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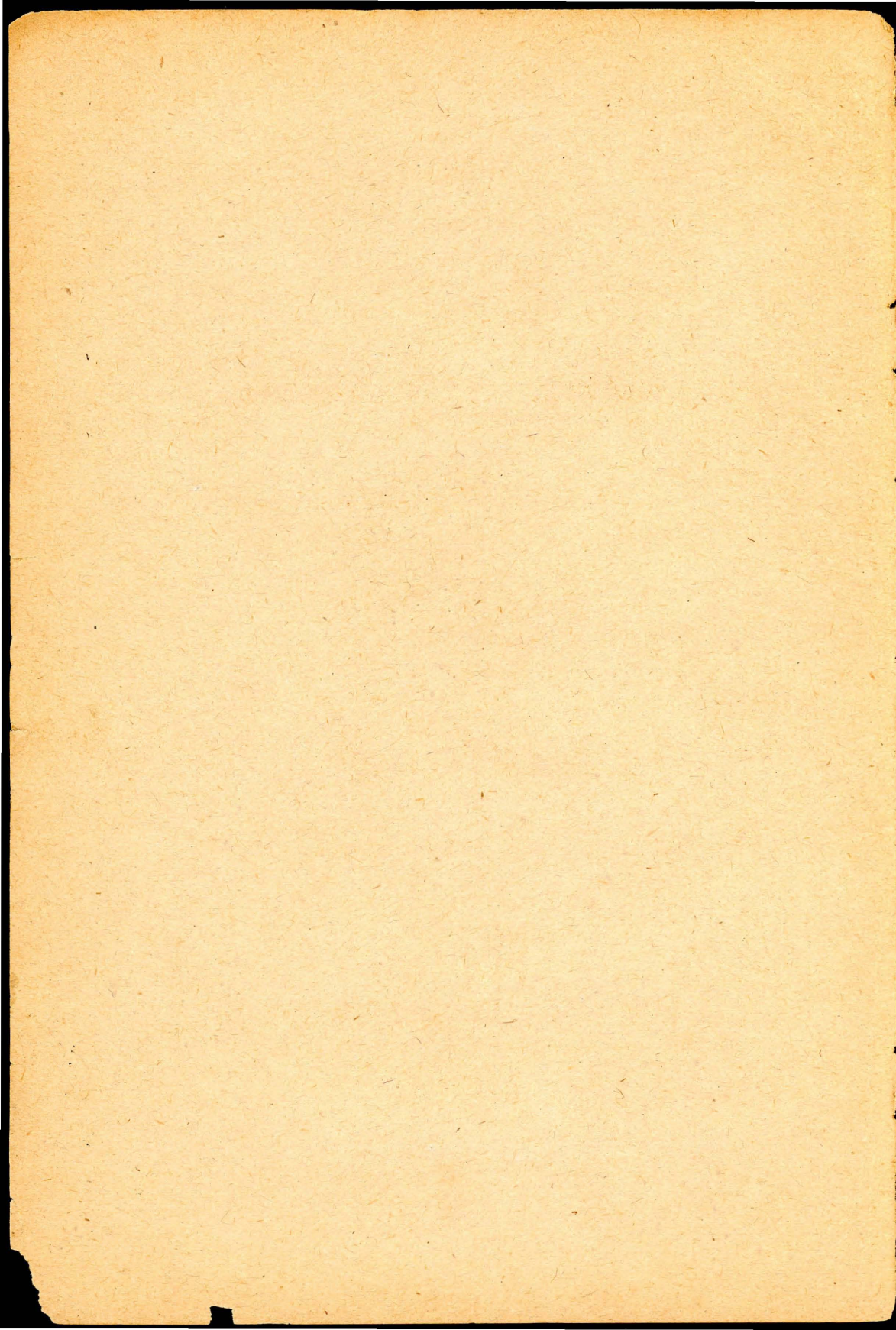
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Ministers and Their Post Offices.

S. C. Revell, Sopchoppy, Fla.
Geo. W. Revell, Ashmore, Fla.
S. T. Pigott, Ivan, Fla.
J. F. Spears, Ivan, Fla.
C. C. Scarborough, Spring Hill, Fla.
E. W. Russell, Tallahassee, Fla.
M. Russell, Holland, Fla.
R. J. Caraway, Arran, Fla.
J. M. Shephard, Pavo, Fla.
W. M. Lawhon, Woodville, Fla.

Licentiates.

I. S. Coleman, Ebb, Fla.
G. T. Barrow, Woodville, Fla.
H. G. Lewis, Woodville, Fla.
John McKinsay, Sopchoppy, Fla.
Wright Spears, Arran, Fla.
Elijah E. Redd, Tallahassee, Fla.
H. H. McCalister, Rehwinkel, Fla.
J. W. H. McClellon, Aucilla, Fla.
J. L. Holland, Ebb, Fla.

MINUTES.

FRIDAY, OCT. 8, 1909.

The introductory was preached by Elder C. C. Scarborough, assisted by Elder R. J. Caraway, from the Sixth Chapter and 39th verse of St. John—"Search the Scriptures, for in them ye think ye have eternal life."

After intermission of one hour and a half the Association was called to order by the former Moderator.

1. On motion that we take up and adopt the business of last session.
2. On motion called for correspondence, read letters from nine churches and noted state.
3. On motion the letters of correspondence was read and received.
4. On motion elected Elder M. Russell, Moderator, and H. G. Lewis, Clerk.
5. On motion called for petitionary letters. Received one from New Hope by the hands of J. R. Reeves and T. M. Smith.
6. On motion the Moderator extended the right hand of fellowship to the delegates, J. R. Reeves and T. M. Smith.
7. On motion called for correspondence from sister associations. Received M. M. Carroll and W. D. Carroll from the West Florida Association.
8. On motion the Moderator appointed two committees, first, on Preaching and Finance, consisting of Elijah Johnson, G. W. Alligood, J. A. Revell; second, on Correspondence and Deceased Ministers and Deacons, A. B. Byrd, A. L. Green, D. W. Redd.
9. On motion the Moderator and Clerk were added to the last named committee.

10. On motion it was decided to print a short obituary of our dead, consisting of C. C. Scarborough, J. M. Shephard, W. D. Carroll.

11. On motion the Association stands adjourned until Saturday 9 o'clock.

Prayer by M. M. Carroll.

SATURDAY MORNING.

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

Prayer by Moderator.

1. On motion renewed the call for correspondence. Received none.

2. On motion renewed the call for petitionary letters. Received none.

3. On motion called for report on Deceased Ministers and Deacons, which was read and received.

4. On motion called for report on Correspondence, which was read and received.

5. On motion the report of Finance was read and received.

6. On motion the next session of the Association be held with Prosperity, Brooks County, Ga., to convene Friday before the second Sunday in October, 1910.

7. On motion called for obituaries, which was read and received.

8. On motion, the Association send correspondence to the West Florida Association to convene with Corinth Church, Holmes County, Fla., on Friday before the second Sunday in September, 1910.

9. On motion, the Moderator appoint delegates to West Florida Association, to wit: J. M. Sheppard and C. C. Scarborough.

10. On motion, the report of the Treasurer be read, which was read and received.

11. On motion, each church be asked to make a free will offering for the most needy minister in the Association.

12. On motion, that the minutes be received.

13. On motion, the Association stands adjourned to meet at the above stated time and place.

Prayer by C. C. Scarborough.

Ministers occupied the stand as follows:

Friday, 11 o'clock, C. C. Scarborough, R. J. Carraway.

Saturday, 11 o'clock, W. D. Carroll and S. T. Pigott.

Saturday afternoon, J. M. Sheppard and Geo. Revell.

Sunday 11 o'clock, M. M. Carroll, E. W. Russell.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON DECEASED MINISTERS AND DEACONS.

Your Committee on Deceased Ministers and Deacons beg to make the following report:

Dear Brethren—Since our last to you the Lord has in his love and wisdom seen fit to call home to his rest, our dear Brother T. B. Stanland. He united with Mt. Bessor Church about thirteen years ago, was ordained to the work of the gospel June 5, 1898, and he departed this life Oct. 6, 1909, being 78 years and twenty days of age, being fully ripe for the Master's use, it is with sad hearts and bowed heads that we say, the Lord's will be done, for we know He doeth all things well. So we say farewell, brother, in body we part, but we hope to strike hands in a world of delight.

Respectfully submitted,

A. B. BYRD, Chairman.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON CORRESPONDENCE.

Dear Brethren—The Lord has permitted us to meet again to hear from you. We are glad to know of the peace and love that abounds in our midst, but, brethren, is there not much more that could be done to the honor and glory of God? Look around and see what the Lord would have us to do, that we might enjoy more of his love and peace in our hearts, our homes and our churches. May the God of love be with you and guide you in all the ways of truth and save you at last. Amen.

Respectfully submitted,

A. L. GREEN, Chairman.

OBITUARY.

Memorial of our dear sisters, Martha Crosby, Addie Miller and Georgia Andrews, whom the Lord has called from labor on this earth to the rest above, where toil and sorrow will be no more.

They are gone, but their memory is still sweet in our hearts. We bow in reverence to the Lord and say farewell, dear sisters, rest with God.

Respectfully submitted:

C. C. SCARBOROUGH, Chairman.

REPORT OF FINANCE COMMITTEE

Your Committee on Finance has received from the churches the sum of \$25.30. We recommend the printing of four hundred and fifty (450) copies of our minutes, and payment for same, the Clerk to have \$5.00 for his services and report the balance to the next Association.

Respectfully submitted,

J. A. REVELL, Chairman.

**REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON CONSTITUTION
AND ORDER AT BEULAH CHURCH, WAKUL-
LA COUNTY, FLORIDA, ON OCTOBER 3, 1874.**

The cause of this Constitution was not for convenience from geographical situations, 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 severing 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 influence 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 had not nor has not departed from the faith of God's elect, and that her exclusion from the Ocklockonee 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 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 Article's of Faith and Rules of Decorum, common to our people, which we omit in this provisional minute.

J. N. BARROW,
Clerk.

J. N. COGGINS,
Moderator.

ARTICLES OF FAITH.

1. We believe in only one true and living God, and that there are in the Godhead, the Father, the Son and the Holy Ghost.
2. We believe the Scriptures of the Old and New Testaments are the Word of God, and the only rule of faith and practice.
3. We believe in the doctrine of election of grace.
4. We believe in one Lord, one Faith and one Baptism.
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.
6. We believe that sinners are justified in the sight of God only by the imputed righteousness of Christ.
7. We believe that God's elect shall be called, regenerated and sanctified by the Holy Ghost.
8. We believe the faithful shall grow in grace and in the knowledge of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.
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.
10. We believe the punishment of the wicked shall be everlasting, and the joy of the righteous will be eternal.
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.
12. We believe in the resurrection of the dead and a general judgment.

M. RUSSELL, Moderator.

H. G. LEWIS, Clerk.

STATISTICAL TABLE.

CHURCHES.	COUNTY and STATE	MESSENGERS.	Received by Baptism.	Received by Letter.	Restored.	Discharged by Letter.	Expelled.	Confession of Faith.	Dead.	Total.	Contributions.	YEARLY MEETINGS.
Beulah.....	Wakulla Co., Fla.....	J. C. Council, J. H. McAlister..	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	18	\$1.75	June, 3d Sunday
Whidden Lake...	Wakulla Co., Fla.....	J. W. Mathis, W. K. Spears...	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	..	3.20	July, 2d Sunday
Friendship.....	Wakulla Co., Fla.....	J. C. Pigott, Monson Carraway	2	1	0	1	2	0	0	25	2.25	May, 4th Sunday
Mount Beasor....	Wakulla Co., Fla.....	J. A. Revell, A. L. Green.....	2	1	0	0	0	0	1	62	3.35	July, 1st Sunday
Lake Jackson....	Leon Co., Fla.....	E. J. Johnson, David Redd...	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	38	2.50	July, 4th Sunday
White Church....	Leon Co., Fla.....	G. W. Alligood, A. B. Byrd...	1	2	0	1	4	0	2	75	3.00	August, 2d Sunday
Lake Monson....	Leon Co., Fla.....	Frank Wilkes, D. J. Atkinson	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	14	2.00	Sept., 1st Sunday
Prosperity.....	Brooks Co., Ga.....	K. A. Hobbs, J. C. Herndon..	0	0	0	0	8	0	0	39	4.25	July, 4th Sunday
Pleasant Grove...	Jefferson Co., Fla...	D. J. Hamrick, J. L. McClellon.	4	1	0	0	0	0	0	22	2.00	July, 3d Sunday
New Hope.....	Leon Co., Fla.....	T. M. Smith, J. R. Reaves....	0	6	0	0	0	0	0	6	1.00	Sept., 2d Sunday

Stop and think Jesus
will save to the
utmost he will
save the sinner
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