

MINUTES

OF THE

One Hundred and Nineteenth
Annual Session

OF THE

Elk River Association of
Primitive Baptists

HELD WITH THE CHURCH AT

Pleasant Grove Church
Lincoln County, Tennessee

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1. Introductory sermon was preached by Elder A. N. Towery.
2. The Association was called to order by the Moderator.
3. After which the Association was organized by electing Elder J. G. Woodfin, Moderator, and C. L. Stone, Clerk.
4. The names of the churches were called and the Messengers' names enrolled. (See Tabl).
5. By motion made and seconded, brethren of our faith and order were invited to seats with us.
6. Appointed committees as follows:
 - (2 ON PREACHING: Bro. A. S. Leadford, J. R. Bramlet, Charlie Johnston.
 - (b) TO RECEIVE CONTRIBUTIONS FOR MINUTES: Bro. T. K. Galloway, B. C. Partain; collected; \$22.00.
 - (c) Instead of a committee, motion made and seconded to take up collection Sunday for expenses. Collection, \$92.40.
7. On motion, stated and seconded, it was voted to have 300 of these minutes printed and mailed to the different churches of the Association.
8. It was voted to have the next meeting of this body with Grace Chapel Church, in Huntsville, Ala., September, 1927, beginning on Friday before the second Sunday.
9. Elder C. G. Byrom was appointed to preach the introductory sermon and Elder J. E. Stewart, alternate, at the above named place.

ELDER J. G. WOODFIN, Moderator.
C. L. STONE, Clerk.

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VISITING MINISTERS

Elder J. T. McArthur.....Cordele, Ga.

ORDER OF PREACHING

Friday A. M.-----Elder A. N. Towery and C. G. Byrom
 Friday P. M.-----Elder W. D. Bostick
 Saturday A. M.-----Elders J. E. Stewart, J. T. McArthur
 Saturday P. M.-----Elder C. G. Byrom
 Sunday A. M.-----Elders McArthur and J. G. Woodfin

NOTE: We heard a good sermon from each of our preachers and their preaching was enjoyed very much.

We, the members of Elk River Association, thank the citizens of this community for their kindness during these three days' meeting.

May God bless them is the prayers of this Association.

Motion made to adjourn to meet at above named place.
 Prayer by Elder J. T. McArthur.

ELDER J. G. WOODFIN, Moderator.
 C. L. STONE, Clerk.

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CLERKS AND THEIR POSTOFFICES

Elk River (Betsie Willis School House)

-----J. R. Bramlet, Hillsboro, Tenn.
 Arbor-----G. C. Smith, Mulberry, Tenn., Rt. 2
 Flat Creek-----E. L. Philpot, Shelbyville, Tenn.
 New Hope-----J. A. Chilton, Warrace, Tenn.
 Mt. Pisgah-----Not Represented
 Union-----J. G. Woodfin, South Pittsburg, Tenn.
 Buckeye-----Charlie Johnson, Fayetteville, Tenn.
 Concord-----C. L. Stone, Fayetteville, Tenn.
 Mt. Moriah-----J. D. Cunningham, Fayetteville, Tenn.
 Mt. Olivet-----Joe Green, Petersburg, Tenn.
 Shilo-----Buck Simmons, Kelso, Tenn.
 Corder Cross Roads-----Buck Benson, Kelso, Tenn.
 Grace Chapel-----Rebecca Stewart, Huntsville, Ala.
 Pleasant Grove-----A. J. Towery, Fayetteville, Tenn.

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MINISTERS OF THE ELK RIVER ASSOCIATION AND THEIR POST-OFFICES

Elder W. D. Bostick-----Huntsville, Ala.
 Elder W. L. Taylor-----Winchester, Tenn.
 Elder J. G. Woodfin-----South Pittsburg, Tenn.
 Elder C. G. Byrom-----Estil Springs, Tenn.
 Elder J. E. Stewart-----Huntsville, Ala.
 Elder A. N. Towery-----Huntsville, Ala.

W. R. Chilton, Licentiate

ARTICLES OF FAITH

1. We believe in only one true and living God and that there is 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 Scriptures of the Old and New Testaments are the words 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 judgment 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 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 the 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 immersion is the only gospel mode.

11. We believe that none but regularly baptized 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 wordly business should be transacted thereon—works of piety and mercy necessarily excepted.

From
E. J. Carter
Newbury
Main

To
J. J. McArthur
Cordell

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