elder J. H. Oliphant, Crawfordsville, Ind.
 Elder R. W. Thompson, Greenfield, Ind.
 Elder M. B. Moffett, Paris, Ill.
 Elder C. L. Funk, Needmore, Pa.
 Elder R. H. Pittman, Luray, Va.
 Elder J. A. Norton, 1908 9th St., Washington, D. C.
 Elder T. S. Dalton, Front Royal, Va.
 Elder J. T. Alexander, Waxpool, Va.
 Elder J. F. Priest, Marshall, Va.
 Elder A. J. Garland, Front Royal, Va.
 Elder R. T. Strickler, Route 5, Luray, Va.
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Order of Preaching.

FRIDAY.

- A. M.—Elder J. A. Norton. Text, 1st Peter ii, 10
 A. M.—Elder J. H. Oliphant! Text, 1st Peter ii, 10.
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SATURDAY.

- A. M.—Elder R. W. Thompson. Text, Rom. viii, 8.
 A. M.—Elder C. L. Funk. Text, Matt. xi, 27, 28, 29, 30.
 P. M.—Elder R. H. Pittman. Text, Luke xix, 9, 10.
 P. M.—Elder J. H. Oliphant. Text, John xv, 3.
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SUNDAY.

- A. M.—Elder M. B. Moffett. Text, John xi, 39, 44.
 A. M.—Elder R. W. Thompson. Text, Rev. xxii, 17.
 P. M.—Elder J. H. Oliphant. Text, John xv, 10.

Names and Addresses of Church Clerks.

Bethel Church, E. D. Phillips, Prospect Hill, Va.
Barrows Run, J. C. Zirkle, Fauquier Springs, Va.
Columbia, W. P. Waters, Spencerville, Md.
Chappawamsic, R. L. Arrington, Bellefair Mills, Va.
Goose Creek, O. McDonald, Markham, Va.
Greenwood, W. H. Smith, Minnieville, Va.
Happy Creek, J. B. Compton, Front Royal, Va.
Independent Hill, C. M. Copen, Independent Hill, Va.
Kettle Run, E. Nelson, Manassas, Va.
North Fork, J. E. Carruthers, North Fork, Va.
Seneca, H. C. Allnut, Rockville, Md.
South River, R. T. Morrison, Bentonville, Va.
Thumb Run, A. Rector, Orlean, Va.
Upperville, C. W. Rector, Upperville, Va.
Union, I. S. Weedon, Summerduck, Va.
Waterlick, Miss L. V. Ridgway, Waterlick, Va.
White Oak, Jas. O. Lee, Monteithsville, Va.
Washington, J. L. Alderton, 1409 33d St. N. W., Washington, D. C.

CHURCHES AND PASTORS	MESSENGERS	Sundays of Meeting	No. Baptized	Received by letter	Restored	Dismissed by Letter	Excluded	Died	Total Membership	Minute Fund	Ministerial Fund
Bethel, E. E. Oliver.	L. M. Hummer, E. E. Oliver, E. D. Philips, H. W. Brumback, Ashby Hummer, A. M. Lewis.	1st	1	4					44	\$1 00	\$9 00
Bar'ws Run, J. A. Norton	T. F. Moore, R. G. Payne.	4th							22	75	1 00
Columbia, C. H. Waters	W. B. Waters, G. L. Case.	1st							27	1 00	
Chappawamsic, J. T. Alexander	J. T. Alexander.	3d							23	1 50	
Goose Creek, A. J. Garland.	A. B. Payne, G. Gordon, A. Cornwell, R. Grant.	4th	1						33	75	1 00
Greenwood, A. J. Garland	W. H. Smith, A. Calvert, W. S. Athey, E. Calvert.	3d						2	43	1 50	5 00
Happy Cr'k, T. S. Dalton	All male members.	4th						1	43	2 00	
Independent Hill, J. T. Alexander	A. Kinsloe, C. M. Copen.	2d							14	50	
Kettle Run, A. J. Garland.	E. Nelson, C. E. Maddox, W. G. Iden, G. W. Lowe.	3d	1						14	1 25	
N. Fork, J. A. Norton.	J. T. Alexander, T. Stype, J. W. Power, J. E. Carruthers.	3d						1	13	75	2 25
Seneca, C. H. Waters.	H. C. Allnutt.	2 & 4							21	2 50	10 00
S. River, A. J. Garland	I. Rudacille, D. C. Gore, P. Rudacille, R. T. Morrison.	1st						2	26	1 25	
Thumb R'n, T. S. Dalton	E. McDonald, A. Rector, D. Moore, R. Moore	3d			1		1	1	76	1 50	5 00
Upperville, T. S. Dalton	Abner Iden, J. K. Hall.	1st	2					1	35	1 50	5 00
Union, J. F. Priest.	G. A. Comer, I. S. Weedon	1st	1						19	80	3 00
Waterl'k, A. J. Garland	A. J. Garland.	5th						1	35		
White Oak, ———	No letter or contribution.	4th									
Wash'ton, C. H. Waters	J. L. Alderton, J. G. Wiltshire.	1 & 3						1	30	2 00	7 00

