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OF THE

SIXTY-SECOND ANNUAL SESSION

OF THE

## BEULAH BAPTIST ASSOCIATION,

HELD WITH

### BEULAH BAPTIST CHURCH,

CASWELL COUNTY, N. C.,

August 4th, 5th and 6th, 1896.

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#### NEXT SESSION

Will be held with Trinity Baptist Church, Caswell County, N. C.,  
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# Proceedings.

TUESDAY, August 4, 1896.

The Beulah Association met in its sixty-second annual session with the Beulah Baptist Church on Tuesday, August 4th, 1896.

The introductory sermon was delivered by Rev. Joseph E. Armstrong from Jude 1: 24, 25.

The Moderator, S. B. Adams, called the Association to order, and J. P. Poteat was elected temporary Clerk.

The Moderator appointed brethren J. E. Armstrong and J. P. Woody Reading Clerks.

The roll of churches was called, the letters read, and the delegates enrolled as follows:

*Beulah*—J. C. King, J. L. Roberts and T. H. Hudgins.

*Clement*—N. D. Harris, J. R. Simms and I. B. Pleasant.

*Ephesus*—W. M. Faulkner, J. P. Woody and S. M. Green.

*Kerr's Chapel*—A. B. Walker.

*Lea Bethel*—James Murray and L. G. Webster.

*Milton*—R. L. Hubbard, W. G. Smith and E. R. Burch.

*Providence*—W. G. Covington and W. A. McFarland.

*Shiloh*—William Lea, Jas. B. Moore and W. R. Bryant.

*Trinity*—W. N. Bowman, C. J. Yarbrough and Howard Slade.

*Yanceyville*—W. E. Dunnevant, C. A. Moore and J. T. Graves.

The Association was permanently organized by electing S. B. Adams, Moderator; J. P. Poteat, Clerk; W. M. Faulker, Treasurer.

Crethren D. J. Harris, J. H. Lamberth and J. P. Woody were appointed a Committee on Order of Business, who reported the following

## ORDER OF BUSINESS:

Devotional Exercises from 9:30 to 10 A. M.

Report on State Missions, Tuesday from 2 to 3 P. M.

“ “ Sunday Schools “ “ 3 to 4 “

“ “ Ministerial Relief Board, Wednesday 10 to 10:30 A. M.

Report on Home Missions, Wednesday	10:30 to 11 A. M.
“ “ Foreign Missions, “	11 A. M. to 12 M.
“ “ Education “	2 P. M. to 3 P. M.
“ “ Orphanage “	3 “ to 4 “
“ “ Periodicals, Thursday, from 10 to 11 A. M.	
Miscellaneous Business, “	11 A. M. to 12 M.
Sermon.....	2 P. M.

J. H. LAMBETH,  
D. J. HARRIS,  
J. P. WOODY,  
*Committee.*

#### AFTERNOON SESSION.

Prayer by brother J. E. Jordan.

Visiting brethren were invited to announce themselves, and brethren J. T. Betts, of the Dan River Association; Oscar Smith, of the Biblical Recorder; ——— Duncan, of Bethel Hill Institute, and J. E. White, Corresponding Secretary of the Baptist State Convention were recognized and welcomed to seats and deliberations of the Association.

Brother J. P. Woody read the

#### REPORT ON STATE MISSIONS.

Your committee on State Missions beg leave to report that during the past year God has graciously blessed the work of our Missionaries all over the State. Reports show that more people have been baptized into Baptist churches during the last twelve months than ever before in our history.

We have 94 missionaries working in 30 Associations.

The Board under the instructions from the Convention has appropriated \$15,000 to the work this year. Up to date we have not been able to pay our missionaries, but are hopeful that the churches will come up with liberal contributions during the next three months to this our greatest work.

God has laid the responsibility of giving the Gospel to North Carolina on our shoulders. To preach the truth, the whole truth, and nothing but the truth, is our duty.

We recommend that our pastors urge the churches to do more for this great work. We urge our brethren to pray God's blessings upon it, and give of their means to its support.

Respectfully submitted,

J. P. WOODY, *Com.*

Pending the motion to adopt, the report was very ably discussed by brother J. E. White, Corresponding Secretary of the Baptist State Convention.

The report was adopted and pledges taken.

REPORT OF REV. C. R. TAYLOR, MISSIONARY OF BEULAH ASSOCIATION.

I began my work as missionary in this Association September 1st, 1895, during which time I have preached about 112 sermons, made about 125 visits, made about 20 prayer-meeting talks. This work has been done at and about the following places, viz: Lea Bethel church, Bayne's School House, Smith's School House, Paylor's School House, Mountain Hill School House, Altamahaw Factory and Mr. Lunsford's Home. Three Sunday-schools have been organized. I have received as remuneration for my labors \$190.31.

Respectfully submitted,

C. R. TAYLOR, *Missionary.*

REPORT ON SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

The Sunday-school is a grand and noble work, and no church can afford to be without a good school. We need a good live school in each church for twelve months during the year.

There are many destitute places within the bounds of our Association where much good could be done and the cause advanced if we would only go forward in this glorious work. The facilities for the prosecution of this work were never as great as they are now. With the literature furnished by the American Baptist Publication Society and the Southern Series, and the cheapness of it, no one has the right to complain.

We recommend that our schools use the southern series.

WILLIAM LEA, *Com.*

Pending the motion to adopt, the report was discussed by brethren J. T. Betts, Oscar Smith and J. E. Armstrong, and adopted.

The Moderator appointed the Pastor and Deacons of Beulah Church a Committee on Religious Exercises.

The following committees were announced:

*Committee on Finance*—J. P. Woody, R. L. Hubbard and J. R. Sims.

*Committee to Nominate Executive Board*—T. L. Lea, J. E. Jordan and D. J. Harris.

On motion, the Association adjourned to meet tomorrow at 9:30 A. M.

Benediction by J. E. Armstrong.

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WEDNESDAY MORNING.

The Association assembled at 9:30. Religious exercises conducted by brother Oscar Smith.

The minutes of yesterday read and approved.

J. P. Poteat read the

#### REPORT ON PERIODICALS.

Realizing the importance of religious literature, and the incalculable influence for good that our religious journals are wielding, we, your Committee on Periodicals, recommend and urge upon the members of the Beulah Association to place in their homes the *Biblical Recorder* (our State organ), *Charity and Children*, the International Lesson Helps and periodicals of the Southern Baptist Convention, the *Foreign Mission Journal*, and *The Pen Stroke*, a religious journal published within our own bounds.

Respectfully submitted,

J. P. POTEAT,  
J. E. JORDAN,  
Committee.

The report was spoken to by brother Oscar Smith, and adopted.

On motion, the balance of time was consumed in discussing Home and Foreign Missions.

#### REPORT ON HOME MISSIONS.

It does not seem necessary to urge the importance of this work, and yet there is no department of our work more important, and if pushed to the front promises more for the furtherance of the Master's kingdom.

Last Conventional year, ending April 30, 1895, the Board had 425 missionaries on the field. They baptized 5,921, an increase of 1,451 over the year previous.

This Board is doing its work among the Indians, the Negroes in the south, and along the coast meeting the large influx of foreign population that comes to our land.

Let us awake to the needs of this great work, and help at once the cause of our Master.

Respectfully submitted,

D. J. HARRIS, }  
E. G. COVINGTON, } Com.

#### REPORT ON FOREIGN MISSIONS.

We feel that the work of Foreign Missions is one of vast importance, when we think of the many who yearly pass into the presence of God with blinded eyes and have only to lay at the Master's feet wasted lives. We, remembering the fact that our Master was a foreign missionary, urge the churches to post themselves on Foreign Missions, and do their utmost in every way to give light to those in darkness, for when this Gospel shall be preached to all nations, then Christ will come and dwell with his own.

Respectfully submitted,

J. E. ARMSTRONG, }  
F. B. JONES, } Com.

The above reports were discussed by Rev. J. H.

Lamberth in an excellent sermon and Rev. J. T. Betts in a short speech. Pledges for both objects taken. Reports adopted. Adjourned for dinner.

#### AFTERNOON SESSION.

The Association re-convened at 2 P. M.

Rev. J. A. Beam, Principal of Bethel Hill Institute, was recognized and welcomed to a seat with us.

The Moderator appointed the following standing committees, viz:

*On Foreign Missions*—J. H. Lamberth and James Murray.

*On Home Missions*—E. R. Harris and William Lea.

*On State Missions*—J. E. Armstrong and R. L. Hubbard.

*On Education*—C. J. Yarbrough and W. M. Faulkner.

*On Periodicals*—D. J. Harris and J. E. Jordan.

*On Orphanage*—J. R. Sims and J. P. Woody.

*On Sunday Schools*—W. G. Covington and T. L. Lea.

*On Ministerial Relief Board*—T. H. Hudgins and R. E. Powell.

Rrother J. H. Lamberth read the

#### REPORT ON EDUCATION.

In preparing and presenting this report on Education to the Beulah Association, we feel very confident in stating that our Baptist Institutions of learning are in a more hopeful condition than ever before in our history. Wake Forest College, the center of our denominational work, is in a prosperous condition; with her able faculty, the rise of three hundred students, splendidly equipped buildings, elegant literary societies, beauty of situation, and hosts of friends to encourage, so well presided over by the wise Dr. Charles E. Taylor, that the matriculation fees pay all the running expenses of the college, and several hundred dollars over, which amount is added to the endowment fund.

Oxford and Murfreesborough Female Seminaries are well patronized and doing their best work in educating young women.

The much talked of and badly needed Baptist Female University is progressing well, and will soon open its doors to the hundreds of girls anxious to enter.

Bethel Hill Institute, which was adopted by the Beulah Association one year ago, will, with the beginning of this fall session, enter a splendid new building, and continue on a larger scale her great mission of imparting light.

The *Biblical Recorder*, with its two magnificent educational numbers, has given new impetus to the whole cause of education. With all this to encourage us, there is no reason for our youth growing up in ignorance.

Let Baptists be proud of and patronize their own institutions. We believe it to be the duty of our pastors to preach frequently on

Christian Education, and thereby encourage all to educate as far as possible.

Respectfully submitted,

J. H. LAMBERTH, }  
J. L. WILLIAMS, } *Com.*

The report was discussed by brethren J. H. Lamberth, J. A. Beam and W. W. Kitchen.

The report was adopted and pledges taken.

Brother J. P. Wood read the report of the Finance Committee, which was adopted.

Rev. J. E. Armstrong read the

#### REPORT ON ORPHANAGE.

*Resolved 1st*, That the pastors and churches in the Association be urged to give each congregation an opportunity during this year to contribute to the support of the Orphanage at Thomasville.

*2nd*. That all the Sunday-schools be requested to take at least one collection a month for this work.

Respectfully submitted,

WM. LEA, }  
B. S. GRAVES, } *Com.*

Pending the motion to adopt, remarks were submitted by Rev. J. T. Betts.

The report was adopted, and a collection taken amounting to \$4.25.

The Moderator announced J. B. Moore, C. J. Yarbrough and J. E. Jordan as a Committee on Time, Place and Preacher for the next Association.

The Committee to Nominate an Executive Board, recommended the following brethren as members of the same, viz:

#### EXECUTIVE BOARD.

S. B. Adams.....	Yanceyville, N. C.
W. M. Faulkner.....	Harmony, Va.
W. G. Covington.....	Purley, N. C.
William Lea.....	Hamer, "
George M. Burton.....	Reidsville, "
	D. J. HARRIS,
	T. L. LEA,
	J. E. JORDAN,
	<i>Committee.</i>

The recommendation was unanimously adopted.

Adjourned to meet to-morrow at 9:30 A. M.

Benediction by Rev. J. H. Lamberth.



## THURSDAY MORNING.

After devotional exercises, conducted by Rev. C. R. Taylor, the Association was called to order by the Moderator.

The minutes of yesterday were read and approved. Brother W. R. Pleasant read the

## REPORT ON MINISTERIAL RELIEF BOARD.

The Board has been in active operation five years. During this time there has been 21 beneficiaries, six of these brethren have died and two widows have married, leaving 13 on the list at present, whom the Board is trying to support as the churches enable us to do by their contributions. Three of these beneficiaries have been received since last Convention. Received since last Convention only \$174.64, but the Board hopes to have this amount greatly increased before the Convention meets again, and without it the Board will be utterly unable to afford to these aged servants of God the aid they are expecting and so much need.

Your committee asks that the work be given more prominence in our annual meetings, and one annual collection be taken for same.

Respectfully submitted,

WM. PLEASANT.

The report was spoken to by Revs. J. H. Lamberth and J. A. Beam, and adopted.

J. E. Armstrong offered the following

## VOTE OF THANKS.

*Resolved*, That we extend our cordial thanks to the brethren and sisters of this church, and to the community at large, for the hospitable manner with which they received us and have cared for us during the session of this body.

Adopted by a rising vote.

Brother D. J. Harris offered the following preamble and resolutions, viz:

WHEREAS, Rev. C. R. Taylor, of Bethel Hill, N. C., has so faithfully served us as missionary in the Beulah Association for the past year, therefore be it

*Resolved*, That the Association show her high appreciation of his faithfulness in the discharge of duty and of his deep piety and humility, and also her confidence in him as a high-toned Christian gentleman, by most heartily recommending him to the Board of Education at Wake Forest College as worthy of all needed assistance.

D. J. HARRIS.

Rev. J. H. Lamberth was appointed a delegate to the Southern Baptist Convention and Rev. J. E. Armstrong to the Baptist State Convention.

The Finance Committee made its report, which was adopted.

On motion, the Association adjourned, brother J. T. Betts delivering an excellent sermon.

Thus closed a most delightful and profitable session of the Beulah Association.

S. B. ADAMS, MODERATOR.

J. P. POTEAT, *Clerk.*

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REPORT OF TREASURER.

AUGUST 6TH, 1896—RECEIPTS.

Collected for State Missions.....	\$ 44 60
“ “ Foreign Missions.....	20 24
“ “ Education.....	24 33
“ “ Orphanage.....	16 25
“ “ Minute and Clerk's fee.....	19 05
Collected from an old lady for Foreign Missions.....	25
Total.....	\$ 124 72

DISBURSEMENTS.

Paid C. R. Taylor, Associational Missionary....	\$ 44 60	
“ O. T. Smith to take Treasurer State F. M....	20 24	
“ “ “ “ Treas. State Education.....	24 33	
“ “ “ “ Orphanage.....	16 25	
“ J. P. Poteat for Minutes and Clerk's fee....	19 05	
Total disbursements.....		124 47
Balance on hand for F. Missions.....	25	

W. M. FAULKNER,  
*Treasurer.*

## STATISTICAL TABLE.

CHURCHES.	Received by Baptism.	Received by Letter.	Restored.	Excluded.	Dismissed by Letter.	Died.	Males.	Females.	Total.
Beulah.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	20	27	47
Clement.....	.....	.....	3	3	3	.....	32	64	96
Ephesus.....	6	.....	.....	11	7	.....	91	102	193
Kerr's Chapel.....	1	.....	.....	.....	11	2	27	47	74
Lee Bethel.....	8	.....	.....	2	2	.....	12	11	30
Milton.....	.....	1	.....	.....	3	1	17	23	40
Providence.....	15	4	.....	1	2	1	23	42	65
Shiloh.....	.....	1	.....	7	4	.....	48	69	117
Trinity.....	4	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	22	26	48
Yanceyville.....	10	.....	.....	.....	1	3	31	88	119
Total.....	44	6	3	24	33	7	323	510	835

FINANCIAL TABLE.

Churches.	Pastor's Salary	Incidental Expenses	Poor Fund.	Repairs.	Other Objects	Foreign Missions.	Home Missions.	State Missions.	Ministerial Education	Orphanage.	Minute fund	Ministerial Relief	Sunday Schools	Total.
Beu'ah .....	100 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	2 67	2 67	20 00	.....	.....	2 00	.....	.....	127 34
Clement .....	125 00	6 00	1 60	.....	52 25	10 00	.....	40 00	8 66	10 00	2 55	.....	.....	256 08
Ephesus .....	250 00	15 00	13 50	.....	35 60	35 00	20 00	30 00	25 00	10 05	4 00	.....	.....	458 15
Kerr's Chapel .....	100 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	3 32	.....	14 02	.....	6 22	1 50	.....	.....	125 69
Lea Bethel .....	40 00	1 45	.....	.....	.....	10 00	4 75	.....	1 00	3 91	50	.....	.....	61 64
Milton .....	150 00	41 94	.....	4 05	.....	5 00	.....	20 00	10 00	5 00	2 00	.....	.....	240 99
Providence .....	100 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	2 60	.....	9 88	.....	5 60	1 00	.....	.....	119 08
Shiloh .....	150 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	18 07	.....	.....	.....	.....	3 36	171 43
Trinity .....	100 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	4 05	5 00	14 93	.....	2 00	2 50	.....	.....	128 48
Yanceyville .....	150 00	15 00	.....	2 00	.....	4 74	.....	25 00	5 00	.....	3 00	.....	.....	204 74
Total .....	1260 00	82 39	15 10	6 58	77 85	38 32	42 21	90 49	6 42	84 19	05	.....	3 36	1893 00

## SUNDAY SCHOOL STATISTICS.

Churches.	Supts.	Postoffices.	Officers and Teachers.	No. of scholars.	Vols. in Library	Q't'ries taken.	School expenses.
Beulah .....							
Clement....	C. R. Vernon...	Bushy Fork.	3			29	
Ephesus....	W. C. Pulliam...	Woodburn...	10	117	250	100	12 00
Lea Bethel.	J. H. Murray....	Ridgeville ...		21			
Milton .....	F. B. Jones.....	Milton .....	6	23	108	58	14 51
Providence.	P. N. Howard..	Purley .....	5	28		15	1 10
Shiloh .....	John A. Kersey	Yarbro.....	1	54			
Trinity.....	C. J. Yarbrough	Locust Hill.	5	25		25	
Yanceyville	B. Lownes .....	Yanceyville.	8	51		50	2 34

**CHURCHES, PASTORS, CLERKS AND TIME OF PREACHING.**

CHURCHES.	PASTORS.	CLERKS.	TIME OF PREACHING.
Beulah.....	D. J. Harris, Yanceyville, N. C.	J. C. King, Hamer, N. C.	4th Sun. and Sat. before.
Clement.....	E. S. Pearce, supply, Bethel Hill.	Dr. J. I. Coleman, Hurdle Mill.	3d " "
Ephesus.....	J. H. Lambeth, Mount Airy.	J. P. Woody, Alton, Va.	1st " "
Kerr's Chapel..	D. J. Harris, Yanceyville.	A. B. Walker, Anderson, N. C.	3d " "
Lea Bethel.....	.....	.....	2d " "
Milton.....	J. E. Armstrong, Milton, N. C.	R. L. Hubbard, Milton, N. C.	1st " Frid'y
Providence.....	" "	A. C. Davis, Gatewood, "	4th " Sat.
Shiloh.....	" "	J. A. Kersey, Yarboro, "	2d " "
Trinity.....	D. J. Harris, Yanceyville	Thomas Slade, Lenox Castle, N. C.	1st " "
Yanceyville....	J. E. Armstrong, Milton, "	J. T. Graves, Yanceyville, "	3d " "

## TABLE OF PLEDGES.

CHURCHES.	Home Missions.	Foreign Missions.	State Missions.	Education.	Orphanage.	Totals.
Beulah .....	\$ 2 67	2 67	20 00	.....	2 50	\$27 84
Clement.....	5 00	7 00	30 00	4 00	.....	46 00
Ephesus.....	20 00	25 00	50 00	25	.....	120
Kerr's Chapel.	2 50	2 50	20 00	.....	.....	25
Lea Bethel....	.....	5 00	40 00	1	.....	46
Milton .....	5 00	10 00	20 00	.....	.....	35
Providence ..	.....	.....	10 00	.....	.....	10
Shiloh.....	5 00	5 00	20 00	2 50	.....	32 50
Trinity.....	5 00	5 00	20 00	2	.....	32
Yanceyville...	5 00	5 00	25 00	.....	.....	35
Total.....	\$ 50 17	67 17	255 00	34 50	2 50	409 34

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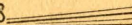
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