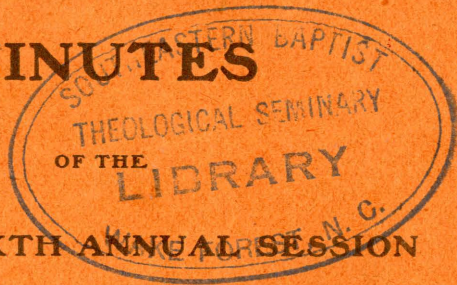


**MINUTES**



**NINETY-SIXTH ANNUAL SESSION**

OF THE

**Elk River Association**

OF

**PRIMITIVE BAPTISTS**



Held with the Church at Wagner's Creek, Franklin  
County, Tenn., on the 11th, 12th and 13th  
of September, 1903



### Order of Preaching

Friday—Elders L. I. Pettus, M. J. Lowery, C. H. Dykes.

Saturday—Elders T. I. Pettus, J. B. White, L. M. Gorden.

Sunday—Elders L. M. Gorden, Lytle Burns, A. J. Willis.

The preaching was in union and in harmony with God's word and to the comfort of the Lord's people.

### Names of Ordained Ministers

Elder J. E. Frost, Syelbyville, Bedford county, Tennessee.

" B. A. McLain, Fosterville, Rutherford county, Tennessee.

" W. A. Cashion, Huntland, Franklin county, Tennessee.

" John Owens, Lois, Moore county, Tennessee.

" W. L. Furgeson, Bellville, Lincoln county Tennessee.

" H. C. Hogan, Petersburg, Lincoln county, Tennessee.

" J. G. Woodfin, South Pittsburg, Marion county, Tennessee.

### Licentiates

J. W. Spencer, Lynchburg, Moore county, Tennessee.

W. R. Chilton, Wartrace, Bedford county, Tennessee.

J. W. Dunaway, Prairie Plains, Coffee county, Tennessee.

### Clerks of Churches and their Postoffices

Elk River—J. R. Bramblett, Pelham, Tennessee.

Wagner's Creek—J. K. Champion, Decherd, Tennessee.

Bean's Creek—G. W. Thomson, Maxwell, "

Shilo—G. W. Syler, Smithland, "

Flat Creek—E. L. Philpit, Flat Creek, "

Bethel—

Arbor—McEdgman, Fuga, "

New Hope—H. P. Osborne, Fairfield, "

Bethlehem—D. A. Kimbro, Haley, "

Mt. Pisgah—J. L. Clardy, Shelbyville, "

Union—W. R. Fields, Bellbuckle, "

Mt. Moriah—R. J. Small, Mulberry, "

Concord—W. J. Landess, Bellville, "

Buckeye—I. B. Whitaker, Fayetteville, "

Corder's X Roads—R. E. Koonce, Renegar, "

Mt. Olivet—J. H. Landess, Petersburg, "

Proceedings of the Ninety-Sixth Annual Meeting of the

## Elk River Association

### Of Primitive Baptists

Held with the Church at Wagner's Creek, Franklin County, Tenn., Beginning on Friday Before the Second Sunday in September, 1903, and two days Following

The introductory sermon was delivered by Elder J. E. Frost. Subject—"Sufficiency of the Spirit's Teaching." Text St. John 15:26. "But when the Comforter is come whom I will send unto you from the Father, the spirit of truth," etc.

After which the Messengers from the churches met and were called to order by the Moderator. Singing; prayer by Elder J. B. White. The letters from the churches read and Messengers invited to seats. The letters show the state of the churches as exhibited in the table.

The Association organized by choosing Elder J. E. Frost Moderator and W. A. Cashion Clerk.

The Association then proceeded to business as follows:

1. Read the rules of decorum.
2. Called for petitionary letters.
3. Called for Corresponding letters from whom we correspond with the following result:
  1. Flint River—Messengers, Elder M. J. Lowery and brother Jo Combs, with letter and minutes.
  2. Cumberland—Messengers, Elder S. L. Pettus, with letter and minutes.
  3. Sequachee Valley—Messengers, Brethren J. C. and S. B. Raulston and L. M. Collins.



4. Mud Creek—Messengers, brother A. J. Rorex, with letter and minutes.

5. Round Lick—Messengers, Elder J. B. White, with letter and minutes.

6. Collin's River—Messengers, Elder T. B. Lankford, brethren P. R. Hackworth and H. L. Golston, with letter and minutes.

7. Fountain Creek—Messengers, brother Joel Dodd with letter.

All Corresponding Messengers invited to seats.

On motion of Elder J. G. Woodfin the Association extended to all ministers and brethren who were not Messengers a hearty welcome, and Christian greeting, and invited them to seats with us as guests. Elders L. M. Gorden of Lex., and Lytle Burns of Alabama were with us.

The Association agreed to meet with church at Flat Creek on its next annual session.

On motion the Association elected by ballot those to preach at the house on Saturday: Elders T. I. Pettus, L. M. Gorden and J. B. White were elected.

### Committee

Appointed J. D. Tolley, H. W. Clark and Henry Short, together with the Moderator and Clerk a Committee to arrange the order of business for Saturday.

Appointed the Clerk a Committee on Correspondence.

On motion the Association adjourned to Saturday 9 o'clock a. m. Prayer by Elder Tommie Pettus.

### SATURDAY

The Association met according to adjournment. Prayer by Elder J. G. Woodfin.

Called the Roll—A quorum present.

Called Committee on Arrangements, who made the following report. We, your Committee on Arrangements, report the order of business laid down in our former minutes report receiv-

ed and Committee discharged.

Called on Committee on Correspondence, who reported letters of Correspondence to the following Associations. Report received and Committee discharged.

1. Flint River—Messengers, Elders J. E. Frost, W. A. Cashion and brother J. W. Warden, when convened with the church at Betheny, Madison county, Ala., Friday before the First Sunday in October, 1903.

2. Cumberland—Messengers, Elder J. E. Frost, brethren J. G. Frost, J. W. Hale, W. T. Tolley, when convened with the church at Mt. Pleasant, Rutherford county, Tenn., on Saturday before the Fourth Sunday in September, 1903.

3. Sequachee Valley—Messengers, brethren N. F. Boon, J. R. Bramlet, B. C. Lasater, R. J. Small, W. P. Tolley, when convened with the church at Jasper, Marian county, Tenn., on Friday before the Third Sunday in August, 1904.

4. Mud Creek—Messengers, brethren Boon, G. F. Shofner, when convened with the church called Salem, eight miles west of Stevenson, Ala., on Friday before the Fourth Sunday in September, 1903.

5. Round Lick—Messengers, Elder J. G. Woodfin, brother J. W. Hale, when convened with the church at Round Lick on Saturday before the First Sunday in September, 1904.

6. Collins' River—Messenger, brother J. W. Buntly, when convened with the church at Bethlehem on Friday before the Fourth Sunday in August, 1904.

7. Fountain Creek—Messengers, brethren J. D. Frost and J. H. Short, when convened with the church at Catolpa Grove on Friday before the First Sunday in September, 1904.

### Sectional Meetings

1. Section—To be held with the church at Bean's Creek on Friday before the Fifth Sunday in May, 1904, Elder J. E. Frost to attend.

2. Section—To be held with the church at Arbor on Friday before the ~~Fourth~~ Sunday in June, 1904, Elder J. E. Frost to attend. First

3. Section—To be held with the church at Union, Friday



before the Fifth Sunday in May, 1904, Elder W. A. Cashion to attend.

4. Section—To be held with the church at Mt. Moriah on Second Sunday in May, 1904.

### Committee on Finance

Appointed J. W. Buntly, G. F. Shofner a committee on Finance who reported received from the churches for the year 1903 \$21.75 to pay for the printing and distributing these Minutes. Report received and committee discharged.

The Association requested Elder J. G. Woodfin to preach the next introductory sermon at Flat Creek, Bedford county, Tenn., on Friday before the Second Sunday at 10 o'clock a. m., 1904. C. H. Hogan, Alternate.

Requested the Clerk to superintend the printing and distributing 750 copies of these Minutes, reserving 150 copies for correspondence, and that he be allowed the remaining funds in his hands, after paying for printing and distributing the same, for his services.

On motion the Association elected the following Elders to preach at the stand Sunday: L. M. Gorden, Lytle Burns and A. J. Willis, who came forth and preached in order of these names, to the honor and glory of God and to the comfort of God's children.

On motion the Association extended their thanks to brethren, sisters and friends of this community for their kind hospitality during the meeting of the Association.

On motion the Minutes read and approved.

On motion the Association adjourned to meet at the time and place mentioned in the Minutes.

Signed by order of the Association.

W. A. CASHION, Clerk,  
J. E. FROST, Moderator.

## STATISTICAL TABLE

| CHURCHES         | SUNDAY | MONTHS when the LORD'S SUPPER and FOOT WASHING are observed | NAMES OF MESSENGERS  | Rec'd. by Experience & Bapt | Received by Relation | Received by Letter | Restored | Dismissed by Letter | Excluded | Deceased | Total | Contributions |    |
|------------------|--------|---|--|-----------------------------|----------------------|--------------------|----------|---------------------|----------|----------|-------|---------------|----|
| FIRST SECTION    |        |   |  |                             |                      |                    |          |                     |          |          |       |               |    |
| Elk River        | 1      | May and Oct.  | B. C. Lasater, Wm. McGregor, J. M. Dimmaway, J. R. Bramlet, Levi Brown | 3                           | 1                    |                    |          |                     |          | 1        | 412   | 00            |    |
| Wagner Creek     | 4      | " "   | Elder J. G. Woodfin, J. D. Bass, J. K. Chamption, Archie Woods         | 2                           |                      |                    |          |                     |          |          | 331   | 00            |    |
| Bean's Creek     | 2      | " "   | G. W. and Gus Thompson   |                             | 1                    |                    |          |                     |          |          | 7     | 50            |    |
| Shilo            | 4      | " "   |  |                             |                      |                    |          |                     |          |          | 23    | 00            |    |
| SECOND SECTION   |        |   |  |                             |                      |                    |          |                     |          |          |       |               |    |
| Flat Creek       | 4      | " "   | J. G. Frost, J. F. Womack, G. F. Shofner                               | 25                          |                      |                    | 4        |                     |          |          | 1     | 005           | 00 |
| Bethel           | 2      | " "   | Elder W. A. Cashion  |                             |                      |                    |          |                     |          | 3        | 59    | 50            |    |
| Arbor            | 1      | June and Nov.   |  | 1                           |                      |                    |          |                     |          |          |       |               |    |
| THIRD SECTION    |        |   |  |                             |                      |                    |          |                     |          |          |       |               |    |
| New Hope         | 1      | May and Oct   | Elder J. E. Frost  |                             |                      | 2                  |          |                     | 1        | 1        | 31    | 50            |    |
| Bethlehem        | 3      | " "   | R. K. and J. A. Stephens, D. Kimbro                                    | 2                           |                      |                    |          |                     | 1        | 1        | 35    | 50            |    |
| Mt. Pisgah       | 1      | " "   |  |                             |                      |                    |          |                     | 2        |          | 17    | 50            |    |
| Union            | 4      | " "   | H. W. Clark, J. W. Hale, W. R. Fields                                  |                             |                      | 2                  |          |                     |          |          | 21    | 25            |    |
| FOURTH SECTION   |        |   |  |                             |                      |                    |          |                     |          |          |       |               |    |
| Buckeye          | 1      | " "   | J. W. Warden   |                             |                      |                    |          |                     | 1        | 1        | 55    | 50            |    |
| Concord          | 3      | " "   | James Buntly, Frank Creson, John Sullivan                              |                             |                      |                    |          |                     | 1        | 1        | 55    | 50            |    |
| Mt. Moriah       | 2      | " "   | J. D. Tolley, N. F. Poon, R. J. Small                                  |                             |                      |                    |          |                     | 1        | 1        | 80    | 50            |    |
| Corder's X Roads | 3      | " "   | Wm. P. Tolley  |                             |                      |                    |          |                     | 1        | 1        | 30    | 00            |    |
| Mt. Olivet       | 2      | " "   | J. H. Short  |                             |                      |                    |          |                     | 4        | 4        | 75    | 50            |    |



