

MINUTES

Of the Seventy Third Annual Session,

OF THE

MOUNTAIN DISTRICT BAPTIST ASSOCIATION.

Convened with Good Hope Church Carroll Co. Va. on 29th of Sept. 1871.

1st. The Introductory sermon was delivered by Eld. B. E. Caudill from 2d. Timothy. 4th chap. 2d ver., "Preach the Word". After a short intercession the delegates assembled in the Meeting House and were called to order by the Moderator prayer by Elder Wm. Hall.

2d. Received and read letters from all the churches in our union, from which the annexed table was prepared

3rd. Organized by appointing Eld. George Douglass, Moderator, and J. M. Dickey clerk.

4th. A door was opened for newly constituted churches, when Hughy Peak and Benjamin Seabston, from Wilson church Grayson county Va. came forward, received the right hand of fellowship, took seats and aided in council.

5th. Called on correspondents to sister associations to report, which were received and they discharged.

6th. Correspondents from sister associations were called for when Eld. Wm. Hall, B. O. Johnson, Wm. Woodruff from the Roaring River, and Eld. J. H. Vannoy and A. J. Taylor from the Senter came forward with letters and minutes, received the right hand of fellowship and aided in council.

7th. Authorized the Moderator to make all temporary appointments during the session.

8th. Appointed brethren H. Roberts, Jas. Anders and S. H. Thompson, a committee to appoint correspondents to sister associations who reported as follows: to the Three Fork Elds. Lundy, Halsey and B. E. Caudill, commencing Friday before the 1st Sabbath in Sept. 1872; to the Washington, Elds. B. E. Caudill, Lundy and Bro. J. M. Dickey, commencing Friday before the 2nd. Sabbath in Sept. 1872; to the Senter, Elds. Carr, Hawkins and Goings, commencing on Friday before the 3rd. Sabbath in Sept. 1872; to the Roaring River, Eld. Geo. Douglass, S. M. Dickey and C. H. Collins.

9th. Appointed Elds. B. E. Caudill to write corresponding letter to the Three Fork, Eld. Halsey to the Washington, T. Carr to the Hoaring River. Wm. Hawkins to the Senter and have them ready for inspection to-morrow.

10th. Appointed J. R. Caudill, J. Rector and Berry Estep with the delegates of this church a committee to select preachers for the stand during our session, who reported for to-morrow: 1st. A. J. Taylor; 2nd. J. H. Vannoy; 3rd. Wm. Hall; 4th. Eld. Halsey.

11th. Appointed Elder Wm. B. Halsey, B. E. Caudill, T. Carr, G. Hackler, Eli Billings, Moderator and Clerk a committee of arrangements, and correspondents of sister associations were invited to sit with them.

12th. Adjourned until to-morrow morning 9 o'clock.

Prayer by A. J. Taylor

Saturday Morning, Sept. 30th., 1871.

Met pursuant to adjournment, prayer by Eld. Lundy.

1st Called the roll of delegates and read rules of decorum.

2d. Called on the committee of arrangements to report, the report received and the committee discharged.

3rd The Wilson creek church was assigned to the fourth district of the Association

4th. Appointed L. H. Hampton, T. Carson, and J. Anders a committee of finance, who reported that they had received from the churches \$28.96cts. allowed the clerk \$5 for his services, distributed to correspondents 3.96cts., left in the hands of the clerk \$20 to pay the expense of printing minutes, appointed the clerk Treasurer and superintendent of printing the minutes, and have 600 copies printed and distributed them as usual.

5th. Considered the propriety of raising correspondents with the Indian creek, New River and Fish River associations, and for that purpose we have appointed Elds. Lundy, Halsey, S. M. Dickey, B. E. Caudill and G. Hackler a committee of correspondents to invite the above named associations and offer them correspondence with us.

6th. Taken up the request from Crooked creek and other churches in regard to the obituary of any of the members; we as an advisory council would say to the churches after the death of any of the members to appoint a committee to write a short obituary and send it to the association for publication.

7th. Adopt the 11th. Article of the Senter association which is as follows; Resolved, that as Old School Baptists, we shall have no connection with, nor fellowship for any modern religious institution called benevolent, such as Missionary societies, Sunday School Unions Tracts or other societies unauthorized by the word of God.

8th. In answer to Good Hope church we refer you to the non-fellowship resolutions and advise all of our churches to strictly adhere to the same.

9th. Taken up the request from Senter association to examine into the history of the Old School Baptists and their standing in this country, for that purpose we have appointed Elds. Halsey, Lundy, T. Carr and B. E. Caudill with the moderator and senior clerk to meet them at Wm. B. Reeves' on the 9th of Oct. 1871.

10th. In answer to Elk creek church in regard to the death of our beloved brother Eld. E. Reeves, that ministers of this body confer with Eld. Lundy, and that a suitable obituary be published with the minutes.

11th. Call on the brethren that were appointed to write corresponding letters to sister associations to read them, letters read received and the brethren discharged.

12th. Appointed to preach to-morrow 1st Eld. T. Carr; 2d. B. E. Caudill; 3rd. Wm. B. Halsey; 4th. Geo. Douglass.

13th. Our next association will be held at Zion church Alleghany county, N. C., commencing on Friday before the 1st. Sabbath in Oct. 1872, Eld. S. M. Dickey to preach the introductory sermon. Eld. G. Hackler his alternate.

14th. Resolved that we return our thanks to *Almighty God* and the brethren and friends of this vicinity, for their kindness to us during our session.

15th. Resolved, that we now adjourn to the time and place above mentioned, prayer by *Eld. B. E. Caudill* and an impressive and solemn admonition by the Moderator.

GEO. DOUGLASS,
Moderator.

J. M. Dickey, Clerk.

Remarks.—The stand was occupied by those appointed for Sabbath; *B. E. Caudill* 1st. text, John 21st, c. 5th, v. 2d. *Wm. Halsey*, Isa, 33rd. c. 22d v., 3d. T. Carr, Acts, 9th, c. & lat. clause of 11th. v.; 4th, G. Douglass, 3rd. c. 5th v, of Mallich. There were in attendance a large and attentive audience, and during the preaching and at the close of the meeting there were signs of the Holy Spirit operating upon both sinner and saint. *We pray god that the good seed sown may bring forth fruit unto eternal life through Christ Jesus our Lord, to Him be all honor & glory forever. Amen.*

N. B. The Obituary of Eld. Reeves Decd. omitted for want of means, but will be published as soon as the means can be procured.

STATE OF TENNESSEE.

CHURCHES.	COUNTY.	POST OFFICE.	DELEGATES NAMES.	Total.	Disceased.	Excluded.	Restored.	Dis. by let.	Rec. by let.	Baptized.	Saturday.
Antioch,	Alleghany,	Gap Civil,	B. Estep, F. Sanders, and Jesse Atwood.	41	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
Little River,	"	"	J. Andere, S. H. Thompson, C. Edwards	65	2	1	1	1	1	1	1
Union,	"	"	George Douglass W. Whitehead J. R. Caudill	79	1	1	2	2	1	1	1
Zion,	"	"	Haywood, Richard and Isaac Edwards.	85	1	1	2	2	1	1	1
Fanny creek,	"	"	S. Parsons and Wm. Halsey.	67	1	1	2	2	1	1	1
Elk Creek,	"	"	B. F. Caudill, R. Gambill, T. Carson.	87	1	1	2	2	1	1	1
Pine Fork,	"	"	J. Phipps, R. Arders, J. Stamper.	251	1	1	2	2	1	1	1
Good Hope,	Carroll, Va.	Laurel Springs	A. M. Branscin H. Hawks E. Edwids	541	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Crooked creek,	"	Pipers Gap	Eld. Lundy W. P. Burcham I. Fulk.	462	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Meadow "	Garyson,	"	H. Roberts, W. Goins, J. Edwards.	273	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
X Roads,	"	Nuckollsville	T. Carr C. H. Collins L. H. Hampton	130	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Knobfork,	"	"	Ephraim Boyer	96	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Kock creek,	"	"	G. Hackler, W. Hawkins, J. Rector.	120	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Saddle "	"	Independence	S. M. & J. M. Dickey, S. Ward.	441	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Jordan,	"	"	Eli Billings, M. Perry, J. Willey.	82	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Fox creek,	"	"	Wm B. Halsey, John Hash	271	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Wilson "	"	M. of Wilan	Hugh Peak, Benjamin Seaton.	271	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Total.				3911	18	222	4	1092	28	99	