

MINUTES OF THE SIXTY-SEVENTH

— *ANNUAL SESSION OF THE* —

LOWER CANOOCHEE PRIMITIVE

BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

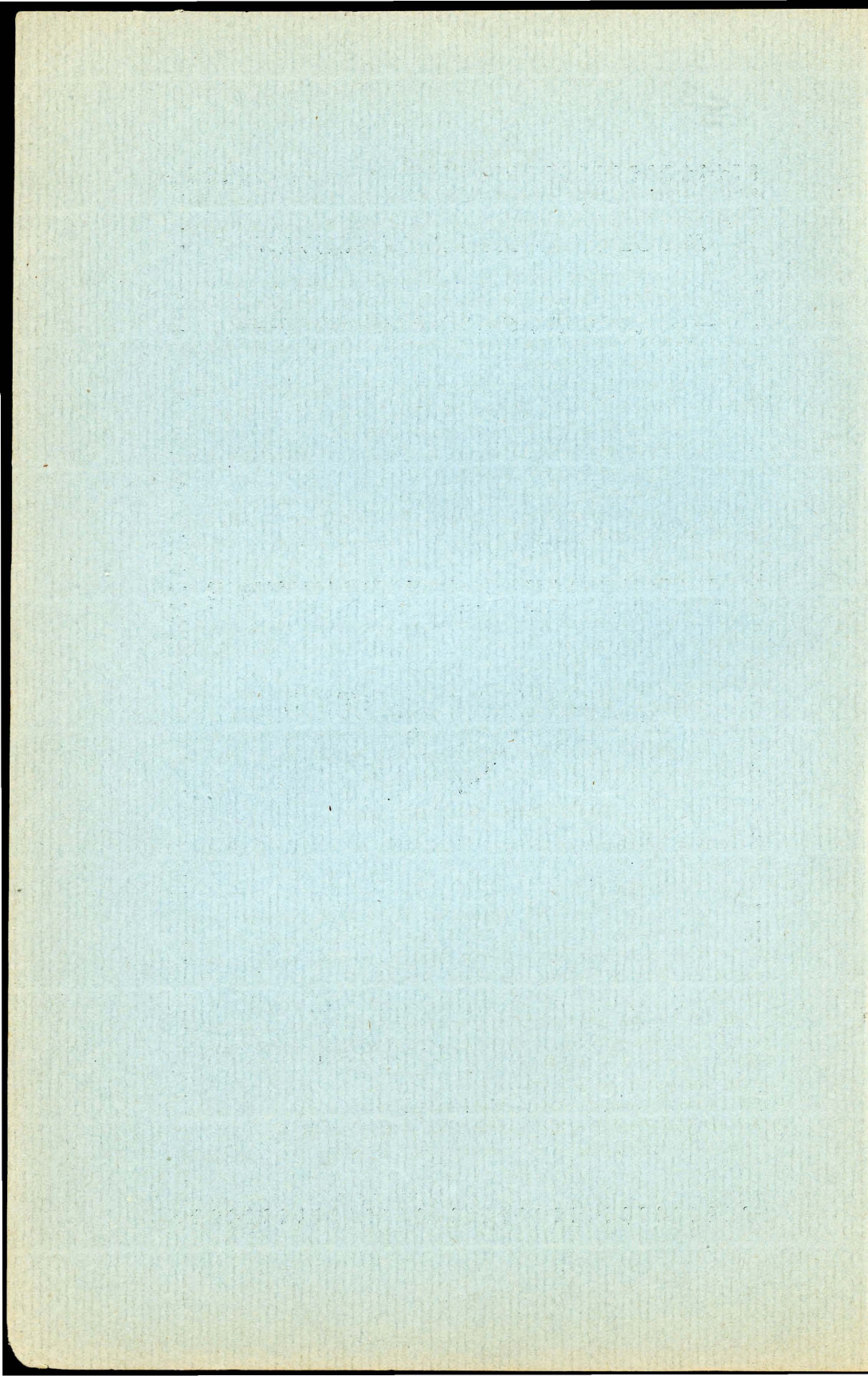


Convened with the Savannah Church

Chatham County, Georgia

October 8th, 9th and 10th, 1915

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MINUTES

of the Sixty-Seventh Annual Session of the Lower Canoochee Primitive Baptist Association, convened with Savannah Church, Chatham County, Ga., Oct. 8, 9 and 10, 1915.

1. Song and prayer by Eld. S. H. Whatley, from Pavo, Ga.
2. Introductory sermon by Eld. B. H. Pearson, from Macon, Ga.
3. The Association was called to order by the Moderator.
4. Called for letters from the churches, which were handed in, read, and statistics minuted.
5. On motion organized permanently by electing Eld. J. Walter Hendrix, Moderator, and Jason Franklin, Clerk.
6. Invited visiting brethren to seats with us.
7. Called for petitionary letters, and one was presented from Brooklet Primitive Baptist Church.
8. On motion same was gladly admitted into this body.
9. Appointed committees as follows: On preaching, A. W. Patterson, M. J. Bowen, G. S. Cargill, M. L. Dixon and J. L. Smith; on finance, D. R. McElveen, L. A. Warnock and A. A. Turner; to arrange general meetings, Joshua Everett, Aaron McElveen, G. P. Richardson.
10. Called for report of committee on preaching, who reported as follows: Friday p. m., Eld. T. E. Sikes, of Vidalia, Ga.; Saturday a. m., S. H. Whatley, of Pavo, Ga., followed by J. T. McArthur, Cordele, Ga.; Saturday p. m., R. H. Kennedy, at night, R. H. Barwick; Sunday a. m., 11 o'clock, M. F. Stubbs; 3:15 o'clock p. m., R. H. Jennings; 8:15 o'clock, J. Walter Hendricks.
11. On motion, after song and benediction by Eld. M. F. Stubbs, took recess until 9:30 o'clock Saturday a. m.

SATURDAY—SECOND DAY.

12. Met pursuant to recess. Song and prayer by Eld. Wm. H. Crouse.
13. Called the roll.
14. Called for report of committee to arrange general meetings, who reported as follows: 1st, Lanes Church, Bulloch county, in April; 2nd, Upper Black Creek Church in July; each to commence on Friday before the fifth Sunday in their respective months.
15. On motion appointed next session of this body to convene with Fellowship Church, Bulloch county, 2½ miles from Stilson, Ga., on the S. & S. railroad.
16. Motion above is adopted.
17. Correspondence having been suspended, we cordially invite all orthodox Primitive Baptists to visit at our annual sessions.
18. Called for report of committee on finances, who reported

as follows: For minutes, \$16.75; for visiting ministers, sent in by the churches, \$61.00, by the congregation, \$38.00.

19. On motion this report was adopted.

20. On motion agreed to have 500 copies of these minutes printed, the Clerk to superintend the printing and distribution of them.

21. On motion the foregoing minutes were read and adopted.

22. On motion the Association adjourned after singing and prayer by Eld. T. E. Sikes.

J. WALTER HENDRICKS, Moderator.

JASON FRANKLIN, Clerk.

We desire to express our gratitude for the well organized plan of entertaining all visitors to this meeting, for which we pray God's blessings upon each of you.

CLERK.

ORDER OF PREACHING.

Friday a. m., Eld. B. H. Pearson, of Macon, Ga.; p. m., Eld. T. E. Sikes, of Vidalia, Ga.; Saturday a. m., Eld. S. H. Whatley, of Pavo, Ga., followed by Eld. J. T. McArthur, of Cordele, Ga.; p. m., R. H. Kennedy, of Collins, Ga.; at night, Eld. R. H. Barwick, of Columbus, Ga.; Sunday a. m., Eld. M. F. Stubbs, of LaGrange, Ga.; p. m., Eld. R. H. Jennings, of Dawson, Ga.; closing sermon, 8:15 o'clock, by Eld. J. Walter Hendricks, of Sardis, Ga.

ORDAINED MINISTERS AND THEIR POSTOFFICES.

A. W. Patterson	-----	Statesboro, Ga.
J. L. Smith	-----	Stilson, Ga.
D. R. McElveen	-----	Stilson, Ga.
J. Walter Hendricks	-----	Sardis, Ga.

CHURCHES, THEIR OFFICERS AND POSTOFFICES.

Churches	Pastors	Clerks	Post Offices
Statesboro	Wm. H. Crouse	Glenn Bland	Statesboro, Ga.
Middleground	R. H. Kennedy	J. B. Parrish	Statesboro, Ga.
Fellowship	D. R. McElveen	C. H. Warnock	Stilson, Ga.
Lanes'	J. L. Smith	C. C. Newman	Stilson, Ga.
Upper Black Creek	R. H. Kennedy	G. P. Richardson	Brooklet, Ga.
Upper Lotts Creek	J. Walter Hendrix	N. D. Hendrix	Metter, Ga.
Spring Grove	R. H. Kennedy	C. W. Harvey	Groveland, Ga.
Lake	W. A. Lamb	S. W. Warren	Register, Ga.
Savannah	W. B. Screws	Elliot W. Parrish	Savannah, Ga.
Metter	Wm. H. Crouse	Geo. W. Brown	Metter, Ga.
Brooklet	Wm. H. Crouse	L. A. Warnock	Brooklet, Ga.

CONSTITUTION

Whereas, the assembly of delegates at Limestone church, Washington county, Georgia, on Saturday before the fourth Sunday in September, 1829, from the several churches, viz: New Hope, Hebron, Mill Creek, Limestone, Hines, Fox Bay, Canoochee, Lake, Upper Black Creek, Bethlehem, Little Briar Creek, Gumlog and Bethesda, having then and there agreed then to become two bodies for convenience, called Upper and Lower Canoochee Associations.

And in the Lower Canoochee Association, composed of the several churches, viz: Nevils Creek, Mill Creek, Lower Lotts Creek, Lake, Fellowship, DeLoach's, Upper Black Creek, Ashe's Branch, Bethlehem, Andersons, Fox Bay, Sunlight, Cedar Creek, Beards Creek, Bethel, Lanes, Upper Mill Creek and Bay Branch, do agree to unite on the following principles:

1. This association will meet annually to worship and praise God.
2. This association shall be composed of messengers, whose names shall be inserted in their letters.
3. It shall be the duty of the association to elect a moderator and clerk to keep a record of each minute.
4. This association will call for and admit into its body any church that is orderly and orthodox; also, if any church wishes to withdraw from this body she may do so at her discretion.
5. This association will make its own rules to govern itself while in session, but none of its rules shall be binding on the churches for they are free; and so declared in God's word.
6. This association will appoint a committee to arrange preaching during its session.
7. This association will appoint a committee to arrange general meetings according to the request of the churches.
8. This association will appoint a committee on finance.
9. This association will receive all visiting brethren who are orderly and orthodox Primitive Baptists, and manifest same by moderator extending the right hand of fellowship.

ARTICLES OF FAITH.

1. We believe in one true and living God, and that there are three persons in the Godhead—the Father, Son and Holy Ghost.
2. We believe in the fall of man and his inability to recover himself.
3. We believe Jesus Christ to be the Son of God.
4. We believe in particular election, effectual calling of the elect, and preservation of saints.
5. We believe the scriptures of the Old and New Testaments to be the word of God.
6. We believe that baptism and the Lord's supper are ordinances, and the washing of the saints' feet is an example of Jesus Christ, and true believers are the only fit subjects of these ordinances, and believe the only true mode of baptism is immersion.
7. We believe that no minister has the right to the administration of the ordinances of baptism and the Lord's supper, but such as are regularly called and come under the imposition of hands by a presbytery.
8. We believe in a final judgment, in a future reward and punishment, and that of eternal duration.

CHURCH STATISTICS

CHURCHES	COUNTIES	NAMES OF MESSENGERS	Meeting Days	Baptized	Received by Letter	Confession of Faith	Recom'd by Letter	Restored	Excluded	Dead	Present Membership	Money for Minutes	Money for Visiting Ministers
4 Statesboro-----	Bulloch ----	A. W. Patterson, Jason Franklin--	2 Sab.	9	3	0	15	1	0	2	155	2.50	7.50
Middleground-----	Bulloch ----	Charlie Akins, Jas. Warnock-----	1 Sab.	21	1	0	1	0	0	0	81	1.50	5.00
Fellowship-----	Bulloch ----	Aaron McElveen, Dessie Proctor--	4 Sab.	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	19	.50	10.00
Lane's-----	Bulloch ----	J. L. Smith, M. R. Smith-----	1 Sab.	2	0	0	5	2	7	1	22	1.00	3.00
Upper Black Creek--	Bulloch ----	S. L. Richardson, G. P. Richardson--	3 Sab.	19	1	1	6	0	0	0	57	1.50	5.50
Upper Lotts Creek--	Bulloch ----	A. A. Turner, J. Walter Hendrix--	4 Sab.	14	0	0	0	0	0	2	64	2.00	10.00
Spring Grove-----	Bryan-----	C. W. Harvey-----	Fri. bf 3 Sab.	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	13	.75	2.00
Lake-----	Candler-----	Joshua Everett, Hiram Bland-----	1 Sab.	2	1	0	5	0	3	2	84	2.50	5.00
Savannah-----	Chatham-----	Geo. S. Cargill, M. L. Dixon-----	4 Sab.	9	0	1	0	1	2	1	66	1.00	4.00
Metter-----	Candler-----	J. L. Dekle, M. J. Bowen-----	3 Sab.	19	2	0	1	0	4	1	80	2.00	6.00
Brooklet-----	Bulloch ----	D. L. Alderman, L. A. Warnock--	4 Sab.	22	2	0	0	0	1	0	40	1.50	3.00
				120	10	2	33	4	17	9	681	16.75	61.00

