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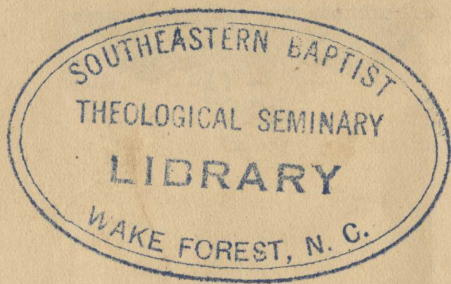
MINUTES  
OF THE  
One Hundred and Second Annual Session  
OF THE  
Abbotts Creek Union  
Primitive Baptist Association



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HELD WITH THE  
PINE CHURCH  
Davidson County, North Carolina  
Commencing on Saturday before the  
Fourth Sunday in August, 1927







PROCEEDINGS OF THE  
Abbotts Creek Association

1. After praise and prayer by Elder C. B. Hill, The Introductory sermon was preached by Elder H. S. Williams from Isaiah 40:1. He was followed by Elder D. P. Broadway, no certain text.

2. After an intermission of one hour, the messengers from several churches met in the house, and after praise and prayer by Elder J. P. Helms, Brother L. A. Wright was appointed temporary Clerk, after which the letters from the several churches were called for, read and contents noted.

(See Statistical Table.)

3. It was still agreed to not seat with anyone who had been affiliating with J. R. Wilson.

4. Reading the rules of decorum was omitted.

5. Elder Samuel McMillan was chosen Moderator and T. R. Freeman Clerk.

6. Invited visiting ministers and messengers to seats, and the following were present and seated:

From Upper Country Line—Elders B. F. McKinney and Ben Martin.

From Lower Country Line—Elder C. B. Hall and Brethren Joe W. Terry, Dr. Satterfield and Joe Moncees.

From Black Creek—Elder H. F. Hutchens.

From Fishers River—Elder J. D. Key.

From Salem—Elders C. A. Davis, and S. J. Reich and Brethren J. M. Dennis, T. S. Hedrick, Tom Greer, L. M. Hinson and others.

From White Oak—Elders Isaac Jones, R. W. Gurganus and W. W. Roberts and Brother B. F. Scott.

From Mayo—Elder J. A. Fagg.

From Contentnea—none.

From Pig River—Elders B. V. Jesse and J. P. Helms.

From Zion—Elder J. D. Easter.

From Kehukee—none.

On motion that we renew our correspondence with Bear Creek and seat their messengers the following were seated: J. W. Jones, N. S. Jones, D. S. Jones, and J. F. Burris.



Pleasant Hill does not belong to any association, but the following visitors were present and seated: H. P. Cashion, Sam Remmer and J. H. Taylor.

We received a file of minutes from Upper Country Line, Salem, White Oak, Contentnea, Senter, Stanton River, Lower Country Line, Fishers River, Zion, Kehukee and Black Creek.

7. Called for circular letter which was handed in and referred to committee on arrangements.

8. Appointed Brethren T. W. Maness, H. W. Johnson and D. P. Broadway with the Moderator and Clerk as committee on arrangements to report Monday morning.

9. Appointed Brethren U. L. Peacock and H. T. Tucker committee on finance.

10. Elected by committee of arrangements Elders Ben Martin, C. B. Hall, Isaac Jones, B. V. Jesse, W. W. Roberts and H. F. Hutchens to preach Sunday, worship to begin at ten o'clock.

Elders B. F. McKinney, C. A. Davis and W. C. Roberts to preach Monday, Services to be closed by the Moderator.

Elders R. W. Gurganus and J. P. Helms to preach Saturday night.

Elders Ben Martin, R. W. Gurganus and Brother H. W. Hawks to preach Sunday Night.

11. Adjourned to Monday morning nine O'clock. Dismissed by Elder C. A. Davis.

#### SATURDAY NIGHT PREACHING

Elder R. W. Gurganus preached from Matthew 16:13, followed by Elder J. P. Helms from same text.

#### FOURTH SUNDAY IN AUGUST 1927.

Services were opened by Elder R. W. Gurganus, after which Elder Ben Martin preached from Luke 8:45, followed by Elder C. B. Hall from Isaiah 42:10-12, he was followed by Elder Isaac Jones from no certain text.

After an intermission of one hour Elder B. V. Jesse continued the services and preached from Romans 6:23, followed by Elder W. W. Roberts from Revelation 20:6. He was followed by Elder H. F. Hutchens, who preached from Corinthians 13:13.



## SUNDAY NIGHT

Elder R. W. Gurganus preached from Luke 24:5, followed by W. H. Hawks from Isaiah 23:3. He was followed by Elder Ben Martin, who preached from no certain text.

### MONDAY MORNING, AUGUST 25, 1927.

12. The Association met according to arrangement. Praise and prayer by Elder W. C. Edwards.

13. Called on committee on arrangements to report. The report was received and committee discharged.

14. Called Messengers names and noted absentees.

15. Called on corresponding messengers to report. Some attended. Those who failed were excused.

16. Appointed corresponding messengers to sister associations as follows:

To Bear Creek: Appointed Elders H. S. Williams, Samuel McMillan and Brethren J. B. Hulin, B. I. Harrison and C. B. Owen and Minutes.

To Upper Country Line—Elder D. P. Broadway and Brethren C. B. Owen and G. H. Cornelierton and minutes

To Lower Country Line—Elders H. S. Williams and D. P. Broadway and Brethren C. B. Owen and R. F. Strange, and minutes.

To Mayo—Elder H. S. Williams and minutes.

To Fisher River—Brother J. B. Hulin and minutes.

To Mill Branch—Elder H. S. Williams and Brethren L. A. Wright, James Vanhoy and H. W. Johnson and minutes.

To Salem—Elders Samuel McMillan and H. S. Williams and Brethren L. A. Wright, J. W. Bondurant and B. I. Harrison and minutes.

To White Oak—Elders Samuel McMillan and H. S. Williams and Brethren L. A. Wright, T. W. Maness and H. W. Johnson and minutes.

To Black Creek—Elder Samuel McMillan and minutes.

To Kehukee—Minutes.

17. The circular letter was read and ordered printed with these minutes.

18. Appointed Brother C. B. Owen to write the circular letter for our next year's minutes.

19. Called on committee on finance to report. They reported as follows:



Sent in from churches .....	\$118.75
Contributed by brethren and friends .....	25.35
Allowed for printing of minutes .....	\$22.50
Allowed Clerk for services .....	15.00
Gave the Moderator .....	10.00
Gave the visiting Ministers .....	96.50
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20. The finance committee, with the Moderator and Clerk and Brother L. A. Wright were appointed to distribute \$96.60 among the visiting Ministers.

21. Agreed that our next association be held with the church at Suggs Creek, five miles west from Ether, Montgomery County, N. C. To commence on Saturday before the Fourth Sunday in August, 1928. Elder Samuel McMillan to preach the introductory sermon. Elder D. P. Broadway alternate. Worship to begin at ten o'clock.

22. Appointed Clerk to superintend the printing of 800 copies of these minutes, and that \$22.50 be allowed for same.

23. The Clerk was allowed \$15.00 for his services.

24. Called on presbyteries to report. Brother R. L. Comer reported the ordination of Brother A. C. Key to the work of ministry at Lamm's Grove on second Sunday in June 1927.

Elder S. J. Reich reported the ordination of brother R. F. Snider to the office of deacon at Pine on Saturday before the second Sunday in May, 1927.

25. On motion the Moderator was allowed \$10.00 for his services.

26. The Association extends thanks to God for His blessings, and to the Brethren, and Sisters and friends for their hospitality and kindness during this meeting.

27. After the minutes were read and approved the Association adjourned to time and place appointed.

Elder Samuel McMillan, Moderator.

T. R. Freeman, Clerk. Steeds, N. C.

#### MONDAY PREACHING

Elder B. F. McKinney preached from second Corinthians 10:4, followed by Elder C. A. Davis, who preached from Luke 11:21. He was followed by Elder W. C. Edwards, who preached from first Corinthians 15:25-26. Closed by S. J. Reich.



## CIRCULAR LETTER.

Salisbury, N. C., August 24, 1927.

To the members and messengers who may compose the Abbotts Creek Association to convene with the church at Pine Meeting House, Davidson County, N. C.

GREETINGS:—Being appointed by our precious brethren at the last session of this association, to write a circular letter, I now make the attempt. I wish to speak of the things most assuredly believed by our brethren. By this I mean the churches composing this association. As I have spent my time in the ministry with them I feel like I know what they believe. Having done all to stand, they now stand and earnestly contend for the faith once delivered to the Saints. We believe that salvation is of the Lord, and that man in his carnal state cannot worship God, and while in the flesh cannot please God, but loves darkness rather than light because their deeds are evil. Therefore every step that man takes and every deed that he does when prompted or influenced by the flesh is evil, and his thoughts are evil continually, for the heart in man is deceitful above all things and desperately wicked. While in this state or condition he is under the influence of that satanic power which the scripture refers to as the strong man. He keeps his palace and his goods are in peace until a stronger than he comes. Here then is a manifestation of salvation and it is of the Lord, for God is greater than all and binds all whether they be dominions, powers, principalties or thrones. God is above all. We believe in the electing grace of God and that God made choice of the bride and hath chosen her in Him (Christ) before the foundation of the world that we should be holy and without blame before Him in love and that God is the father of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ, and that He blesses us with all Spiritual blessings in Heavenly places in Christ. We believe that God forms in his people Christ the hope of glory, and they are then made alive by Christ, the Lord from heaven a quickening spirit, and can by the quickening spirit of Christ, which dwells in them, praise His great and good name for what He has done for them. And being led by the spirit of Christ they can tell an experience of grace, and can bring forth fruits and meats worthy of repentance and do not have to say, we have Abraham to our father, for God is our Father, and Jesus, His Son, is our Savior, and we are made to sit in heavenly places in Christ. We also believe that God predestinated that His people should be conformed to the image of His Son. The word absolute is not needed to make God's predestination sure, and we are glad that not one of our preaching brethren in our association tries to connect the word Absolute with the predestination of God. We believe that what Jesus does for us saves us, that God beholds us through the sufferings of His Son, and that He satisfied the law that stood against His Bride, by the sacrifice of Himself. He was owned from heaven, by God, in a voice saying, this is My beloved Son in whom I am well pleased.

We do not believe that God wills the death of the wicked, but that He does will the life of the righteous, for Christ is made unto us wisdom, righteousness, sanctification and redemption. He is



everything we need here in time. He is what we need when we come to press a dying pillow. He is what we need when He shall descend from Heaven with the voice of The Arc angle and is all we need when at the dazzling throne of God, there to praise God, the Father, Son, and Holy Ghost forever, Amen.

Your Brother in this Hope.

D. P. BROADWAY.

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MINUTES TO SISTER ASSOCIATIONS.

To White Oak—Henry Horne, Wilmington, N. C. ....	20
To Black Creek—Elder J. L. Hooks, Fremont, N. C. ....	25
To Little River—R. F. Smith, Benson, N. C. ....	20
To Mill Branch—M. Meares, Tabor, N. C. ....	15
To Kehukee—Elder S. Hassell, Williamston, N. C. ....	35
To Contentnea—H. L. Brake, Rocky Mount, N. C. ....	25
To Fishers River—Elder F. P. Stone, Francisco, N. C. Rt. 1....	25
To Mayo—S. C. Dobyns, Claudeville, Va. ....	25
To Upper C. L.—J. W. Gilliam, Altamahaw, N. C. ....	20
To Lower C. L.—J. H. Gooch, Stem, N. C. ....	20
To Zion—H. F. Branscom, Fancy Gap, Va. ....	12
To Senter—Elder Ed. Davis, Whitetop, Va. ....	12

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MINUTES TO SISTER CHURCHES.

To Flat Creek—Mrs. Boss Parker, Richfield, Rt. 2, N. C. ....	20
To Toms Creek—U. L. Peacock, Denton, N. C. ....	60
To Pine M. H.—W. P. Williams, Rt. 3, Linwood, N. C. ....	75
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To Gaines Grove—J. W. Gaines, Rt. 3, Sanford, N. C. ....	15
To Rock Hill—A. H. Trogdon, Rt. 3, Asheboro, N. C. ....	20
To Pierces Chapel—M. L. Wood, Fullers, N. C. ....	25
To White Oak Springs—Ira Freeman, Steeds, N. C. ....	40
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