

Twenty-fifth Annual Session

OF THE

# Washburn Association

Will be held with

IRON CREEK BAPTIST CHURCH

October 24-26, 1911

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Jenkins Alternate

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# Minutes

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Next session will be held with New Harmony Church, on  
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Jenkins, Alternate.

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# Proceedings

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The messengers composing the Wiseman Association met with Dixon Creek Church Wednesday, Oct. 24, 1917. Devotional services conducted by Bro. A. J. Sloan by reading the First division of the Psalms. Prayer by Bro. R. Y. Hawkins.

The introductory sermon was preached by Bro. T. F. Moore, from 1 Cor. 15:10, on Gospel Missions, it being an able sermon. At the close we sang and extended to each other our hands in token of the love of our Lord.

Bro. T. F. Moore and Bro. Calvin Gregory were appointed to read the letters.

A permanent organization was effected by electing A. J. Sloan Moderator, T. C. Harrison, Clerk, R. Y. Hawkins, J. D. Cook, Treasurer.

Visitors from other Associations:

Enon—Calvin Gregory, Presley J. McDonald, A. G. Stinson.

West Kentucky—T. F. Moore.

Bledsoe Creek—J. L. Amos, John Wilkes, C. C. Ramsey, Pat Burnley.

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## Churches and Messengers

CEDAR BLUFF—Homer White, W. R. White.

DIXON CREEK—J. P. Maryman, J. J. Gregory.

FAIRVIEW—A. J. Sloan, J. D. Cook.

GOOD WILL—Jim Lynville, George Taylor.

LONG CREEK—G. W. Jenkins, Bud Johnson.

LAFAYETTE—W. H. Smith, A. F. Smith.

MEADORVILLE—Jesse Gregory, E. L. McDonald.

NEW HARMONY—J. H. Edens, B. Y. Gross, F. W. Gross.

NEW ZION—H. S. Gregory, S. G. Dillard.

PLEASANT HILL—L. C. Brown, W. A. Wells, J. H. Kirkman.

PLEASANT GROVE—R. Y. Hawkins, Jodie Creasy.

ROCK BRIDGE—Willie McClanahan, Walter Brown.

ROCKY MOUND—J. H. Overton, L. D. McGuffee.

SHADY GROVE—No messengers.

SILOAM—T. C. Harrison.

SPRING CREEK—J. L. Lawrence, T. W. Fishburn.

SULPHUR FORK—No messengers.

MACEDONIA—W. J. Graves.

B. Y. Gross, G. W. Jenkins, W. G. Graves were appointed on Order of Business.

The Moderator and Clerk announced the following Committees:

## MINUTES OF WISEMAN ASSOCIATION

State, Home and Foreign Missions—T. F. Moore, chairman.  
 To be freely discussed by the body.  
 District Missions—District Committee.  
 Religious Literature—T. F. Moore, A. G. Stinson.  
 Resolutions—W. R. Jackson, T. C. Harrison.  
 State of Religion—A. G. Stinson.  
 Orphans' Home—A. J. Sloan.  
 Prohibition—Calvin Gregory.  
 Ministerial Education—W. J. Summers.  
 Ministerial Relief—Calvin Gregory.  
 Next Place of Meeting—New Harmony, on Wednesday after  
 the third Sunday in October, 1918.  
 A. J. Sloan was elected to preach the introductory sermon;  
 Eld. W. F. Jenkins, alternate.  
 The Association then adjourned until Thursday at 8:30 a. m.  
 Prayer by Calvin Gregory.

## SECOND DAY

The Association was opened by reading a portion of C. J.'s  
 Word. Prayer by Bro. T. F. Moore. After the roll call and reading  
 the Rules of Decorum the Association proceeded with the regular  
 order of business.

Moved and carried to limit the speeches on all subjects to 10  
 and 5 minutes.

Moved and carried to rescind the act of this Association allow-  
 ing any minister not sent by his church as a messenger a seat in  
 the body.

The Association suspended the regular order of business and  
 heard Bro. T. F. Moore preach the doctrinal sermon. The sermon  
 was a strong and able one, from Titus 2:14, 15, closing with a  
 vigorous handshake.

Adjourned till Friday morning at 8:30. Prayer by Willie  
 Jenkins.

## THIRD DAY

The Association met and was opened by singing and reading  
 33rd Psalm. Prayer by Bro. G. W. Jenkins.

A public collection was taken up for Bro. T. L. Blalock to the  
 amount of \$16.20 for Gospel Missions.

Moved and carried to retain the same Committee, as follows:  
 A. J. Sloan, J. D. Cook, J. A. Lynville, E. D. Stinson and L. C. Brown

Moved and carried to grant Dixon Creek Church a letter of  
 dismission from us.

Moved and carried that the churches appoint messengers to

attend the General Association of Tennessee and Kentucky.

Moved and carried to adjourn to meet with New Harmony on Wednesday after the third Sunday in October, 1918.

Closed with a song and handshake. Prayer by Bro. T. F. Moore.

A. J. SLOAN, Moderator.

T. C. HARRISON, Clerk.

It was moved that this Association recommend to our churches that they appoint messengers to the General Association of Tennessee and Kentucky, which meets Wednesday after the second Sunday in September, 1918.

#### RESOLUTIONS

1. Resolved, that we extend our thanks to our Moderator and Clerk for their services and we are thankful for the privilege of meeting with the church at Dixon's Creek in an associational capacity, and for the hospitality that we have received.

2. That we urge our churches to select one member from each church to gather mission funds at their regular meetings, that we may do more for the mission cause.

3. That we keep our colporter in the field and help him to distribute our literature, which is the Bible. Signed by the Committee, W. K. Johnson, T. C. Harrison.

#### ASSOCIATIONAL MISSIONS

As your missionary I beg leave to make the following report: My work since my appointment in June is as follows: Miles traveled, 400; sermons preached, 33; books sold, 15; value of books, \$7.65; conversions, 8. The Finance Committee has paid me in full for my services. I recommend that some consecrated minister be appointed to engage in the work. Brethren, this is one of our most needy causes. Let us try to put a live man in the field, with enough financial help to pay for at least half time. The field is already white unto harvest. The people are perishing for want of the true gospel and are very anxious to hear it. They are willing to erect arbors for meetings in places where no houses can be secured.

J. F. SUMMERS.

#### REPORT ON MINISTERIAL RELIEF

We your Committee on Ministerial Relief beg leave to make the following report: Ministerial Relief is a subject of much importance to our ministry. Brethren who have given their lives and service to the cause of the Master and brethren, it should be one of great interest to us and touch our sympathy to the extent that it reaches our means that the Lord has trusted us with his

work and we as brethren ought to give to this cause. It is a sad condition to see old ministers, after they have fought many hard battles and won signal victories over the power of darkness to spend the remainder of their days on earth in destitute circumstances. It is our earnest prayer that we as people of God awaken to this noble cause. The small sum that we are giving is not enough. Wake up, brethren, to this noble cause, for God has blessed us with great blessings. Signed, W. J. Summer, Willie Jenkins.

This report was so amended by resolution that this Association co-operate with the General Association of Tennessee and Kentucky in the establishment of an old preacher's Baptist home to be located in Obion County, Tenn.

#### REPORT ON ORPHANS' HOME

Your Committee that was appointed at the last sitting of this Association to visit the Orphans' Home at Nashville, Tenn., and report at this meeting, beg leave to make the following report: Only one of the Committee visited the Home and reports a nice home with 101 inmates. There are some things in the management of the Home we do not endorse, but as we are not able to build a Home of our own, we recommend that this Association help support this one until we can do better.—A. J. Sloan, J. D. Cook, Committee.

#### REPORT ON MISSIONS

The great commission in Matt. 28:19, 20, is our mission orders. This commission was given "the church which was at Jerusalem," Acts 8:1, and it has so descended to all the churches regularly constituted. It was so arranged that one church could carry out the orders of the Master. Then, too, that an aggregation of churches may co-operate through church messengers in the spread of the gospel to the nations of the world.

This work was to be financed by individual and church contributions, 1 Cor. 16:1, 2.

District, Home and Foreign Missions include the fields that we are to foster.

We can work with our convention brethren in church and district missions, because we are all of one faith on these two. We mean this where our convention brethren will allow it. We can't go with them further without adopting a money basis and individual and society representation. This we cannot accept without putting our Lord's churches on a level with individuals, societies on the floor of our general meetings.

MINUTES OF WISEMAN ASSOCIATION

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We recommend that all our churches try to do more than they have been doing. We have three home missionaries, two in Tennessee and one in Louisiana. T. L. Blalock and wife, Tai An Fu, China, in the foreign field. H. D. Clift, Hornbeak, Tenn., S. W. Joyner, Post, Tenn., and H. A. Roshto, Pineville, La.; also Mrs. Jennie Lamas, Mariel, Cuba, with her orphanage work. These we count worthy of your support.

We further recommend that some one of our churches send out some acceptable preacher to do mission work in the destitution of Middle Tennessee and urge our churches to contribute more liberally to the mission fund. Respectfully submitted, T. F. Moore, R. Y. Hawkins, W. J. Summar.

This report was discussed by T. F. Moore, Bud Johnson, C. C. Ramsey, Calvin Gregory, W. H. Smith and others.

REPORT ON STATE OF RELIGION

We your Committee on State of Religion submit the following report: Dear Brethren: We find from the letters from the various churches that the state of religion has been prospering in this Association the past year and we believe that if every church in this Association will stand for the doctrine that the Bible teaches that religion will prosper more in the days to come. May the Lord bless this Association and keep it on the old landmark plan.—A. G. Stinson, R. W. Brown, Committee.

Discussed by A. G. Stinson, Willie Jenkins, J. H. Overton, C. C. Ramsey, Pat Brownley, Calvin Gregory and others.

ORDER OF BUSINESS

1. Religious Literature.
2. Prohibition.
3. State Missions.
4. Home Missions.
5. Foreign Missions.
6. Gospel Missions.
7. District Missions.
- (Note—A general report on Missions was carried.)
8. Orphans' Home.
9. Ministerial Relief.
10. Ministerial Education.
11. Finance.
12. Correspondence.
13. Obituaries.
14. Resolutions.

B. Y. Gross, G. W. Jenkins, W. L. Graves, Committee.

**REPORT ON RELIGIOUS LITERATURE**

We recommend the Bible as the first text on this work. Good books and magazines on religious subjects; also our weekly Baptist papers, such The Baptist Flag, Baptist and Commoner, as papers worthy of your support. The Baptist and Reflector as an ably edited convention paper to all who want to keep in touch with the work on that side. Respectfully submitted, T. F. Moore, A. G. Stinson, Committee.

Discussed by Bros. Moore, Johnson, Ramsey and Hawkins.

**REPORT ON PROHIBITION**

We are glad to report that prohibition has made the most remarkable progress ever known during the last associational year. Our State has prohibited the importation into and transportation of spirituous liquors within the State. This law, popularly known as the Bone Dry Bill, has practically put an end to the whiskey traffic in our State. Our public gatherings are now seldom disturbed by the drunken youths as in the past. Many fathers' and mothers' hearts rejoice that strong drink has passed almost beyond the reach of their sons. We are glad that the drink demon is about to lose its hold upon the people of Tennessee. There are, however, a few dram drinkers that are up in arms against the rapid advance of the dry forces. They are the most dangerous of all drinkers of alcoholic drinks, as they are the pattern which most boys wish to follow when they take the first drink. Away with this class and the abominable traffic they are aiding, is our desire.

As a war measure, our country has prohibited the manufacture of spirituous liquors for the duration of the war, with the provision that the law may become permanent by constitutional amendment. We are allowed six years in which to make our nation bone dry under this war measure. Let us rally bravely and drive from our country once for all the evil that curses all classes and grades of civilization.—Calvin Gregory, R. Y. Hawkins, Committee.

Discussed by Bro. Calvin Gregory, L. C. Lorance, R. Y. Hawkins, Bud Johnson, T. W. Fishburn, Daily White, G. W. Jenkins, A. G. Stinson, W. J. Summar.

**REPORT ON MINISTERIAL EDUCATION**

The education of the ministry is a very vital matter in this twentieth century. Many people have a wrong conception of an education. They feel that an education ruins a minister. A minister who is ruined by an education is no good either with or without training. As a minister needs to advise not only in tem-



poral matters but more especially in spiritual matters, he needs an education almost above every other man. An education when rightly used will result in the accomplishment of work that otherwise could not be done. We urge that our ministry make diligent use of every means in their power to secure an education. The greatest of all the apostles was Paul, the most highly educated. A minister needs first of all to know the Lord in the forgiveness of sins. Next a divine call to the ministry. Then he needs to have a thorough knowledge of the Holy Scriptures. In order to possess this Bible knowledge he needs to make a conscientious and prayerful study of God's Word, using all the helps he can find. We recommend Jacksonville College, Jacksonville, Tex., and all other sound schools for the education of our ministry. We do not recommend the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary. We believe that its teachings are responsible for many of the heresies among our brethren.—Calvin Gregory, Robert A. Freeland, Committee.

Discussed by Bros. Calvin Gregory and A. G. Stinson.

REPORT ON OBITUARIES

We your Committee on above find in our letters that several of our beloved brethren and sisters have fallen asleep since last we met. Among the number we might mention our dear beloved Bro. D. S. Reed of Shady Grove Church, twenty years Clerk of this body, left us this year. He was Clerk of the circuit court of his county for 16 years and perhaps longer. His life was worthy of emulation as a public servant of the people. Our condolence is extended to all our bereaved ones.—W. J. Summar, Willie Jenkins, Committee.

Discussed by Bro. Willie Jenkins, Bud Johnson, G. W. Jenkins, A. J. Sloan, T. C. Harrison and A. G. Stinson.

REPORT OF TREASURER

Come into my hands this Association:

District Missions .....	\$29 65
'Orphans' Home .....	26 20
Foreign Missions .....	50
Ministerial Relief .....	7 61

Total .....	\$63 96
	16 20

\$79 16

J. D. COOK, Treasurer.

**REPORT ON FINANCE**

We your Committee on Finance make the following report:

Received from the various churches for printing minutes, \$35.00.—Wm. A. Wells, L. C. Brown, Committee.

**REPORT ON CORRESPONDENCE**

We your Committee on Correspondence submit the following report:

We authorize any of our brethren who may be at your meeting to represent us as correspondence messengers. We respectfully invite you to meet with us at our next meeting which will be held with our sister church at New Harmony, 5 miles south of Lafayette, Macon County, Tenn., on Wednesday after the third Sunday in October, 1918.

Brethren, we are very glad to have you with us and feel at home during the progress of our deliberations and lending us your strength in our efforts to the end that the cause of Christ and his kingdom may be pushed forward to enlighten the world in our faith and profession. We thank God we are at peace with all mankind and pray God we may live and act so that we will be worthy of his continued blessings.—G. W. Jenkins, G. W. Taylor, Committee.

## Constitution

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Article I. This body shall be known as Wiseman Association.

Article II. This Association shall be composed of members duly chosen by regular and orderly Missionary Baptist churches within our bounds.

Article III. The letters from the churches to the Association shall give the number of members in fellowship, received by experience and baptism, received by letter, restored, excommunicated and dead since last annual letter.

Article IV. Each church shall be entitled to three messengers.

Article V. These Associations shall elect annually to offices a Moderator, Clerk and Treasurer, whose duties shall be to serve their brethren in their several capacities.

Article VI. These Associations shall never interfere with the independence of any church, or claim any ecclesiastical powers or rights of supervision over any of the churches.

Article VII. It shall be the object of these Associations to promote the union of the faith of the Gospel with our educational and mission interests.

Article VIII. These Associations shall meet annually on Wednesday at 10 o'clock a. m., after the third Sabbath in October, and continue three days, the meeting to be held at such places as may be agreed upon by the Association in its annual sitting.

Article IX. A majority of the members of any regular meeting shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business.

Article X. It will be expected that these meetings will be missionary in practice as well as in theory.

Article XI. New churches may be admitted into this Association who shall petition by letter and delegate or delegates, and on examination, if found orthodox and orderly, may be received and made known by the Moderator giving the right hand of fellowship to the delegate or delegates present.

Article XII. The Association may exclude from union any church or churches that are heterodox in principles or disorderly in practices.

Article XIII. The Association, at its sittings, may admit any other visiting brethren present to sit with them, who shall have liberty to discuss any question and give light, but not to vote, except on subjects of general union.

Article XIV. Any alteration may be made to this Constitution

at any regular annual meeting by a two-thirds vote of the members present.

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#### RULES OF DECORUM

1. The Association shall be opened and closed with prayer.
2. A Moderator and Clerk shall be chosen by the members present.
3. Only one person shall speak at a time, who shall arise and address the Moderator by the appellation of Brother Moderator, and shall, while speaking, confine himself to the subject under consideration, and shall not be interrupted unless he digress from the subject, and shall in no wise reflect on any other speaker so as to make remarks on his slips, failures or imperfections, but shall fairly state his views without sophistry or criticism.
4. No member shall absent himself from the Association without leave of the Moderator.
5. No member shall speak more than three times on the same subject without leave of the body.
6. Every motion and second shall come under the immediate consideration of the Association, unless withdrawn by the one who made it.
7. No member shall whisper, laugh or read any book or paper while the Association is in session.
8. No member shall address another by any other appellation than that of brother.
9. On the second day it shall be the duty of the Clerk to read the Rules of Decorum and call the roll of members.
10. The Moderator shall be entitled to the same privilege of speaking as any other member, provided the chair be filled, but shall have no vote unless the Association is equally divided.
11. Any person violating these rules, or at any time manifesting a spirit contrary to the Gospel shall be reprovved or such other course taken with him as the Moderator may think proper, either at his own option or the intimation of any other member.

## Financial Table

CHURCH	Meeting Day	Inc.—Baptism	By Letter	Restoration	Dec. By Letter	By Exclusion	By Death	Total Membership	Pastor's Salary	Missions	Orphans' Home	Home Expenses	Minute Fund	Church Property
Cedar Bluff							1	71	150 00	5 40	2 70	25 00	1 50	\$1000
Dixon Creek	2	4	3		20		4	406	210 00	26 24	24 00		2 00	3000
Fairview	1	9	1	1			1	80	80 00	11 55	5 00		1 25	
Good Will	4	8	4					151	150 00	13 90	7 75		3 00	600
Lafayette	3		4		7	10	4	200	200 00			74 00	1 30	
Long Creek	1	2	2					55	100 00	24 11		81 54	1 00	
Macedonia	2	3	3		3		2	63	70 00	8 55		29 00	2 00	400
Meadowville	3	5	2	1				193			16 00		1 50	
New Harmony	2		1		1	1	2	181	120 00				3 50	
New Zion	2	5	21		2		2	56	80 00	2 50			1 12	1000
Pleasant Grove	4		2					46		3 00	1 00		50	
Pleasant Hill	3	5	4		1		2	133	127 35	8 50	9 15		2 66	
Rock Bridge		7					1	86				11 17	2 40	600
Rocky Mound		1	4	2	1	1	2	94		7 50		16 00	1 50	500
Spring Creek	2		1		3		1	52		7 00			1 00	
Siloam	2	13	5		1	3	2	163		4 25			1 25	
Shady Grove	3							81						
Sulphur Fork								48		1 00			1 00	500

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## Church Directory

CHURCH	CHURCH CLERK AND POST OFFICE	PASTOR AND POST OFFICE
Cedar Bluff .....	Homer White, Lafayette, Tenn.....	G. W. Ramsey, Dixon Springs, Tenn..
Dixon Creek .....	Booker Williams, Dixon Springs.....	C. C. Ramsey, Dixon Springs.....
Fairview .....	J. D. Cook, Hartsville .....	Philip Dyer, Lafayette .....
Good Will .....	.....	A. J. Sloan, Lafayette .....
Lafayette .....	Ed Meador, Lafayette, Tenn.....	L. D. Robinson, Lafayette .....
Long Creek .....	G. W. Jenkins .....	.....
Macedonia .....	Roy K. Meador, Adolphus, Ky.....	J. L. Dorsey, Scottsville, Ky.....
Meadowville .....	J. F. Wright .....	L. A. Stewart, Holland, Ky.....
New Harmony .....	F. W. Gross, Hartsville, Tenn.....	A. J. Sloan, Lafayette .....
New Zion .....	A. H. Dillard, Lafayette.....	L. A. Stewart, Holland, Ky.....
Pleasant Grove .....	Chas. J. Simmons, Westmoreland....	J. L. Deweese .....
Pleasant Hill .....	O. H. Brooks, Fountain Head.....	A. J. Sloan, Lafayette .....
Rock Bridge .....	.....	A. J. Sloan, Lafayette .....
Rocky Mound .....	.....	A. G. Stinson, Lafayette .....
Spring Creek .....	T. W. Fishburn.....	L. A. Stewart, Holland, Ky.....
Siloam .....	T. C. Harrison .....	C. E. Ramsey, .....
Shady Grove .....	.....	.....
Sulphur Fork .....	.....	A. G. Stinson, Lafayette .....

N. B.—The letters from many Clerks were not signed, and some neglected to give Post Office.—Clerk.