



MINUTES

—OF THE—

COUNTRY LINE

Primitive Baptist Association,

HELD WITH THE CHURCH AT

CAMP CREEK, Durham Co.,

NORTH CAROLINA,

August 15th, 16th & 17th,

1897.

Wilson, N. C.,
Landmark Steam Printing House,
1897.

PROCEEDINGS

1st. The Introductory Sermon was preached by Elder J. A. Burch, from John 18: 36.

2nd. The Association convened and after prayer by I. Jones, proceeded to business.

3rd. Elder Jas. A. Burch was chosen moderator.

4th. The correspondents were invited to take seats with us, whereupon the following were received :

From Kehukee—

From Black Creek—O. L. Yelverton, (P. D. Gold).

From Little River—

From Fishers River—

From Pigg River—

From White Oak—Elder I. Jones.

From Mayo—

From Eno—Elders S. P. Terry, L. H. Hardy, A. N. Hall, Brother G. C. Farthing and Elder Y. I. Monk.

From Contentnea—Elder T. C. Hart.

From Staunton River—

From Yellow River—Brethren C. B. Hall and W. R. Burch.

5th. Rules of Decorum were read.

6th. Letters from the several churches were read and their standing minuted in the statistical table.

7th. Elders P. D. Gold and T. C. Hart were appointed to preach in the afternoon to-day (Saturday).

8th. Elders A. Blalock and Jas. S. Dameron and the messengers of this church, with the moderator and clerk, were chosen a committee of arrangements. Brethren J. W. Neal and J. T. Martin, a committee of finance.

9th. Adjourned the business of the association till Monday morning 9 o'clock.

SUNDAY MORNING, 10 o'clock.

10th. Elder S. P. Terry opened the morning service from 1st Cor. 15:

21, 22, 23. Elder P. D. Gold closed the morning service from John 6: 12.

Elder A. N. Hall opened the evening service from Prov. 22:28. Elder I. Jones closed the evening service from———.

MONDAY MORNING, 9 o'clock.

11th. The association met according to adjournment, and after prayer by Elder P. D. Gold, proceeded to business.

12th. The committee of arrangements and finance reported. Their reports were received and they were discharged.

13th. Messengers appointed last year to visit sister associations and section meetings, generally attended and those who did not were excused.

14th. Messengers were appointed to visit sister associations :
To Mayo—Elders J. A. Burch, Brethren J. A. Bennett and T. F. Ward.

To Kehukee—Elders Jas. A. Burch and James M. Harriss.

To Little River—Elders Jas. A. Burch and F. L. Oakley.

To Contentnea—Elders Jas. A. Burch and James M. Harris.

To Staunton River—Elder James S. Dameron and C. A. Howard.

To White Oak—Elders Jas. M. Harris and Jas. A. Burch.

To Abbott's Creek—Elder Jas. A. Burch.

To Black Creek—Elders James A. Burch and James M. Harris.

To Fishers River—Elder W. C. Jones.

To Pigg River—Brother W. G. Dix and T. F. Ward.

To Eno—Elder W. C. Jones and Brethren S. J. Hall, John O'Brient, W. D. Yarboro.

This Association agrees to correspond by minutes with the Durham Primitive Baptist Association, col.

15th. Agreed to send files of minutes to Smith's River, New River, Mill Branch, Mountain and Lower Canooche.

Resolved, That we, the members of the Country Line Primitive Baptist Association, now assembled at the Camp Creek Church, do tender our sincere and many thanks to the friends and neighbors for the kindness shown us while here assembled. Also to the Southern Railroad Company for giving us reduced rates, August 16, 1897.

16th. Elders F. L. Oakley, A. Blalock and J. S. Dameron were appointed to attend a Section Meeting at Big Meadow, commencing on Friday before the 4th Sunday in April, 1898, and Elders Jas. S. Dameron, F. L. Oakley and Jas. A. Burch to attend another at Camp Creek, on Friday before the Second Sunday in April, 1898.

17th. The circular letter prepared by Bro. C. J. Terry was read and received.

18th. Brother W. G. Dix was appointed to write a circular letter to be read at the next association.

19th. The finance committee reported as follows :

Received from the churches,	\$25 80
Already in hands of the clerk,	16 72

Total,	\$42.52
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EXPENDITURES.

Clerk's fee,	\$10.00
For printing 1,300 copies of these minutes,	\$16.00
Total,	\$26.00

Balance in hands of clerk,	\$16.52
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20th. Elders L. H. Hardy, Y. I. Monk T. C. Hart preached after 9 o'clock to-day (Monday).

21st. Agreed that our next association be held with the church at Prospect Hill, in Caswell County, 12 miles north of Mebane, commencing on Saturday before the 3rd Sunday in August, 1898, and Elder A. Blalock to preach the Introductory Sermon, Elder J. S. Dameron his alternate,

JAS. A. BURCH, Moderator.

C. A. HOWARD, Clerk
W. A. WARREN, Ass't Clerk.

NAMES OF CHURCHES AND CLERK'S POST OFFICE.

1 Arbor,	J. E. Simmon,	Milesville,	N. C.
2 Big Meadow,	Eli Buckner,	Gravel Spring,	"
3 Camp Creek,	A. Blalock,	Lyndover,	"
4 Country Line,	Y. I. Chandler,	Fitch,	"
5 McCray,	J. Brooks,	McCray,	"
6 Dan River,	T. F. Ward,	Mayfield,	"
7 Ebenezer,	John Bowles,	Gordonton,	"
8 Flat River,	W. T. Davis,	Roxboro,	"
9 Gilliams,	J. W. Gilliam,	Morton's Store,	"
10 Harmony,	L. C. Murry,	Pleasant Grove,	"
11 Lynch's Creek,	W. C. Hawkins,	Carr,	"
12 Lick Fork,	C. J. Terry,	Reidsville,	"
13 Mt. Zion,	H. F. Wilkins,	Red Bank,	Va.
14 Moon's Creek,	J. W. Neal,	Gatewood,	N. C.
15 Prospect Hill,	Dr. J. R. Hester,	Prospect Hill,	"
16 Pleasant Grove,	J. T. Thompson,	Ashland,	"
17 Roxboro,	G. T. Burch,	Roxboro,	"
18 Storie's Creek	J. A. B. Walters,	Roxboro,	"
10 Surl.	J. K. Duncan,	Surl,	"
20 Tar River,	R. L. Newton,	Berea,	"
21 Wheelers,	J. L. Phelps,	Bushy Fork,	"
22 Wolf Island,	T. R. Williams,	Ruffin,	"

CIRCULAR LETTER.

DEAR BRETHREN—As the good brother who wrote the last letter spoke of the coldness of the Church of Christ, it seems impressed on my mind to write on what I believe to be the only remedy, that is to draw nigh unto God, and he will draw nigh unto us.—James 4: 8.

We have not looked to him as we should have done, for all the promises are to his people. We receive all our spiritual blessings in Christ, who is head of the church. He tells them to seek and they shall find, knock and it shall be opened, ask and it shall be given. He that cometh to God must believe that he is a rewarder of them that diligently seek him. If we ask and ask in faith we receive the blessing we ask for. In another place, he says, "Awake oh thou that sleepest and arise from the dead and Christ shall give thee light." There is not an if in the matter. If ye live after the flesh ye shall die, but if ye, through the Spirit, do mortify the deeds of the body ye shall live. Now brethren, what manner of beings we should be in loving kindness, in meekness and forbearance, one to another. If we are what we profess to be we cannot do anything of ourselves, but if in the Spirit we can accomplish all things in regard to our time salvation. Why should we longer tarry, but go to him by faith and acknowledge our sins, for we are taught that God is faithful and just to forgive us our sins, and cleanse us from all unrighteousness. We should lay aside every weight, and the sins that do so easily beset us, and run with patience the race that is set before us, ever looking to him, who is the author and finisher of our faith. Then faith is the substance of things hoped for, the evidence of things not seen.

Your unworthy brother,

C. J. TERRY,

STATISTICAL TABLE.

NAMES OF CHURCHES.	NAMES OF MESSENGERS.	Baptised.	Rec. by Letter.	Restored.	Dis. by Letter.	Excluded.	Deceased.	No. in P'ship.	Finance.
1 Arbor.....	J. F. Leath, J. E. Simmons and S. T. Simmons	1	1	1	1	1	1	.88	1 00
2 Big Meadow.....	Elder W. C. Jones, Brethren J. F. Buckner and W. H. Johnston.	6	1	1	1	1	1	.20	1 25
3 Camp Creek.....	Elder A. Blalock, Brethren F. Ellis and J. H. Gooch	6	1	1	1	1	1	.51	1 50
4 Country Line.....	By Letter	1	1	1	1	1	1	.11	40
5 McCray.....	Brethren Robert Netherly and (J. Brooks)	1	1	1	1	1	1	.22	75
6 Dan River.....	Brethren J. T. Martin, W. G. Dix and T. F. Ward, Lost by Error	1	1	1	1	1	1	.25	1 00
7 Ebenezer.....	Elder L. H. Hardy and Brethren John Bowles, W. R. Blalock	1	1	1	1	1	1	.18	50
8 Flat River.....	Elder D. R. Moore and W. R. Blalock and W. T. Davis	2	1	1	1	1	1	.63	1 50
9 Gilliams.....	Elder F. L. Oakley and John W. Gilliam (†W. D. Bowles)	1	1	1	1	1	1	.12	75
10 Harmony.....	Brethren L. C. Murry, (†G. W. Brooks)	1	1	1	1	1	1	.18	50
11 Lynch's Creek.....	Brethren William Warren and W. R. Hawkins	1	1	1	1	1	1	.18	90
12 Lick Fork.....	Brethren Robert Jones, C. A. Howard, E. L. Apple	8	1	1	1	1	1	.76	50
13 Mt. Zion.....	Brethren H. F. Wilkins, C. C. Hite and George B. Hite	1	1	1	1	1	1	.12	50
14 Moon's Creek.....	Elder James S. Dameron and Brethren J. R. Travis and J. W. Neal,	7	1	1	1	1	1	.19	75
15 Prospect Hill.....	Brethren (†) R. Hester, S. J. Hall and I. S. Baynes	2	1	1	1	1	1	.41	1 25
16 Pleasant Grove.....	Brethren (†P. M. Walker, T. A. Stanfield (†W. C. Apple)	7	1	1	1	1	1	.52	1 75
17 Roxboro.....	Brethren J. S. Clayton, J. A. Carver and G. T. Burch	1	1	1	1	1	1	.22	1 25
18 Stories Creek.....	Brethren J. H. Clayton, John O. Briant and John Harris	3	1	1	1	1	1	.39	1 25
19 Surl.....	Brethren J. W. Pede, J. M. Cotheran and J. K. Duncan	5	1	1	1	1	1	.41	1 00
20 Tar River.....	Brethren R. L. Newton, C. L. Wood	1	1	1	1	1	1	.32	75
21 Wheelers.....	Elder J. A. Burch and Brethren A. V. Moore, W. A. Warren	1	1	1	1	1	1	.21	100
22 Wolf Island.....	Brethren J. A. Bennett, T. W. Rice and R. A. Smith	1	1	1	1	1	1	.67	2 25
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† absentees.

