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FIRST DAY
WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 18, 1929, 10 A. M.

The Wiseman Baptist Association met in its Thirty-Eighth Annual Session in the meeting house of Meadorville Baptist Church, at Meadorville, Tennessee, September 18, 1929, at 10 a. m.

The session was opened by singing "I Am Bound For the Promise Land." Prayer by J. W. Parkman, followed by song, "Amazing Grace," after which Elder L. A. Stewart read the 13th chapter of First Corinthians, and Elder I. N. Sloan lead the body in prayer, followed by song, "Nearer My God to Thee."

The hour having arrived for the annual sermon, and Elder A. J. Sloan, the appointee to preach the sermon, asked to be excused as he was sick and did not feel able to preach. On motion he was excused and Elder W. T. Taylor was chosen to preach the sermon. After singing "Saviour More Than Life to Me," Brother Taylor came to the stand and after some remarks chose for a text 2nd Timothy, 4:2, and preached a fine sermon to the delight of all present. At the close of the sermon the congregation pressed forward to give the preacher their hand in token of their endorsement of the sermon.

Immediately after the sermon the moderator appointed Brothers Calvin Gregory and J. W. Parkman as reading clerks.

The following churches responded by letter and messengers:
Bratton Town—R. G. Fuqua, L. B. Hughes, Henry Brooks.
Capital Hill—Letter, no messengers.
Cedar Bluff—Homer White, Joe Dearing, L. B. Lowson.
Fairview—Elder I. N. Sloan, Elder R. Thompson, J. W. Hammock.
Friendship—Elder L. J. Russell, John Gammons.

Good Will—Elder J. A. Linville, Dib McKenney.
 Haysville—T. L. Hughes, Elder W. M. McDonald, A. W. Wheeley.
 LaFayette—A. W. Jenkins, Sam Jenkins, Lester Butrum.
 Long Creek—Y. O. Johnson, W. S. Waldron.
 Macedonia—Elder W. T. Taylor.
 Maple Grove—W. W. Wheeler, John Bean.
 Maysville—Not Represented.
 Meadorville—Wilson Meador, C. F. Burrow, John McClard.
 Mt. Zion—Elder L. A. Stewart, R. W. Tracy, J. H. Downing.
 New Harmony—Elder A. J. Sloan, Elder N. C. Fuqua, E. F. Fuqua.
 New Zion—Chas. Green, W. R. Pedago, M. M. Bransford.
 Old Hopewell—G. L. Mince, J. H. Manning.
 Pleasant Grove—Walter Dorris.
 Pleasant Hill—Elder I. N. Knight, James Buck, Luther Kirkham.
 Red Hill—W. W. Gent.
 Rock Bridge—Franklin Dobbs, W. B. Crowder.
 Rocky Mound—J. W. McGuffee, H. O. Cliburn, T. B. Trammel.
 Siloam—Elder R. O. Sanders, Elder F. W. Lambert, S. G. Akin.
 Spring Creek—Not Represented.
 Sulphur Fork—Not Represented.
 Union Hill—T. Scruggs, James Tillman.
 Union—Noah Carter.

Permanent organization was effected by the election of the following officers to serve for the present session: Elder L. A. Stewart, of Holland, Ky., Moderator; Elder F. W. Lambert, of Westmoreland, Tenn., Vice Moderator; Elder A. J. Sloan, of LaFayette, Tenn., Clerk; Elder R. O. Sanders, of Westmoreland, Tenn., Assistant Clerk; and T. C. Harrison, of Westmoreland, Tenn., Treasurer.

At 12:30 o'clock the association adjourned to meet again in one hour. Closing prayer by Elder R. O. Sanders.

FIRST DAY AFTERNOON SESSION

The association reconvened at 1:30 p. m. Came together by singing, and prayer by W. M. McDonald.

Petitionary letters were called for. None presented.

Visiting brethren from other associations were invited to seats with us as follows: From Enon, Elder Calvin Gregory, Elder H. C. Oldham, J. W. Parkman, H. H. Oldham, W. W. Oldham, J. L. Hargis. From Bledsoe, J. B. Carter. From Robertson county, Alvin Jones. From Nashville, Dr. O. E. Bryan, Dr. W. J. Stewart.

REPORT ON NOMINATIONS

The report on nominations was read by A. J. Sloan as follows:

- Religious Literature—Elder R. O. Sanders, A. W. Jenkins, O. L. Hargis.
 Ministerial Education—Elder W. T. Taylor, Walter Dorris, T. C. Harrison.
 Fundamental Doctrines—Elder N. C. Fuqua, T. L. Hughes, A. W. Wheelley.
 Foreign Missions—Elder Calvin Gregory, W. K. Johnson, W. S. Waldron.
 Home Missions—Elder F. W. Lambert, J. M. Dearing, Homer White.
 State Missions—Elder I. N. Knight, Elder J. A. Linville, Noah Carter.
 District Missions—N. C. Fuqua, J. D. Cook, J. A. Linville.
 Old Ministers' Home—Elder H. C. Oldham, I. N. Sloan, G. L. Mince.
 Pastors' Support—W. K. Johnson, W. B. Crowder, N. G. Fuqua.
 Prohibition—Elder W. M. McDonald, Henry Dillard, J. H. Downing.
 Prayer Meetings—Elder R. Thompson, E. F. Fuqua, R. W. Tracy.
 State of Religion—Elder I. N. Sloan, W. R. Pedago, M. M. Bransford.
 Obituaries—Elder Calvin Gregory, J. H. Manning, H. H. Oldham.
 Finance—Luther Kirkham, J. A. Linville, Y. O. Johnson.
 Treasurer Report—T. C. Harrison.
 Resolutions—Elder A. Cook, F. W. Lambert, J. W. Parkman.
 Correspondence—B. N. Glover, J. H. McClard, Charlie Gregory.
 New Business.

After some remarks by A. J. Sloan, was adopted.

PLACE OF MEETING NEXT YEAR

Place of meeting next year was taken up at this point and after some discussion Haysville church, eight miles north of LaFayette, Tenn., on the LaFayette and Scottsville pike, was selected as meeting place next year.

Elder F. W. Lambert was selected to preach the next annual sermon, and Elder A. J. Sloan, alternate.

Elder N. C. Fuqua was selected to preach the doctrinal sermon on the morrow at 11 o'clock a. m.

REPORT ON RELIGIOUS LITERATURE

The report on Religious Literature was read by Elder R. O. Sanders as follows:

We Baptists have, and are offering in a feeble way, the most

valuable product in the world—the TRUTH. We have more truth than anybody else, and do less with it; and we might add, that we know less about the product we are offering and market than anyone else. The world is full of advertisements of rotten goods. The country is being flooded with literature of Christian Scientists, Mormans, and Russellites, and other trashy literature. The daily papers are full of crime news and suggestive stories. We are not informing ourselves, as we should, about the product of our remedy we are offering the sin sick world. If we will read the Bible more, take and read the Baptist and Commoner and the Forerunner, we will be better informed about the product we are offering and the condition of the market. We recommend the above publications and also all other sound Baptist books and papers.

Elder R. O. Sanders, A. W. Jenkins, Committee.

Discussed by W. K. Johnson, Elder I. N. Knight, J. W. Parkman, Calvin Gregory, and adopted.

At this point the messengers were assigned homes and the body adjourned to meet Thursday at 9 o'clock a. m. Prayer by L. W. Stewart.

SECOND DAY THURSDAY MORNING SESSION

The association convened at 9 a. m. The devotional service was conducted by the moderator. Elder Calvin Gregory prayed the opening prayer.

The minutes of the two sessions of the first day were read and adopted, after which the moderator declared the association ready for business.

On motion of A. J. Sloan, Dr. W. J. Stewart was appointed to write a report on the Baptist Orphan's Home at Nashville, Tenn.

FOREIGN MISSIONS

The report on Foreign Misisions was read by Elder Calvin Gregory as follows:

This is one of the most important causes among us as a people and yet it is one of the most neglected. It seems that but few of our people really believe in foreign missions, judging them by

their fruits. It is quite plain that foreign missions is taught in the New Testament. The Saviour commanded the preaching of the gospel among all nations: Matt. 28:19. This would include our own nation and all others. All the other nations are rightly considered foreign nations. If the gospel is sent to them it would be foreign missions. It is sometimes argued that the heathen will be saved without the gospel. If that were true, then the whole world could have been saved by leaving off the gospel altogether. If the heathen can be saved without the gospel, then our people here at home would be better off by far if they were heathen; for many to whom the gospel has been preached have not repented of their sins.

Christ died for all: Heb. 2:9. God loved all: John 3:16. All are lost alike: Rom. 3:9. All are commanded alike to repent: Acts 17:30. Then why should we as a people make a distinction, preaching the gospel at home only and leave the lost multitudes of heathenism to perish forever? Is such God's will? Surely not; for He wills not the death of any: 2 Peter 3:9. Who is to blame? God is not, for He has made the plan. Christ is not, for He has died for all. The Holy Spirit is not, for He is to reprove the whole world. Lost men die in their sins from one or two causes, either because they never had the gospel preached to them, or else refused to heed the gospel as delivered to them. If they die without hearing the gospel, then the churches of Christ are at fault, for they are to carry the gospel to all nations. This is exactly our condition today. Millions are dying without God, not because they refuse to believe, but for the reason that they cannot call on Him in whom they have not believed, and they cannot believe in Him of whom they have not heard, and they cannot hear without a preacher, and the preacher must be sent, and the churches must send him. God has done His part, Christ has met His obligations, the Holy Spirit has come to reprove the world, but the sad fact remains that we are failing miserably in our duty to those who are in sin in lands where the gospel is proclaimed to perishing millions.

God gave the best He had for us, Christ gave all He had for us, and does it appear unreasonable that God should require something on our part? Let us rally to foreign missions and give liberally to this great cause. Churches that refuse to send the gospel seldom live long as local congregations. God does not bestow His blessings in their fullness when we are wholly undeserving of them. Let us all say with Isaiah: "Here am I; send me": Isaiah 6:8.

We have a number of consecrated and worthy missionaries in

China who are in need of our help. Let us rally to their support by praying for them, and by contributing regularly to their support. Brethren of the churches, do not wait and wait until your pastor has to take the entire responsibility upon himself to put this matter before his people. Contribute regularly to missions and train up the younger members in this way and lasting good will be accomplished. Let us hear the call of God to send the gospel unto the uttermost part of the earth.

Calvin Gregory, W. K. Johnson, W. S. Waldron, Committee.

After being discussed by Calvin Gregory, R. O. Sanders, A. Cook, I. N. Knight, J. W. Parkman, A. J. Sloan, adopted.

FUNDAMENTAL DOCTRINES

The report on Fundamental Doctrines was read by N. C. Fuqua, as follows:

We, your committee on Fundamental Doctrines, submit the following report:

We submit the articles of faith that are found in the minutes of this association. And we would recommend that we earnestly contend for the same.

Elder N. C. Fuqua, T. L. Hughes, Committee.

Discussed by A. Cook and adopted.

MINISTERIAL EDUCATION

The report on Ministerial Education was read by Walter Dorris, as follows:

We, your committee on Ministerial Education, submit the following report:

We wish to urge that every divinely called minister of the gospel feel the great responsibility that rests upon him in teaching the scriptures to the world, and may he use every means at his command to better educate himself in the things pertaining to the Bible. The Bible is only given to us in written language, so every minister is much more able to study it more intelligently if he has a good education.

We therefore recommend that every minister prepare himself to rightly divide the word of truth by using every educational advantage that his intelligence tells him would help in this, the greatest of all callings.

Walter Dorris, T. C. Harrison, Committee.

Discussed by A. Cook, and adopted.

STATE OF RELIGION

The report on the State of Religion was read by Elder I. N. Sloan, as follows:

We, your committee on the State of Religion, beg leave to make the following report:

Our gain during the past year has not been what it ought to have been. Some of the churches report a nice gain. This ought to encourage us as to cause us to give thanks to God. We trust that these additions may ever remain true Land-Mark Baptist. We hope that they may heed the admonition of Jude to contend for the faith once delivered to the Saints. Let us awake to the cause of God.

Elder I. N. Sloan, W. R. Pedago, Committee.

Discussed by Elder I. N. Sloan, M. M. Bransford, W. S. Waldron, and adopted.

The hour having arrived for the doctrinal sermon the regular order of business was suspended and the moderator presented Elder N. C. Fuqua, to preach the sermon. After some remarks by Brother Fuqua, he chose for a text Matt. 16:18, and preached a strong sermon on the church, which was enjoyed by all present.

Adjourned one hour for dinner. Prayer by Dr. W. J. Stewart.

SECOND DAY, AFTERNOON SESSION

Came together by singing and prayer by Dr. O. E. Bryan.

OLD MINISTERS' HOME

The report on Old Ministers' Home was read by Elder H. C. Oldham, as follows:

We, your committee, beg leave to submit the following report:

We have a home near Camden, Tenn., with good buildings and a good farm with Elder J. R. Paschal, a good man and a preacher, in charge of the same. This home is for old ministers and their wives and orphan children. We now have one old minister and six children in the home. The home is open for applicants for admission. Every loyal Baptist ought to help in the support of this home. The churches ought to take regular collections for this worthy institution. We feel that our deacons should take this cause to heart and advocate it to the people. Send your contributions for this home to Elder J. R. Paschal, Camden, Tenn., or Elder C. B. Massey, Pleasant Shade, Tenn.

BAPTIST ORPHANS' HOME

Dr. W. J. Stewart read the following report on the Baptist Orphans' Home:

The orphanage work during the year, as viewed by the management, has been as thorough as our limited funds permitted. Under the blessings of God and through the interest of friends of the institution we have made some progress during the year.

There are at present in the institution 203 children and many others are asking to come in just now. Nineteen children have come in during the year and 26 have gone out. There has been one death this year. Some recently left the home, having graduated from our school.

We have a school including ten grades. We ought to have a full high school so that our boys and girls could go out from the institution better equipped and thereby enable them to get much better positions.

The religious environment is of such a character and influence that the boys and girls become Christians while they are young, uniting with the church which holds its meetings in the chapel of the orphanage. Rev. R. E. Grimsley is pastor and is rendering good service.

Our farm is being cultivated to the best advantage. This affords splendid training for the boys.

The special offering last October, which was taken instead of the regular Christmas offering to the orphanage, brought only about two-thirds of the amount we asked for. Our work is greatly handicapped because of the lack of money to answer the many calls of needy orphan children.

The building that was destroyed by fire September 6th, 1929, will be rebuilt at an early date. We desire your prayers and support in our great work.

W. J. Stewart, Committee.

Both the above reports were ably discussed by H. C. Oldham, W. J. Stewart, O. E. Bryan, I. N. Sloan, I. N. Knight, A. J. Sloan, and adopted.

STATE MISSIONS

The report on state missions was read by Elder I. N. Knight, as follows:

We, your committee on State Missions, submit the following:
State Mission is properly work done in the bounds of our own state and as there are many destitutions in our state we would

insist that this association make a greater and stronger effort to advance our Lord's cause in the destitutions of Tennessee.

Elders I. N. Knight, J. A. Linville, Committee.

Discussed by I. N. Knight, O. E. Bryan, and adopted.

PASTORS' SUPPORT

The report on Pastors' Support was read by W. K. Johnson, as follows:

We, your committee on Pastors' Support, make the following report:

Our pastors are poorly supported and we urge our churches to see that they get better support so they can have more time to study to prepare themselves for their great calling.

Discussed by W. K. Johnson, A. J. Sloan, J. W. Parkman, J. W. Hammock, R. O. Sanders, L. A. Stewart, N. C. Fuqua.

At this point the association adjourned to meet on the morrow at 9 a. m. Prayer by H. C. Oldham.

THIRD DAY FRIDAY MORNING SESSION

Came together by singing and prayer by Elder A. Cook.

After some remarks by the moderator he declared the body ready for business.

The discussion on Pastors' Support was continued by Henry Brooks, Y. O. Johnson, A. Cook, H. C. Oldham, Calvin Gregory, I. N. Knight, and others, and adopted.

HOME MISSIONS

The report on Home Missions was read by A. J. Sloan, as follows:

We, your committee on Home Missions, beg leave to submit the following report:

Home Missions is one of our greatest works. There is much home mission work that needs to be done in the bounds of Wiseman and Enon Associations. This work should have our support, and a good man should be selected by the churches of these two associations as our home missionary. There are many destitute places in our bounds that need the gospel, and Baptists have the pure gospel, and it should be preached to all men everywhere. Brethren,

let's wake up and at least give the gospel to the lost in our home land.

Elder F. W. Lambert, Homer White, Committee.

Discussed by Calvin Gregory, H. C. Oldham, A. Cook, G. L. Mince, and others, and adopted.

DISTRICT MISSIONS

The report on District Missions was read by N. C. Fuqua, as follows:

We, your committee on District Missions, beg leave to submit the following report:

We had a missionary on the field, Bro. A. J. Sloan, for one fourth time and on the account of the churches not sending in any district mission money we had to give up this work. We feel like this is a cause that needs our support, and as Baptists of Wiseman Association we should wake up on this line of work and support a missionary in the bounds of this association.

Elder N. C. Fuqua, Elder J. A. Linville, J. D. Cook, Committee.

Discussed by N. C. Fuqua, Henry Brooks, Dalton Stanley, and others, and adopted.

PROHIBITION

The report on Prohibition was read by Elder W. M. McDonald, as follows:

We, your committee on Prohibition, submit the following report:

We are glad that the prohibition law has made conditions much better than it was in former days, but there is room for us to keep fighting. So we recommend that our churches aid in the execution of the prohibition law in this state, and that each church make sure that its members do not deal in whisky in any way. We feel that our members should use the ballot to defeat every candidate of the whisky crowd. Then when we have elected good officers, let us give them our support in enforcing the prohibition law.

Elder W. M. McDonald, S. H. Dillard, J. H. Doning, Committee.

Discussed by W. M. McDonald, J. W. Parkman, A. Cook, I. N. Knight, and adopted.

Adjourned one hour for dinner. Prayer by I. N. Knight.

THIRD DAY, AFTERNOON SESSION

Came together by singing "The Little Family," by G. L. Mince. Prayer by Elder J. A. Linville.

PRAYER MEETINGS

The report on Prayer Meetings was read by A. J. Sloan, as follows:

Men of power of all ages have been men of prayer. Jacob prayed and met his brother, Esau, in peace. Hanna prayed and God gave her a man child. David prayed and the joy of salvation was restored to him. Daniel prayed and slept all night in a den of lions. Christ prayed all night just before He organized His church. He prayed in the garden and on the cross. He prayed for all the saints that they might be with Him in glory. The church at Jerusalem prayed and Pentecost followed. The church prayed for Peter when he was in prison and he was delivered from the prison. Paul and Silas prayed and were delivered from the prison and the keeper of the prison and his house were all saved. We are commanded to pray, and taught how to pray. We, therefore, recommend a prayer meeting in every church, and that we, as individuals, pray more for the salvation of the lost and the spread of the gospel among all nations.

A. J. Sloan, Committee.

After being ably discussed by H. C. Oldham, G. L. Mince, James Buck, adopted.

OBITUARIES

The report on Obituaries was read by Calvin Gregory, as follows:

We learn with sadness and grief that 32 brethren and sisters who were with us a year ago have gone from the shores of time to eternity. It seems such a short time since they were with us here below, but now they have gone and they will come into our homes, our churches, our family circles, our lives and our very heart no more while we sojourn as strangers here below. They grew weary and tired and a merciful God who knows all our burdens took them away from this evil world to a place where they might find the rest denied to them in their earthly homes. They have climbed the last hill between time and eternity and their journey is ended. Life's fitful storms come to them no more and they slumber sweetly in their graves while their souls have gone to be with Jesus.

Many of these were leaders in our churches, loving the cause

of God unselfishly and giving to God their humble labors as His faithful followers. 'Tis hard to give them up when it seems that we need the best so much. Their places around the fireside are vacant now, and the family circles have been rudely broken, and we look for them in the churches but their places are empty now, for God's weary workmen have laid down the things of this life and the burden to us who still live is the greater. 'Tis hard to give them up, but is best. It would not be right for us to want them to labor and toil and sorrow and grieve through countless years. But our loss is so heavy and our grief is unutterable, but God knows it all and His great loving heart is moved with a sense of our needs. We know He will help us, we know He will care for us, and we know He will at last carry us all home to a better and a fairer land.

Let us not grow weary in well doing, but let us strive to take up the work laid down by our sainted dead and carry it on to a glorious finish. Let us try to walk in all good examples and at last may we all hear the Lord say, "Well done, thou good and faithful servant, thou has been faithful over a few things, enter thou into the joy of thy Lord."

Calvin Gregory, J. H. Manning, Herbie Oldham, Committee.

After some very touching remarks by Calvin Gregory, adopted.

FINANCE

The report on Finance was read by Y. O. Johnson, as follows:
We have collected for printing minutes, \$58.60.

Y. O. Johnson, J. A. Linville, Luther Kirkham, Committee.
Adopted.

REPORT OF TREASURER

The following sum for the various causes has been paid into my hands during the sitting of this association:

Foreign Missions	\$23.25
Home Missions	12.29
District Missions	13.00
Old Ministers Home	58.64
Nashville Orphans' Home	6.00
Total	<u>\$113.18</u>

T. C. Harrison, Treasurer.

Adopted.

RESOLUTIONS

The report on Resolutions was read by Alfered Cook, as follows:

Whereas, the Wiseman Baptist Association, having had a very harmonious, as well as enjoyable, session with Meadorville church, therefore, be it resolved:

1. That we extend to Meadorville church and community our sincere thanks for their hospitality, at the church, on the grounds and in their homes.
2. That we extend our thanks to the moderator and clerk for their efficient services during sitting of this association.
3. That we, as a people, make a strong fight in every way that we can against the many evils of the day.

Alfered Cook, J. W. Parkman, F. W. Lambert, Committee.

CORRESPONDENCE

The report on Correspondence was read by Calvin Gregory, as follows:

We are glad to have so many of our brethren from other associations to meet with us, and extend a hand of welcome to all aiding us in the work of the Master.

After some remarks by Calvin Gregory, adopted.

NEW BUSINESS

On motion of A. J. Sloan, the former action of this association forcing the churches entertaining the association to furnish a public dinner be revoked and that it be left with the church entertaining the association as to whether they furnish a public dinner or not.

On motion it was ordered that no messenger's name hereafter appear in the minutes who left the association before the close without leave of the moderator, and the moderator shall release no one except in case of sickness or death.

The association adjourned to meet with Haysville church, 8 miles north of LaFayette, Tennessee, Wednesday after the third Sunday in September, 1930, at 10 o'clock a. m.

Thus closed a beautiful and harmonious session of the association.

Elder L. A. Stewart, Moderator, Holland, Kentucky,
 Elder A. J. Sloan, Clerk, LaFayette, Tennessee,
 T. C. Harrison, Treasurer, Westmoreland, Tennessee.

RULES OF DECORUM

1. The Association shall be opened and closed with prayer.
2. A Moderator and Clerks 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 Bro. 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, failings, 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. The chairman on each subject shall have an opening speech of ten minutes and two other speeches of five minutes each. All other speakers shall be limited to three speeches of five minutes each.
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 the same privilege of speaking as any other member, provided the chair be filled; but shall have no vote unless the Association be equally divided.
11. Any person violating these rules, or at any time manifesting a spirit contrary to the Gospel, shall be reprov'd, or such other course be taken with him as the Moderator may think proper, either at his option or the intimation of any other member.

CONSTITUTION

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

Article II. These Associations 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 as officers, 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 power 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 September, and continue three days, the meeting to be held at such places as may be agreed upon by the Association at 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 is expected that these meetings will be missionary in practice as well as theory.

Article XI. New churches may be admitted into this Association, who shall petition by letter and messengers, 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 messenger or messengers present.

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

Article XIII. No proceedings shall be had against any church except upon charges preferred by a sister church, which shall first have followed the direction of Matthew 18:15, in attempting to bring it to repentance.

Article XIV. 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 their lights, but not to vote except on subjects of general union.

Article XV. Any alteration may be made to this Constitution at any regular meeting, by a majority vote of the members present.

ABSTRACTS OF PRINCIPLES OF WISEMAN ASSOCIATION
OF BAPTISTS

We, the Missionary Baptists of Christ, being regularly baptized upon the profession of our faith in Christ, are convinced of the necessity of a combination of the churches in order to maintain the general union and communion among ourselves; and being convinced that there can be no communion without union, we think it our duty to set forth in a concise manner the grounds upon which we propose to maintain this union.

1. We believe in one true and living God, the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit.
2. We believe that the Scriptures of the Old and New Testaments are the word of God, and that they are the only rule of faith.
3. We believe in the doctrine of election, according to the foreknowledge of God, through sanctification of the Spirit unto obedience and sprinkling of the blood of Jesus Christ.
4. We believe in the doctrine of original sin and in man's impotency to recover himself from the fallen state he is in by nature by his own free will and ability.
5. We believe that sinners are justified in the sight of God by the imputed righteousness of Jesus Christ.
6. We believe in the final preservation of the saints, that they will never finally fall away and be lost, and that good works are fruits of faith and follow after justification.
7. We believe that baptism and the Lord's Supper are ordinances of Christ, and that they were given to the church by Him; and that true believers are the only proper subjects for baptism, and that baptism is an immersion, and that orderly members of the churches of Christ, only, have a right to the Lord's Supper.
8. We believe that no minister has a right to administer the ordinance except such as are regularly baptized and come under the hands of the Presbytery.
9. We believe in the resurrection of the dead and a general judgement, and that the joys of the righteous and the punishment of the wicked will be eternal.

MINISTERIAL DIRECTORY

Elder G. R. Grissom	Hartsville, Tennessee
Elder C. N. Simmons	Westmoreland, Tennessee
Elder R. Y. Hawkins	Westmoreland, Tennessee
Elder B. T. Matthews	Hartsville, Tennessee
Elder I. N. Sloan	Westmoreland, Tennessee
Elder J. A. Carter	Adolphus, Kentucky
Elder W. T. Taylor	Adolphus, Kentucky
Elder L. A. Stewart	Holland, Kentucky
Elder W. M. Mahaney	Holland, Kentucky
Elder R. O. Sanders	Westmoreland, Tennessee
Elder W. J. Summar	Gallatin, Tennessee
Elder N. C. Fuqua	LaFayette, Tennessee
Elder A. J. Sloan	LaFayette, Tennessee
Elder W. M. Norman	LaFayette, Tennessee
Elder G. A. Gregory	Bethpage, Tennessee
Elder L. J. Russell	LaFayette, Tennessee
Elder J. A. Linville	Hartsville, Tennessee
Elder A. W. Kenn	Scottsville, Kentucky
Elder I. N. Knight	Fountain Head, Tennessee
Elder J. F. Overton	Westmoreland, Tennessee
Elder Lynn Meador	Adolphus, Kentucky
Elder A. Cook	Scottsville, Kentucky
Elder J. Y. Freeman, M. D.	LaFayette, Tennessee
Elder W. H. Farley	Scottsville, Kentucky
Elder R. Thompson	Westmoreland, Tennessee
Elder F. W. Lambert	Westmoreland, Tennessee
Elder W. M. McDonald	LaFayette, Tennessee
Elder J. D. Mungel	Hartsville, Tennessee

LICENSED MINISTERS

Lewis Mince, Bethpage, Tennessee.
 Frank Crowder, Gallatin, Tennessee.
 M. M. Bransford, LaFayette, Tennessee.
 W. R. Pedago, LaFayette, Tennessee.

STANDING COMMITTEE

Elder N. C. Fuqua, LaFayette, Tennessee.
 Elder J. A. Linville, Hartsville, Tennessee.
 Deacon J. D. Cook, Hartsville, Tennessee.

HOW AND WHERE TO SEND MISSION MONEY

Money for Foreign, Home and State Missions should be sent to Elder C. B. Massey, Pleasant Shade, Tennessee.

Money for District Missions should be sent to J. D. Cook, Hartsville, Tennessee.

Money for Old Ministers' Home should be sent to J. R. Paschal, Camden, Tennessee.

Money for the Nashville Baptist Orphans' Home should be sent to W. J. Stewart, Nashville, Tennessee.

Our Dead

This page is dedicated to the memory of our comrades who have answered the last roll call since September, 1928

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- Capital Hill—Ellen Tinsley, Jan. 25, 1929
T. B. Thomas Sept. 2, 1929
- Fairview—Minnie Hammock, Nov. 2, 1928
- Friendship—Mrs. Mary Dillard, Dec. 7, 1928
Bettie Shrum, June 2, 1929
- Old Hopewell—Ollie Wauford, Feb. 16, 1929
- LaFayette—Kathleen Cornwell, Oct. 3, 1928
Julia Beckner, date not given
- Long Creek—Melvina Howser, Oct. 3, 1928
Mary T. Jenkins, Oct. 22, 1928
Vada Doss, Jan. 9, 1929
Deacon O. D. White, March 20, 1929
Deacon T. W. Fishburn, April 21, 1929
A. T. Cliburn, June 23, 1929
- Meadorville—Annie Mai Presley, July 15, 1929
Prentice Meador, May 13, 1929
- Mt. Zion—Mrs. Theresa Stinson, date not given
- New Harmony—Bettie Jones, Nov. 30, 1928
Martha Norman, Feb. 10, 1929
Gus Shrum, March 4, 1929
- New Zion—O. R. Dallas, Jan. 16, 1929
- Pleasant Grove—J. W. Creasy, July 4, 1929
- Rocky Mound—Mary Bradley, date not given
- Siloam—Susan Bentle, Nov. 19, 1928
Asbury Harrison, Jan. 8, 1929
- Pauline Settles, May 4, 1929
- Union—G. A. Wheeler, Oct. 12, 1928
Jessie F. Marrow, Jan. 12, 1929
M. E. Bybee, March 17, 1929
Beulah Miniard, Jan. 22, 1929
M. A. Gillenwaters, June 11, 1929

STATISTICAL TABLE

CHURCHES	INCREASE			DECREASE			Total Membership
	By Baptism	By Letter	By Restoration	By Letter	By Exclusion	By Death	
Bratton Town	9	4					82
Capital Hill	7			2		2	52
Cedar Bluff					1	1	109
Fairview	13		1		1	1	96
Friendship		2			1	2	50
Good Will	6		1	1	2	1	156
Haysville		2					67
LaFayette						2	79
Long Creek	3	1		1		6	131
Macedonia							92
Maple Grove		1			1		71
Meadorville	22	1		1		1	318
Mt. Zion	22					1	227
New Harmony						3	192
New Zion	8	2		4	1	1	215
Old Hopewell	11	2		1	1	1	123
Pleasant Grove	1	1	1	5		1	57
Pleasant Hill	11	2					140
Red Hill	9			1			72
Rock Bridge	2			1	1		89
Rocky Mound				1		1	120
Siloam					1	3	200
Spring Creek							75
Sulphur Fork							50
Union Hill	4						60
Union	6			5		5	249
Totals	134	18	3	23	10	32	3141

FINANCIAL TABLE

CHURCHES	Pastor's Salary	Missions	Old Minister's Home	Orphan's Home	Help in Meetings	All Other Objects	Printing Minutes	Total Contributions	Value of Church Property	
Bratton Town	119.89		4.69	8.35	49.10	200.00	2.75	385.28	1,000.00	
Capital Hill			3.00				1.60	4.60	800.00	
Cedar Bluff	96.00				23.50		2.50	122.00	1,000.00	
Fairview	140.00		5.00		35.75		6.00	3.00	189.85	500.00
Friendship	51.95						1.50	53.45	1,200.00	
Good Will	73.00		36.70				2.70	112.40	1,500.00	
Haysville	152.60	17.00		18.00		40.00	2.25	229.85	2,000.00	
LaFayette	232.00	3.00		10.00	54.00	1,725.00	2.50	326.50	4,500.00	
Long Creek	171.35	5.54	17.75		27.60	15.00	3.10	245.18	1,000.00	
Macedonia		6.25					1.50	7.75	600.00	
Maple Grove	128.45		8.25			40.00	1.50	178.20	800.00	
Maysville										
Meadorville	321.00					121.50	2.00	447.67	1,000.00	
Mt. Zion	168.00	54.68	6.00		35.00		2.10	265.78	1,000.00	
New Harmony	233.00	8.50	8.45			15.25	3.00	268.20	1,500.00	
New Zion	122.35		3.00		15.90		20.30	1.00	163.00	1,500.00
Old Hopewell	175.00				22.00	250.00	3.15	450.05	2,500.00	
Pleasant Grove	52.95				13.75		1.50	68.20	1,000.00	
Pleasant Hill	138.50		2.54		54.75		3.00	198.79	1,000.00	
Red Hill	118.70				40.00	65.00	1.00	224.70	1,200.00	
Rock Bridge	75.65					8.23	3.05	86.58	1,000.00	
Rocky Mound	80.60	3.00	5.00		13.00	15.00	2.00	119.60	500.00	
Siloam	134.40				44.15	44.66	3.00	226.21	600.00	
Spring Creek									600.00	
Sulphur Fork									500.00	
Union Hill	100.00	24.26			28.00	65.25	2.00	219.51	1,000.00	
Union	260.40	15.75			61.00	75.00	2.00	404.40	2,000.00	

CHURCH DIRECTORY

CHURCHES And When Constituted	PASTORS And Postoffices	CLERKS And Postoffices
Bratton Town.....1925	N. C. Fuqua.....LaFayette, Tenn.	L. B. Hughes.....LaFayette, Tenn.
Capital Hill.....1852	W. H. Farley.....Scottsville, Ky.	H. G. Fisher.....Fountain Run, Ky.
Cedar Bluff.....1887	H. C. Oldham..Pleasant Shade, Tenn.	Homer White.....LaFayette, Tenn.
Fairview.....1875	R. O. Sanders...Westmoreland, Tenn.	Oscar Shrumm....Hartsville, Tenn.
Friendship.....1919	L. J. Russell.....LaFayette, Tenn.	— Eskell.....LaFayette, Tenn.
Good Will.....1899	Calvin Gregory,Pleasant Shade,Tenn.	G. G. Taylor.....Hartsville, Tenn.
Haysville.....1925	L. A. Stewart.....Holland, Ky.	T. L. Hughes.....LaFayette, Tenn.
LaFayette.....1849	L. A. Stewart.....Holland, Ky.	E. W. Meador.....LaFayette, Tenn.
Long Creek.....1853	C. B. Massey..Pleasant Shade, Tenn.	W. O. Johnson..Westmoreland, Tenn.
Macedonia.....1873	W. T. Taylor.....Adolphus, Ky.	R. K. Meador.....Adolphus, Ky.
Maple Grove.....1904	L. A. Stewart.....Holland, Ky.	J. M. Dossey.....Fountain Run, Ky.
Maysville.....1922	W. T. Taylor.....Adolphus, Ky.	E. L. Taylor.....Scottsville, Ky.
Meadorville.....1869	Calvin Gregory,Pleasant Shade,Tenn.	B. N. Glover.....LaFayette, Tenn.
Mt. Zion.....1888	L. A. Stewart.....Holland, Ky.	J. H. Downing.....Holland, Ky.
New Harmony.....1848	Calvin Gregory,Pleasant Shade,Tenn.	E. F. Fuqua.....Hartsville, Tenn.
New Zion.....1910	H. C. Oldham..Pleasant Shade, Tenn.	G. M. Bransford...LaFayette, Tenn.
Old Hopewell.....1921	A. J. Sloan.....LaFayette, Tenn.	J. H. Manning,Castalian Spr'gs, Tenn.
Pleasant Grove.....1881	W. T. Taylor.....Adolphus, Ky.	C. J. Simmons..Westmoreland, Tenn.
Pleasant Hill.....1876	A. J. Sloan.....LaFayette, Tenn.	W. A. Wells.....Bethpage, Tenn.
Red Hill.....1925	R. O. Sanders...Westmoreland, Tenn.	W. W. Gent.....Holland, Ky.
Rock Bridge.....1883	W. W. Bowman....Hartsville, Tenn.	E. C. Sherron...Bethpage, Tenn.
Rocky Mound.....1878	N. C. Fuqua.....LaFayette, Tenn.	E. P. Meador..Westmoreland, Tenn.
Siloam.....1842	R. O. Sanders..Westmoreland, Tenn.	H. H. Harrison..Westmoreland, Tenn.
Spring Creek.....1849	No report	
Sulphur Fork.....	No report	
Union Hill.....1919	A. J. Sloan.....LaFayette, Tenn.	John Gammons.....Gallatin, Tenn.
Union.....1858	L. A. Stewart.....Holland, Ky.	H. C. Simmons....Fountain Run, Ky.

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