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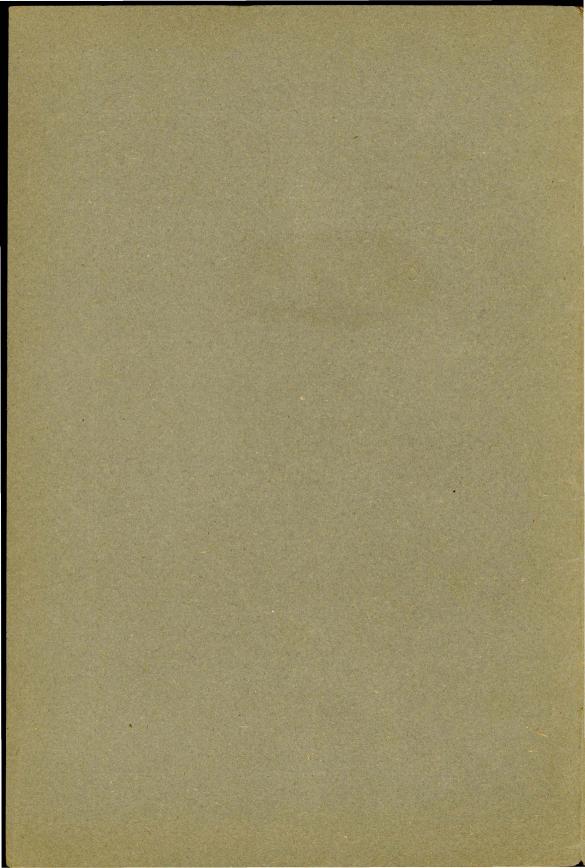
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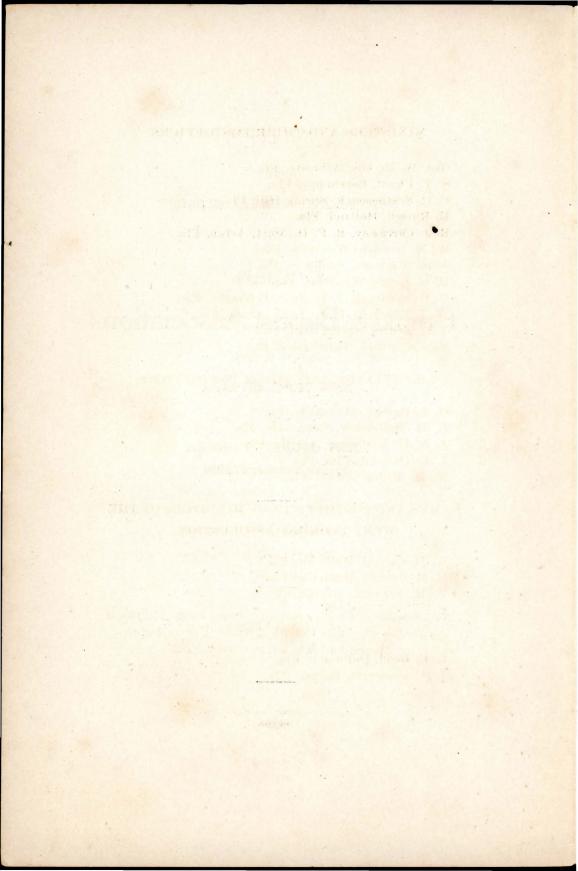
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MINISTERS AND THEIR POSTOFFICES.

Geo. W. Revells, Ashmore, Fla.
S. T. Pigott, Sopchoppy, Fla.
C. C. Scarborough, Spring Hill, Fla.
M. Russell, Holland, Fla.
R. J. Carraway, R. F. D. No. 1, Arran, Fla.
W. M. Lawhon, Woodville, Fla.
John McKinsey, Sanborne, Fla.
H. G. Lewis, Woodville, Fla.
H. W. Spears, R. F. D. No. 1, Benhaden, Fla.
W. T. Green, R. F. D. No. 1, Arran, Fla.
J. R. Reeves, Spring Hill, Fla.
May Stanland, Tallahassee, Fla.

LICENTIATES AND THEIR POSTOFFICES.

G. T. Barrow, Woodville, Fla.
H. H. McCalister, Rehwinkle, Fla.
J. W. H. McClellan, Aucilla, Fla.
J. L. Holland, Ebb, Fla.
M. M. Miller, Arran, Fla.

NAMES AND POSTOFFICES OF MINISTERS OF THE WEST FLORIDA ASSOCIATION.

W. D. Carroll, Westville, Fla.M. M. Carroll, Westville, Fla.H. H. Stewart, Argyle, Fla.

LICENTIATES.

E. E. Redd, DeFuniak, Fla. J. C. Ainsworth, Gainer, Ala.

MINUTES

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 8, 1920.

The Association held with New Hope Church, convening Friday before the second Sunday in October, 1920.

The introductory was preached by Rev. W. M. Lawhon, from 16th Chapter St. Mathew, 18th, 19th and 26th verses.

After intermission of two hours, the Association was called to order by Rev. R. J. Carraway. Brother R. J. Carraway was appointed Moderator Pro Tem. Prayer by Rev. S. T. Pigott.

Moved and carried that we call for correspondence.

Received eight letters.

And Rev. M. Russell mentioned that Lake Munson Church had been discontinued.

On motion letters and delegates were received.

Moved and carried that we adopt the order of business of last session.

On motion Rev. R. J. Carraway was elected Moderator and Brother H. C. Rehwinkel, Jr., Clerk.

On motion we call for petitionary letters. Received none.

On motion we call for correspondence from sister associations.

Received Rev. W. D. Carroll and Brother Noah Carroll from West Florida Association.

Moved and carried that delegates with statements be received.

On motion the Moderator appointed five committees as follows:

Preaching Committee—T. H. Wilder, Hilton Reeves, J. C. Pigott.

Finance Committee—Noah Carroll, Morgan Spears, D. M. Harrell.

Corespondence Committee—W. M. Lawhon, J. F. Herndon, Mack Revell.

Committee on Obituaries—C. C. Scarborough, H. G. Lewis, John McKenzie.

Committee on Deceased Ministers and Deacons-W. D. Carroll, Geo. Revell, M. Russell.

On motion the Moderator and Clerk were added to the last named committee.

On motion, that 150 copies of Minutes be sent to West Florida Association. Was carried.

On motion the Association adjourned until Saturday morning, October 9th, at 9:30 o'clock.

Saturday morning the Association met pursuant to adjournment at 9:30 o'clock.

The Moderator called the Association together.

Prayer by Rev. J. R. Reeves.

On motion we call for petitionary letters. Received none.

On motion we renewed the call for correspondence. Received a report from Prosperity by Brother H. F. Herndon that they were not having preaching regular, and sent 50 cents on Minutes.

Moved that Brother Herndon and his report be received. Which was carried.

On motion we called for report of Correspondence Committee. Which was received. On motion we called for report of Committee on Deceased Ministers and Deacons. Which was received.

On motion we called for report of Committee on Obituaries. Received none.

On motion we called for report of Finance Committee. Which was received.

On motion we called for report of Treasurer. Which was received.

A motion that we correspond with West Florida Association. Was carried.

On motion the Moderator was requested to appoint two delegates to West Florida Association.

The delegates that were appointed to attend the West Florida Association were: Rev. J. F. Spears and Rev. C. C. Scarborough.

On motion the delegates were instructed to invite delegates from West Florida Association.

On motion it was decided to hold the next session of the Association with Mt. Beason Church, Wakulla County, Florida, at Sopchoppy, Fla., R. F. D.

On motion the free will offering was given to Rev. W. M. Lawhon and Brother Henry Bradshaw.

On motion all surplus it doesn't take to print and distribute the Minutes and pay the clerk \$5.00 is to be given to New Hope Church for building purposes.

On motion it was agreed to make up at least \$15.00 per month to send Rev. W. M. Lawhon to preach for Prosperity Church each month up to and include the second Sunday in August, 1921.

On motion the Minutes were read and approved.

On motion the Association adjourned until the next time and place.

Ministers occupies the stand as follows: Friday Morning—Elder W. M. Lawhon. Saturday, 1:30 P. M.—Elder John McKenzie. Sunday, 11 A. M.—Elder W. D. Carroll.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES.

Committee on Correspondence.

Your Committee on Correspondence beg to submit the following report:

Dear Brothers and Sisters: God in love has seen fit to spare a goodly number to meet one more time this side of the grave.

Are we thankful as we ought to be and give God the glory that we should, for all His Blessings? May God help us not to be discouraged by Satan, but filled with the Spirit of the Lord.

May we all be faithful to the end.

Respectfully submitted,

W. M. LAWHON, Chairman.

Report of Committee on Deceased Ministers and Deacons.

With sad hearts we report the death of two beloved ministers, Brothers J. M. Shephard and E. W. Russel.

We have no record of the date of the birth of Brother Shephard, neither of the beginning of his ministry. But he was a charter member and minister of the Beulah Association, which was organized in 1875, and he was elected Moderator in 1910, and served as such until his death in November, 1919. He was always faithful in all his duties as a minister and lived to a ripe old age.

Brother E. W. Russel was born August 21, 1860, and entered into the ministry about 1900, and served faithfully until the end. Died January 8, 1920.

It is hard for us to give up our beloved brethren, but believe that God, who doeth all things well, hath called them home and rewarded them for all their faithful service. So farewell, brethren, on earth. But we hope to meet around God's Rich Throne, where parting will be no more.

We also report the deaths of two of our beloved deacons, Brothers J. A. Revell and William A. Hamrick. We have no record of the birth of Brother J. A. Revell. He joined the church in 1889, and died on the 14th of February, 1920.

Brother William A. Hamrick was born September 18, 1838, and died September 19, 1920. He joined the Penial Primitive Baptist Church in 1878, and was ordained Deacon in 1887. These brethren lived and died in the faith. We are sad to lose them, but have hopes that our loss is their gain, and hope to meet them around God's throne.

Respectfully submitted,

W. D. CARROLL, Chairman.

The Clerk was authorized to insert the obituaries as best he could get them up.

From Mt. Beason Church: Sister M. A. McKenzie. She united with Mt. Beason Church by letter in 1885, and died April 29, 1920. She was 81 years old, and Brother Geo. Walker died November 1, 1919. Have no record of his birth or when he joined the church.

From Friendship Church: Sister Claudy May Wallace. Joined the church in 1901, and died November 5, 1919. She was a consistent member until death. White Church: Four deaths, as follows: Brother and Sister Franklin, Brother Troy A. Ferrell and Sister Eunice Dykes. No record of birth or deaths given. They were all members of White Church and died in the faith. Am sorry to have no better record, but know they were all members in full fellowship of the different churches as designated, and we are sad to give them up, but realize that what is our loss is their eternal gain. Peace be to their ashes.

The following, submitted by Rev. M. Russel, was authorized to be put in the Minutes.

Brother Joshua Woodward, aged 65 years, was a member of Lake Jackson Church 36 years. Died December 14, 1919.

Obituary.

He shall sleep, but not forever; He shall rest beneath the trees; He shall wake to live forever In the land where Jesus is.

Report of Finance Committee.

We, your Committee on Finance, beg leave to submit the following report:

We have reecived from the churches \$27.50 for Minutes and \$10.00 as free will offering.

We recommend the printing of 500 copies of the Minutes after paying for and distributing Minutes, Clerk is to have \$5.00 for his services.

Respectfully submitted,

NOAH CARROLL, Chairman.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

Received for Minutes October, 1919	\$24.70
Paid for printing Minutes	15.00
Mailing Minutes to different churches	.70
Balance due Association	\$9.00

Respectfully submitted,

H. C. REHWINKEL, JR.,

Clerk and Treasurer.

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REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON CONSTITUTION AND ORDER, AT BEULAH CHURCH, WAKULLA COUNTY, FLA., ON OCTOBER 3, 1874.

The cause of this Constitution was not for convenience from geographical situation, nor from enmity to any of our sister churches or brethren, nor from a feeling of exclusiveness or selfishness or desire to be let alone, nor from a difference of opinion with our brethren or a disbelief of the long established doctrines and usages of the old Baptist, as to add to or detract from the commandments, nor with a view of serving the church of Christ into another fragment, or setting up another religious sect, thereby weakening the cause of our Master, already enfeebled by divisions, and lessening the power and influnce of the Gospel by trying to force nice distinctions, thus substituting ourselves and affording to others a pretext to substitute a system of perverse disputing and disgraceful wrangling for the simplicity of Christ's revealed will as taught in His word. We do rather pray for unity and a healing of the breaches already made. But we have been thrown into a dilemma, either to submit to the exclusion and unchurching of a part of our body directly, and all of us ultimately, and suspend all religious services as in the fear of God, asserting the sovereignty of the Church and meeting together in a church and associational capacity for our mutual comfort and edification. We believe that the cause of truth demands that we adopt the latter alternative, assured from an intimate acquaintance with our Sister Elim, that she has not nor had not departed from the faith of Gods' elect, and that her exclusion from the Ocklocknee Association under the above charge, and the dropping of our Sister Mt. Zion for endorsing her supposed departure, was in the highest sense unjustified by facts associational, constitutional or scriptural, and a lamentable disregard of Ephesians 4 and 3. The order of this Association and of the Churches of

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which she is composed is preserved unchanged in any particular, being that of the Primitive Baptist all over the world, to-wit: Salvation by grace through faith, which is the gift of God, Ephesians 2:8; that a Church is a body of immersed believers, Acts 2:41, who only are entitled to the ordinances of the Lord's Supper and Washing of the Saint's feet, John 13; together with the Articles of Faith and Rules of Decorum, common to our people, which we omit in this provisional minute.

J. N. COGGINS, Moderator.

J. N. BARROW, Clerk.

ARTICLES OF FAITH.

1. We believe in only one true and living God, and that there are three in the Godhead, the Father, the Son and the Holy Ghost. Isaiah 44:8; 45:21; I John 5:7; 1 Cor. 8:6.

2. We believe the Scriptures of the Old and New Testaments are the Word of God, and the only rule of faith and practice. II Tim. 3:16.

3. We believe in the doctrine of election of grace. Titus 3:7.

4. We believe in one Lord, one Faith and one Baptism. Ephes. 4:5.

5. We believe in man's impotency to recover himself from the state he is in by nature of his own free will and ability. John 5:7.

6. We believe that sinners are justified in the sight of God only by the imputed righteousness of Christ. I Peter 2:24; Isaiah 53:5.

7. We believe that God's elect shall be called, regenerated and sanctified by the Holy Ghost. Romans 15:16 and 8:30; II Thes. 2:13; II Peter 1:2. 8. We believe the faithful shall grow in grace and in the knowledge of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ. II Peter 3:18; Colos. 1:10.

9. We believe that Baptism, the Lord's Supper and the Washing of Feet are ordinances of Jesus Christ, and that true believers are the only subjects of these ordinances, and that the only mode of Baptism is by immersion. Mat. 28:19; I Cor. 24 to 26; St. John 13:14; I Tim-5:10; Mat. 3:16.

10. We believe the punishment of the wicked shall be everlasting, and the joy of the righteous will be eternal. Mat. 25:46.

11. We believe that no Minister has the right to the administration of the Ordinances only such as are regularly called and come under the imposition of the hands of the Presbytery. I Tim. 4:14.

12. We believe in the resurrection of the dead and a general judgment. Rev. 20:5; Rom. 14:10.

J. M. SHEPHARD, Moderator.

W. T. GREEN, Clerk.

STATISTICAL TABLE.

CHURCHES	COUNTY AND STATE	DELEGATES	Received by Baptism	Received by Letter	Restored	Confession of Faith	Dismissed by Letter	Died Total Membership	Contributions	Free Will Offering	YEARLY MEETINGS	
Friendship Mt. Beason Whidden Lake Lake Jackson White Church New Hope Becent Crove	Wakulla Co., Fla Wakulla Co., Fla Wakulla Co., Fla Leon Co., Fla Leon Co., Fla Leon Co., Fla	M. C. Allister, H. C. Rehwinkel, Jr J. C. Pigott, H. C. Mathers T. H. Wilder, D. M. Harrell S. L. Moore, W. F. Linzy M. Spears, J. Williams G. A. Herring, C. R. Langston J. R. Reeves, Calvin Scarborough. W. M. Lawhon, Pastor J. F. Herndon		50	0	0		0 41 1 25 4 95 0 23 1 17 ictical	4.50 5.50 3.00 2.50 5.00 2.00 1.50 Table	$ \begin{array}{c c} 50 \\ 2.00 \\ 2.50 \\ .25 \\ .50 \\ 2.75 \\ \end{array} $	June, 3d Sunday. May, 4th Sunday. July, 1st Sunday. July, 2nd Sunday. July, 4th Sunday. August, 2nd Sunday. September, 1st Sunday. July, 4th Sunday. August, 2nd Sunday.	14

