

Flint River Association

OF

PRIMITIVE BAPTISTS

24th Annual Session

HELD WITH

Church at Liberty Hill, Early County, Ga.

Friday, Saturday and Sunday,

November 4, 5, 6, 1904.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE

Flint River Association.

The twenty-fourth session of the Flint River Primitive Baptist association met with the church at Liberty Hill, Early County, Ga., on Friday before the first Sunday in November, 1904.

The introductory sermon was preached by Elder J. M. Murray, of the Upatoi association. Text: Prov. xxx. 25-30.

Prayer by Elder A. V. Sims, of the Ochlochnee association.

Read letters from the churches and minuted their state.

Elected Elder W. A. Hubbard, moderator, he being pastor of Liberty Hill church, and E. B. Bush, clerk.

Called for petitionary letters.

Appointed the following committees:

On Preaching—T. J. Bynum and A. Paulk, together with the messengers of Liberty Hill church.

On Finance—H. R. Strickland, W. G. Kirkland and J. C. Killebrew.

To write Corresponding Letter—Elder E. S. Ward.

Called for Correspondence.

Received from Harmony—Elder A. A. Garrett, B. D. Jones, Jr, E. Fain and Eld J. W. Spurlock, G. Pritchett, Wm. Bryan, T. R. Davis and Joshua McLendon, James Fain, J. W. Harrison, J. C. Harrison, William Harrison and M. King.

From the Choctawhatchee—Moses N. Fain, J. W. Buckhalt, F. P. Garrett, J. J. Buckhalt, W. A. Gray, W. E. Brown and Elder J. J. Byrd, J. C. Money and W. H. Bodeford.

From Upatoi—Elder J. M. Murray, J. E. Battle, Licentiate, D. Lawhorn.

From the Union—No tidings.

On motion received visitors as follows:

From the Pulaski Association—Elder I. F. Porter.

From the Ochlocknee—Elders A. V. Sims and W. W. Williams, J. B. Mullis, from Way Fair church, West Florida.

On motion adjourned until Saturday, 8:30 a. m.



SATURDAY—8:30 A. M.

Met pursuant to adjournment.

Prayer by Elder W. W. Williams, of the Ochlocknee association.

Called the roll.

Renewed call for correspondence and visitors.

Returned correspondence as follows:

To the Harmony association, to convene with the church at Macedonia, Terrell county, Ga., on Friday before second Sunday in October, 1905, Brethren I. D. Daniel, Elder E. S. Ward, Elder E. D. Ivey, John Adams, Elder Lee Hanks and J. C. Killebrew, W. A. Hubbard and J. E. Roberts to bear it.

To the Choctawhatchee association, to convene with the church at Bethel, Barbour county, Ala., 9 miles from Clon, on Central R. R. on Friday before the fourth Sunday in September, 1905, Elder Lee Hanks, Elder E. D. Ivey, I. S. Daniel and E. S. Ward to bear the same.

To the Upatoi association to convene with the church at Butler, Ga., on Tuesday after first Sunday in September, 1905, T. J. Binum, Elder Lee Hanks, Elder E. S. Ward and Brethren H. R. Strickland and Burrell Roberts and E. B. Bush to bear it.

To the Union association to convene with the church at New Hope, four miles from Nashville, Ga., on Saturday before third Sunday in October, 1905, Elder Lee Hanks, John Adams and Edgar Williams to bear it.

Appointed Union meetings as follows:

1st. District—Hartsfield on Friday before fifth Sunday in April.

2nd District—Friday before the fifth Sunday in July, at Union, Miller county, Ga., six miles north of Donaldsonville and eight miles west of Colquitt, Ga.

Called for report on finance. Received from the churches \$44.45, and from the congregation \$32.00.

Recommended that the clerk be paid \$15.00 for the printing and distributing of 1,000 copies of these minutes, 200 copies to be held for corresponding purposes, the remainder to the churches.

Appointed next session of this body to meet with Hopewell church, at Pelham, Mitchell county, Ga., on Friday before the first Sunday in November, 1905.

Read and adopted corresponding letter.

Resolved, That the heartfelt thanks of this Association be tendered to the brethren, sisters and dear friends of Liberty Hill church for their hospitality and acts of Kindness shown us during the meeting.

On motion read and adopted minutes and adjourned to time and place.

ELDER W. A. HUBBARD, Moderator.

E. B. BUSH, Clerk.



ORDER OF PREACHING.

- Fri. a. m.—Elder J. M. Murray; text, Prov. xxx. 25.
“ a. m— “ A. A. Garrett; “ I Pet. ii: 2. 1-2.
“ p. m— “ W. W. Williams; “ John x. 9.
Sat. a. m— “ I. P. Porter; Subject: “Two Laws.
“ a. m— “ J. W. Spurlock; text, Eph iv. 15-20.
“ p. m— “ J. B. Mullis; Mal. iii. 7-9.
“ p. m— “ J. E. Battle, licentiate; text, Isa. liii. 1.
Sun a. m— “ J. J. Byrd; text, I Cor. xv. 45.
“ a. m— “ A. V. Simms; text, Heb. vi. 1.

[These brethren preached in the order of their names with wonderful power. filling the hearts of God's humble poor with joy and gladness, and contended with great zeal for the good old doctrine of salvation by grace. Then took the parting hand amid good feeling and tears.

L. H.]

NAMES AND ADDRESSES OF MINISTERS.

Elder Lee Hanks.....	Pelham,	Ga.
“ J. R. King.....	Colton,	“
“ E. D. Ivey.....	Iron City,	“
“ E. S. Ward.....	Iron City,	“
“ W. A. Hubbard.....	Harisfield,	“
“ B. R. Wingate.....	Meigs,	“
“ B. Page.....	Hartsfield,	“
Licentiate—W. R. Bell.....	Brinson,	“



CORRESPONDING LETTER.

The Flint River Primitive Baptist Association now in her 24th session with the church at Liberty Hill, Early county, Ga., to her sister associations with whom she corresponds, sendeth greeting:

Dear Brethren in the Lord—By the mercy and blessing of Almighty God we have been permitted and enabled to meet together once more in an associational capacity, for which we desire to render praise and thanks to him who is the giver of all good and perfect gifts. Our churches are all represented and report peace and harmony and some of them tell of some ingathering of some of the little and loved ones of God. We have been made to rejoice at the presence of a goodly number of correspondents and visitors. Your ministers have come to us with good news from a far country and have made our hearts glad by preaching to us the precious truths of the gospel of Christ. Up to this writing we have transacted all our business in perfect harmony, for which we hope we thank the Lord. The next session of our body will be held with the church at Pelham, commencing on Friday before the first Sunday in November, 1905, when and where we hope again to meet a number of your correspondents.

Elder W. A. Hubbard, Moderator.

E. B. Bush, Clerk.

ARTICLES OF FAITH.

1. We believe in one only true and living God, the Father, Son and Holy Ghost, and these three are one.

2. We believe the Scriptures of the Old and New Testaments to be the written Word of God, and the only rule of faith and practice.

3. We believe in the doctrine of eternal and particular election.

4. We believe in the doctrine of original sin.

5. We believe in man's inability to recover himself from the fallen condition that he is in by nature by his own free will and ability.

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

7. We believe that God's elect shall be called, regenerated, and sanctified by the Holy Ghost.

8. We believe that the saints are preserved in Christ and shall never be finally lost.

9. We believe that baptism and the Lord's Supper are ordinances of Jesus Christ, and true believers are the only subjects of the ordinances, and that immersion is the true mode of baptism; and washing the saints feet is a duty enjoined by Christ on all his followers, and should be attended to in the church until his second coming.

10. We believe in the resurrection of the dead, both of the just and unjust.

11. We believe that the punishment of the wicked and the joys of the righteous will be eternal.

12. We believe that no person has the right to administer the ordinances but such as have been regularly called and come under the hands of a presbytery.



RULES OF DECORUM.

1. The churches composing this association may be represented by messengers from their respective churches bearing a statement certifying their appointment, together with the number baptized, received by letter, restored, dismissed, excommunicated, died, etc., since the last association. We de-

sire that each church will name the number of messengers they desire to represent them in the association.

2 The members thus chosen will be denominated the Flint River Primitive Baptist Association.

3. This association will have a moderator and clerk, who will be chosen by the members present, and continue in office until others are elected.

4. We believe that each church is a sovereign and fully clothed by the Great Head of the church with authority to execute gospel discipline and cannot transmit her business to any other body for consideration and final adjustment. Therefore, we, as an association, declare that we will not receive from any church any disciplinary question to be discussed or adjusted.

5. If new churches desire to be admitted in this association they may do so by making application to the association and being constituted by an orthodox presbytery and having the fellowship of orderly sister churches of this union and will be manifested by the moderator extending the messengers the right hand of fellowship.

6. Every motion seconded should command the observation of the association unless it be withdrawn by the one who made it.

7. We desire to keep up a chain of correspondence with all orderly Primitive Baptist associations.

8. This association has the right to amend these rules when the majority of the union shall deem it necessary.

9. This association may adjourn to any time or place she may think proper, and to have the minutes of each association printed if necessary.

10. These rules have no jurisdiction over the churches whatever, but are to govern the members while present for the purpose of preserving order in the house of God, cultivating acquaintance, keeping up a chain of correspondence, doing all things decently and in order and striving for the things that make for peace.

STATISTICAL TABLE.

CHURCHES.	CLERKS & ADDRESSES.	NAMES OF MESSENGERS.	PASTORS.	Received by Baptism.	Restored	Dismissed by Letter	Rec'd on Con. of Faith	Excluded	Deceased	Membership	Contribution
1st District.											
Prim. Hartsfield..	G. W. Slocomb..Hartsfield, Ga	J. C. Killebrew, T. J. Bynum and W.	Lee Hanks ..	12	2	..	5	..	2	42	\$6 70
Hopewell	J. Hollingsworth, Pelham, Ga	A. Hubbard	Lee Hanks ..	..	4	..	5	..	2	73	7 50
2nd District											
Olive Grove.....	H. R. Strickland, IronCity, Ga	E. S. Ward, W. R. Bell and H. R.	E. S. Ward ..	..	2	1	1	1	1	30	6 00
Antioch.....	—Rhodesville, Ga	Strick and									
Union.....	T. Pickson..... Spooner, Ga	Not represented.	E. S. Ward ..	1	..	1	..	2	1	54	11 25
Liberty Hill.	J. F. Bush Blakely, Ga	E. B. Bush, W. G. Kirkland	W. A. Hubbard	..	..	..	..	1	..	13	5 00
Harrell's Grove...	B. Roberts, Donaldsonville, Ga	I. S. Daniels and J. F. Bush	E. D. Ivey .....	..	..	..	..	8	..	6	4 00
Mt. Paran.....	M. A. Kent	E. D. Ivey, B. Roberts	J. W. Spurlock	..	..	1	..	1	1	9	4 00
		A. Paulk, M. A. Kent.....									

TIME OF YEAR OF MEETING.

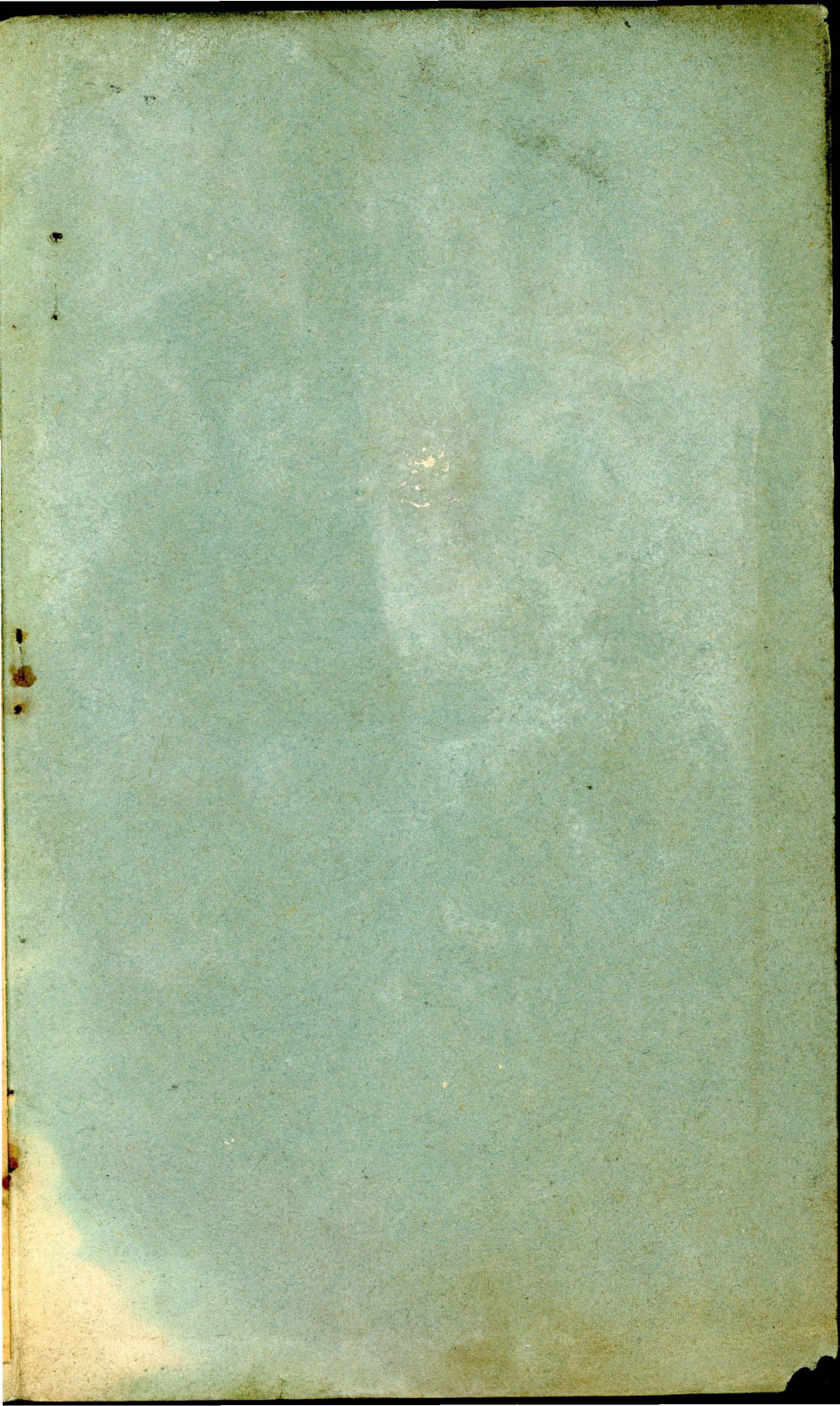
1st District	Primitive Hartsfield	—2nd Sunday in June.
" "	Hopewell	—4th " " May.
2nd " "	Olive Grove.....	—3rd " " June.
" "	Antioch.....	—Not Represented.
" "	Union.....	—2nd Sunday in June.
" "	Liberty Hill.....	—1st " " July.
" "	Harrell's Grove.....	—4th " " June.
" "	Mt Paran.....	—3rd " " July.

Wt Carmell Dec 12-3

After Marching to the steam
boiler with full equipment

General Business -
Incidentals, appointed. Thus, the
as messenger goes to Appoche and \$150. Grand
as alternate, agreed to, and \$1300, \$100 for
minutes \$1200 for Incidentals Expenses -

No further business -



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