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MINUTES

Of The

LOWER COUNTRY LINE

PRIMITIVE BAPTIST
ASSOCIATION

HELD WITH THE CHURCH AT

SHILOH

Person County, North Carolina

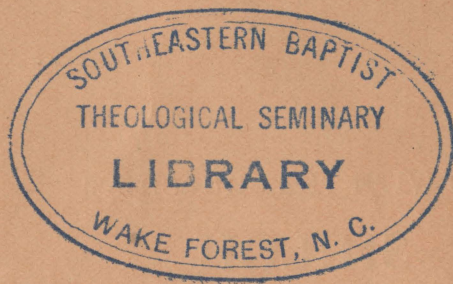
August 2nd, 3rd and 4th, 1919

OFFICERS:

W. A. Warren, Moderator, Hurdles Mills, N. C.

J. H. Gooch, Clerk, Stem, N. C.

C. T. Hall, Asst. Clerk, Woodsdale, N. C.



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PROCEEDINGS

Saturday Morning, August 2, 1919

The introductory sermon was preached by Elder J. J. Hall, from Luke 19:5, "Zacheus, make haste and come down; for today I must abide at thy house."

1. After an intermission of one and one-half hours, the messengers from the several churches met in the church, where the Association was opened with praise and prayer by Elder P. D. Gold, from Black Creek Association, after which the Association proceeded to business. On motion Brother W. A. Warren was chosen Moderator, and Brother J. H. Gooch, Clerk, and Brother C. T. Hall, Assistant Clerk.

2nd. Petitionary letters called for. None presented.

3rd. Messengers and visitors from sister Associations were invited to take seats with us, whereupon the following were received:

From Abbotts Creek—Minutes.

From Black Creek—Elders P. D. Gold, Robert Boswell and C. B. Hall, and Brothers E. L. Cobb and R. E. Adams.

From Contentnea—Elder T. B. Lancaster, and Brethren L. J. H. Mewborn and G. W. Gardner.

From Fishers River—Minutes.

From Kehukee—Elder A. B. Denson and Brethren G. B. Whitfield and Jett Daughtridge.

From Little River—Elder J. E. Adams, and Brethren J. B. Hardee and B. F. Young.

From Mayo—Elders H. E. Hutchens and G. M. Trent.

From Mill Branch—Minutes.

From New River—Minutes.

From White Oak—Elders Isaac Jones and L. H. Hardy.

From Salem—Minutes.

From Smith's River—Minutes.

From Staunton River—Minutes.

From Upper Country Line—Elder B. F. McKinney, and Brethren W. C. King, W. P. Warren and A. G. Porterfield.

Elder J. A. Monsees from Echoconnee Association of Georgia.

Elder W. G. Turner and Brother W. P. Turnage from Seven Miles Association.

4th. The Messengers from Shiloh Church with the moderator and clerks were chosen a committee of arrangements and brethren R. D. Bailey and J. M. O'Brian a committee of finance.

5th. Elders A. B. Denson and T. B. Lancaster were appointed to preach at the stand this afternoon.

6. Letters from the several churches were read, and their standing recorded in the statistical table hereunto attached.

7. Circular letter called for, presented, and referred to the committee of arrangements.

8th. On motion the Association adjourned to meet Monday morning, August 4, 1919, at 9:00 o'clock.

Monday Morning, August 4, 1919.

The Association met according to arrangements, after praise and prayer by Elder L. H. Hardy, from White Oak Association, and proceeded to business.

9. The committee of finance reported as follows:

Cash in hands of clerk from 1918-----	None
Received from churches -----	\$199.95
Received from friends -----	50.45

Total ----- \$250.40

Expenditures:—

For printing minutes and postage -----	\$ 25.00
For 2,400 pounds of ice -----	24.00
Allowed Clerk for services -----	10.00
Amount paid for officers tent -----	11.65
Given visiting ministers -----	179.75

Total ----- \$250.40

Report received and committee dismissed.

10th. Report of the committee of arrangements received and approved, and the committee discharged.

11th. Messengers appointed at our last session to visit Sister Associations, called upon to make their report. Reports were satisfactory, and those failing to attend were excused.

12th. Dr. H. E. Satterfield and J. M. O'Briant, the committee appointed at our last session to purchase suitable tent for the officers of the law, during the sitting of the Association, reported that they had purchased same at a cost of \$11.65. The report received and ordered to be paid.

12½. Circular letter read and approved, and ordered to be annexed to these minutes.

13th. Messengers appointed to visit Sister Associations as follows:

Abbotts Creek—J. W. Terry.
Black Creek—J. H. Gooch and W. A. Warren.
Contentnea—Minutes.
Fishers River—Minutes.
Kehukee—Minutes.
Little River—G. C. Farthing.
Mayo—Minutes.
Mill Branch—Minutes
New River—Minutes.
White Oak—J. M. O'Briant and Dr. H. E. Satterfield.
Salem—J. H. Gooch and J. W. Terry.
Smith's River—Minutes.

Staunton River.—Dr. C. B. Hall.

Upper Country Line.—W. A. Warren.

14th. As no brother has taken appointments to several of the Associations with whom we correspond, and being anxious that we be represented by some personal representative, we hereby authorize and instruct Elders P. D. Gold, Isaac Jones, L. H. Hardy and C. B. Hall to say to the Associations with whom we correspond, when no messenger or visitor of this Association is present, that we appreciate their correspondence and messengers who have come to see us, and desire a continuation of the same.

15th. Elders C. F. Denny and B. F. McKinney were chosen to attend a section meeting to be held with the church at Shiloh, Person County, North Carolina, on the third Sunday and Saturday before in May, 1920, and Elders E. C. Oakes, C. F. Denny and T. Y. Monk were chosen to attend another section meeting to be held with the church at Eno, Durham County, North Carolina, on the first Sunday and Saturday before in May, 1920.

16th. Brother C. T. Hall was chosen to write circular letter to be read at our next annual session.

17th. Agreed that our next annual session be held with the church at Dutchville, Granville County, North Carolina, commencing on Saturday before the first Sunday in August, 1920, and to continue three days. Elder C. F. Denny was chosen to preach the introductory sermon and Elder J. A. Herndon, alternate.

18th. Ordered that our Clerk have one thousand copies of these minutes printed by the P. D. Gold Publishing Company, of Wilson, N. C., and distributed among the churches and Associations with whom we correspond.

19th. Feeling that we have been wonderfully favored and blessed by the presence of such able and gifted ministers of Christ, who have been enabled to proclaim to us the Gospel of Christ with no uncertain sound, therefore be it resolved:

First, that we return thanks to God for this and all other unmerited blessings.

Second, that we extend to the brethren, sisters and friends of this church and neighborhood, our heartfelt thanks and appreciation, for their many acts of kindness and generous hospitality, in helping us entertain this Association, and especially to the Board of County Commissioners and N. S. Thompson the sheriff of this county, also to his deputies, in helping us maintain order which has been all that we could expect with such a large crowd.

Fourth, that this Association discountenances and forbids any and all kinds of trading and trafficking and any other misbehavior on or near the church grounds, when and where the same is being held, and will endeavor to punish such by special act of the General Assembly of North Carolina.

The above proceedings were read by the Clerk, after which the Association adjourned to meet again at the time and place appointed for our next session.

W. A. Warren, Moderator.

J. H. Gooch, Clerk.

C. T. Hall, Ass't. Clerk.

Resolution Unanimously Adopted.

We, the Messengers and members of the Lower Country Line Association, now in session with the church at Shiloh, Person County, North Carolina, wish to send Christian salutation and fellowship to our beloved Brother G. C. Farthing, who for more than forty years has attended our Associations regularly, and has faithfully acted as Assistant Clerk for the past twelve years.

Perhaps no one among us has shown greater love for the church, and the Associations, by attending our meetings, and administering in all of her contributions and in visiting sister Associations.

But now that it has pleased the dear Lord to touch him with the hand of sore afflictions, so he cannot meet with us,

Therefore be it resolved, that we extend to him our sincere sympathies, in his sore afflictions, and that we do hereby acknowledge our appreciation of his former faithful service to us, and pray the Lord to sustain him by His holy hand and keep him by His holy spirit.

W. A. Warren, Moderator.

J. H. Gooch, Clerk.

C. T. Hall, Ass't. Clerk.

August 2, 1919.

SERVICES

Saturday Afternoon, 2:00 O'clock.

Preaching at the stand by Elder T. B. Lancaster from Isaiah 27:13, "And it shall come to pass in that day that the great trumpet shall be blown." Closed by Elder A. B. Denson, from Col. 2:6, 7, "As ye have therefore received Christ Jesus the Lord, so walk ye in Him."

Saturday Evening, 5:00 O'clock

Preaching by Elder J. E. Adams, from Heb. 9:27, "And as it is appointed unto man once to die, but after this the judgment," followed by Elder G. M. Trent, from Heb. 1:1, 2, 3, "God, who at sundry times and in divers manners spake in time past unto the fathers by the prophets," etc.

Saturday Evening, 8:30 O'clock

Services again at the stand by R. E. Adams, from Isaiah 26:1. "In that day shall this song be sung in the land of Judah. Closed by Elder H. F. Hutchens, from Romans 8:38, 39. "For I am persuaded that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor principalities, nor powers, nor things present, nor things to come," etc.

Sunday Morning, 10:30 O'clock, August 3, 1919.

Services were opened at the stand by Elder P. D. Gold, from Heb. 12:2. "Looking unto Jesus the author and finisher of our faith," etc., followed by Elder Robert Boswell, from Luke 10:21. "In that hour Jesus rejoiced in spirit, and said, I thank Thee, O Father, Lord of heaven and earth, that Thou hast hid these things from the wise and prudent," etc. Closed by Elder L. H. Hardy, from John 6:39. "And this is the Father's will which hath sent me, that of all which He hath given me I should lose nothing, but should raise it up again at the last day."

Sunday Afternoon, 2:00 O'clock.

Services again at the stand by Elder C. B. Hall, from Isaiah 38:1, "Set thy house in order, for thou shalt die, and not live." Closed by Elder Isaac Jones, with no special text, but preached with much liberty, to the edifying of all present.

Sunday Evening, 5:00 O'clock.

Services were again at the stand by Elder J. A. Monsees, from Matthew 23:37, "O Jerusalem, thou that killeth the prophets," etc. Closed by Elder W. G. Turner, from Matthew 9:12, "They that be whole need not a physician, but they that are sick."

Sunday Evening, 8:30 O'clock.

Services were again at the stand by E. L. Cobb, from Matthew 7:20, "By their fruit ye shall know them." Closed by Elder C. F. Denny, from no special text, but spoke very comfortingly to those present.

Monday Morning, August 4, 1919, 10:00 O'clock.

Services were opened at the stand by E. L. Cobb, from Gen. 1:3, "And God said, let there be light, and there was light." Followed by Elder H. F. Hutchens, from Psalms 8:4, "What is man that Thou art mindful of him? and the son of man that Thou visitest him?" Continued by Elder B. F. McKinney, from Ezekiel 37:3, "And he said unto me, son of man, can these bones live?" And I answered, O Lord God, Thou knoweth." After which the closing remarks were made by Elder Isaac Jones, who spoke very feelingly, and comfortingly to the many present, telling of his visits to this Association over forty years ago, missing but few sessions since he first visited us.

After which we were dismissed to meet again at the time and place for our next annual session.

CIRCULAR LETTER

To the members and messengers of the Lower Country Line Association now in session with the church at Shiloh, Person County, North Carolina, together with the saints who are gathered with you, to worship God, we hope in spirit and in truth:

Having been appointed at our last Association to write a circular letter to be attached to the minutes of this session, I will

address you, I hope, in love and fellowship. Feeling my dependence on the Lord who hath loved us and blessed us, and we hope will continue the same.

I trust God is with you, and that to bless. He is the chiefest among ten thousand and the one altogether lovely.

God is love, and every one that loveth is born of God. Inasmuch as He is love, I feel to have nothing better to write you.

Brethren, we should love one another. Christ so loved us even when we were enemies as to lay down His life for us, and if we have not the spirit of Christ, we are none of His. He was not ashamed to call us brethren, then we should love and call each other brethren. "Behold what manner of love the Father hath bestowed upon us that we should be called the sons of God."

The world knoweth us not because it knew Him not. This does not mean that the world knew us not in nature, for we were by nature the children of wrath even as others. By the grace of God we are what we are. They knew Christ as a man but not as God. Christ said, "He that hath seen me hath seen the Father." Then he was both Father and Son. "No man knoweth the Son but the Father, neither knoweth any man the Father, save the Son, and he to whomsoever the Son will reveal Him." Mat. 11:27. When He revealed to John His glory, the glory of the only begotten of the Father, full of grace and truth, John bore witness of Him and said, "Behold what manner of love the Father hath bestowed on us that we should be called the sons of God." John had seen him as a man but knew him not. He was given a sign how he might know him, and was looking for him; and to us who look for Him He will appear without sin unto salvation.

Then we are heirs of God and joint heirs with Christ, who hath saved us and called us with an holy calling, not according to our works but according to His own will and purpose and grace given us in Christ before the world began.

According as He hath chosen us in Christ before the foundation of the world, that we should be holy and without blame before Him in love, having predestinated us unto the adoption of children by Jesus Christ unto Himself, that we should be to the praise of the glory of His grace, wherein He hath made us accepted in the beloved.

His love for us was not produced by some act of the creature, for when we were dead, Christ loved us and gave his life for us, that we should live to the honor of His name.

By grace are we saved, not of works lest any man should boast. There are two seed, but one flesh. One field in which both were sown. God soweth the wheat (the children of the kingdom), the wicked one sowed the tares (the children of the world). They are born of the flesh and know us not, for they knew Him not. We are not of the world, but as Isaac was, are the

children of promise. Born in the world, but chosen out of the world.

Christ has said that the world would hate us, for it hated Him first. They that live Godly shall suffer persecution and come up through great tribulation, but Christ has told us to fear not, for He has overcome the world, and is a present help in every time of need, and has said "I am with you alway, even unto the end of the world." When we were aliens from God and strangers to the covenant of grace, we were not so strange to the world, but in Christ Jesus, we who were some time afar off are made nigh by the blood of Christ. He is our peace, "who of God is made unto us wisdom and righteousness and sanctification and redemption."

We are a peculiar people, a chosen generation, ever looking to Christ, and contending for the faith once delivered to the saints. "Who is like unto thee, O people saved by the Lord."

What wondrous love is this that caused the Lord of bliss to bear the dreadful curse for sinners like us.

"O righteous Father, the world hath not known Thee; but I have known Thee, and these have known that Thou hast sent me, and I have declared unto them Thy name, and will declare it; that the love wherewith Thou hast loved me may be in them, and I in them." John 17:25, 26.

We know that this, the prayer of our dear Lord cannot fail to be answered. May faith, love, joy and peace abide with you all through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Submitted in love.

Isaac H. Harris

Churches in Lower Country Line Association

Showing the year when section meeting and Association were last held:—

- Camp Creek.—Section Meeting, 1917; Association, 1914.
- Dutchville.—Section Meeting, 1915; Association, not given.
- Durham.—Section Meeting, 1918; Association, 1912.
- Ebenezer.—Section Meeting, 1913; Association, 1909.
- Eno.—Section Meeting, 1912; Association, 1918.
- Flat River.—Section Meeting, 1914; Association, 1916.
- Helena.—Section Meeting, 1916; Association, 1910.
- Mt. Lebanon.—Section Meeting, 1919; Association, 1915.
- Mt. Zion.—Section Meeting, 1918; Association, 1906.
- Rozboro.—Section Meeting, 1916; Association, 1913.
- Shiloh.—Section Meeting, 1912; Association, 1919.
- Stories Creek.—Section Meeting, 1917; Association, 1911.
- Surl.—Section Meeting, 1913; Association, 1908.
- Tar River.—Section Meeting, 1914; Association, 1907.
- Wheelers.—Section Meeting, 1919; Association, 1917.

Table of Churches, Clerks, Postoffices, Pastors and Time of meetings, also Distribution of Minutes

Churches and Clerks	Postoffices	Pastors, Time of Meetings, and Number of Minutes
Camp Creek—J. H. Gooch	Stem, N. C.	Elder J. A. Herndon, 2nd Sunday and Saturday before ----- 70
Dutchville—Miss Bettie Green North Side, N. C.		No regular pastor ----- 25
Durham—M. G. Markham	Durham, N. C.	Elder P. D. Gold, 3rd Sunday and Saturday before; Elder C. F. Denny, 1st Sunday ----- 95
Ebenezer—S. M. Pulliam	Leasburg, N. C.	Elder E. C. Oakes, 1st Sunday and Saturday before ----- 20
Eno—J. M. Wood	R. F. D. Durham, N. C.	Elder C. F. Denny, 1st Sunday ----- 35
Flat River—W. R. Blalock	Roxboro, N. C., Rt. No. 1.	Elder J. J. Hall, 4th Sunday and Saturday before ----- 30
Helena—J. P. Tingen	Timberlake, N. C.	Elder J. J. Hall, 1st Sunday and Saturday before ----- 20
Mt. Lebanon—J. W. Garrard	Durham, N. C., R. F. D.	No regular pastor. 1st Sunday and Saturday before ----- 33
Mt. Zion—Thos. M. Chandler	Virgilina, Va., Rt. No. 3.	Elder E. C. Oakes, 2nd Sunday and Saturday before ----- 30
Roxboro—J. M. O'Briant	Roxboro, N. C.	Elder J. A. Herndon, 1st Sunday and Saturday before ----- 50
Shiloh—R. D. Bailey	Woodsdale, N. C.	Elder J. A. Herndon, 3rd Sunday and Saturday before ----- 20
Stories Creek—W. D. Yarboro	Woodsdale, N. C., Rt. No.	Elder J. J. Hall, 3rd Sunday and Saturday before ----- 35
Surl—J. E. Dean	Moriab, N. C., Rt. No. 1.	Elder J. J. Hall, 1st Sunday and Saturday before ----- 75
Tar River—D. W. Oakley	Berea, N. C.	Elder * -----, 3rd Sunday and Saturday before ----- 25
Wheelers—W. A. Warren	Hurdles Mills, N. C.	Elder J. J. Hall, 2nd Sunday and Saturday before ----- 95

* Elders J. J. Hall and B. F. McKinney are pastors at Tar River alternately, 3rd Sunday and Saturday before.

Distribution of Minutes to Associations.

Abbotts Creek—A. L. Owens, Salisbury, N. C. -----	13
Black Creek—Elder J. F. Farmer, Wilson, N. C. -----	13
Contentnea—Elder J. P. Tingle, Grantsboro, N. C. -----	25
Fishers River—Elder F. P. Stone, Francisco, N. C., Rt. 1. ---	30
Kehukee—Elder Sylvester Hassell, Williamston, N. C. -----	38
Little River—Elder J. A. T. Jones, McCullers, N. C. -----	20
Mayo—Elder E. M. Barnard, Peter's Creek, Va. -----	20
Mill Branch—C. W. Brown, Tabor, N. C. -----	17
New River—Elder P. G. Lester, Floyd, Va. -----	20
Salem—W. L. Teague, Winston-Salem, N. C. -----	18
Smith's River—Elder Q. D. Weeks, Rt. 2, Willis, Va. -----	18
Staunton River—R. L. Dodson, Ringgold, Va. -----	13
Upper Country Line—Elder J. W. Gilliam, Altamahaw -----	20
White Oak—Elder Isaac Jones, Maple Hill, N. C. -----	22

**Ordained Ministers in Lower Country Line Association
and Their Postoffices.**

Elder T. Y. Monk -----	Durham, N. C.
Elder J. J. Hall -----	Roxboro, N. C.
Elder J. A. Herndon -----	Durham, N. C.
Elder E. C. Oakes -----	Semora, N. C.
Elder C. F. Denny -----	Durham, N. C.

Churches	Names of Messengers	Rec. by Bap.	Rec. by Letter	Restored	Dis. by Letter	Excluded	Deceased	No. in Fellowship	Contributions
Camp Creek	J. H. Gooch, R. D. Hill and A. J. Hill	0	0	0	0	0	0	31	\$ 11.00
Dutchville	I. H. Harris, and Lucius Perry	0	0	0	0	0	0	22	6.00
Durham	Dr. H. E. Satterfield, M. G. Markham, and J. D. Dupree	6	3	1	0	0	0	105	42.05
Ebenezer	E. C. Oakes, H. A. Clayton and S. M. Pulliam	0	0	0	0	0	0	15	5.00
Eno	W. H. McFarland and Cates Stanley	0	0	0	0	0	0	29	12.00
Flat River	W. R. Blalock, S. D. Clayton and T. D. Wilson	0	0	0	0	0	1	59	7.25
Helena	John Monk, Jud Blalock and Benjamin Clayton	0	0	0	0	1	1	25	9.00
Mt. Lebanon	J. W. Garrard, W. T. Bacon and Bedford Hill	0	0	0	0	0	0	26	8.00
Mt. Zion	C. C. Hite, H. F. Wilkins and J. E. Davis	0	0	0	0	0	0	14	5.00
Roxboro	F. D. Long, A. P. Clayton and J. M. O'Briant	1	0	0	0	0	0	46	36.00
Shiloh	C. T. Hall and R. D. Bailey	0	0	0	0	0	0	8	10.00
Stories Creek	W. D. Yarboro, E. M. Clayton and W. G. Clayton	3	1	0	0	0	0	32	7.00
Surl	William T. Clayton, J. G. Chandler and J. E. Deans	0	0	0	0	0	0	66	19.00
Tar River	T. H. Jones, D. W. Oakley and R. L. Oakley	2	0	0	2	0	0	19	7.65
Wheeters	W. K. Moore, R. T. Bowes and W. A. Warren	2	1	0	0	1	4	82	24.00
		14	5	1	2	7	6	577	\$199.95

