The Wiseman Baptist Association

TENNESSEE

Forty-Fourth Annual Session October 23, 24, 25, 1935

HELD WITH

Good Will Baptist Church

THREE MILES NORTHWEST OF DIXON SPRINGS, TENNESSEE

Next Session will be held with Spring Creek Baptist Church, five miles north of Lafayette, Tenn., beginning Wednesday after the third Sunday in October, 1936, at 10 o'clock a. m.

OFFICERS

ELD. N. C. FUQUA, Moderator Lafayette, Tenn. ELD. A. J. SLOAN, Clerk Lafayette, Tenn. T. C. HARRISON, Treasurer Westmoreland, Tenn.

Introductory Sermon By ELDER W. T. TAYLOR

PROCEEDINGS

of the

FORTH-FOURTH ANNUAL SESSION

of the

Wiseman Baptist Association

Held With

GOOD WILL BAPTIST CHURCH

Three Miles Northwest of Dixon Springs, Tenn.

FIRST DAY

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 23, 1935

The Wiseman Baptist Association met in its forty-fourth annual session with the church at Good Will, near Dixon Springs, Tennessee, at ten o'clock on this date. Services were opened with singing "Amazing Grace" and "Pass Me Not." After remarks by the Moderator, Elder N. C. Fuqua, prayer was offered by Elder H. A. Russell, following with singing "How Firm a Foundation." The Moderator read as a lesson the 91st Psalm. Prayer was offered by Elder R. O. Sanders, followed with singing "Glory to His Name."

The Moderator then presented Elder F. W. Lambert, the appointee of last year, to preach the Introductory Sermon. After reading the 116th Psalm, Elder Lambert chose for a text Jer. 6:16 and preached a fine sermon, his theme being the "Old Time Way". At the close of the discourse, the congregation pressed forward to give the speaker their hands in token of endorsement of the sermon while "I Feel Like Traveling On" and "I Want to Love Him More" were sung amid shouts of joy.

The letters from the various churches were called for and the Moderator appointed Elders J. E. McDonald and Calvin Gregory as Reading Clerks. The following churches and their messengers were enrolled:

BRATTONTOWN-E. M. McDonald.

BUFFALO SPRINGS—I. N. Sloan, W. V. Thompson, J. W. Fleming.

CAPITOL HILL-Not represented.

CEDAR BLUFF—Bud Andrews, John White, Allen

FAIRVIEW-Western Ford, Oakley Cook, R. Thompson. FRIENDSHIP-L. J. Russell, Charlie Green. GOOD WILL-James Dyer, J. A. Linville, B. T. Matthews.

HAYSVILLE-A. W. Lawrence, O. H. Gregory. LAFAYETTE-A. W. Jenkins, E. W. Meador. LONG CREEK-N. C. Fuqua, Y. O. Johnson, W. O. Johnson.

MACEDONIA-W. M. Gregory, Carnie Carter MAPLE GROVE-Letter, but no messengers. MAYSVILLE—Not represented. MEADORVILLE-J. W. Cothron, J. B. Cothron. MT. ZION-L. A. Stewart, R. W. Tracy, Melvin Parrish. NEW HARMONY-A. J. Sloan, E. F. Fuqua, E. A. Jones. NEW ZION-W. R. Pedigo. OLD HOPEWELL-R. W. Fuller, Burton Cox. PLEASANT GROVE—Billie Hawkins, Walter Dorris. PLEASANT HILL-W. W. Bowman, Albert Whitson. RED HILL-Letter, but no messengers. ROCK BRIDGE-Virgil Sloan, Edgar Brown. ROCKY MOUND-H. O. Cliburn, Leonard Rich, Doug-

SILOAM-F. W. Lambert, R. O. Sanders, T. C. Harrison. SPRING CREEK-G. L. Hughes. SULPHUR FORK-Not represented.

UNION-W. T. Russell.

UNION HILL-James Tillman, James Tillman, Jr.

Permanent organization was effected by electing Elder N. C. Fuqua, Moderator; Elder R. O. Sanders, Assistant Moderator; Elder A. J. Sloan, Clerk; Elder F. W. Lambert, Assistant Clerk; and Brother T. C. Harrison, Treasurer.

Moved to adjourn one hour for dinner. Dismissed with prayer by Elder L. A. Stewart.

WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON

After a fine dinner, the Association assembled with singing. Prayer was offered by Elder W. T. Taylor. Petitionary Letters were called for and none was offered. The report on Nominations was read by the Clerk as follows:

NOMINATIONS

1. RELIGIOUS LITERATURE—Lester R. Noles, A. W. Jenkins, E. W. Meador.

2. BAPTIST HOMES-J. Robert Paschal, T. C. Harri son, J. W. Hammock.

- 3. MISSIONS—Calvin Gregory, J. A. Linville, B. T. Matthews.
- 4. PASTORS' SUPPORT—R. O. Sanders, Oakley Cook, Y. O. Johnson.
- 5. MINISTERIAL EDUCATION—H. A. Russell, William Russell, E. A. Jones.
- 6. SUNDAY SCHOOLS—W. T. Taylor, Leonard Rich, Oscar Cliburn.
- 7. PRAYER MEETINGS-R. Thompson, R. W. Tracy, Melvin Parrish.
- 8. STATE OF RELIGION—L. A. Stewart, V. C. Harris, J. W. Fleming.
- 9. DISTRICT MISSIONS—N. C. Fuqua, J. A. Linville,
- J. D. Cook.
 10. PROHIBITION.—J. E. McDonald, W. H. Thompson,
 E. C. Butler.
- 11. OBITUARIES—F. W. Lambert, L. J. Russell, G. W. Jenkins.
 - 12. TREASURER'S REPORT.
- 13. CORRESPONDENCE—G. L. Hughes, W. R. Pedigo, C. F. Green.
- 14. RESOLUTIONS—W. W. Bowman, W. O. Johnson, Virgil Sloan.

The report was adopted without discussion.

The following visitors from their respective Associations were recognized and invited to seats with us:

ENON ASSOCIATION—Elder Calvin Gregory, Elder J. E. McDonald, Elder E. C. Butler, Elder G. W. Jenkins, R. W. Donoho, H. B. Donoho, W. W. Jenkins, O. D. Gregory, Sam Wilburn, W. W. Oldham, J. J. Gregory, W. B. Cothron, J. B. Gregory, R. M. Campbell, Billie Gregory, E. C. Gregory.

BLEDSOE ASSOCIATION—Elder Henry A. Russell. WILSON COUNTY ASSOCIATION—Dr. J. L. Ames, R.

SOUTHWESTERN DISTRICT ASSOCIATION—Elder Lester R. Noles.

KENTUCKY-TENNESSEE ASSOCIATION—Elder J. Robt. Paschal.

NASHVILLE ASSOCIATION-J. O. Brooks.

PLACE OF MEETING

The selection of our next meeting place and the preachers of the Introductory and Doctrinal Sermons was taken up. Spring Creek church, five miles north of Lafayette, Tennessee, was chosen as the next meeting place; and Elder W. T.

Taylor was chosen to deliver the next Introductory Sermon, with Elder R. O. Sanders, alternate. Elder A. J. Sloan was selected to deliver the next Doctrinal Sermon, with Elder N. C. Fuqua, alternate.

Elder R. Thompson, District Missionary of the Association, made the following report:

MISSIONARY REPORT

Miles traveled in the work, 150; sermons preached, 31; conversions, one; received from Mission Committee of Association, \$40.00; on the field, \$6.85. Total contributions, \$46.85. Respectfully submitted,

R. THOMPSON, Missionary.

The report was adopted after discussion by R. Thompson, A. J. Sloan, L. A. Stewart and J. O. Brooks.

The report on Religious Literature was read by Elder Lester R. Noles as follows:

RELIGIOUS LITERATURE

We, your committee appointed to recommend the proper literature for our people to read, urge the Bible as first of all forms of literature. Second, we recommend sound literature such as our Baptist people are publishing.

Respectfully submitted,

LESTER R. NOLES,

A. W. JENKINS,

E. W. MEADOR, Committee.

Adoption after discussion by Lester R. Noles, Calvin Gregory, W. T. Taylor, W. W. Bowman and others.

Messengers and visitors were next assigned homes. Moved to adjourn to meet at nine o'clock on the morrow. Dismissed with prayer by Elder J. E. McDonald.

SECOND DAY

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 24, 1935

The Association came together with singing. Prayer was offered by Elder G. W. Jenkins. The roll of messengers was read and the minutes of yesterday were read and approved. The Clerk then read the Rules of Decorum.

At this point the messengers of Pleasant Grove church arrived and their letter was received and the messengers enrolled.

The following visitors were invited to seats with us: ENON ASSOCIATION—Elder C. B. Massey, I. P. Mc-Donald, C. C. Massey and Elder G. A. Porter. The report on Baptist Homes was read by Elder J. Robt. Paschal as follows:

BAPTIST HOMES

In the Baptist orphan homes of the South, reports show, there are more than 4,600 children. Of this number between 200 and 300 are in homes in Tennessee. Although this number is being fed, clothed and trained for life, yet during the last Convention year more than 1,200 children were refused admission into Baptist Orphanages over the South because of a lack of room. Sixty of this number were from Tennesseee. Counting those in this State and in the bordering States over 900 children were declined admission into Homes. It is, therefore, clearly evident that there is an outstanding and vital need for the Old Ministers' and Orphans' Home at Camden, Tennessee, not only to care for a number of children; but also to care for aged ministers, who have given the productive years of their lives to the Master's cause.

The Old Ministers' and Orphans' Home is being operated on the very bed-rock principles of economy. Although the cost per child for the 4,600 boys and girls in the Baptist orphan homes of the South during the last Convention year was \$172.27, the Old Ministers and Orphans' Home cared for its inmates for only \$70.00 per child, with some supplies and etc., added. We now have in the Home one aged minister and twenty-two children ranging in age from 2 to 16 years and consisting of six boys and sixteen girls.

J. ROBT. PASCHAL,

T. C. HARRISON,

J. W. HAMMOCK, Committee.

Discussed by J. Robt. Paschal, T. C. Harrison, V. C. Harris, Dee Francis, F. W. Lambert, J. W. Marsh, R. O. Sanders, C. B. Massey, I. P. McDonald and others and then adopted.

NOTES BY ASSISTANT CLERK

The hour having arrived for the preaching of the Doctrinal Sermon, Elder A. J. Sloan, the appointee to preach the sermon, who is also Clerk, was relieved by the Assistant Clerk, F. W. Lambert. Song, "Saviour, More Than Life", was sung while a free-will offering of \$27.47 was made to the Old Ministers' and Orphans' Home. Elder Sloan was presented by the Moderator. He chose as a text Titus 1:9, dealing largely with the theme: "The Old-Time Baptist

Doctrine". He preached a great sermon on what Baptists believe in regard to salvation by grace through faith. He exposed the doctrine of Holy Rollerism and its so-called tongues speaking or jabbering. He also contended that Baptist churches would be here until Jesus comes. From the congregation came many hearty amens and many present were made to feel glad that they were Baptists. At the close of the sermon the congregation sang "My Loved Ones Are Waiting for Me," "He Will Carry Us Safely Home" and "How Firm a Foundation," while the hand of endorsement was given the speaker amid shouts of joy. Moved to adjourn one hour for dinner. Dismissed with prayer by Elder C. B. Massey.

THURSDAY AFTERNOON

After another fine dinner the Association assembled with singing. Prayer was offered by Brother J. W. Hammock. Announcement was made that Elders I. N. Sloan and V. C. Harris would preach at the stand at once.

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

MISSIONS

Missions means the preaching of the gospel to all the world and the Scriptural means thereto. Since the preaching of the gospel is the chief work of the churches, missions becomes the leading objective of the activities of our churches. The heaviest burden of the churches is to "Go disciple all the nations." But alas! how few of our brethren and sisters in Christ realize the tremendous importance of the Saviour's command when He said: "Go ye, therefore, and teach all nations." Matt. 28:19. Without the gospel the lost cannot be saved either in the homeland or in heathen lands. Then it becomes necessary that the word of God be preached to the lost. The churches through the means God has ordained must do the sending of the message of life and salvation to the lost millions of earth. Then how heavy is the burden that rests upon us as churches!

Those who cannot in person "go for the Lord," must do their going through the means God has instituted. They must help others who can go in person. Thus every member of every church may have the opportunity of spreading the glad tidings of salvation among those who know not God. By helping our ministers in the homeland to go to destitute places, we all may do home mission work. By helping those,

God has called to foreign lands we may do foreign mission work. One of the chief reasons for so little being done in a financial way for missions is because of the fact that most pastors do not preach on missions nor take up offerings for this worthy cause. Wiseman Association has given only a small amount to missions this year and we are sure that one of the reasons is that the members of the various churches have not been told of the tremendous needs of the missionaries, of the duty that we owe these sacrificing servants of God, of what God expects us to do and of our duty to carry the Gospel to earth's remotest bounds. May we suggest that every pastor preach at least two sermons yearly on this subject and take an offering for missions. If our pastors do not take the lead in this work, but little is likely to be done. Some churches have given not a cent to missions during the entire Associational year. If each member of the churches of Wiseman Association will give only a dime a year to missions, that insignificant amount would support a missionary on the foreign field for six months.

We have in China some faithful missionaries, among whom is Elder T. L. Blalock, one of the most consecrated Christmas we have ever known. He is in need of the prayers and financial support of our people. Elder W. L. Randall has come home temporarily from China and is now preaching in the homeland to arouse a greater interest in the cause that is so dear to his heart. Let us not forget these and other faithful men of God who are making a sacrifice a thousand times greater than almost any of us in Wiseman Association. Will not the pastors take up this important matter with their members and see that regular contributions are sent for the support of the faithful missionaries?

We have several home missionaries who are laboring as they have opportunity. None of them is getting scarcely anything for his labors. The fields are wide, the harvest is white unto harvest, the laborers are few and their support a mere pittance. Let us rally to their aid, their support and enable them to proclaim the glad tidings of salvation unto a lost and dying world.

CALVIN GREGORY,
J. A. LINVILLE,
B. T. MATTHEWS, Committee.

Adopted after discussion by Calvin Gregory, B. T. Matthews, C. B. Massey and I. P. McDonald.

The report on Pastors' Support was read by Elder R. O. Sanders as follows:

PASTORS' SUPPORT

Your committee believes that every God-called man should be supported by the churches that call him as their under-shepherd. But as the letters come in from year to year from the different churches in this Association, we can see that the support of our pastors grows less each year. There is a cause for this decline. Is it possible that we do not have any worthy pastors? Is it possible that our Heavenly Father no more moves upon the hearts of His children by His Spirit to support those God has called and of whom He speaks in Matt. 10:16, "Behold I send you forth as sheep in the midst of wolves. Be ye, therefore, harmless as doves and wise as serpents?"

Not only does God call ministers but the churches call them to forsake their homes, wives, children and all they hold dear in this world to meet a cold, frowning world. Should men of this kind be supported? Our churches in this Association say: "They should have a little, but we are afraid to pay them in full." No doubt many a God-called preacher has been forced to surrender the field of labor to which the Spirit of the Lord led him that he might stop the cries of wife and children for bread, while the devil and all the imps of the dark world walk in and take possession of things. We recommend that every pastor teach his people their duty to support those whom of the Saviour said: "The workman is worthy of his hire."

R. O. SANDERS, Y. O. JOHNSON, Committee.

Adopted after discussion by R. O. Sanders, C. B. Massey, Calvin Gregory, R. Thompson, F. W. Lambert and others.

Moved to adjourn to meet at nine o'clock on the morrow. Dismissed with prayer by Elder W. H. Thompson.

THIRD DAY

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 25, 1935

The Association assembled with singing, followed with prayer by Elder Lester R. Noles. On motion of E. A. Jones, Elder L. A. Stewart was chosen to preach a sermon in memory of our sainted dead before the close of the session.

The regular order of business was then taken up.

The report on Ministerial Education was read by Elder Calvin Gregory as follows:

MINISTERIAL EDUCATION

By ministerial education we mean the preparation of the ministers for the greatest possible usefulness in life. We do not mean to say that one must be highly educated in order to preach the gospel, for many men of little or no literary education have done much good in the world and many of them are now doing a great good. There are two extremes, one of which would put a premium on ignorance and assume that God would endow a minister who was too lazy, indifferent or careless to study, with all the wisdom, knowledge and learning that he needed to be a successful minister. Such a view would say that all a preacher had to do would be to open his mouth and God would fill it with words of wisdom and give him a message of life and hope to the world. That God could do such a thing is not questioned, but we are certain He does not miraculously supply knowledge and wisdom to a minister who will not study, who has no desire to learn and will make no effort to develop those faculties which God has given him that he might "study to shew himself approved unto God, a workman that needeth not to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth." 2 Tim. 2:15. The other extreme is that none except those having the highest literary training should be allowed to preach the Gospel which leaves most of our ministers outside the ministry because of their inability to obtain in many cases even a good common school education.

We believe that somewhere between these extremes lies the true position. We would remind our ministers of the fact that Paul said he became as a servant, yet he was free; that he became as a Jew to gain the Jews, that he became as under the law to win those under the law, that he became as weak to win the weak. 1 Cor. 9:20-22. Then a minister who does the work of God after Paul's example must know how to reach both the wise and the unwise, the

learned and the unlearned, the educated and the uneducated. To do this he needs all the possible preparation he can get. First he must be saved; second, he must have a divine call to the ministry; third, he must have enough energy to seek to improve every opportunity; and fourth, he should not go off after the idea that his education alone will make him a successful minister, but that it will help him be a better minister of Jesus Christ.

Paul admonished Timothy to give "attendance to reading." I Timothy 4:13. Peter said that Paul wrote some things that were hard to be understood which those that were unlearned wrested to their own destruction. 2 Pet. 3:16. Let cur ministers prepare themselves as fully as they can in the use of language so as to make themselves understood by their hearers, let them study the Bible faithfully in order to know what to say; let them prepare themselves to meet the champions of error and heresy and in every way may they be prepared to "Put on the whole armor of God, that ye may be able to stand against the wiles of the devil." Eph. 6:11.

CALVIN GREGORY, WILLIAM RUSSELL, E. A. JONES, Committee.

The report adopted after discussion by Calvin Gregory, A. J. Sloan, R. O. Sanders, N. C. Fuqua, L. A. Stewart and W. T. Taylor.

The report on Sunday Schools was read by Elder W. T. Taylor as follows:

SUNDAY SCHOOLS

From the letters to the Association, we learn that only a few of the churches have Sunday Schools. The Sunday School is a wonderful place to study the Bible and learn its teachings that we might know our duty. We, therefore, recommend that every church make an earnest effort to have a good Sunday School for the benefit of both the young and the old. Respectfully submitted.

W. T. TAYLOR, LEONARD RICH, H. O. CLIBURN, Committee.

Adopted after a warm discussion by W. T. Taylor, Calvin Gregory, A. J. Sloan, R. O. Sanders, F. W. Lambert, N. C. Fuqua and Lester R. Noles.

The report on Prayer Meetings was read by Elder N. C. Fuqua as follows:

PRAYER MEETINGS

We, your committee on Prayer Meetings, submit the following report: James 5:16 says that the effectual, fervent prayer of the righteous man availeth much. Prayer is one of the greatest privileges God ever gave the children of men. Jesus said in Matt. 21:22: "And all things whatsoever ye shall ask in prayer believing, ye shall receive." Respectfully submitted.

R. THOMPSON.

R. W. TRACY,

MELVIN PARRISH, Committee.

Adopted after discussion by Melvin Parrish, W. T. Taylor, A. J. Sloan, L. A. Stewart, E. A. Jones, D. A. Lauderdale and T. C. Harrison. A special prayer was offered at this point for the recovery of the sick daughter of Brother J. D. Cook, Elder A. J. Sloan leading the petition for her restoration to health.

Moved to adjourn one hour for dinner. Dismissed with prayer by Elder I. N. Sloan.

FRIDAY AFTERNOON

Assembled with singing. Prayer was offered by Elder J. Robt. Paschal. The report on State of Religion was read by Elder L. A. Stewart as follows:

STATE OF RELIGION

Religion is not what it should be. However, we feel that we are making some progress in these days of Modernism when so many people seem glad to accept some easy, so-called way of salvation. One of the troubles of today is that so many are robbing God of His money, time, Sabbath worship and influence. So let us all live better, pay more and serve God in a greater way.

L. A. STEWART,

V. C. HARRIS.

J. W. FLEMING, Committee.

Adopted after discussion by L. A. Stewart, D. A. Lauderdale, W. T. Taylor, and A. J. Sloan.

The report on District Missions was called for, but it was not ready and the Moderator made a brief oral report with the understanding that a written report be made to the Clerk in time to be printed in the Minutes. After some discussion of the subject, a motion was made that one member from each church be appointed as a Standing Committee to look after District Missions. The following brethren were appointed: N. C. Fuqua, J. A. Linville, J. D. Cook, R. K. Meador, B. N. Glover, Melvin Parrish, E. F. Fuqua, G. C. West, Lewis Mince, Walter Dorris, Walter Brown, B. B. White, Burford Crowder, Leonard Rich, H. H. Harrison, G. L. Hughes, William Russell, L. B. Hughes, I. N. Sloan, Homer White, D. A. Lauderdale, William McDonald, E. W. Meador, John M. Dossey and Jim Tillman.

The delayed report on District Missions is as follows:

DISTRICT MISSIONS

We have had Elder R. Thompson on the field for one fourth time for the past six months and have paid him \$40.00, leaving a balance of \$3.48 in the treasury. This is a very needy work and we recommend that Wiseman Association strive to have a misisonary on the field for full time.

N. C. FUQUA,

J. A. LINVILLE,

J. D. COOK, Standing Com.

The report on Prohibition was read by Elder N. C. Fuqua as follows:

PROHIBITION

At present this is a very serious question and should receive prayerful consideration from all God-fearing men and women. Many of our high officials, including the President and members of our law-making bodies are wet in their sentiments. After being successful in tearing from the Constitution the 18th Amendment, they are putting forth every effort to legalize and increase the sale of strong drink in the various States and counties of the United States.

"Wine is a mocker, strong drink is raging and whosoever is deceived thereby is not wise," is the teaching of the Bible. Liquor weakens men mentally and physically. It unfits them to bear their own burdens and may cause them to kill or injure their best friends. It brings misery and poverty to families. It fills society with criminals and others of warped or deficient minds. It makes widows and orphans. Truly the prophet said: "Hell hath enlarged herself and opened her mouth without measure," to receive those who go there through the use of strong drink. Therefore, we recommend that all Christians abstain from the use of strong drink, and that we use all right means in our power to banish it from our State and nation. Especially do we urge all lovers of free suffrage to use the power of the hallot box against this evil, to vote for men and elect men for office from the President down to school director who will be sober and opposed to this evil of drink, thereby making this world a better place in which to live and saving our younger generation from loss and ruin.

J. E. McDONALD, Committee.

Adopted after discussion by A. J. Sloan, Calvin Gregory, Y. O. Johnson and E. M. McDonald.

The report of the Treasurer was read as follows:

TREASURER'S REPORT

Old Ministers and Orphans' Home, Haysville church \$5.00 Old Ministers and Orphans' Home, Mt. Zion church 2.50 Old Ministers and Orphans' Home, Pleasant Grove church 5.00 Old Ministers and Orphans' Home, Rocky Mound church 3.66 Old Ministers and Orphans' Home,	9
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Associational Collection 27.47	
Total\$43.63	3
Home Missions, Macedonia church \$ 0.65	
Home Missions, Mt. Zion church 1.00	
Home Missions, Union church 4.75	
Total 6.4	_
District Missions, Rocky Mound church	3
Foreign Missions, Fairview church \$ 1.20	
Foreign Misisons, Haysville church 4.25	
Foreign Missions, Mt. Zion church	
Foreign Missions, Union church 1.83	
Total \$13.0	3
Grand Total \$64.8 Respectfully submitted,	9
T. C. HARRISON, Treasurer.	

Adopted without discussion.

The report on Correspondence was read by Elder G. L. Hughes as follows:

CORRESPONDENCE

We feel moved to believe that this church and community have greatly appreciated this meeting of Wiseman Association. It has been a spiritual blessing to all God's children who have attended. Our souls have been feasting on God's rich blessings. Furthermore this Association feels moved to thank the good people of this church and community for the hospitality so generously shown us during this session. We wish to extend to this Association and all visitors a hearty welcome to Spring Creek church one year from now.

G. L. HUGHES,

W. R. PEDIGO,

C. F. GREEN, Committee.

Adopted without discussion.

The report on Finance was read as follows:

FINANCE

We, the Finance Committee, beg leave to submit the following report: We have collected from the various churches for printing of Minutes and Clerk hire the sum of \$48.55.

E. M. McDONALD.

J. A. LINVILLE, Committee.

Adopted without discussion.

The report on Resolutions was read as follows:

RESOLUTIONS

· Whereas, Wiseman Baptist Association having met in a very enjoyable session with the church at Good Will; therefore, be it resolved:

- 1. That we extend to the church at Good Will and the community in general our sincere thanks for their hospitality both at church and in their homes.
- 2. That we extend our thanks to the Moderator and the Clerk for the good and efficient service rendered by them.
- 3. That we as a body not only talk about things that ought to be done and the things that should be condemned, but that we strive to put into practice the things for which we are contending. That we fight against all present day

evils, such as drinking, immorality and heresies held by those who are champions of error that we may save our young people from the evils about us.

W. W. BOWMAN, OTIS JOHNSON, VIRGIL SLOAN, Committee.

Adopted without discussion.

The report on Obituaries was read by Elder F. W. Lambert as follows:

OBITUARIES

By reading the letters from the various churches, we find that twenty-eight of our beloved brethren and sisters have passed away to the rest that awaits the people of God. We come now with sorrowful hearts at this memorial hour to lay the flower of tender memory on their graves. Some have left us after long years of faithful labor, and no doubt they welcomed the day when the heavy load of toil, sorrow, grief and disappointment was lifted forever from their weary shoulders. We grieve over giving them up, we shed bitter tears when we look for them in vain and know that nevermore shall we hear their voices or clasp their hands this side of eternity. Their lips are silent now, their hands in rest are folded and their frames are peaceful in the silent embrace of death. Some day, some glorious day the Lord will speak from the cloud of His glory, and they shall hear His voice and answer. From their cold graves they shall come forth to die no more.

Let us be ready for death, so we may meet at last that great company of the redeemed of all ages where no darkness falls, storm clouds do not arise, goodbyes are never said, congregations never break, and where we shall be with them and our kind Heavenly Father forever.

F. W. LAMBERT, G. W. JENKINS, Committee.

At this point Elder L. A. Stewart was presented to preach a sermon in memory of our precious dead. After some remarks he chose for a text Job 14:14 and preached a consoling sermon to those who have departed loved ones. At the close of the discourse, the congregation sang "My Loved Ones Are Waiting For Me," as the parting hand was given while many rejoiced in hope of the glad reunion with our loved ones who have left us.

NEW BUSINESS

Brother J. W. Marsh of Enon Association made a talk asking that all the churches of this Association contribute an average of ten cents per member to Elder W. T. Taylor to help him pay for a home he has recently purchased. His offer was accepted by the Association and the churches are urged to contribute on the above basis.

Moved to adjourn to meet with Spring Creek Baptist church, five miles north of Lafayette, Tennessee, at ten o'clock on Wednesday after the third Sunday in October, 1936.

Thus closed one of our greatest and most harmonious sessions. Unto God be all the praise.

Dismissed with prayer by Elder Calvin Gregory.

ELDER N. C. FUQUA, Moderator, Lafayette, Tenn.

ELDER A. J. SLOAN, Clerk, Lafayette, Tenn.

T. C. HARRISON, Treasurer, Westmoreland, Tenn,

RULES OF DECORUM

- 1. The Association shall be opened and closed with prayer.
- 2. A Moderator and a 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 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 to the same prillege 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 reproved, 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.

(Clerk's Note: On account of the short Minute fund, the Constitution, the Abstract of Prinicples and the Ministerial Directory are left out this year.)

STANDING COMMITTEES

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

OUR SAINTED DEAD

This page is dedicated to the memory of our beloved brethren and sisters who have answered the last roll call since our last Association.

BUFFALO SPRINGS—Mrs. Tommie Perry, December 5, 1934.

FAIRVIEW—Mrs. Dora Sullivan, date not given.

Deacon John Moss, date not given.

LONG CREEK-Miss Vickie Woodcock, February 22, 1935.

Mrs. Belle Fuqua, February 25, 1935. Robert Lamb, March 14, 1935. Luther Whittemore, March 25, 1935. Mrs. Hester Law, May 21, 1935.

MACEDONIA—Deacon W. J. Graves, Aug. 30, 1935. Mrs. Julia O'Neal, date not given.

MAPLE GROVE—Joseph Blankenship, June, 1935.

MEADORVILLE—J. B. Gann, November 26, 1934. Mrs. Belle Ragland, October 1, 1935. Eugene Burrow, October 18, 1935.

OLD HOPEWELL-Mrs. Julia Mince, March 16, 1935.

PLEASANT GROVE-F. M. Woodward, date not given.

Joe Burnley, date not given. .

PLEASANT HILL-W. A. Wells, January 3, 1935.

J. O. Kirkham, January 28, 1935. Billie Brown, February 5, 1935.

W. R. Graves, February 18, 1935.

R. C. Brown, February 24, 1935.

ROCK BRIDGE—R. S. Tucker, March 10, 1935. Cordell Dickens, April 5, 1935.

ROCKY MOUND—Deacon L. D. McGuffee, date not given.

SILOAM-L. L. Meador, April 22, 1935. Vernie Suthers, date not given.

UNION-Mallie Fermall, September 22, 1935.

CHURCH DIRECTORY

CHURCHES	Treasurers and their Addresses	Sunday School Supts. and their Addresses
BRATTONTOWN BUFFALO SPRINGS CEDAR BLUFF FAIRVIEW	L. L. Gregory, Lafayette, Tenn	Robert Spears, Bethpage, Tenn. Rullie Ragland, Hartsville, Tenn.
FRIENDSHIP	J. L. Gammon, Lafayette, Tenn	, , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , ,
GOOD WILL	Dib McKinney, Hartsville, Tenn	
HAYSVILLE	Melvin Law, Lafayette, Tenn	Golden Jenkins, Lafayette, Tenn
LAFAYETTE LONG CREEK	O. L. Hargis, Lafayette, Tenn.	Fred McDonald, Lafayette, Tenn
MACEDONIA	Roy K. Meador, Adolphus, Ky	S. A. Carter, Adolphus, Ky.
MAPLE GROVE	H. B. Dossey, Fountain Run, Ky.	S. A. Carter, Adolphus, Ky.
MEADORVILLE	Clarence McClard, Lafayette, Tenn	maxie Carman, Larayette, Tenn
MT. ZION	E. D. Poe, Holland, Ky	R. F. Downing, Holland, Ky.
NEW HARMONY	W. T. Gross, Lafayette, Tenn	
NEW ZION	S. H. Dillard, Lafayette, Tenn	
OLD HOPEWELL PLEASANT GROVE	John Fuqua, Bethpage, Tenn	
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RED HILL	B. B. White, Holland, Ky	TON
ROCK BRIDGE	Burford Crowder, Bethpage, Tenn	
ROCKY MOUND	R. C. Linville, Westmoreland, Tenn	Willie Harris, Westmoreland, Tenn
SILOAM SPRING CREEK	Leslie Harrison, Westmoreland, Tenn Lester Parker, Lafayette, Tenn	
UNION	Noah Carter, Tracy, Ky	
UNION HILL	J. W. Brown, Gallatin, Tenn.	
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STATISTICAL TABLE

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	When	Meeting Sundays	CHURCH MEMBERSHIP									Sunday Schools	
	en Constituted			Gains Losses				5	No. 1	No.			
CHURCHES			Mem. Reported Last Year	Baptisms	Letters	Restorations	Letters	Expulsions	Deaths	Total Present Membership	No. Pupils Enrolled	Teachers Enrolled	
Brattontown Buffalo Springs	1925 1930	Third Third	116 33	13 2 12	1 2	-	1 2	ا	1	129 34	30	4	
Cedar BluffFairview	1887 1875	Third Third	113 100	12 		1	3	i	2	125) 97!			
Friendship	1919	Third	56	7	2	•	ĺ	3	-,	62			
Good Will	1899	Fourth	193		Į	ļ	2		ļ	191	1,45		
Haysville	1925	Fourth	93	2 1	1	1	2	3	ŀ	92 186	145 89	4 7	
Lafayette	1849 1853	First First	185 147	7	1 1	I	10	ļ	5	140	09	'	
Long Creek Macedonia	1873	Fourth	96	5	1	i	10	2	2	98	40	4	
Maple Grove	1075	Fourth	98	1	2	i	1	1	1	98		•	
Meadorville	1869	Third	358	10	2		3	1	3	363	90	4	
Mt. Zion	1888	Third	258	13	1	4		3	ļ	270	48	4	
New Harmony	1848	Second	170	8	6	2		2	1	184			
New Zion		Fourth	192			1	9	3		181			
Old Hopewell	1921	Second Third	142 48	4	2 1		 1	ļ	1 2	147 46	ļ		
Pleasant Grove Pleasant Hill	1076	First	153	i	2	1			5	149	i		
Red Hill	1925	Second	86	j	اے	- 1	"	ì	0	86	,		
Rock Bridge	1883	Fourth	122	4	į			3	2	121			
Roc.ky Mound	1873	Second	194	6	5		2	3 ¹	1	197	90	4	
Siloam	1842	First	204		3		11	6	2	188			
Spring Creek	1849	First	47	8	2		2	3		52			
Union		Second	226	3 10	2		3		1	225 114			
Union Hill	1919	Second	102			1.0	<u> </u>	0.5	00		500		
TOTALS			35321	117	35	10	56	35	28	3575	532	31	

FINANCIAL TABLE—WISEMAN ASSOCIATION

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CHURCHES	Foreign Missions	Home Missions	Associational Missions	Orphans' Home Near Nashville	Baptist Home at Camden	Given to Poor	Incidental Expenses	Paid Pastor	Paid Help in Meeting	Building and Repairs	Paid Visiting Ministers	Printing Fund	All Other Causes	Total Contribu-	Value of Church Property
Brattontown Buffalo Springs	\$	\$	•	\$	\$ 12.39 S 9.15	Ì	15.79	31.26 98.53	\$ 27.05	$\begin{array}{c} \$ & \\ 51.57 \\ 2.00 \end{array}$	\$ 7.75 9.75	$egin{array}{ccc} 1.77 & 1.00 & 1.00 & 1.75 & 1.7$	\$ 37.25 2.80	\$ 165.53 3 130.23 122.73	1,000 700 1,000
Cedar Bluff Fairview	1.20				3.65 21.30	3.25 13.80	5.40	109.25	31.50 9.78	2.00	9.75 1.72	2.70 1.01	2.00	194.90 46.38	500 900
Friendship Good Will Haysville	6.25		ĺ		30.00 16.20	10.00	25.00	140.00 147.42	{	120.00 75.00	5.00	3.00 2.15		303.00 277.02 435.36	1,000 2,000 4,000
Lafayette Long Creek	7.25	- .65	_	8.66	6.95 25.23	4.75	15.00 13.73	397.25 125.00 35.00	5.00 3.80	80.00	4.85 4.85	2.50 2.75 2.00		183.56 122.45	1,000 300
Macedonia Maple Grove Meadorville	2.00			ļ	8.00 22.14	27.00 3.30	17.23	103.20 247.65	16.50 8.20		11.25	2.35 2.50 2.75		159.05 312.27 222.76	800 1,000 1,000
Mt. Zion New Harmony New Zion	5.75	1.00			6.00 26.28 5.80		29.50	147.55 163.06 45.88	30.21 8.00	21.25	2.00	3.00 1.00	13.40	213.59 76.08	1,500 800
Cold Hopewell Pleasant Grove					7.50	6.90		242.25	45.60	10.45		1.55 1.00 3.00		306.75 8.50 208.72	1,200 1,000 2,000
Pleasant Hill Red Hill Rock Bridge					29.97 28.83			150.00 ¹ 66.75 111.98	25.75 26.70			1.00 2.00		67.75 169.51	1,200 600
Rocky Mound	1.83			1.00	59.21 43.55	2.85 11.50		119.01 105.00	20.70 17.82		7.00 2.80	2.50 2.00 1.20		220.01 210.97 197.62	800 1,500 1,000
Siloam Spring Creek Union Union Hill		4.75			.50 12.00 13.32	1	6.65 15.00	64.22 100.00 62.83	12.25 28.50 12.90	14.51	1	1.65 1.56		161.41 137.78	1,800 1,000
TOTALS	\$32.38	\$8.23	 	\$9.66	\$387.97	\$83.35	\$170.38	\$2947.74			\$62.87	\$50.69	\$53.45	\$4653.93	\$29,600