The Wiseman Baptist Association

TENNESSEE

FORTY-FIFTH ANNUAL SESSION OCTOBER 21, 22, 23, 1936

HELD WITH

Spring Creek Baptist Church FIVE MILES NORTH OF LAFAYETTE, TENNESSEE

Next Session will be held with New Harmony Baptist Church, six miles southwest of Lafayette, Tem., beginning Wednesday after the third Sunday in October, 1937, at 10 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 R. O. SANDERS

PROCEEDINGS

of the

FORTY-FIFTH ANNUAL SESSION

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SPRING CREEK BAPTIST CHURCH

Five Miles North of Lafayette, Tennessee

FIRST DAY

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 21, 1936

The Wiseman Baptist Association met in its forty-fifth annual session with the church at Spring Creek, five miles north of Lafayette, Tennessee, at ten o'clock a. m. on this date. Services were opened with singing "Saviour, More Than Life" and "The Promised Land." After some very touching remarks by the Moderator, Elder N. C. Fuqua, prayer was offered by Elder Calvin Gregory of Enon Association, followed with singing "Amazing Grace." The Moderator read as a lesson the 19th Psalm. Prayer was offered by Elder William Russell, followed with song, "When the Roll Is Called." At this point the Moderator presented Elder W. T. Taylor, the appointee of last year, to preach the Introductory Sermon. After some remarks Brother Taylor read the 2nd chapter of Ephesians and chose for a text the 8th, 9th and 10th verses of the same chapter and preached a fine sermon, his theme being "Salvation by Grace", and the "Condition of Those Thus Saved." At the close of the discourse the congregation pressed forward to give their hand to the speaker in token of their endorsement, while "I Have Been Redeemed", "I Want To Be Ready To Go" and "A Country Where People Don't Die" were sung amid hearty amens and tears of joy.

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

BRATTONTOWN-W. M. Norman, V. C. Harris, W. T. Gross.

BUFFALO SPRINGS—J. W. Fleming, Vernon Thompson. CAPITOL HILL—Not represented.

CEDAR BLUFF-Allen Adams, John White.

FAIRVIEW-Oscar Shrum, R. Thompson, J. W. Hammock.

FIFTH STREET-Henry Massey.

FRIENDSHIP--C. J. Gammon, Harry Flippin, C. F. Green.

GOOD WILL-G. G. Taylor.

HAYSVILLE-A. W. Lawrence, M. B. Law.

LAFAYETTE—E. W. Meador, Wesley Brown, A. W. Jenkins.

LONG CREEK—N. C. Fuqua, Herman Harper, W. O. Johnson.

MACEDONIA-W. M. Gregory.

MAPLE GROVE-Letter, but no messengers.

MAYSVILLE—Ben R. Taylor, G. H. Taylor, Alfred Cook.

MEADORVILLE-J. H. McClard, Pink Daws.

MT. ZION-R. W. Tracy, E. D. Poe, L. A. Stewart.

NEW BETHEL-M. H. Whitley, J. O. Brooks, T. J. Lowery.

NEW HARMONY—A. J. Sloan, James Deering, Alvin Jones.

NEW ZION-W. R. Pedigo, S. H. Dillard, W. E. Cox.

OLD HOPEWELL-J. T. Brooks.

PLEASANT GROVE—Not represented.

PLEASANT HILL-H. B. Sloan, S. H. Kirkham.

RED HILL-W. W. Jent, Willie Roark.

ROCK BRIDGE-Watson Sherron, E. C. Sherron, Edgar Brown

ROCKY MOUND—Willie Harris, Charlie Alexander, E. C. Brockette.

SILOAM—F. W. Lambert, R. O. Sanders, T. C. Harrison. SPRING CREEK—G. L. Hughes, E. W. Jent, Gena Gammon.

SULPHUR FORK—J. H. Minor, Bennie Gregory.

UNION-W. T. Russell, O. D. Morrison.

UNION HILL-W. J. Summar.

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.

After announcements by Elders C. B. Massey and Calvin

Gregory, adjourned one hour for dinner. Dismissed with prayer by Elder W. H. Thompson.

WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON

After a fine dinner the Association assembled with singing "My Loved Ones Are Waiting For Me." Prayer was offered by Elder R. O. Sanders.

Petitionary letters were called for and Fifth Street Church of Bowling Green, Ky., and New Bethel of near Goodlettsville presented letters asking admission into this body. The letters and their messengers were received and their names enrolled. (See list of churches above. Clerk.)

The report on Nominations was read as follows:

NOMINATIONS

- 1. RELIGIOUS LITERATURE—C. B. Massey, Oakley Cook, E. A. Jones.
- 2. BAPTIST HOME—W. T. Russell, T. C. Harrison, Richard Fuller.
- 3. MISSIONS—Calvin Gregory, W. H. Thompson, Willie Harris.
 - 4. PASTOR'S SUPPORT—F. W. Lambert.
- 5. MINISTERIAL EDUCATION—L. A. Stewart, S. H. Kirkham, John McClard.
 - 6. SUNDAY SCHOOLS-W. T. Taylor, M. H. Whitley.
- 7. PRAYER MEETINGS—R. O. Sanders, W. M. Norman.
- 8. STATE OF RELIGION—D. A. Lauderdale, G. L. Hughes.
- 9. DISTRICT MISSIONS-V. C. Harris, N. C. Fuqua, J. D. Cook.
 - 10. PROHIBITION—M. H. Whitley, J. W. Hammock.
- 11. OBITUARIES—Alfred Cook, W. W. Jent, W. W. Bowman.
 - 12. TREASURER'S REPORT-T. C. Harrison.
- 13. CORRESPONDENCE—Charlie Alexander, Ezra Brockette, G. L. Hughes.
 - 14. RESOLUTIONS-Alfred Cook, W. O. Johnson.
- 15. FINANCE—Oscar Shrum, W. M. Gregory, Pink Daws.

The report on Nominations was adopted without discussion.

Visiting brethren were enrolled as follows: ENON ASSOCIATION—Elder Calvin Gregory, Elder C. B. Massey, Dr. T. D. Wilson, Willie Gammon, G. H. Smalling, W. H. Reagan, W. E. Coley.

PLACE OF MEETING

The place of our next meeting was taken up, New Harmony church, located six miles southwest of Lafayette, Tennessee, being selected to entertain the next Association. Elder R. O. Sanders was chosen to deliver the next Introductory Sermon, with Elder F. W. Lambert as alternate. Elder A. J. Sloan was selected to preach the next Doctrinal Sermon, with Elder R. O. Sanders as alternate.

The report on Religious Literature was read by Elder C. B. Massey as follows:

RELIGIOUS LITERATURE

We recommend in addition to the Bible, The Orthodox Baptist Searchlight, which is a real, sound, old-time, Baptist paper, edited and published by men who stand for and preach the true plan of salvation and genuine conversion. We recommend it because it is the paper that will help our people here and keep them informed about things hurtful to us. Secondly, we recommend all other sound papers and books. Thirdly, we recommend the Forerunner, published at Somerset, Ky., to keep our people informed on our mission work and opportunities.

C. B. MASSEY,

OAKLEY COOK,

E. A. JONES, Committee.

After discussion by C. B. Massey, M. H. Whitley, Alfred Cook, W. T. Taylor, W. W. Bowman, S. H. Dillard, T. J. Lowery and others, the report was adopted.

Messengers and visitors were assigned homes, after which the Association adjourned to meet at nine o'clock on the morrow. Dismissed with prayer by Elder L. A. Stewart.

SECOND DAY THURSDAY, OCTOBER 22, 1936

The Association came together with singing "Walking in Sunlight," followed with prayer by Elder W. M. Norman. The Roll of messengers was read by the Clerk, who also

read the Minutes of yesterday which were approved. He also read the Rules of Decorum.

The report on Baptist Home was called for; but not being ready, the report on Missions was read by Elder Calvin Gregory as follows:

MISSIONS

The chief work the Lord gave to His church was to carry the gospel to the nations of the earth. Missions means simply the preaching of the word of truth. But we have largely come to believe that missions means the giving of money and designating it as missions. That money has its place in the missionary scheme of our Lord's work is true, but money is only a means to an end and in a sense it is only incidental. Missions means a love for lost souls, a desire to reach them with the message of hope, a burning zeal for the on-going of the Lord's kingdom, a spirit of sacrifice and a willingness to part with whatever might be required to tell the world the old, old story of God's love for the lost of the earth and above all, that spirit of obedience to God which would say: "Speak, Lord, thy servant heareth. Command and he will obey."

Men cannot be saved without the gospel. "For after that in the wisdom of God the world by wisdom knew not God, it pleased God by the foolishness of preaching to save them that believe." 1 Cor. 1:20. The preaching must be done if men are saved. If men preach, they must be sent and supported. If they are sent, God must call them and He expects the churches to support them. Surely after the man of God has left his own home and family, forseken many of life's opportunities, and in the case of the foreign missionary, his native land and almost all that makes life worth living, the task of the churches to support such sacrificing men of God is about the least of all the tasks connected with such missionary endeavors. They are asked to give their prayers and a portion of their means, while the missionary gives all he has. How little do our churches seem to care for such men of God! How sad it is that after the tremendous sacrifice they have made, the churches care so little for them or the God they serve with holy and unselfish purpose.

This Association is doing next to nothing for missions. The average contribution for each church is less than the price of fifteen pounds of tobacco. Surely we ought to wake up and do all we can to reach the destitution in our bounds, to carry the gospel to our native country and to those who sit in heathen darkness until all nations, peoples, kindreds and

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tongues shall have heard the story of God's redeeming love for a lost world. May God arouse the missionary spirit among our churches before we fall under the heavy hand of His punishment and chastisement that must come on the churches that refuse to hear the Macedonian call: "Come over and help us." Let our pastors preach missions, talk missions, and take up mission offerings until we can consistently wear the name: "Missionary Baptists."

> CALVIN GREGORY, WILL THOMPSON, WILLIE HARRIS, Committee.

Adopted after discussion by Calvin Gregory, W. H. Thompson, L. A. Stewart, R. O. Sanders, P. S. Dyer, C. B. Massey, A. J. Sloan, Alfred Cook and M. H. Whitley.

Visiting brethren were enrolled as follows: ENON ASSOCIATION—J. B. Gregory, Elder J. E. Mc-Donald, Elder G. A. Porter. WILSON COUNTY ASSOCIATION—J. O. Walker, G. S.

NOTES BY ASSISTANT CLERK

The hour having arrived for the preaching of the Doctrinal Sermon, it was moved to suspend the regular order of business and have the Doctrinal Sermon. Song, "How Beautiful Heaven Hust Be," was sung, after which the Moderator presented Elder A. J. Sloan, the appointee of last year, to preach the annual Doctrinal Sermon. After a few remarks Brother Sloan chose for a text Luke 22:29, 30, and preached a great sermon on what sound Baptists believe about the Lord's Supper and also exposed the fallacies of "Open Communion." He also showed the errors that arise from such practice. He described the breaking of the body of Christ and the shedding of His life's blood and the relation of the Lord's Supper thereto. During the discourse many amens were heard and our brethren were strengthened in the faith. At the close of the sermon, the congregation sang "How Firm a Foundation," "Amazing Grace," and "I Want to Be Ready," while the hand of fellowship and endorsement was given the speaker.

Moved to adjourn one hour for dinner. After announcements the Association was dismissed with prayer by Elder J. E. McDonald.

THURSDAY AFTERNOON

After another fine dinner prepared by the good people of Spring Creek church and community, the Association came together with singing "While The Years Roll On," after which Elder R. O. Sanders asked that an offering be taken for Elder Alfred Cook, who labors for almost nothing in the ministry. Song, "Pray Your Troubles Away," was sung while a free-will offering of \$12.00 was taken for Brother Cook. Prayer was offered by Elder D. A. Lauderdale.

The report on the Baptist Home was read by Elder W. T. Russell as follows:

BAPTIST HOME

In the first chapter of James we find a definition of pure religion. James says: "Pure religion and undefiled before God and the Father is this, to visit the fatherless and widows in their affliction, and to keep himself unspotted from the world." James 1:27.

We should hold a high regard for orphan children, even though many of us cannot truly sympathize with them. In order to really sympathize with an orphan, one must himself be an orphan. We, whose parents still live, should thank God for them. Some of us have been bereft of a mother and our heart is in a large measure capable of sympathizing with orphaned children. We feel for those who are compelled to go through life without a mother's love and a father's care, a deep and abiding sense of our obligations to them.

In West Tennessee, near Camden, we have a splendid home for orphan children and aged ministers, their wives or widows. In care of this home is Elder J.Robert Paschal, a man of God and one who is doing a great work at a tremendous sacrifice of his personal interests. If we should be so unfortunate as to need to find a home for our own children by reason of death, we know of no place where they could have better care or be brought up in a more religious manner. We recommend that the churches of this Association take up regular offerings for this noble work and do our part to care for the inmates of this Home who now number about thirty persons.

W. T. RUSSELL,

T. C. HARRISON,

RICHARD FULLER, Committee.

Instead of discussing the report, the time was given to Brother Paschal and a number of children from the Home who were present. They put on an entertaining and instructive program which was greatly enjoyed by the entire congregation. At the close of the program, a free will offering of \$31.18 was taken for the Home.

The report on Pastor's Support was read by Elder F. W. Lambert as follows:

PASTORS' SUPPORT

The reports from the various churches of Wiseman Association show very little paid to our pastors, and we are made to feel that we have failed to carry out God's plan for financing the Lord's work. Paul said: "Let everyone of you lay by him in store as God hath prospered you," and to do this the first day of every week. The Bible abundantly teaches the support of the ministry, just as clearly as it does the way of salvation by grace. We suggest that our preachers preach more on the subject of financing the work of the Master. Then let our deacons rally to their duties in supporting such preaching, putting forth an effort to get every member to give according to his ability. Then with a reaconable response on the part of our members, our pastors will see a better day financially. The Lord did not intend that our pastors should forsake all they had, wife, children and all of the better opportunities of life and go out and give their best days without adequate support. For He said: "The workman is wirthy of his hire;" and as the pastor sows to spiritual things, Paul says: "Is it a great thing if we shall reap your carnal things?"

We urge our deacons to try to see all the members and seek to persuade them to do their duty in bearing the expenses of the church. Our church covenant obligates us to contribute cheerfully and regularly to the support of the ministry, the expenses of the church, the relief of the poor and the spread of the Gospel through all nations.

F. W. LAMBERT, Committee.

Adopted after a warm discussion by F. W. Lambert, Calvin Gregory, C. B. Massey, L. A. Stewart, R. O. Sanders, W. T. Taylor, N. C. Fuqua and others.

Moved to adjourn to meet at nine o'clock on the morrow. Dismissed with prayer by Elder G. A. Porter.

THIRD DAY

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 23, 1936

The Association came together with singing "How Beautiful Heaven Must Be," followed with prayer by Brother Charlie Alexander. "The Unclouded Day" was then sung.

The Minutes of yesterday were read and approved.

The report on Ministerial Education was read by Elder L. A. Stewart as follows:

MINISTERIAL EDUCATION

By Ministerial Education we mean the preparation of the minister for the greatest usefulness in life. That there are two extremes connected with the education of a minister is freely admitted. One of these is that an education is ruinous to a minister and the other is that education means everything to the man of God. Extremes are never right and somewhere between these views is the proper attitude toward the education and preparation of the minister. An educated man or an ignorant man without proper judgment is a drawback to the Lord's cause and a reproach to the high office to which he aspires.

We would suggest first of all salvation, then a call to the ministry from the Lord, next good common sense, next zeal and then all the preparation that can be obtained in the bounds of reason in the way of education. No man can preach without having at least the rudiments of learning. We do not insist that men must have a college education in order to preach, but we do believe that an education rightly used will be a blessing to the man of God and to his hearers. We are now called on to address a much more highly educated people than we faced a few years ago. In order to be heard by them we must possess the ability to present the truth in its most effective manner. We must be able to use such language as not to drive our hearers away, to gain a respectable hearing, to be able to answer the critics, to maintain cur doctrine and in all things to glorify God in the greatest possible way. Paul was highly educated and became the greatest defender of the doctrine of Christ among men. The apostles, although limited in matters pertaining to an education from a human standpoint, had the presence and instructions of the world's greatest teacher in person for more than three years. By miracle He enabled them to speak in other tongues, but we now believe that to speak other languages, we must study them from an educational standpoint, Divine knowledge imparted by the miraculous power of the Lord has ceased, according to 1 Cor. 13:8. Our portion is to obtain by patient, prayerful study the proper knowledge of the Scriptures, the use of such language as will enable us to present the truth and an understanding of the best means of meeting the highly educated heretics of these modern days.

L. A. STEWART,

S. H. KIRKHAM,

JOHN McCLARD, Committee.

Adopted after discussion by L. A. Stewart, A. J. Sloan, P. S. Dyer, M. H. Whitley, Alfred Cook, D. A. Lauderdale, N. C. Fuqua and W. T. Taylor.

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

SUNDAY SCHOOLS

If ever there was a time when we should be teaching our children and studying the Bible ourselves, that time surely is now. The Bible says: "Train a child up in the way he should go; and when he is old, he will not depart from it," and "Study to show thyself approved unto God."

Sunday School work furnishes a great opportunity to carry out the above admonitions. We urge every messenger whose church does not have a Sunday School, to go back to his church and make an honest effort to organize a live Sunday School in his church. Respectfully submitted,

W. T. TAYLOR,

M. H. WHITLEY, Committee.

Adopted after discussion by W. T. Taylor, J. E. McDonald, F. W. Lambert, P. S. Dyer and others.

The report on Prayer Meetings was read by Elder J. E. McDonald as follows:

PRAYER MEETINGS

We, your committee on Prayer Meetings, submit the following report: It is a great privilege to have a Father in glory, upon whom His needy children may call and have His wisdom and power in these trying times. We should pray and not faint. We also believe that God's children should come together as the early church did on the day of Pentecost and pray for those things we need. Let the church, which is the pillar and the ground of the truth, come together with one accord and pray, and God will grant us His loving favors and blessings. R. O. SANDERS,

W. M. NORMAN, Committee.

Adopted after discussion by W. M. Norman, Alfred Cook, N. C. Fuqua, P. S. Dyer, A. J. Sloan, and W. T. Taylor.

Moved to adjourn one hour for dinner. Dismissed with prayer by Elder V. C. Harris.

FRIDAY AFTERNOON

The Association came together with singing. Prayer was offered by Brother J. W. Hammock.

The report on State of Religion was read by Elder D. A. Lauderdale as follows:

STATE OF RELIGION

We, your committee, wish to submit the following report: We believe that the state of religion is far below what it should be and that it is far from what God desires it should be. Because of these things God is withholding the fullness of His blessings from us today, such as a lack of power in our worship, a dry, formal state of affairs in our churches and many other things that betoken a loss of God's blessings. God has said: "Repent and do the first works, or I will come unto thee and will remove thy candlestick out of his place."

We believe we should love each other more and lend a helping hand to those who are in need. The Lord has said: "By this shall all men know ye are my disciple if ye have love one for another." John 13:35.

D. A. LAUDERDALE,

G. L. HUGHES, Committee.

Adopted after discussion by D. A. Lauderdale, M. H. Whitley, L. A. Stewart, P. S. Dyer, A. J. Sloan, W. O. Johnson and N. C. Fuqua.

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

DISTRICT MISSIONS

We, your committee on District Missions, do hereby submit our report. On June 28, 1936, the Standing Committee of Wiseman Association, with some of the brethren appointed last Association from the various churches, met at Brattontown church and elected Elder V. C. Harris as District Missionary. We are highly pleased with his work. We have paid him \$22.31 for his services up to this time. We ask that the churches of this Association donate enough money for District Missions to keep Brother Harris or some other min-

ister in the field. The need is very great. May we count on you?

N. C. FUQUA,

J. D. COOK, Committee.

The report of District Missionary V. C. Harris was read as follows:

DISTRICT MISSIONARY'S REPORT

Dear Brethren of Wiseman Association: Beginning on June 28th and closing on October 20th, I traveled 1,356 miles, preached 68 sermons, held four meetings with two conversions. Received on the field \$56.04 and from Treasurer J. D. Cook, \$22.31; from Brattontown church \$4.00; from Pleasant Greve church \$8.00. I visited three churches from which I received \$11.00. Total receipts from all sources, \$101.35. My traveling expenses were \$41.99.

I have visited 52 homes, spent hours of time trying to advance the Lord's cause. Dear brethren of the Association, I have found this work one of our most needy causes. Hundreds of persons are dying without the Gospel which brings salvation to everyone that believeth as said in Rom. 1:16. I pray God that the brotherhood of the Association may awake to the duty they owe to Him who suffered and died for them and also to those who are in sin, for whom Christ shed His blood. How are they to believe in the Christ of whom they have never heard?

Respectfully yours,

V. C. HARRIS, Missionary.

The two reports were discussed by V. C. Harris and adopted.

The report on Prohibition was read by Elder M. H. Whitley as follows:

PROHIBITION

We, your committee on prohibition, rcommend the following:

- 1. That we again record our conviction that the only right solution of the liquor problem is total abstinence from the use of all alcoholic beverages by the individual, and the prohibition of the manufacture, distribution and sale of all intoxicating beverages by the government, both state and national as a fixed governmental policy.
- 2. That we unhesitatingly declare for the repeal of the XXI Amendment to the Constitution of the United States,

which was placed in the Constitution by a fraudulent and vicious propaganda, and by the vote of a small fraction of the American electorate, and for the restoration of the XVIII Amendment to its rightful place in the Constitution.

- 3. That our pastors, Sunday School teachers, editors and writers in the Baptist papers are to be commended most warmly for their persistent teachings and efforts during the past year warning against the evil and destructive effects of all alcoholic beverages, and seeking to save our civilization from becoming utterly liquor soaked and morally sodden.
- 4. That we urge all of the persons and agencies mentioned above to continue the good fight. Our civilization must not be sacrificed to drunkenness and debauchery through strong drink.
- 5. That we frankly and unhesitatingly deplore and condemn as utterly inexcusable and wicked the present policy of government, both the national government and the government of nearly all of the states, by which the government not only licenses the sale of liquor but actually and actively sponsors and seeks to promote its sale and consumption.
- 6. That we particularly condemn the lax and bungling laws that have been enacted ostensibly to control liquor, but actually to provide for its manufacture, distribution, sale and consumption almost without control, regulation or restriction.
- 7. That until we can secure the return and the firm re-establishment of prohibition, both State and National, which is our goal and for which we will constantly strive. we use all diligence to secure the enactment of much needed regulatory and restrictive measures, such as will place beer where it belongs as a dangerous, deadening and destructive alcoholic liquor, remove the sale of beer and all other intoxicating liquors from filling stations, drug stores and restaurants, and confine the sale of all intoxicants to places devoted exclusively to their sale so that sales can be properly regulated and policed; so that the badge of respectability now sought to be placed upon liquor may be made impossible and that liquor may be branded as it deserves to be as the chief source of vice, crime, poverty and degradation, and so that at least the women and youth may not be engulfed in the rising tide of drunkenness.
- 8. That we condemn the widespread campaign of advertising carried on by the liquor traffic both through the public press and to some extent over the radio. We do not

believe that newspapers, which are so heavily subsidized by the government on the theory that they are to be advocates of liberty and good citizenship, have any moral right to receive blood money from the liquor traffic for editorial policies. It is hardly right or consistent for us to boast of the freedom of the press, so far as governmental censorship is concerned, while the press goes into bondage to a corrupt and blighting business.

9. We especially protest against all advertising of liquor and we will advocate suitable legislation to prohibit all such advertising M. H. WHITLEY.

J. W. HAMMOCK, Committee.

The report was adopted after discussion by M. H. Whitley, D. A. Lauderdale and J. W. Hammock.

The report on Obituaries was read by Elder Alfred Cook as follows:

OBITUARIES

By reading the letters from the various churches we learn that many of our brethren and sisters in the Lord have answered the last roll call since we met a year ago. They have gone to join that great Association above, where wait the multitudes of God's people who went on before. "Blessed are the dead which die in the Lord; from henceforth, yea, saith the Spirit, that they may rest from their labors and their works do follow them."

We grieve over giving them up, but we are told in God's word not to sorrow as those who have no hope. We look forward to the time when our last battle for the Lord here on earth is fought and we lay down the weapons of our warfare. Then we shall never again say goodbye, but we shall be with our sainted ones who preceded us to the glory world, and with our Heavenly Father forever.

W. W. BOWMAN, ALFRED COOK, W. W. JENT, Committee.

Adopted without discussion.

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

CORRESPONDENCE

We are sure that this church and community have greatly appreciated the meeting that is now closing. It has been a spiritual blessing to all of God's children who have attend-

ed. We fee that it has been strengthening to this church and all other churches that have been represented in this meeting of wiser an Association. We further hope that a greater mission spire will result from the meeting. Our concluding wish is that see churches will select messengers who will remain till the plosing service of the Association.

G. L. HUGHES, CHARLIE ALEXANDER, EZRA BROCKETTE, Committee.

Adopted without discussion.

The report of the Treasurer was read as follows:

TREASURER'S REPORT

Total for all causes

\$53.15

T. C. HARRISON, Treasurer.

Adopted without discussion.

The report on Finance was read and adopted as follows:

FINANCE

Your committee on Finance submits the following report: We have collected from the various churches \$51.40 for printing Minutes and for Clerk hire.

OSCAR SHRUM, W. M. GREGORY, PINK DAWS, Committee.

The report on Resolutions was read by Elder Alfred Cook as follows:

RESOLUTIONS

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

- 1. That we extend to the church and community of Spring Creek 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 services 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 contend.
- 4. That we fight all present-day evils, including the drinking of liquor and the selling of votes as has been so often done in the past.

 ALFRED COOK,

W. O. JOHNSON, Committee.

Adopted after discussion by Alfred Cook.

NEW BUSINESS

Elder N. C. Fuqua resigned as a member of the Standing Committee and W. O. Johnson was selected to fill his place.

The 4th item of the Rules of Decorum was changed to read as follows:

4. No member shall absent himself from the Association without leave of the Association when assembled. Any member violating this rule shall have his name stricken from the roll of messengers or any committee on which he may have been placed.

Moved to adjourn to meet at ten o'clock a. m. on Wednesday after the third Sunday in October, 1937, with the church at New Harmony, six miles southwest of Lafayette, Tennessee, and nine miles northeast of Hartsville, Tennessee, on the old pike leading from Hartsville to Lafayette.

Thus closed a pleasant and harmonious session of this great body of Baptists. 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 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 Association when assembled. Any member violating this rule shall have his name stricken from the roll of messengers or any committee on which he may have been placed.
- 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 speechs 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 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 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: The Constitution, the Abstract of Principles and the Ministerial Directory are left out again this year.)

STANDING COMMITTEES

W. O. Johnson, Westmoreland, Tennessee Elder James A. Linville, Hartsville, Tennessee Deacon J. D. Cook, Hartsville, Tennessee

OUR SAINTED DEAD

These pages are dedicated to the memory of our beloved brethren and sisters who have answered the last roll call since our last Association.

FAIRVIEW—Lora Templeton, Oct. 26, 1935. Annie Graves Hammock, Nov. 27, 1935. Letha Hammock, Feb. 6, 1936.

FIFTH STREET—Mrs. Edna Harris, Mrs. Thelma McCommas, Oliver Phelps, Crit Cline,

GOOD WILL—Mrs. Erlyne Neville, Feb. 10, 1936 Alex McClanahan, April 3, 1936.

HAYSVILLE-Nan Jones, May 2, 1936.

LAFAYETTE—Frank Smith, Sept. 8, 1936. Mrs. Paraline McDonald, April 9, 1936.

IONG CREEK—Mrs. Mamie Cosby, Feb. 13, 1936. Josh White, Oct. 12, 1936.

MAPLE GROVE—Mrs. Ella Patterson, Feb. 17, 1936. Mrs. Minerva Dossey, Feb. 23, 1936. Mrs. Bird Waller, May 31, 1936. Mrs. Ellen Goodman, May 23, 1936. Perry Burgess, Feb. 18, 1936.

MEADORVILLE—Bose Hesson, Nev. 19, 1935.
Mrs. S. E. Lovelady, Jan. 28, 1936.
Mrs. Hassie Marshall, Feb. 26, 1936.
Mrs. Emma Eller, March 28, 1936.
Mrs. Vickie Warner, April 16, 1936.
Willie Brawner, May 13, 1936.
Jack Swindle, May 22, 1936.
Jesse Wright, July 11, 1936.
John H. Warner, Aug. 29, 1936.

OUR SAINTED DEAD

MAYSVILLE-Mrs. Laura Spears, Aug. 21, 1936.

MT. ZION-Mrs. Ora Stewart, Jan. 6, 1936.

NEW BETHEL-Elder J. C. Leeman, July 8, 1936.

NEW HARMONY—Mrs. Leah Sanders, Dec. 25, 1935. Gus Edens, Feb. 9, 1936. Joe Henry Edens, Oct. 15, 1936.

NEW ZION—John Pirtle, March 21, 1936. Mrs. Margaret Cox, April 8, 1936. A. W. Blankenship, Sept. 16, 1936.

OLD HOPEWELL—P. W. Cannon, Nov. 1, 1935. Mrs. P. W. Cannon, Dec. 18, 1935. Mance Gregory, March, 1936. Mrs. Eliza Mince, May 5, 1936.

PLEASANT HILL-Dea. B. Kirkham, Dec. 9, 1935.

RED HILL—J. S. White, Jan. 26, 1936.

Mettie Mae Stinson, April 7, 1936.

Jeff McClard, June 13, 1936.

T. P. Stinson, June 21, 1936.

ROCK BRIDGE—Burford Crowder, Aug. 10, 1936.

ROCKY MOUND—Dea. Robert Meador, Dec. 4, 1935.

John Meador, Dec. 10, 1935.

J. J. Hickman, Dec. 20, 1935.

SILOAM—Byrd Troutt, Jan. 18, 1936. Henry Jenkins, Aug. 5, 1936. Sarah Jane Robertson, Nov. 1935.

UNION-George Cunningham, June 10, 1936.

UNION HILL—Charles Piper, April 17, 1936.
Deacon Eugene S. Hoffman, Aug. 28, 1936.

CHURCH DIRECTORY

CHURCHES	Treasurers and Their Addresses	Sunday School Supts. and Addresses						
BRATTONTOWN BUFFALO SPRINGS	L. L. Gregory, Lafayette, Tenn. R. O. Harris, Westmoreland, Tenn.							
CEDAR BLUFF FAIRVIEW	Bud white, Lafayette, Tenn.	R. O. Harris, Westmoreland, Tenn.						
FIFTH STREET	l r. w. rord, Hartsville, Tenn							
FRIENDSHIP	P. W. Kirby, 905 15th St., Bowling Green, Ky. J. L. Gammon, Lafayette, Tenn.							
GOOD WILL	DID MCKInney, Hartsville Tenn							
HAYSVILLE LAFAYETTE	I O. H. Gregory, Lafavette Tenn	T. L. Hughes, Lafayette, Tenn.						
LONG CREEK	I O. L. Hargis, Lafavette, Tenn	Dewey Tucker, Lafayette, Tenn.						
MACEDONIA	S. G. Woodcock, Westmoreland, Tenn. Roy K. Meador, Adolphus, Ky							
MAPLE GROVE	In. D. Dossey, Fountain Run Kv	Roy K. Meador, Adolphus, Ky.						
MEADORVILLE	Ben T. Taylor, Scottsville, Kv.	Roy K. Meador, Adolphus, Ky						
MT. ZION	Buford Haley, Hillsdale, Tenn. E. D. Poe, Holland, Ky.							
NEW BETHEL	narvey Clendenning, Goodlettsville Tenn	R. F. Downing, Holland, Ky.						
NEW HARMONY NEW ZION	Clay Smith, Hartsville, Tenn.	T. J. Lowery, Goodlettsville, Tenn						
OLD HOPEWELL	S. H. Dillard, Lafavette, Tenn							
PLEASANT GROVE	John Fuqua, Bethpage, Tenn. Radford Creacy, Westmoreland, Tenn.	,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,						
PLEASANT HILL	***************************************							
RED HILL ROCK BRIDGE	B. B. White, Holland, Kv	,						
RUCKY MOIND	Edgar Brown, Fountain Head, Tenn. E. L. Brockette, Westmoreland, Tenn.							
SILOAM	Lesile Harrison, Westmoreland Tenn	Willie Harris, Westmoreland, Tenn.						
SPRING CREEK SULPHUR FORK	Lester Parker, Lafavette, Tenn							
UNION	John Minor, Bethpage, Tenn.							
IINION HILL	Noah Carter, Tracy, Ky. J. W. Brown, Gallatin, Tenn.							

CHURCH DIRECTORY

CHURCHES	Pastors and Their Addresses	Clerks and Their Addresses
BRATTONTOWN BUFFALO SPRINGS CEDAR BLUFF FAIRVIEW FIFTH STREET FRIENDSHIP GOOD WILL HAYSVILLE LAFAYETTE LONG CREEK MACEDONIA MAPLE GROVE MAYSVILLE MT. ZION NEW BETHEL NEW HARMONY NEW ZION OLD HOPEWELL PLEASANT GROVE PLEASANT HILL RED HILL ROCK BRIDGE ROCKY MOUND SILOAM SPRING CREEK SULPHUR FORK UNION UNION HILL	H. C. Oldham, Pleasant Shade, Tenn. W. M. Norman, Lafayette, Tenn. W. T. Taylor, Lafayette, Tenn. W. T. Taylor, Lafayette, Tenn. C. B. Massey, Pleasant Shade, Tenn. L. J. Russell, Lafayette, Tenn. Calvin Gregory, Lafayette, Tenn. N. C. Fuqua, Lafayette, Tenn. A. Earl Meador, Scottsville, Ky. R. M. Brawner, Lafayette, Tenn. H. B. Powell, Scottsville, Ky. Sidney Pruitt, Fountain Run, Ky. Ernest Eaton, Scottsville, Ky. W. M. McDonald, Lafayette, Tenn. N. C. Fuqua, Lafayette, Tenn. A. J. Sloan, Lafayette, Tenn. W. T. Taylor, Lafayette, Tenn. G. L. Hughes, Lafayette, Tenn. R. O. Sanders, Westmoreland, Tenn. A. J. Sloan, Lafayette, Tenn. N. C. Fuqua, Lafayette, Tenn. N. C. Fuqua, Lafayette, Tenn. R. O. Sanders, Westmoreland, Tenn. N. C. Fuqua, Lafayette, Tenn. R. O. Sanders, Westmoreland, Tenn. R. O. Sanders, Westmoreland, Tenn. F. W. Lambert, Westmoreland, Tenn. F. W. Lambert, Westmoreland, Tenn. Ernest Eaton, Scottsville, Ky. N. C. Fuqua, Lafayette, Tenn.	L B. Hughes, Lafayette, Tenn. J. W. Fleming, Bethpage, Tenn. Alice White, Lafayette, Tenn. Oakley Cook, Hartsville, Tenn. S. P. Lyle, 1247 Magnolia St., Bowling Green, Ky. Harry Flippin, Lafayette, Tenn. G. G. Taylor, Hartsville, Tenn. A. W. Lawrence, Lafayette, Tenn. Geo. W. Johnson, Lafayette, Tenn. W. O. Johnson, Westmoreland, Tenn. Roy K. Meador, Adolphus, Ky. John M. Dossey, Fountain Run, Ky. Geo. H. Taylor, Scottsville, Ky. J. W. Cothron, Hillsdale, Tenn. W. C. Broughton, Holland, Ky. Vernon Leeman, Goodlettsville, Tenn. Clay Smith, Hartsville, Tenn. G. C. West, Lafayette, Tenn. J. H. Manning, Castalian Springs, Tenn. Chas. J. Simmons, Westmoreland, Tenn. J. R. Buck, Fountain Head, Tenn. Piccola Lee, Holland, Ky. E. C. Sherron, Bethpage, Tenn. R. C. Linville, Westmoreland, Tenn. H. H. Harrison, Westmoreland, Tenn. G. L. Hughes, Lafayette, Tenn. Bertha Gregory, Bethpage, Tenn. O. D. Morrison, Tracy, Ky Thurman Brown, Gallatin, Tenn.

WISEMAN BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

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STATISTICAL TABLE

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CHURCHES	of Meeting		t Year	Baptisms	Letters	Festorations	Letters	Expulsions	Deaths	Total Present Membership	In Sunday School	of Teachers
Brattontown Buffalo Springs	1925 1930	Third Third	129 34	5	4 2		2			136 40		3
Cedar Bluff Fairview	1887 1875	Third Third	125	4 6	1		1 2			129]	J
Fifth Street	1924	1st, 3rd, 4th		10	2		2	2	3 4	96 312		5
Friendship Good Will	1919 1899	Third	62 191	1	ļ					63		
Haysville	1925	Fourth Fourth	92		1		3	1	2	186 90	140	4
Lafayette	1849		186		ĺ		2		2	184	78	6
Long Creek Macedonia	1853 1873	First Fourth	140 98	2			1	1	2	139 97	40	
Maple Grove	1010	Fourth	98	8	2		2		5	101	40 	4
Maysville		Fourth		1	1	2	2 2 6	1	1	37	ĺ	
Meadorville	1869		363	9	8		6		9	366	j	
New Bethel	1888 1792	Third 1st, 3rd	270	7 2	1	ļ	2	9	1	275	65	4
New Harmony	1848	Second	184	10	4	- 1	4	2	1	142 189	63	5
New Zion	1910	Fourth	181	3	Ĵ	ľ	5	i	3	176	1	
Old Hopewell		Second	147	7	į	ĺ	Ì	2	4	148	j	
Pleasant Hill		First	149	!	1	Į	- [3[1	146	- 1	
Red Hill Rock Bridge		Third Fourth	86]	_ [2 3 2 2 2	4	80	ļ	
Rocky Mound	1873	Second	121 197	3 7	1	1	ļ	2	1	123		
Siloam	1842	First	188	11	1	ļ	3	1	3	199[193[93	4
Spring Creek		First	52	5	1	}	3	-1	ار ا	57	-	
Sulphur Fork	Ţ,	Second		2	2	Ì	ď	- /	ľ	28	Î	
Union	1858	Second	225	7		Ì	2	1	1	229	i	
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FINANCIAL TABLE—WISEMAN ASSOCIATION

CHURCHES	Foreign Missions	Home Missions	Associational Missions	Nashville Orphans' Home	Camden Home	Given to Poor	Incidental Expenses	Paid Pastor	Paid Help in Meeting	Building and Repairs	Paid Visiting Ministers	Printing Fund	All Other Causes	Total Contributions	Value of Church Property
Brattontown	\$	\$	\$4.00	\$ i	\$8.59	\$	\$8.50	\$124.33	\$30.95	<u>s</u>	\$ \$	\$2.00	lite	1 : \$178.37	\$1,000
Buffalo Springs	; [f	1.50	ĺ	20.40		3.00	35.55	φου.υσ _[۳	Ψ (1.00	Ψ.	61.45	
Cedar Bluff		1	1	1	26.74	2.15	j	124.04	i	8.00	2.76	2.50		166.19	1,000
Fairview	2.80		6.88		13.50	8.95	4.90	104.25	16.88	12.00		2.75		176.36	500
Fifth Street	5.36	20.45		1	17.96	25.00	ì	349.96	48.81			2.00	270.55		2,500
Friendship Good Will		ţ	.25	1	.80		į	25.24	i	7.20		.70	2.0.00	34.19	600
Haysville		į	ļ		10.00		i	50.12	[j	ĺ	3.00	'	63.12	1,000
Lafayette	4.00	5.00	į	0.00	20.56	e 00	25.00	130.71]	Ī	6.58	1.90	7.25		2,000
Long Creek	4.00	5.00	1	8.00 .10	4.75	5.00		324.90			2.50	2.50		458.70	4,000
Macedonia		1	1	.10	15.41	3.00	19.64	120.27	21.40	222 22	1	2.00)	l	181.82	1,000
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Meadorville	·	ì	1	1	15,50		1	217.13	10.00	32.00	14.00	1.00	20.78		
Mt. Zion	12.50	ĺ	2.15		3.84		ı	144.80	17.75	21.85	14.25	2.50 2.50	05.00	281.38	1,000
New Bethel	30.00	ĺ	2.40	4.00	ĺ	ľ	56.70	176.32	28.00	49.90	4.67	2.40	25.00 15.00		1,000
New Harony	ĺ	ĺ	İ	İ	24.59	1	25.00	129.82	25.50	10.50	4.01	3.00	15.00	369.39 207.91	2,000
New Zion		.25	į	1	1	1		27.39	3.75		2.00	1.20	1	34.59	1,500 800
Old Hopewell		J			3.06	13.60	Ì	126.55	21.71		10.50	2.10	7.35		1.20)
Pleasant Hill	2.53			1	12.10	ĺ	J	175.00	10.00	28.00	-3.55	3.00	1.00	230.63	2,000
Red Hill Rock Bridge			, i					47.40	10.50	(ſ	1.00		58.90	1,200
Rocky Mound	0.00	ļ	0.04				!	151.51	24.35	2000.00	4.00	1.50		2181.36	2,000
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Spring Creek	5.00	i	1.00	:	16.25	10.00	1.95	100.00	25.56]	j	2.60	12.16	174.52	1,200
Sulphur Fork	ľ	ŀ	ļ.	1	į	Į	į	58.95	11.25		2.00	1.15		73.35	1,000
Union			1.50	j	12.25	į	27.80i	30.00	6.20			1.00		37.20	800
Union Hill	1	j	1.00	İ	13.50	25.00	41.60	124.35 65.76	32.90	59.74	11.50	1.10	5.75		1,807
Ass'l Collections	i		12.00	i	31.18	20.00		03.70	17.56	58.68		2.75	1	183.25	1,000
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