

Minutes
of the
Seventy-Eighth Annual Session
of the
SALEM
Primitive Baptist Association

Entertained By Burlington Church
At Wolf Island
Primitive Baptist Church
ROCKINGHAM COUNTY, NORTH CAROLINA

JUNE 20, 21 and 22

1987

Next session to be held with Sardis Church, Rockingham County, North Carolina on Saturday before the third Sunday in June 1988 and continuing through Monday. Sardis Church is on Highway 220 20 miles north of Greensboro. 4 miles south of Madison, N. C.

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Proceedings

Of The Seventy-Eighth Annual Session of the SALEM PRIMITIVE BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

Entertained By Burlington Church At Wolf Island Primitive Baptist Church

1. Service was opened with song and prayer by Elder H. D. Dagenhart.
2. The introductory sermon was preached by Elder John Lee.
3. After an intermission of one hour the messengers assembled and the Association was opened by Elder Calvin Harward.
4. Letters from sister churches were called for and read. Messengers were seated and contents noted in the Statistical Table.
5. The Association being organized, proceeded to business by electing Elder John T. Lee, Moderator; Elder Lester G. Stewart, Clerk and Coy M. Vance, Assistant Clerk.
6. Called for petitionary letters.
7. On motion, second, and agreed, the reading of the rules of decorum was omitted.
8. On motion, second, and agreed, the Moderator appointed the following committees:
Arrangements: M. A. Apple, Mildred Middleton, J. A. Crews.
Preaching: Harry Mabes, C. D. Barnwell, Henry Tate.
Finance: Charley Harryman, Bennie Cockman, Thomas Blaylock.
9. On motion, second, and agreed, the Association appointed Elder John T. Lee, Elder Lester G. Stewart, Coy M. Vance trustees of the Association Funds, and the Elder A. B. Barham and Elder Richard B. Barham Memorial Fund.
10. All correspondents who felt to seat with us and were at peace at home were invited to report.

ABBOTTS CREEK: Elders C. T. Harward, Ralph Gains, W. M. Freeman, Clifton King and Jasper Handy.

BLACK CREEK: Bro. A. O. Brown and wife and Elder Walter Barnes.

LAUREL SPRINGS: Elders Kirkman and wife, Ray Payne, Bros. Howard Puckett and wife, George Fulk and wife, John Clifton, Irvin Key, Donnie Farmer and Mallie Hill.

LITTLE RIVER: Elders W. C. Lake and wife, R. L. Fish, Layton Dupree, Sis. Alice Johnson, Lula Johnson, Bro. J. M. Raper and wife and Bro. Bobby Daughtry.

LOWER COUNTRY LINE: Elders L. P. Martin, Birch Wray, Wallace Oakley and wife, Reuben Bowes and wife, Bernard Whitefield, Everett Hill, Victor Walters and wife, Sis. Mamie Browning, Sis. Lonnie Hill.

LOWER MAYO: Elders A. A. Doss and wife, C. P. Hall and wife, J. D. Cassell, Willie Cassell, Arthur Martin and wife, R. L. Craig and wife

and son, Jimmie Martin and wife, R. L. Dyer and wife, Paul Clark and wife, J. M. Thomas, and Rachel Purgason.

MATES CREEK: Elder Elmer Smith, Norman Bird and wife, Mildred Stanley.

MILL BRANCH: Elder L. G. Mishoe and wife, Bro. L. M. Davis and wife, Ester Harrelson, Thelmer Jennerette, and Lucille Beasley.

NEW RIVER: S. H. Bond and wife, Kenneth Hollandsworth and wife, V. C. Phillips and wife, Asbury Smith and wife, J. B. Mitchell, J. R. and wife, Evelyn Phillips, Eula Phillips, and Ruby Duncan.

SEVEN MILE: Elder Jack Hawkins, W. C. Noles, Robert Gauldin, Graham Jackson and wife, Oba Honeycutt, Eula Pope, Lloyd Williams and wife.

WHITE OAK: Elder Furney Davis.

YELLOW RIVER: None.

CROOKED CREEK CHURCH: None.

LAWYER SPRINGS CHURCH: Elder J. T. Jones and wife, Bro. Cassell and wife, Bro. Kerns.

COLEMAN CHURCH: Howard Puckett, Lamantha Lowe, Odessa Brown, Iris Brown.

MEWBORN CHURCH: None.

THOMAS GROVE CHURCH: Elders Frank Pegram, Kenneth Hopkins.

11. Motion, second, and agreed, to adjourn until Monday morning at 10 o'clock.

Closed by Elder Elbert Kirkman.

MONDAY MORNING

1. The Association was opened by Elder Walter Barnes.
2. Roll of churches was called and absentee messengers were excused.
3. Agreed to have 800 copies of our minutes printed.
4. Allowed the clerk the amount necessary for preparing, printing, and mailing of the minutes.
5. On motion, second, and agreed, the finance committee was retained until all expenses are paid and donations made.
6. Messengers who attended sister Associations reported, and those who did not attend were excused.

7. Correspondents were appointed to the following associations:

ABBOTT'S CREEK: Elder John T. Lee, L. G. Stewart, Henry Tate, Spencer Parrish, C. D. Barnwell.

BLACK CREEK: Elders John Lee, L. G. Stewart, Bros. Henry Tate, C. D. Barnwell, M. A. Apple.

LAUREL SPRINGS: Eld. John Lee, L. G. Stewart, Charlie Harryman, C. D. Barnwell, Henry Tate, Spencer Parrish.

LITTLE RIVER: Eld. John Lee, L. G. Stewart, M. A. Apple, C. D. Barnwell, Henry Tate, Spencer Parrish.

LOWER COUNTRY LINE: Eld. John Lee, L. G. Stewart, C. D. Barnwell, Henry Tate, M. A. Apple, Spencer Parrish.

LOWER MAYO: Eld. John Lee, L. G. Stewart, Henry Tate, Spencer Parrish, C. D. Barnwell.

MATES CREEK: Eld. John Lee, L. G. Stewart, Charley Harryman, Henry Tate, C. D. Barnwell, Spencer Parrish.

MILL BRANCH: Eld. L. G. Stewart, Spencer Parrish, C. D. Barnwell, Henry Tate.

NEW RIVER: Eld. John Lee, L. G. Stewart, Bennie Cockman, Henry Tate, C. D. Barnwell, M. A. Apple.

SEVEN MILE: Eld. L. G. Stewart, C. D. Barnwell, Henry Tate, Spencer Parrish.

WHITE OAK: Eld. John Lee, L. G. Stewart, C. D. Barnwell, Henry Tate, M. A. Apple, Spencer Parrish.

YELLOW RIVER: Eld. O. J. Wray, C. D. Barnwell.

8. The next session will be entertained by Sardis Church.

9. Moved and second to give \$150.00 to the church where the Association is held each year in addition to the expenses to the church entertaining the Association will be paid from the Association funds.

10. Burlington church together with Wolf Island church and the Salem Association wish to thank the Brethren, Sisters and friends and all our loved ones for the support that was given during our Association. May we all be blessed to meet again.

11. After the reading of the minutes, a motion was made, seconded, and agreed, to adjourn to meet at the appointed time and place of our next session.

12. Benediction by Elder Ray Payne. Elder R. L. Fish gave thanks at lunch.

Elder John T. Lee, Moderator

Elder Lester G. Stewart, Clerk

Brother Coy M. Vance, Assistant Clerk

REPORT OF COMMITTEES

Arrangements: No business came before this committee.

Preaching Committee:

Saturday Morning:

Invocation by Elder H. D. Dagenhart.

Sermon by Elder John Lee

Elder Ralph Gaines gave thanks at lunch

Saturday Afternoon:

Opened by Elder C. T. Harward. Closed by Elder Kirkman.

Elder Ralph Gaines, Excused himself.
 Elder C. T. Harward, St. John 10:1-5.
 Elder Frank Pegram, No special text.
 Elder C. R. Ball, Power of God.
 Elder Wallace Oakley, Dismissed.

Sunday Morning:

Bro. L. M. Davis, Opened with song and prayer.
 Elder L. G. Mishoe, Mark 10:21.
 Elder Furney Davis, Let not your heart be troubled.
 Elder L. P. Martin, 2nd Peter, 3rd Chapter.
 Bro. Fred Cobb, Gave thanks at lunch.

Sunday Afternoon:

Elder Reuben Hawks, St. John 4:4-6.
 Elder J. T. Jones, No special text.
 Elder A. A. Doss, Rev. 20:12.
 Elder Kenneth Hopkins, 2nd Cor 2.
 Elder W. M. Freeman, Dismissed.

Monday Morning:

Elder Walter Barnes, Opened. Elder Ray Payne, Closed.
 Elder Elmer Smith, Eccl. 3:11-14.
 Elder B. C. Wray, Excused himself.
 Elder David Minter. Let not your heart be troubled.
 Elder W. C. Lake, Isaiah 46:9.
 Elder J. W. Hawks, The Sovereignty of God.
 Dismissed by Elder W. C. Noles.

FINANCE COMMITTEE REPORT

Received From Churches	\$1,285.00
Received From Friends	20.00
TOTAL	\$1,305.00
Distribution:	
Visiting Ministers	\$ 700.00
Wolf Island Church for Service Rendered	150.00
Preparing and Printing Minutes	250.00
Postage for Mailing Checks and Minutes and Envelopes	30.00
Carried Over For Any Additional Expenses	175.00
Any Funds Not Used Will Go In NOW Account—Total	\$1,305.00
Balance in Wachovia Bank NOW Account	
As of May 31, 1987	\$3,612.54

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OBITUARIES

Sardis: Sister Shelby Minter
Oak Forest: Sister Adams

RULES OF DECORUM

1. The Association shall be opened and closed by prayer.

2. Only one person shall speak at a time, who shall rise from his seat and address the Moderator in the beginning of his speech.

3. Every brother speaking shall adhere strictly to the subject under consideration, and shall in no way reflect on any brother.

4. No messenger shall absent himself from the Association while in conference without permission.

5. No messenger shall speak more than three times on the same subject without permission from the Association.

6. Messengers shall keep strict order while the business of the Association is being transacted.

7. No messenger shall be interrupted while speaking unless he violates the Rules of Decorum.

8. No messenger shall address another in any appellation other than the title of brother.

9. The names of the members composing the Association shall be enrolled by the Clerk and called over as often as the Association requires.

10. The Moderator shall not speak on any question before the Association until all the messengers are through speaking, when he may give his views, after which any messenger having the right to speak, may replay to any new matter introduced by the Moderator.

11. Any member who shall violate any of the rules of the Association shall be dealt with by the Association as it deems proper.

ARTICLES OF FAITH

1. We believe in only one true and living God, who rules all things after His own will, and that He, who created all things, is infinite in power, wisdom, knowledge, and goodness, eternal, immortal, invisible, and unchangeable and that this God has revealed Himself in His word under the character of Father, Son, and Holy Ghost, and that there are three that bear witness in earth: the Spirit, the water and the blood and that these three agree in one.

2. We believe that the Holy Scripture of the Old and New Testaments are the written word of God and are sufficient rule of faith and practice. They are given by inspiration of God and are profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, and for instruction in righteousness that the men of God may be perfect, thoroughly furnished unto all good works.

3. We believe that Christ died and made a complete atonement for all who ever did, do now, or ever will believe on His name and that all who are finally saved were given to Christ in covenant of the Father before the world was, that they should show forth His praise.

4. We believe that all whom God did foreknow. He did also predestinate to be conformed to the image of His son; that God elected according to His foreknowledge through the sanctification of the Spirit unto obedience and sprinkling of the blood of Jesus Christ, all of who are finally saved

to an inheritance incorruptible and undefiled and that fadeth not away, reserved in heaven for all true saints and that none come to Christ only those whom He loved with an everlasting love and in due time calls to everlasting glory.

5. We believe in the doctrine of original sin.

6. We believe in man's impotency to recover himself from the fallen state he is in by his own will and ability.

7. We believe that sinners are justified in the sight of God only by the imputed righteousness of Christ.

8. We believe that God's elect will be called, converted, regenerated, and sanctified by the Holy Spirit.

9. We believe the saints will persevere in grace and never finally fall away.

10. We believe that baptism and the Lord's Supper are ordinances of Jesus Christ and that true believers are the only proper subjects of the ordinances, and that the true mode of baptism is by immersion.

11. We believe in the resurrection of the dead, and a general judgment.

12. We believe the punishment of the wicked will be eternal and the joys of the righteous everlasting.

13. We believe that no minister has the right to administer the ordinances, only such as are regularly called and have come under the imposition of the hands of the presbytery.

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