

MINUTES

OF THE

90TH ANNUAL SESSION

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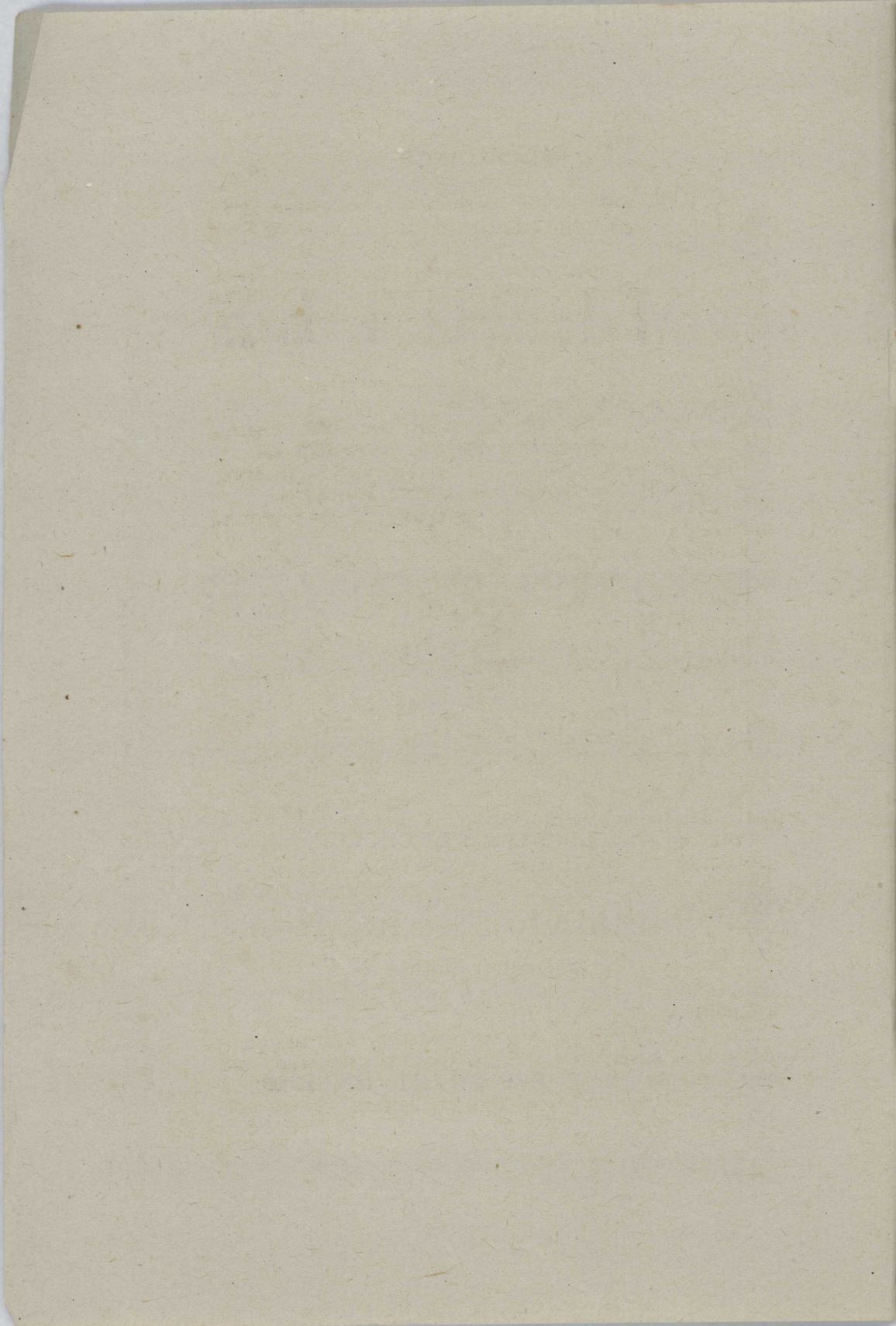
LITTLE RIVER

PRIMITIVE BAPTIST
ASSOCIATION

HELD WITH THE CHURCH AT

Smithfield Meeting House,
Johnston County, N. C.

SEPTEMBER 26 - 27 - 28, 1919



PROCEEDINGS

1st. The Introductory Sermon was delivered by Elder J. T. Coats from 2nd Chapter, 2nd verse of First Corinthians.

2nd. After a short recess the brethren came together and after praise and prayer by Elder Thos. Bell the Association was organized by choosing Elder J. T. Coats, Moderator, and R. F. Smith, Clerk, who called to his assistance, D. M. Wood.

3rd. Appointed brethren D. L. Godwin and R. D. Langdon a Committee on Finance.

4th. Then invited all corresponding and visiting brethren from sister Associations to seats with us.

Elders preached today, L. A. Johnson, T. C. Hart, J. T. Spencer, Thomas Bell and H. F. Hutchens.

5th. Then called for corresponding and visiting brethren from sister Associations:

From Upper Country Line—W. C. Jones. A file of minutes.

From White Oak—A file of minutes.

From Kehukee—Elder G. M. Corbett. A file of minutes.

From Abbott's Creek Union—Tracy R. Freeman. A file of minutes.

From Mill Branch—Elder Thos. Bell and H. Hinson. A file of minutes.

From Black Creek—Elder Jesse Barnes, J. T. Spencer, J. W. Wyatt, J. W. Gardner and J. T. Williams.

From Contentnea—Elder T. B. Lancaster and Bro. J. H. Mewborn. A file of minutes.

From Fisher's River—A file of minutes.

From Mayo—H. F. Hutchens. A file of minutes.

From Staunton River—Elder J. E. Herndon. A file of minutes.

From Seven Mile—Brethren E. C. Hodges and W. S. Strickland and Elders Xure Lee, L. A. Johnson and W. G. Turner. A file of minutes.

From Salem—

From Pig River—

6th. Then called for letters from the churches composing this Association. Letters handed in, read, and their contents noted in the statistical table. (See table.)

7th. Then called for petitionary letters. None presented.

8th. Then appointed corresponding messengers to sister Associations:

To Kehukee—Elder J. E. Adams. A file of minutes.

To Upper Country Line—Elders W. A. Simpkins and L. H. Stephenson and Brethren D. A. Thompson and J. W. Woodall. A file of minutes.

To Lower Country Line—Elder J. A. T. Jones, J. W. Powell, R. D. Langdon, J. B. Hardee and R. F. Smith. A file of minutes.

To White Oak—Elder E. F. Pearce and L. H. Stephenson and E. C. Jones. A file of minutes.

To Contentnea—Elders E. F. Pearce, L. H. Stephenson and W. A. Simpkins and brethren J. W. Woodall, and D. A. Thompson. A file of minutes.

To Mill Branch—Brethren J. M. Whittington and Elder J. A. T. Jones and W. A. Simpkins. A file of minutes.

To Black Creek—Brethren D. L. Godwin, F. B. Hamilton, J. J. Batten, J. P. Durham and Elders E. F. Pearce and W. A. Simpkins. A file of minutes.

To Seven Mile—Brethren J. M. Whittington, R. D. Langdon, F. C. Hamilton, J. D. Morgan and Elder J. A. T. Jones. A file of minutes.

To Abbott's Creek—A file of minutes.

To Salem—Elder W. A. Sompkins. A file of minutes.

9th. Then called on brethren appointed to Sister Associations to report. The brethren generally attended and those who did not were excused.

10th. Agreed that the Committee on Finance take charge of the minutes from the Sister Associations and prepare them for proper distribution to the churches of the Association.

11th. Agreed that the officers of the Association, together with the messengers of Smithfield church, be appointed a Committee of Arrangements for preaching during the sitting of the Association.

12th. Appointed preachers for tomorrow:

Elders J. W. Gardner, J. M. Corbett, W. G. Turner, Jesse Barnes, W. C. Jones, Xure Lee, T. B. Lancaster and J. T. Williams.

13th. Appointed our next Association to be held with the church at Sandy Grove, to commence on Friday before the last Sunday in September, 1920 and that Elder L. H. Stephenson preach the Introductory Sermon and that Elder W. A. Simpkins be his alternate.

Worship to begin at 11 o'clock A. M. Then adjourned until Saturday morning, 9:30 A. M.

Our beloved Elder and Brother, J. A. T. Jones, offered his resignation as Clerk, whereupon the following resolution was adopted:

Whereas, Elder J. A. T. Jones has served this association freely, faithfully and efficiently for 40 years, as clerk, and whereas, on account of his hearing becoming impaired, tendered his resignation, which we have accepted. It is our desire to now extend to him our sincere thanks and appreciation for the noble services rendered by him. He has been tried and found true, and is a faithful Father in Israel, and 'tis only for the above reason that we accept his resignation, and pray that God's richest blessings may abide with him in his declining age.

Done by order of The Little River Association now in session at Smithfield, this Sept. 27th, 1919.

ELDER J. T. COATS, Moderator.

R. F. SMITH, Clerk.

SATURDAY MORNING

14th. The Association met according to adjournment and was opened with praise and prayer by Elder Jessie Barnes.

15th. Again called for corresponding and visiting brethren, when Elders W. G. Turner and T. H. B. Pridgeon reported.

16th. Then called on the Committee on Finance to report. Committee Reported:

Received from the churches this year -----\$169.95

Disbursements

J. A. T. Jones, gift -----\$ 10.00

Clerk's service ----- 15.00

Paid for printing minutes and postage (1300) 25.00

Distributed to visiting ministers and brethren 119.95

\$169.95

Total Disbursements -----\$169.95

Total receipts ----- 169.95

Leaving a balance of -----\$ 0.00

Report received and committee discharged.

17th. Appointed the clerk to superintend and transcribe these minutes, have 1300 copies printed and distribute them as best he can and enter a copy of

same on our Association record.

18th. Appointed the following preachers to preach tomorrow: Elders H. F. Hutchens, T. H. B. Pridgeon, J. W. Wyatt and J. E. Herndon.

19th. Agreed to extend thanks to the brethren, sisters and friends of the Town of Smithfield and surrounding community for the kindness shown in supporting the Association during its sitting.

20th. Agreed that the balance of the funds left in the hands of the Finance Committee, after defraying the usual expenses of the Association be distributed among the ministers and brethren from the Sister Associations.

21st. Agreed that all trade or traffic of any kind, only such as is usual in the town of Smithfield be forbidden during the sitting of the Association.

22nd. Agreed that the clerk of the Association give timely notice of the time and place of the holding of the Association with all necessary information pertaining thereto.

23rd. The following Elders preached to day: J. W. Gardner, J. M. Corbett, W. G. Turner, Jessie Barnes, W. C. Jones, Xure Lee, T. B. Lancaster and J. T. Williams.

24th. The above proceedings were read and approved. Then adjourned until Sunday A. M. at 10 o'clock. Benediction by Elder Thos. Bell.

SUNDAY MORNING

25th. The services of the day were opened by Elder H. F. Hutchens, followed by Elders T. H. B. Pridgeon, J. W. Wyatt and J. E. Herndon. We believe the preaching was in demonstration of the spirit and with power.

The congregation was very large, and excellent behavior and good attention was manifested.

ELDER J. T. COATS, Moderator.

R. F. SMITH, Clerk.

ELD. D. M. WOOD, Asst. Clerk.

Time and Place of Holding Quarterly Meetings, With Pastors', Names Attached.

Bethany—J. T. Collier, pastor fourth Sunday and Saturday in February, May, August and November.

Bethel—A. D. Johnson, pastor, fourth Sunday March, June, Sept. and December.

Clement—A. D. Johnson, pastor, second Sunday and Saturday

in March, June, September and December.

Fellowship—Elder J. A. T. Jones and J. William Stephenson, pastors, first Sunday and Saturday before February, May, August and November.

Hannahs Creek—Xure Lee, pastor, third Sunday and Saturday before February, May, August and November.

Little Creek—E. F. Pearce, pastor, third Sunday and Saturday before in March, June, September and December.

Middle Creek—J. A. T. Jones, pastor, second Sunday and Saturday before February, May, August and November.

Rehobeth—Eld. L. H. Stephenson, fourth Sunday and Saturday before February, May, August and November.

Oak Grove—Elder J. T. Collier, pastor, second Sunday and Saturday before February, May August and November.

Raleigh—W. A. Simpkins, pastor, fourth Sunday and Saturday before February, May, August and November.

Salem—J. A. T. Jones, pastor, third Sunday and Saturday before February, May, August and November.

Sandy Grove—Elder L. H. Stephenson, pastor, third Sunday and Saturday before March, June, September and December.

Smithfield—J. A. T. Jones, pastor, first Sunday and Saturday before January, April, July and October.

Union—J. T. Collier, pastor, second Sunday and Saturday before March, June, September and December.

Willow Springs—J. A. T. Jones, pastor, fourth Sunday and Saturday before February, May, August and November.

Mt. Gilead—W. A. Simpkins, pastor, first Sunday and Saturday before March, June, September and December.

Mt. Zion—J. T. Coats, pastor, second Sunday and Saturday before in January, April, July and October.

Four Oaks—A. D. Johnson, pastor, first Sunday and Saturday before in March, June, September and December.

Cedar Grove—G. T. Powell, pastor, first Sunday and Saturday before January, April, July and October.

Gift Church—J. T. Powell, pastor, third Sunday and Saturday before January, April, July and October.

Angier—J. F. Farmer, pastor, first Sunday and Saturday before in March, June, September and December.

Cleveland—W. A. Simpkins, third Sunday and Saturday before in March, June, September and December.

Minutes to Sister Associations

Upper Country Line—E. R. Harris, Reidsville, N. C., 30 copies.

Lower Country Line—J. H. Gooch, Stem, N. C., 20 copies.

Kehukee—Elder S. Hassel, Williamston, N. C., 50 copies.
Contentnea—Elder J. P. Tingle, Grantsboro, N. C., 40 copies.
White Oak—Eld. Isaac Jones, Maple Hill, N. C., 30 copies.
Abbott's Creek—A. L. Owen, Salisbury, N. C., 20 copies.
Fisher's River—Elder F. P. Stone, Francisco, N. C., R. 1, 30
copies.
Staunton River—R. L. Dodson, Winggold, Va., 20 copies.
Mayo—Eld. E. M. Bernard, Peters Creek, Va., 20 copies.
Black Creek—Elder J. F. Farmer, Wilson, N. C., 20 copies.
Seven Miles—W. V. Blackman, Bentonsville, N. C., 20 copies.

**Names of Ministers Belonging to the Little River Primitive
Baptist Association and their Postoffice Address**

J. A. T. Jones, McCullers, R. F. D., Wake County, N. C. 1
J. T. Coats, Coats, Harnett County, N. C.
J. E. Adams, Angier, N. C.
W. A. Simpkins, Raleigh, Wake County, N. C.
A. D. Johnson, Coats, N. C.
R. E. Adams, Ocean View, Va.
E. F. Pearce, Princeton, N. C., R. F. D. No. 1.
L. H. Stephenson, Benson, N. C., R. No. 1.
G. William Stephenson, Benson, N. C., R. 1.
G. W. Powell, Raleigh, N. C.
E. C. Jones, McCullers, N. C., R. No. 1.
*D. M. Wood, Garner, N. C., R. No. 1.

**Distribution of Minutes to the Churches and to Whom Sent With
Number of Copies**

Bethany—40 copies, Pine Level, N. C., A. Wiggs.
Bethel—40 copies, Benson, R. F. D., N. C., J. B. Hardie.
Clement—50 copies, Four Oaks, R. F. D., N. C., J. W. Lassiter.
Fellowship—45 copies, Willow Spring, N. C., No. 1, C. H.
King.
Hannahs Creek—70 copies, Benson, R. F. D., N. C., G. W.
Johnson.
Little Creek—35 copies, Wilson Mills, R. F. D., N. C., J. J.
Batten.
Middle Creek—40 copies, McCullers, N. C., R. No. 1, J. A. T.
Jones.
Mt. Gilead—40 copies, Smithfield, N. C., R. 1, N. C., D. A.
Thompson.
Oak Grove—20 copies, Carey, R. F. D., N. C., Wm. Woodard.
Rehoboth—40 copies, Benson, R. No. 1, J. A. Langdon.

Raleigh—60, Raleigh, N. C., Elder W. A. Simpkins.
Salem—40, Zebulon, N. C., R. F. D., A. M. Barnes.
Sandy Grove—40, Angiers, N. C., Y. A. Barbour.
Smithfield—50, Smithfield, N. C., F. C. Hamilton.
Uncon—80, Princeton, N. C., R. F. D., Elder E. F. Pearce.
Willow Spring—35, Willow Spring, N. C., R. F. D., T. F.

Adams.

Mt. Zion—50, Eenson, N. C., R. D. Langdon.
Four Oaks—50, Four Oaks, N. C., J. C. Keene.
Cedar Grove—15, Wake Forest, N. C., R. F. D., J. W. Powell.
Gift—85, Coats, N. C., J. T. Coats.
Angier—40, Willow Spring, N. C., A. H. Dupree.
Cleveland—30, D. M. Wood, Garner, No. 1.

STATISTICAL TABLE

Churches	Messengers	Baptized	Rec'd by Letter	Restored	Dismissed by Letter	Excluded	Deceased	Total Number	Sunday of Meeting	Finance
Bethany	Alex Wiggs, R. V. Oliver, W. T. Woodard	1	0	2	0	1	45	4	\$11.50	
Bethel	B. F. Youn, C. K. Pleasant, J. B. Hardee	0	0	0	0	1	40	4	5.00	
Clement	W. A. Lassiter, W. M. Johnson, W. J. Benson	1	0	0	0	44	44	2	10.00	
Fellowship	W. A. Lee, H. H. Penny, W. G. Dixon	2	0	0	0	50	50	1	6.10	
Hannah's Creek	G. W. Johnson, J. D. Morgan, D. G. Allen	5	0	0	0	82	82	3	6.00	
Little Creek	Eli Bolten, M. E. Dixon, J. J. Batten	1	1	3	0	34	34	3	12.00	
Middle Creek	Elds. J. A. T. Jones, E. C. Jones, Bro. J. B. Britt	0	0	0	0	26	26	2	8.00	
Mt. Gliead	J. W. Woodard, D. A. Thompson, J. T. Hinant	1	0	0	1	46	46	1	6.85	
Oak Grove	W. G. Woodard	0	0	0	0	10	10	2	3.75	
Rehoboth	J. A. Langdon, W. C. Langdon, D. I. Jones	0	0	2	1	10	10	4	6.40	
Raleigh	Elds. W. A. Simkins, G. T. Powell, Brethren Jos. E. Weathers, Willis C. Rowe	2	3	1	0	52	52	4	10.00	
Salem	A. M. Barnes, Joe Price, W. R. Bramen	0	0	0	0	38	38	3	13.50	
Sandy Grove	Y. A. Barbour, B. G. McGee, W. H. Dupree	0	0	0	0	18	18	3	5.50	
Smithfield	F. C. Hammiton, I. Stephenson, Amos Johnson	2	0	0	0	42	42	1	14.00	
Union	Louis Braswell, B. H. Woodard, J. T. Gurley	4	0	0	0	67	67	2	11.25	
Willow Spring	D. H. Adams, D. A. Overbee, W. I. Adams	1	4	0	0	31	31	4	5.00	
Four Oaks	R. D. Langdon, J. M. Whittington, J. G. Smith	2	0	0	0	39	39	2	5.00	
Cedar Grove	T. R. Barbour, J. R. Durham, J. H. Massengill	3	0	0	0	42	42	1	5.00	
Gift	J. W. Powell, W. J. Lowery	0	0	0	0	9	9	1	3.00	
Angler	R. D. Ennis, J. E. Norris	1	0	2	0	71	71	3	5.00	
Cleveland	E. M. Currin, D. I. Pleasant, A. H. Dupree	1	4	0	0	35	35	2	7.00	
Mt. Zion	B. A. Barbour, A. L. Coats, Eld. D. M. Wood	5	2	0	0	16	16	3	10.00	
		30	1	1	0	141	141	87	169.95	

