

The Wiseman Baptist Association

TENNESSEE

FORTY-SEVENTH ANNUAL SESSION

OCTOBER 19, 20, 21, 1938

HELD WITH

New Bethel Baptist Church

Three Miles South of Goodlettsville, Tennessee

Next Session will be held with Union Baptist Church, near
Fountain Run, Ky., beginning Wednesday after the
third Sunday in October, 1939, at 10:00 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-SEVENTH ANNUAL SESSION
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FIRST DAY

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 19, 1938

The Wiseman Baptist Association met in its forty-seventh annual session with New Bethel church, near Goodlettsville, Tenn., at ten o'clock a. m. on this date. Services were opened with singing "The Unclouded Day" and "Holy Manna." After some very touching remarks by the Moderator, Elder N. C. Fuqua, prayer was offered by Elder Paul Wilburn of New Salem Association. Prayer was followed with the singing of "When the Roll Is Called." The 100th Psalm was read by the Moderator, after which Elder C. B. Massey of Enon Association offered prayer. Song, "Take the Name of Jesus With You," was sung.

At this point the Moderator presented the appointee of last year, Elder F. W. Lambert, to preach the Introductory Sermon. He read as a lesson Rom. 1:1-20 and chose the 20th verse for a text, his theme being the power of God. The sermons showed that God gives His ministry power to preach Brother Lambert seemed to be entirely under or in that power as if he were hidden in Christ and the listeners could hardly fail to see that power manifested. At the close of the discourse, the congregation pressed forward amid shouts of joy to give the hand of endorsement to the preacher of this powerful sermon.

The Moderator appointed Dr. John D. Freeman and Elder Phocian Gibbs as Reading Clerks. The following churches and their messengers were enrolled:

BRATTONTOWN—W. T. Gross, L. B. Hughes, Emerson Jones.

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

- CEDAR BLUFF—John White, Allen Adams.
 FAIRVIEW—J. D. Cook, Oakley Cook, R. Thompson.
 FIFTH STREET—Cleve Meador.
 FRIENDSHIP—Letter.
 GOOD WILL—George Wright, J. A. Linville.
 HAYSVILLE—Wrenzy Wheeley, A. W. Lawrence.
 LAFAYETTE—Letter.
 LONG CREEK—N. C. Fuqua, Ellis Jones, W. O. Johnson.
 MACEDONIA—W. H. Taylor, W. M. Gregory.
 MAPLE GROVE—Letter.
 MAYSVILLE—Alfred Cook.
 MEADORVILLE—John McClard.
 MT. ZION—W. C. Broughton, E. D. Poe, L. A. Stewart.
 NEW BETHEL—Sam Dickens, Fount Ray, Herbert West.
 NEW HARMONY—E. A. Jones, A. J. Sloan.
 NEW ZION—Letter.
 OLD HOPEWELL—Lewis Mince, G. B. Templeton, Walter Gregory.
 PLEASANT GROVE—Walter Dorris, Taylor Hawkins.
 PLEASANT HILL—W. W. Bowman, Dee Webb.
 RED HILL—Letter.
 ROCK BRIDGE—Edgar Brown, R. R. Sherron, E. C. Sherron.
 ROCKY MOUND—H. S. Linville, Joe McGuffey, B. G. Meador.
 SILOAM—F. W. Lambert, R. O. Sanders, T. C. Harrison,
 SPRING CREEK—G. L. Hughes, Lloyd Fishburn.
 SULPHUR FORK—H. B. Roark, B. S. Gregory, Sam Minor.
 UNION—W. T. Russell, John Russell.
 UNION HILL—Albert Piper.
 Moved to adjourn one hour for dinner. Dismissed with prayer by Elder R. O. Sanders.

WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON

The Association came together with singing. Prayer was offered by Elder R. Thompson.

Permanent organization was effected by electing the following officers: Elder N. C. Fuqua, Moderator; Elder F. W. Lambert, Assistant Moderator; Elder A. J. Sloan, Clerk; Elder F. W. Lambert, Assistant Clerk; and Brother T. C. Harrison, Treasurer.

Petitionary letters were called for and none responded.

The following visiting brethren were invited to seats with us:

ENON ASSOCIATION—Elder C. B. Massey, Otha Gregory, Jeff Gregory.

NEW SALEM ASSOCIATION—Elder Phocian Gibbs, Elder Paul Wilburn, Clyde Denton, L. F. Vanderpool.

WILSON COUNTY ASSOCIATION—M. C. Cunningham.

NASHVILLE ASSOCIATION—Dr. John D. Freeman, N. B. Fetzer.

ROBERTSON COUNTY ASSOCIATION—L. D. Camplin.

PLACE OF MEETING

The selection of the next meeting place of the Association was taken up; and, after some discussion, Union church, near Fountain Run, Ky., was chosen. Elder R. O. Sanders was chosen to preach the next Introductory Sermon, with Elder F. W. Lambert as alternate, Elder A. J. Sloan was selected to deliver the next Doctrinal Sermon, with Elder R. O. Sanders as alternate.

At this point the Moderator offered an opportunity to those who wished to speak, and Elder C. B. Massey and Dr. John D. Freeman made good talks.

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

NOMINATIONS

1. PROHIBITION—C. B. Massey, J. D. Cook, Alfred Cook.

2. RELIGIOUS LITERATURE—W. T. Russell, R. Thompson, Herlin Linville.

3. BAPTIST HOME—Joe McGuffey, Vernon Thompson, W. C. Broughton.

4. MISSIONS—Phocian Gibbs, George Gregory, T. C. Harrison.

5. PASTORS' SUPPORT—W. W. Bowman, D. Poe, G. L. Hughes.

6. MINISTERIAL EDUCATION—Paul Wilburn, Alvin Jones.

7. SUNDAY SCHOOLS—M. H. Whitley, Lewis Mince, Oakley Cook.

8. PRAYER MEETINGS—I. N. Sloan, H. R. Overton, George Mince.

9. STATE OF RELIGION—P. H. Brooks, Otis Johnson, J. W. Lambert.

10. DISTRICT MISSIONS—Billie Meador, Edgar Brown, E. C. Sherron.
11. RESOLUTIONS—Alfred Cook, Ed Grizzle, Jeff Gregory.
12. OBITUARIES—Vernon Thompson, Ollie Bentle, Otis Johnson.
13. CORRESPONDENCE—Fount Ray, H. H. Leeman, Herbert West.
14. TREASURER'S REPORT—T. C. Harrison.
15. FINANCE—M. H. Whitley, E. A. Jones, H. R. Overton.
- Adopted without discussion.

The report on Prohibition was called for, but it was not ready. It was agreed to discuss the subject and have the report read later. The question was discussed by Alfred Cook, M. H. Whitley, F. W. Lambert, R. O. Sanders, Phocian Gibbs and J. O. Brooks.

At this point the report on Entertainment was called for and the messengers and visitors were assigned homes. After some announcements it was moved to adjourn till nine-thirty o'clock on tomorrow. Dismissed with prayer by Elder E. A. Jones.

SECOND DAY

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 20, 1938

The Association came together with singing, followed with prayer by Brother J. D. Cook.

The Roll of members was read by the Clerk, and the Minutes of yesterday were also read and approved. The regular Order of Business was taken up.

The following visitors were seated:

ENON ASSOCIATION—Elder Walter Jenkins and W. H. Cothron.

The report on Prohibition was read by Oakley Cook as follows:

PROHIBITION

We, your committee, submit the following report: We, as a people, ought to take a firm stand for Prohibition. Government-sponsored beverages are ruining this great nation. They are causing vice, crime, poverty and the debauchery of our people. Degradation and shame are upon our nation.

National prohibition ought to be made the law again and then enforce the law.

We are taught in the Scriptures to abstain from strong drink. "Wine is a mocker, strong drink is raging, and whosoever is deceived thereby is not wise." It is not wise for our people to be deceived by this damnable stuff which is advertised all along our highways and in nearly every public place. We ought to take a strong stand against this evil of drink. Hab. 2:15 says: "Woe unto him that giveth his neighbor drink, that putteth thy bottle to him." Just consider the meaning of this passage of Scripture. Those who put the cross mark on the wet ticket are putting the bottle to their neighbors' lips. Woe unto the man who upholds the evil stuff, who votes for it, or even tolerates its existence. In our churches are many members who not only do not oppose this evil, but even buy and sell it as well as to drink it. The line of discipline should be drawn so as to put a stop to such conduct or to withdraw fellowship from them.

J. D. COOK,

ALFRED COOK, Committee.

Adopted without further discussion.

The report on Religious Literature was read by Elder W. T. Russell as follows:

RELIGIOUS LITERATURE

We, your committee, submit the following report:

By Religious Literature we mean literature which, when read, will increase our knowledge of the principles that pertain to a godly life in Christ.

Therefore we recommend none other literature than that which bases all of its subject matter directly on the sound and unmistakeable teachings of the Bible.

We earnestly urge our people, especially fathers and mothers, to keep the right kind of literature before their children at all times, as what children read and have taught them before they reach their teens, is usually the foundation of their life. As Solomon said: "Train up a child in the way he should go and when he is old he will not depart from it." We feel that good sound Bible literature proves an important part in sound religious training. Now by sound Bible literature we mean sound Baptist literature.

First of all books we recommend the Holy Bible which is

the standard by which all doctrines, principles, conduct and creeds should be weighed and tried.

We also recommend all sound religious papers, such as the Forerunner and American Baptist.

In conclusion we want to advise everyone to "buy the truth and sell it not."

W. T. RUSSELL,
R. THOMPSON,
HERLIN LINVILLE, Com.

Adopted after discussion by W. T. Russell.

At this point the messengers from Pleasant Grove church presented their letter and the messengers were seated.

The report on Baptist Home was read by Elder Joe McGuffey as follows:

BAPTIST HOME

We submit the following report. We have a good home near Camden, Tennessee, which we feel to be worthy of our support, both financially and in our prayers. It is for orphan children and old, worn-out ministers and their wives or widows. We are taught in the Bible to care for the fatherless and to aid those who have given their lives to the ministry. Our Lord said that whosoever would give to one of these little ones a cup of water in the name of a disciple, he should in no wise lose his reward.

JOE MCGUFFEY, Committee.

The report was adopted after discussion by Joe McGuffey, F. W. Lambert, T. C. Harrison, R. O. Sanders, H. S. Linville, Mrs. Henry Hassell, M. H. Leaman, L. A. Stewart, Walter Dorris and Alfred Cook. A free-will offering of \$28.30 was taken for the Home.

NOTES BY ASSISTANT CLERK

The hour having arrived for the preaching of the annual Doctrinal Sermon, the regular Order of Business was suspended and the Moderator presented the appointee of last year, Elder A. J. Sloan, to preach the sermon. After a few very touching remarks, Brother Sloan read the 87th Psalm as a lesson. He chose the third verse of the lesson as a text and preached a great sermon. He showed that glorious things are spoken of the city of God. Brother Sloan preached with power as he told about the wonderful things of God. He showed that Baptists have a wonderful heritage and that

some day we shall meet thee Lord on high. His hearers were made glad by the comforting promises of God to His people. Many tears were shed and many shouted aloud for joy at the close of the sermon as good songs were sung while the hand of fellowship and endorsement was given the speaker. A number of excellent talks were made after the sermon. Moved to adjourn forty-five minutes for dinner. The benediction was offered by Elder L. A. Stewart.

AFTERNOON SESSION

After another fine dinner the Association came together with singing. Prayer was offered by Elder W. T. Russell, following with singing.

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

MISSIONS

We have a large number of missionaries who are being supported on what is known as the Bible or direct plan of mission work. From the letters from the churches of Wiseman Association, we learned that little has been done for missions. Just a few churches reported anything given to the spread of the Gospel to all nations. How did we get the old-fashioned Gospel? By the sacrifices of faithful ministers who came here and preached the Gospel in our bounds. There are yet scores of communities in the bounds of Wiseman Association that are without the true Gospel of Christ. Then the field broadens and grows wider and wider until it covers all the world. Jesus said: "Ye shall be witnesses unto me both in Jerusalem, and in all Judea, and in Samaria, and unto the uttermost part of the earth." Acts 1:8. The world is dark with sin, the lost being in sin and spiritual darkness. Blinded by the god of this world, they are on their way to destruction, led captive by the wicked one at his will. God will not change His plan. The lost must hear in order to know. They must know in order to do. They must do in order to be saved; that is, meet the conditions required of them by the Lord. They cannot believe without hearing the Gospel, and somebody must carry the good news of salvation to these millions of starving souls.

Brethren, let us wake up and do something for missions. The church at Jerusalem stopped its work of "going" until God moved it out by persecution. And the brethren went everywhere preaching the word of the Lord. Let us fear God

and give our money for the spread of the Gospel lest we be driven by persecution to do what God has commanded. Now the task is ours. Christ gave the Commission to His church to tell the lost of the whole earth the old, old story of His love for the children of men, and of their great need of Him who died for all men. He waits to save and bless. Brethren, do not fail during the coming year to give to missions.

F. W. LAMBERT,
T. C. HARRISON, Committee.

Adopted after discussion by F. W. Lambert, A. J. Sloan, Alfred Cook and M. H. Whitley.

The report on Ministerial Education was read by Elder E. A. Jones as follows:

MINISTERIAL EDUCATION

By education we mean knowledge. To get knowledge one must study. Paul said: "Study to shew thyself approved unto God, a workman that needeth not to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth." So by studying the word of God, we learn His will toward man. We believed that we should have an educated ministry, although we would not recommend that high college education which makes men preach and practice formalism.

E. A. JONES,
G. O. TEMPLETON, Com.

The report was adopted after discussion by G. O. Templeton, L. A. Stewart, R. O. Sanders, H. S. Linville, Alfred Cook, M. H. Whitley, J. O. Brooks, W. T. Russell and Joe McGuffey.

Moved to adjourn to meet at nine o'clock tomorrow morning. Dismissed with prayer by Elder I. N. Sloan.

THIRD DAY

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 21, 1938

The Association assembled with singing, followed with prayer by Elder G. L. Hughes. The minutes of yesterday were read and approved. The regular Order of Business was then taken up.

The report on Pastors' Support was read by Elder G. L. Hughes as follows:

PASTORS' SUPPORT

We note from the letters to the Association that most of the churches are doing a fair part toward their pastors' support. We believe that pastors can help much by encouraging the members to do their part and thus bring about a better spirit of giving to the support of the ministry. This would effect far greater results than discouraging remarks and abuse. At least once or twice each year the pastor should preach a sermon on the duty of the members to support their pastor. Not only should such financial matters as pastors' support be presented, but the duty of the brethren and sisters to give to all other worthy causes should be stressed. The right kind of leadership in financing the work of the Lord will bring success. G. L. HUGHES, Committee.

Adopted after discussion by G. L. Hughes, R. O. Sanders, H. S. Linville, N. C. Fuqua, H. M. Leeman, R. Thompson, Alfred Cook, J. F. Lowery, J. O. Brooks, Mrs. Henry Hassell, Herbert West, Mrs. A. J. Sloan and M. H. Whitley.

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

SUNDAY SCHOOLS

From the letters to the Association we learned that less than fifty per cent of the churches have Sunday Schools. The Sunday School is a wonderful place to study the Bible; and if the Bible is rightly taught by born-again Baptists, it will lead our boys and girls, men and women to repentance which makes the new birth possible. The Bible says: "Seek ye first the Kingdom of God and His righteousness and all these things shall be added unto you." The wise man said: "Train up a child in the way he should go; and when he is old, he will not depart from it."

Now we believe that a real, live Sunday School in every church, with Baptist teachers, is one way of carrying out the commission at home as given in Acts 1:8, "Ye shall be witnesses unto me in Jerusalem." We recommend that each messenger go back to his church and earnestly and prayerfully try to have a Sunday School in his church.

M. H. WHITLEY,
OAKLEY COOK, Committee.

Adopted after discussion by M. H. Whitley, Alfred Cook, I. N. Sloan, H. S. Linville, N. C. Fuqua, T. J. Lowery, Mrs. Henry Hassell and Walter Jenkins.

The report on Prayer Meetings was read by Elder I. N. Sloan as follows:

PRAYER MEETINGS

Prayer is the secret of success in the Christian life. Through the prayers of the church an angel delivered Peter from prison. The church at Antioch prayed and Paul went out from that congregation as the world's greatest missionary, together with another faithful missionary, Barnabas. If the churches of Christ today carry out the commission as they should, it will be through the power of the Holy Spirit, and we get that power through prayer. Therefore, we recommend to all of our churches in this Association to maintain a weekly prayer meeting, and that we pray specially that God may give us an old-time revival throughout the bounds of Wiseman Association.

I. N. SLOAN,
GEORGE MINCE,
H. R. OVERTON, Committee.

The report was adopted after discussion by I. N. Sloan, F. W. Lambert, R. O. Sanders, H. S. Linville and Alfred Cook.

Moved to adjourn one hour for dinner. Dismissed with prayer by Elder F. H. Brooks.

AFTERNOON SESSION

The afternoon session was opened with singing. Prayer was offered by Elder Fount Ray. At this point a collection was taken for Elder Alfred Cook, the amount being \$11.18.

The report on State of Religion was read by Elder P. H. Brooks as follows:

STATE OF RELIGION

Brethren, your committee begs to submit the following report: The churches of this Association seem to be in very good condition spiritually as well as financially. Our total gain for the past year was 159 by baptism, which was some better than the record of a year ago. This Association will live on as long as it does this well. Paul says that we are to reap in due season if we faint not, and this means not to quit the good fight of faith. So brethren, let us go on in the good work.

P. H. BROOKS,
W. O. JOHNSON,
J. W. LAMBERT, Committee.

Adopted after discussion by Alfred Cook and H. S. Linville.

The report on District Missions was read by Brother E. C. Sherron as follows:

DISTRICT MISSIONS

We submit the following report. We believe that District or Home Missions to be a great work. But it is badly neglected, even more so than any other cause among Baptists. We have many destitute places in our bounds and further away, the destitution is even worse than here in this Association. The real Gospel is not heard in these places, although we have many preachers that claim to be called of God who are doing no preaching. We need to wake up and give more to Home Missions. We need to ask the Lord to direct and then follow where He directs us. We need to ask God to send preachers into these destitute places where they could accomplish much good. Let us take courage and try to do more for this cause in the future than has been done in the past.

E. C. SHERRON,
B. G. MEADOR,
EDGAR BROWN, Committee.

The report was adopted after discussion by M. H. Whitley, Fount Ray, E. A. Jones, R. O. Sanders and others.

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

RESOLUTIONS

Whereas, the Wiseman Baptist Association having met in a very spiritual session with New Bethel church; therefore, be it resolved:

1. That we extend to New Bethel church and community our sincere thanks for the kindness and hospitality shown us both at church and in their homes.
2. That we extend our thanks to the Moderator and the Clerk for their efficient services during the Association.
3. That we make as strong a fight as possible against present evils.
4. That the Clerk have 500 copies of Minutes printed and distributed among the churches and that the remainder of the Minute fund be paid to the Clerk for his services.

ALFRED COOK,
ED GRIZZLE, Committee.

Adopted without discussion.

The report on Obituaries was called for, but it had not been prepared. The Clerk was then empowered to prepare the report and insert it in the Minutes. It is as follows:

OBITUARIES

From the various letters we learn that 29 of our brethren and sisters in the Lord have left us since we met a year ago. Their home-going reminds us that we must soon leave these earthly homes, our churches and our loved ones. We are sorry to give up these good men and women who so short time ago were here with us. Their absence today fills our hearts with yearning to see them again, to hear their voices as in days of yore, and to feel the touch of their dear hands as in the happy days before we were robbed of them by the terrible monster of Death.

But we do not sorrow as those who have no hope. Although gone from our homes, our firesides and our churches, they linger in sweetest memory and fond hope pictures a glad day when we shall meet them again. Till that day comes, let us give the Lord the best there is in our lives, taking up the work these tired and weary saints laid down. Let us not grieve beyond measure for them; but in submission to the will of God, let us give them up for a few fleeting years till we go hence and join them in the sweet bye and bye.

A. J. SLOAN, Committee.

The report on Correspondence was read by Elder Fount Ray as follows:

CORRESPONDENCE

Brethren, we are more than glad to have had you with us. We are sure that the Association has been a spiritual blessing to the church and to New Bethel community. We highly appreciate the presence of the messengers and visitors from the various churches in our church and in our homes.

We ask that you visit us again, that you make yourselves welcome in our church and in our homes when you are in this community. May the richest of God's blessings rest upon each of you and upon your respective churches.

F. L. RAY,
HERBERT WEST,
H. H. LEEMAN, Committee.

The report was adopted after discussion by Fount Ray, P. H. Brooks, J. O. Brooks and T. J. Lowery.

TREASURER'S REPORT

During the present session of Wiseman Association, the following sums have been paid into my hands:

Foreign Missions	\$ 5.50
Home Missions	1.50
Old Ministers and Orphans' Home	32.35
District Missions	1.00

Additional report by the Clerk:

Foreign Missions, from Maple Grove church	\$ 6.00
Home Missions, from Maysville church	2.72

Total.....\$49.07

Respectfully submitted,

T. C. HARRISON, Treasurer.

Adopted without discussion.

The Finance Committee made the following report:

FINANCE

We, your committee on Finance, have received from the messengers of the churches the sum of \$58.70 which has been turned over to the Clerk for Minutes and Clerk hire.

M. H. WHITLEY,
H. R. OVERTON,
E. A. JONES, Committee.

Adopted without discussion.

NEW BUSINESS

There was no new business. Moved to adjourn to meet on Wednesday after the third Sunday in October, 1939, with Union church, near Fountain Run, Ky.

Thus closed the most spiritual and soul-stirring session of this Association of old-time Baptists in all its history of nearly fifty years. For three days the people rejoiced and praised the Lord and there was not a discord during the entire session. "Behold, how good and how pleasant it is for brethren to dwell together in unity! It is like the precious ointment upon the head, that ran down upon the beard, even Aaron's beard; that went down to the skirts of his gar-

ments; as the dew of Hermon, and as the dew that descended upon the mountains of Zion; for there the Lord commanded the blessing, even life for evermore." Psalm 133.

N. C. FUQUA, Moderator,
Lafayette, Tennessee.

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 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 discussion 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 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 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- ed, 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.

STANDING COMMITTEE

W. O. Johnson, R. 2, Westmoreland, Tenn.

J. D. Cook, R. 1, Hartsville, Tenn.

J. A. Linville, R. 1, Hartsville, Tenn.

CONSTITUTION

Article I. This body shall be known as Wiseman As- sociation.

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 Assoc- iation shall give the number of members in fellowship, re- ceived by experience and baptism, received by letter, re- stored, excommunicated, and dead, since last annual letter.

Article IV. Each church shall be entitled to three mes- sengers.

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 eccles- iastical 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 Sunday in October, 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 views but not to vote except on subjects of general union.

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

OUR SAINTED DEAD

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

BRATTONTOWN—Deacon R. G. Fuqua, Feb. 7, 1938.

FAIRVIEW—Dollie Prock, date not given.

FIFTH STREET—Aunt Bide Russell, June 20, 1938.

FRIENDSHIP—Virgil Freeman, Sept. 14, 1938.

HAYSVILLE—Deacon J. A. Wheeley, Oct. 26, 1937.

LAFAYETTE—Deacon W. H. Smith, Jan. 12, 1938.

Kenneth Ragland, March 5, 1938.

MAPLE GROVE—Catherine Howard Reed, Sept., 1938.

MEADORVILLE—Sam Porter, Nov. 21, 1937.

Mrs. Hershell Claiborne, July 27, 1938.

Frank Claiborne, date not given.

MT. ZION—Dollie Catherine Lane, April, 1938.

NEW ZION—Richard Jenkins, Dec. 29, 1937.

George Jones, Feb. 4, 1938.

W. S. Dallas, Feb. 20, 1938.

FLEASANT HILL—Alice Brown, Feb. 20, 1938.

RED HILL—Francis McClard, Jan. 30, 1938.

J. F. Spivey, Feb. 14, 1938.

Texian Brawner, June 16, 1938.

Belle Temple, date not given.

ROCK BRIDGE—Christopher Martin, April 6, 1938.

Bessie Brown Durham, July 6, 1938.

ROCKY MOUND—Lucy F. Barbee, June 12, 1938.

SILOAM—S. G. Akins, April 10, 1938.

D. B. Francis, July 13, 1938.

SPRING CREEK—Martha Belcher, Sept. 2, 1938.

Mary Glover, date not given.

UNION—Lydia Thompson, Aug. 15, 1938.

Cecil Francis, Oct. 31, 1937.

UNION HILL—Elijah DeRossett, date not given.

CHURCH DIRECTORY

CHURCHES	Treasurers and Their Addresses	Sunday School Supts. and Addresses
BRATTONTOWN.....	L. B. Hughes, Lafayette, Tenn.....	Albert Jenkins, Bethpage, Tenn.....
BUFFALO SPRINGS.....	J. W. Fleming, Bethpage, Tenn.....	.....
CEDAR BLUFF.....	John White, Lafayette, Tenn.....	.....
FAIRVIEW.....	F. W. Ford, Hartsville, Tenn.....	.....
FIFTH STREET.....	P. W. Kirby, 905 15th St., Bowling Green, Ky.....	R. L. Rather, Bowling Green, Ky.....
FRIENDSHIP.....	J. L. Gammon, Lafayette, Tenn.....	.....
GOOD WILL.....	J. A. Linville, Hartsville, Tenn.....	.....
HAYSVILLE.....	O. H. Gregory, Lafayette, Tenn.....	Ezra Lawrence, Lafayette, Tenn.....
LAFAYETTE.....	E. W. Meador, Lafayette, Tenn.....	Dewey Tucker, Lafayette, Tenn.....
LONG CREEK.....	S. G. Woodcock, Westmoreland, Tenn.....	.....
MACEDONIA.....	Roy K. Meador, Adolphus, Ky.....	.....
MAPLE GROVE.....	H. B. Dossey, Fountain Run, Ky.....	.....
MAYSVILLE.....	Selma Wade, Scottsville, Ky.....	Geo. H. Taylor, Scottsville, Ky.....
MEADORVILLE.....	Buford Haley, Hillsdale, Tenn.....	.....
MT. ZION.....	E. D. Poe, Holland, Ky.....	R. F. Downing, Holland, Ky.....
NEW BETHEL.....	Harvey Clendening, Goodlettsville, Tenn.....	T. J. Lowery, Goodlettsville, Tenn.....
NEW HARMONY.....	Clay Smith, Hartsville, Tenn.....	.....
NEW ZION.....	S. H. Dillard, Lafayette, Tenn.....	.....
OLD HOPEWELL.....	John Kennedy, Bethpage, Tenn.....	.....
PLEASANT GROVE.....	.....	.....
PLEASANT HILL.....	W. W. Bowman, Portland, Tenn.....	.....
RED HILL.....	.....	.....
ROCK BRIDGE.....	Edgar Brown, Fountain Head, Tenn.....	.....
ROCKY MOUND.....	H. O. Cliburn, Westmoreland, Tenn.....	E. L. Brockette, Westmoreland, Tenn.....
SILOAM.....	Leslie Harrison, Westmoreland, Tenn.....	.....
SPRING CREEK.....	G. L. Hughes, Lafayette, Tenn.....	.....
SULPHUR FORK.....	John Minor, Bethpage, Tenn.....
UNION.....	Noah Carter, Tracy, Ky.....
UNION HILL.....	John Gammon, Gallatin, Tenn.....

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

STATISTICAL TABLE

CHURCHES	When Constituted	Meeting Sundays	CHURCH MEMBERSHIP									S. S.	
			Members Reported Last Year	Gains			Losses			Present Membership	Number of Pupils Enrolled	Number of Teachers	
				Baptisms	Letters	Restorations	Letters	Exclusions	Deaths				
Brattontown	1925	Third	134	5	3	1	2	2	1	138			
Buffalo Springs	1930	Third	39	6	1					46	25	3	
Cedar Bluff	1887	Third	126	9	2					137			
Fairview	1875	Third	108	5					1	112			
Fifth Street	1924	1st & 3rd	335	11	6		5		1	346	80	5	
Friendship	1919	Third	59	1					1	59			
Good Will	1899	Fourth	185							185			
Haysville	1925	Fourth	89		1		2		1	87	100	4	
Lafayette	1849	Fourth	180	7	8	1	4		2	190	102	6	
Long Creek	1853	First	148	4	1		4			149			
Macedonia	1873	Fourth	95		1		2	4		90			
Maple Grove	1904	First	100	10				1	1	108			
Maysville	1922	Fourth	50				1			49	56	3	
Meadorville	1869	Third	374	12			6		3	377			
Mt. Zion	1888	Third	301				1		1	299	77	4	
New Bethel	1792	First	165		6		6			165	74	4	
New Harmony	1848	Second	190	9	4		3			200			
New Zion	1910	Second	161			1	5	2	3	152			
Old Hopewell	1921	Second	146	13	4	1		3		161			
Pleasant Grove	1881	Third	41				1			40			
Pleasant Hill	1876	First	144	38		1	1			182			
Red Hill	1925	Third	78				1		4	73			
Rock Bridge	1883	Third	123	7	1	1		8	2	122			
Rocky Mound	1873	Second	193	6	1	1	2	2	1	196	64	4	
Siloam	1842	First	210	5			1		2	212			
Spring Creek	1849	First	61	3	6		1		2	67			
Sulphur Fork	1888	Second	24	2	3					29			
Union	1853	Second	226	7			1		2	230			
Union Hill	1919	Second	134				1	1	1	131			
TOTALS			4219	159	48	7	49	23	29	4332	578	33	

FINANCIAL TABLE—WISEMAN ASSOCIATION

CHURCHES	Foreign Missions	Home Missions	District Missions	Nashville Orphans' Home	Camden Home	Given to Poor	Incidental Expenses	Paid Our Pastor	Paid Help in Meeting	Building and Repairs	Paid Visiting Ministers	Printing Fund	All Other Causes	Total Contributions	Value of Church Property
Brattontown	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$25.13	\$	\$14.50	\$102.03	\$15.00	\$18.00	\$2.60	\$2.50	\$	\$179.76	\$1,000
Buffalo Springs					10.42	15.00	8.00	43.77	2.25			1.50		80.94	700
Cedar Bluff					20.30			108.74				2.55		131.59	1,000
Fairview			1.00		16.73		8.37	135.75				3.05		164.90	1,000
Fifth Street	5.00				77.78	25.00	7.32	375.00	109.17		10.00	2.00		611.27	2,000
Friendship					7.41			14.10		6.50		.51		28.52	500
Good Will					10.00		10.00	103.72		25.00		3.00	10.00	161.72	1,000
Haysville					5.71			157.73	19.50	9.00	1.50	2.05	26.50	221.99	2,000
Lafayette					23.18		135.80	363.92	9.00			2.00		533.90	4,000
Long Creek					24.80	3.47	18.00	143.46	27.35	86.62	2.50	2.00	15.00	323.20	1,000
Macedonia					1.05	1.00		30.00	7.00	20.00		2.00		61.05	600
Maple Grove	6.00				10.00	18.00		98.75	32.00	25.75		2.00		192.50	800
Maysville		2.72			2.56			42.50	4.15			1.00		52.93	800
Meadorville					18.43		21.53	208.00			3.75	2.50	47.72	301.93	1,000
Mt. Zion	4.00				4.80			104.00		34.60	14.00	2.00	64.00	227.40	1,000
New Bethel	3.04				52.85	24.30	6.00	131.00	34.00	133.70	19.12	2.00	69.00	475.01	2,000
New Harmony					32.23		16.55	150.00				3.00		201.78	1,500
New Zion					12.75	6.00		40.40	6.50			1.80		67.45	1,000
Old Hopewell					8.40	17.00	36.08	183.20	33.10		3.45	2.00		283.23	1,000
Pleasant Grove												1.00		1.00	1,000
Pleasant Hill					40.95	7.15	3.00	190.21	99.65			3.00		343.96	2,000
Red Hill					2.60			51.75	18.40		3.36	1.35	4.50	81.96	1,200
Rock Bridge					20.66	7.85		106.60	25.30			2.19	3.75	166.35	2,000
Rocky Mound	1.50	1.50			30.15	3.50	10.50	104.30	11.15	18.00	7.50	3.00	3.45	194.55	800
Siloam					14.23	3.10	22.80	140.00	38.00	39.63	5.70	2.00		265.46	1,500
Spring Creek					1.37			90.15	18.26		3.40	2.40	7.00	122.58	800
Sulphur Fork					2.68									2.68	800
Union					26.86		18.16	160.30	69.70	33.00	7.00	2.00		317.02	1,800
Union Hill					25.77		16.36	53.03	20.50		6.29	2.40		124.35	1,000
TOTALS	\$19.54	\$4.22	\$1.00		\$529.80	\$131.37	\$352.97	\$3432.41	\$599.98	\$449.80	\$90.17	\$58.80	\$250.92	\$5920.98	\$36,800