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MINUTES

OF THE

SIXTY-SEVENTH ANNUAL SESSION

OF THE

BRIER CREEK

BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

Held with Fishing Creek Church,

WILKES COUNTY, N. C.

September the 20th, 21th, and 22d, 1888.

Rev. W. A. Myers.....Moderator.

Rev. E. N. Gwyn.....Clerk.

*Next Session meets with Zion Church, 22 miles North from Statesville,  
on Thursday before the fourth Sunday in September 1889.*

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Proceedings.

FISHING CREEK, September 20th, 1888.

Introductory sermon preached by Elder I. Holler. Refreshments. forty-five minutes. Association convened. Church letters received and read. On motion, Officers elected: Elder W. A. Myers was chosen Moderator, and Elder E. N. Gwyn Clerk. Correspondents invited to seats. From the Yadkin, Elders W. G. Brown, & W. Vanhoy. Brushy Mountain; Elders W. White, M. McNeil, I. T. Privette. On motion, the door of correspondence was opened to the Alexander Association, recently constituted, then Elder D. W. Pool, and Bro. E. B. Hendren accepted seats. Dr. Jno. Mitchell, representing the Board of Education, of Wake Forest College, was present and made welcome by the Body.

—ON MOTION, COMMITTEES APPOINTED.—

*Arrangements,* W. M. Goforth, T. W. Paris, with Officers and correspondents.

*Religious Exercises,* Z. R. Tharp with Pastor and delegates of this church.

*State Missions,* W. G. Brown, D. W. Pool.

*Home and Foreign,* T. W. Paris, I. T. Privette.

*Periodicals,* F. Jordan, W. F. Reece.

*Sabbath Schools,* W. White, J. Wetherman.

*Temperance,* M. McNeil, F. B. Parks.

*Education,* J. Mitchell, J. M. Shaver.

*Time and Place,* J. Bartley, E. M. Sale.

*Finance,* D. C. Jarvis, W. A. Goforth.

*Obituaries,* I. Holler, S. S. Goforth.

*Resolutions,* A. N. Barker, W. Dowell.

*Baptist Orphanage,* J. Mitchell, E. Hendren.

Correspondents appointed: To the Yadkin; W. A. Myers, E. N. Gwyn, A. N. Barber, W. M. Goforth. To the Elkin; T. W. Paris, F. B. Parks, W. F. Ward. To the Alexander; J. M. Shaver, To Baptist State Convention, E. N. Gwyn.

Committee on Religious Exercises reported: Elder W. Vanhoy preach to-night.

On motion adjourn till to-morrow, 9½ a. m. Prayer by the Clerk.

—SECOND DAY—9½ A. M.—

Prayer by Elder T. W. Paris. Committee on Arrangements reported. Report received and adopted. The names of Delegates called. Minutes of yesterday read and approved. On motion, Invitation extended to Correspondents.

Prof. G. W. Green, from Brushy Mountain Association, and also representing the Biblical Recorder, and State Mission Board, and Elders J. P. & L. P. Gwaltney from the Alexander Association, were kindly received as messengers.

The committee on Time and Place, Reported: Zion, on Thursday before the fourth Sabbath in September 1889. Elder J. G. Wetherman appointed to preach Introductory sermon and E. N. Gwyn Alternate.



The committee on Periodicals reported:

The Religious Press is the lever that moves all our denominational work: while our preachers are heard by the thousand, News Papers are heard by the Ten thousands. We therefore recommend the Biblical Recorder as an able paper and should be read by all, we also recommend, the Home and Foreign Journal, also Kind Words; and would urge our Sabbath Schools to patronize the Sunday School Literature, published by the American Baptist Publication Society, Philadelphia.

Y. Jordan.

W. F. Reece.

Remarks by Elders Y. Jordan, G. W. Green, J. Mitchell, then the report adopted.

The committee on Temperance submitted the following:

Temperance, strictly speaking, is a moderate use of every thing that is for our benefit, and a total abstinence from every thing that is to our injury.

We therefore recommend that all our Ministers preach temperance from the Pulpit and talk it around the fireside. And we also advise the Brethren of our churches to refrain from making, selling or drinking intoxicating Liquors, and also recommend that our churches be more strict in discipline in this respect, so that the cause of Temperance may be elevated, and that our people be saved from the curse of Intemperance.

M. Mc Neil.

F. B. Parks.

Remarks submitted by Elders M. Mc Neil, I. Hollar, D. W. Pool. Report adopted. On motion adjourn for preaching. Sermon by Dr. John Mitchell.

### 1. O'CLOCK, P. M.

Committee on Education submitted their report: The subject of education is one of great importance. It should be the aim, and is the duty of all parents to give to all their children, both boys and girls, as far as possible a thorough, practical education, and the facilities for giving it are at hand—Good academies, high schools and colleges are all ready.

Wake Forest College now ranks high among the foremost institutions of the South.

The number of students last year reached 213 and it is hoped that the number will be even larger this session. Thirty-nine young ministers were aided by the board of education last session and thirty-two already received the present session, one of these, Bro. S. D. Swaim is from this association. Brethren let us help the young ministers. It is hoped that all our churches will raise contributions to help these young ministers in their efforts to press on the work to which the Lord has called them.

John Mitchell.

J. M. Shaver.

Remarks submitted by Rev. John Mitchell and Bro. J. H. Foote.  
Collection Seven dollars.

The Association also recommends Cedar Run and Moravian Falls academies.

Committee on Baptist orphanage reported: The location of the Baptist orphanage at Thomasville N. C. is all that could be desired. We have three hundred acres of land, beautifully situated, well watered and well timbered bought and paid for. Also a neat comfortable chapel and a good printing office, well furnished and buildings completed sufficient to accommodate 72 children and other buildings in completion.

Ninety-two children are now present, much crowded for the lack of room, and it is hoped that the fourth building will be ready this fall.

It is recommended that our churches take contributions regularly and often for the support of this great and good institution.

Respectfully submitted.

John Mitchell.

E. B. Hendren.

Remarks by Elders Mitchell and Greene. Report adopted. Collection \$5.44. On motion the collection on Sabbath also go to this work.

Committee on Religious exercises report that T. W. Paris preach to-night. On motion adjourn. Prayer by G. W. Greene.

### —THIRD DAY, 9½ A. M.—

Convened. Prayer by Elder Y. Jordan.

Minutes of yesterday read and approved. Constitution and Rules of Decorum read.

Committee on Sabbath schools submitted their report: We, your committee, urge the vigorous prosecution of the work so well begun and hope that the good work will continue until every church and neighborhood are blessed with a live Sabbath school.

J. G. Weatherman.

W. W. White

Remarks by J. G. Weatherman, D. C. Jarvis, I. Holler, W. Vanhoy. Report adopted.

On motion the association still recommends the necessity of Sunday school conventions.

### STATE MISSIONS REPORT:

The object of the State Mission Board is to supply the destitution within the bounds of our own State with the preaching of the Gospel as we believe it. 83 missionaries and thirteen Colporteurs are laboring with zeal and success in supplying fields of destitution. We recommend the pastors of this Association that they bring this object before their churches during the next year and raise collection for the same.

W. G. Brown.

D. W. Pool.

Remarks submitted by Elders Greene, Mitchell and Gwyn. Report adopted. Collection \$5.14

The Association adopted the following:

Resolved that this Association do appoint and authorize all her ministers



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ents for Missions and education and request them to report the same to the next association.

On motion adjourn for preaching. Sermon by Elder J. P. Gwaltney.

1 O'CLOCK, P. M.

The Associational Committee made a verbal report, which was received and adopted. The committee on Home and Foreign missions submitted their report.

The command of our Saviour, "Go ye into all the world and preach the gospel to every creature" is yet binding on every Disciple of Jesus, and we will be guilty of neglect of duty; if we sit down in *Idleness*, while there are souls who have never heard the gospel.

In our report, we first mention the department of Domestic Missions.

This embraces all the Southern States. The Indian Territory, the Chinese mission in California, and the Islands of Cuba.

This work is supervised by the Southern Baptist Convention.

A grand and good work is being done in the places mentioned.

The Foreign Mission work is also one of great importance. The great command is addressed to the Pew, as well as the Pulpit, you and every one is under obligation to give the gospel to the Heathen.

T. W. Paris.

I. T. Prevette.

Remarks by Elders Greene and Mitchell, then the report adopted.

Sent up for Home Missions: Shady Grove. \$1.25. Prospect. \$2.00.  
Hunting Creek. 1.65. Taylor Springs. 1.75. Pisgah. 1.45. Rock Spring. 1.00.

Treasurer Reported:

Received at the last Association.

Foreign Missions..... \$11.39  
State Missions..... 16.90  
Total..... \$28.29

Sent foreign Missions..... \$11.39  
" " State Missions..... 16.90  
Total..... \$28.29

Received for printing Minutes..... \$28.30.  
On hand..... 5.43.  
Total..... \$33.73.

BRIER CREEK BAPTIST ASSOCIATION.

Paid out for printing Minutes..... \$22.00.  
My own fees..... 8.00.  
Incidental expenses..... 1.00.  
On hand..... 2.73.  
Total..... \$33.73.

Enoch N. Gwyn, Treasurer.

Committee on Obituaries offered the following:

Died in Yadkin County, on the 20th. of September 1887  
Bro. R. G. Howel, in the 65th. year of his age. He was a member of the church near 35 years, and was Deacon of the church at Swan Creek, 34 years. He left a devoted wife and daughter to mourn their loss. His house was the home of the wayfaring pilgrim. He was a father to the fatherless, and a friend to the poor.

May we all be prepared to meet him in Heaven, where there will be no death, nor sorrow, and parting is unknown. May we ALL deeply sympathize with the bereaved widow and relations.

D. C. Jarvis.

W. A. Goforth.

Committee on Religious Exercise Report:

That Bro. E. N. Gwyn conduct the 10 o'clock service, Elder L. P. Gwaltney preach at 11, and Elder G. W. Greene preach at 2. P. M.

On motion a committee, appointed to visit Oak Grove church consisting of A. W. Myers and W. F. Reece, to ascertain the cause of not sending Delegates to this Association.

The Sabbath School Convention appointed to meet at Shady Grove on Friday before the fifth Sabbath in March 1889. Rev W. A. Myers to preach the introductory sermon.

Bro D. C. Jarvis, was appointed to attend the Southern Baptist convention as messenger from this Association.

Committee on Resolutions reported.

Resolve 1st. That we recommend the Sunday School supply store at Raleigh and the American Baptist Publication Society at Philadelphia, as being worthy the patronage of all who need Sunday School or any religious literature.

2d. That we be more Temperate in all things, and that we do more for Missions in the future than we have done in the past.

3d. That we tender our thanks to the citizens of this community for their kindness and hospitality in supporting this Association.

On motion adjourn, till time and place of next Association.

Prayer by Dr. Mitchell.

W. A. Myers, (Moderator.)

E. N. Gwyn, (Clerk.)



## MINUTES OF THE

## SABBATH.

Rev. L. P. Gwaltney, preached at Eleven, A. M. Collection for Baptist Orphanage \$11.04 cts. Rev. G. W. Greene, preached at 1. P. M.

The congregation to-day, was large and attentive, and were blessed with the privilege of hearing two good Sermons.

## List of Ministers.

J. P. Adams.....	Jonesville,	N. C.
J. W. Burchett.....	Dellaplane,	"
N. S. Chaffin.....	Callahan,	"
W. Dowell.....	Jennings' Mill,	"
A. Gilreath.....	Cedar Run,	"
S. S. Goforth.....	Lovelace,	"
A. Gooden.....	Sweet Home,	"
W. F. Gray.....	Buck Shoal,	"
E. N. Gwyn.....	Elkin,	"
J. S. Forester.....	Brier Creek,	"
I. N. Haynes.....	Dellaplane,	"
I. Hollar.....	Felts,	"
A. N. Barker.....	Grade,	"
E. Hollar.....	Felts,	"
Y. Jordan.....	New Hope,	"
W. A. Myers.....	Osbornville,	"
B. Mathus.....	Buck Shoal,	"
T. W. Paris.....	Brier Creek,	"
S. F. Simmons.....	Jonesville,	"
W. C. Segraves.....	Jonesville,	"
R. W. Wooten.....	Clingman,	"
J. G. Weatherman.....	Jennings' Mill,	"
T. Wright.....	Felts,	"
J. O. Moore.....	Hunting Creek,	"
J. H. Gregory.....	Salem,	"

## Pastors and Delegates of Brier Creek Association.

CHURCHES	PASTORS	DELEGATES.
Antioch -	J. Weatherman	W. T. Johnson, E. Glass, J. Incore.
Brier Creek	W. Woodruff	J. B. Martin, J. F. Gilliam, W. L. Walker.
Damacus -	W. G. Brown	W. G. Sloan, J. Barkley, J. E. Brotherton.
Elkin Valley	E. N. Gwyn	E. N. Gwyn, C. L. Cooper.
Fishing Creek	S. Goforth	J. Hendren, J. A. Foster, T. C. Foster, J. E. Bait
Grassy Nob	J. Weatherman	J. Privette, J. L. Reid, S. Hussey.
Holly Springs	E. N. Gwyn	Z. R. Tharp, J. L. Padgett.
Hunting Creek	J. Weatherman	P. Moore, W. Moore, T. Smithey, W. A. Baity.
Lewis -	I. Hollar	I. Hollar, W. Souther, B. Souther, S. Liveingston
Liberty -	J. Weatherman	J. H. Hayes, G. E. Thornburg, J. E. Hubbard.
Mt. Vernon	J. P. Gwaltney	W. Goforth, S. Goforth, J. Shaver, C. McHargue
Mt. Pisgah -	J. Weatherman	T. Wright, J. Wright, R. Anderson, R. Edwards
New Prospect	I. Hollar	W. Dowell, W. Goforth, T. Williams, J. Weatherma
New Hope -	E. Hollar	J. F. Purlear, E. Anderson.
Oak Grove -	W. Vanhoy	W. F. Ward, J. H. Foot, F. D. Parks.
Oak Forest	D. W. Pool	W. Walker, M. H. Martin, J. F. Redding.
Pleasant Grove	R. Wooten	W. F. Reece, J. Reece, J. C. Adams, C. Gilliam.
Swan Creek	J. P. Adams	D. C. Jarvis, R. Goforth, P. Henderson.
Shady Gtove -	L. P. Gwaltney	E. Mitchell, E. B. Cass
Sweet Home	I. Hollar	A. Gooden, C. L. Meadow.
Rock Hill -	A. H. Gooden	S. Marlow.
Rock Springs	W. A. Myers	A. N. Barker.
Taylor Springs	J. P. Gwaltney	W. G. Myers, A. W. Myers.
Union -	W. A. Myers	E. M. Sale, W. H. Howard, E. L. Windsor,
Zion -	W. A. Myers	



# STATISTICAL TABLE.

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## BRIER CREEK BAPTIST ASSOCIATION.

Churches	Office	Clerks	Baptized	Letter	Restored	Dismissed	Excluded	Deceased	Fellowship	Minute Fund	Sabbath
Antioch	Dellaplane	R. Johnson	10		6		1	1	74	85	1
Brier Creek	Brier Creek	G. W. Sale				2	1		48	70	4
Damascus	Sweet Home	E. A. Sloan	1	2		2	2	2	137	130	1
Elkin Valley	Elkin Valley	J. E. Childers							25	60	4
Fishing Creek	Wilkesboro	J. A. Glass	22	7	5	2	3	2	141	120	4
Grassy Knob	Jenning's Mills	J. Cass	26	3	1		1	4	148	105	4
Holly Springs	Eagle Mills	Z. R. Tharp	5	1		2	1		139	100	1
Hunting Creek	Hunting Creek	J. Anderson	16	7	2	1		6	78	120	1
Lewis	Felts	J. D. Hollar	8	4	4	3		1	112	100	3
Liberty	Brushy Mt.	H. Hayes	28	6	2	3		1	164	120	3
Mt. Vernon	Olin	W. A. Goforth	10	1	1				76	125	4
Mt. Pisgal	Felts	J. Wright	6			1			63	90	2
New Prospect	Eveline	T. Williams	2	1	1	1		1	139	105	3
New Hope	Brushy Mt.	J. Parlier	6	2		2			87	75	1
Oak Grove	Buck Shoal										
Oak Forest	Dellaplane	W. Ward	4	1				1	40	60	3
Pleasant Grove	Clingman	J. Martin	6			1	1	2	100	90	3
Pinevan Creek	Jonesville	J. F. Adams	14	2		5	1	5	232	140	1
Roady Grove	Lovlace	D. C. Jarvis	6	1			4	1	158	110	1
Sweet Home	Osbornville	L. Nichloson	3	2					38	65	4
Rock Hill	McCurdy	U. C. Gooden	21	2					55	45	3
Rock Springs	Settle	S. Marlow	2	6				1	29	100	4
Taylor Springs	Eveline	J. P. Williams	1			2	2	1	70	60	1
Union	Osbornville	W. D. Howard	12			3	1	4	112	100	2
Zion	Zion	J. M. Crater	5	1	1				161	200	3