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PROCEEDINGS

FRIDAY'S SESSION

The Introductory Sermon was preached by Elder W. A. Pinkstaff; text 5 ver. 25 Gallacians.

After which the Association met and organized by electing Elder J. G. Woodfin, Moderator, and Bro. W. J. Landess, Clerk.

The names of the church were called and the messengers names enrolled (See Table.)

A motion was made and seconded that the moderator appoint a committee to arrange the preaching during the session of the Association, the Moderator being added.

Committee—J. C. Jackson, H. W. Clark, N. F. Boone, S. W. Fleming, W. H. Dunn, E. L. Philpot and J. G. Woodfin.

Next a committee was appointed by the Moderator to solicit funds for the expenses of Association. Committee—J. R. Bramlett, J. C. Jackson, D. C. Lasater, S. W. Fleming, N. F. Boone.

Next a committee to receive contribution from the churches for minutes. Committee—J. W. Warden and E. L. Philpot, who report \$13.75 received. Moved and seconed that the clerk superintend the printing and distribution of same, and have the balance for his services.

NAMES OF VISITING MINISTERS.

Elders J. T. McArthur, A. J. Willis and W. M. Hunter. Upon this occasion the preaching was received well by all. The congregation good and orderly.

A motion was made and seconed that the Association meet with the church at New Hope church Farrfield, Bedford County, Tenn., on Friday before second Sunday in September 1917.

Elder J. G. Woodfin was appointed to preach the introductory sermon at the above time and place.

Motion and seconed that the thanks of this body be tendered to the citizens of this community for their kind hospitality.

Motion to adjourn passed.

Prayer by Elder J. T. McArthur.

J. G. WOODFIN, Moderator. W. J. LANDESS, Clerk.

ARTICLES OF FAITH.

- 1. We believe in only one true and living God, and that there was a Trinity of persons in the Godhead, the father, Son and Holy Ghost, and there are not three Gods, but only one.
- 2. We believe that the Scripture of the old and new Testaments are the word of God and the only true rule 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 none of them will be finally lost.
- 6. We believe that there will be a resurrection of the dead and a general and universal judgement and that the happiness of the righteous and the 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 up a Godly discipline according to the rules of the gospel.
- 8. We believe that Jesus Christ is the great head of the church, and the government is with the body.
 - 9. We believe that water baptism, the Lord's Supper and

washing of the saints' 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 emmersion is the only gospel mode.
- 11. We believe that none but 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.

CLERKS AND THEIR POSTOFFICES

- J. R. Bramlett, Hillsboro, Tenn.
- G. W. Syler, Horton, Tenn., Route 1.
- E. L. Philpot, Shelbyville, Tenn., Route 6.
- G. M. Smith, Mulberry, Tenn., Route 2.
- G. G. Osborne, Wartrace, Tenn.
- J. T. Clerdy, Shelbyville, Tenn., Route 5.
- W. R. Fields, Bellbuckle, Tenn.
- Charley Johnson, Fayetteville, Tenn.
- W. J. Landess, Fayetteviile, Tenn.
- N. F. Boone, Mulberry, Tenn., Route 1.
- R. M. Koonce, Fayetteville, Tenn.
- O. N. Short, Petersburg, Tenn.

MINISTERS OF ELK SIVER ASSOCIATION AND THEIR ADDRESSES.

Elder W. A. Pinkstaff, Fayetteville, Tenn. Elder J. G. Woodfin, South Pittsburg, Tenn.

STATISTICAL TABLE

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CHURCHES	MESSENGERS	Rec. by Baptism	Rec. by Recommendation	Rec. by Letter	Restored	Dismissed by Letter	Excluded	Dead	Total Membership Sunday Meetings Contribution
Flat Creek Arbor New Hope Union Buckeye Concord. Mt. Olivet. Corders X Roads Mt. Pisgah Shilo	J. C. Partin, D. C. Lasiter, J. C. Jackson E. L. Filpot J. D. Gray, F. W. Spencer, Woods Collins. J. J. Roberts, W. T. Kellar H. W. Clark, J. G. Woodfin J. E. Broadaway, J. W. Worden, J. T. Worden, S. W. Fleming. W. A. Pinkstaff, W. J. Lauder, J. W. Bantley W. H. Dunn, P. M. Short No intelligence No intelligence No intelligence No intelligence No intelligence No F. Boone	3 1	0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0	0 0 0 0 0 0 1 2 0 0 0	0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0	0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 1 0 0 0 0	0 1 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0	0 1 0 1 1 1 1 1 0 0 0 1	48 11 50 80 42 00 50 12 00 1 25 9 50 108 11 50 94 32 00 71 21 50



