

# The Wiseman Baptist Association



TENNESSEE

FORTY-EIGHTH ANNUAL SESSION

OCTOBER 18, 19, 20, 1939

HELD WITH

Union Baptist Church

Three Miles North of Fountain Run, Kentucky

Next Session will be held with Red Hill Baptist Church,  
four miles northeast of Haysville and twelve miles  
north of Lafayette, Tenn., beginning Wednesday after  
the third Sunday in October, 1940, at 10:00 a. m.

## OFFICERS

ELD. N. C. FUQUA, Moderator.....Lafayette, Tenn.  
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Introductory Sermon By  
ELDER F. W. LAMBERT

**PROCEEDINGS**  
OF THE  
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**FIRST DAY**

**Wednesday, October 18, 1939**

At ten o'clock a. m. on this date Wiseman Baptist Association convened with Union Baptist church, three miles north of Fountain Run, Ky., in its forty-eighth annual session. The services were opened with singing "Standing On The Promises" and "If I Could Hear My Mother Pray Again." The Moderator, Elder N. C. Fuqua, offered a number of remarks, after which Elder C. B. Massey of Enon Association led us in prayer. In his petition Brother Massey thanked God for this old-time body and prayed that it might continue in the old paths. The congregation sang "Amazing Grace," after which the Moderator read the 121st Psalm as a lesson. Prayer was offered by Elder Lewis Mince, followed with singing "How Firm A Foundation." At this point the Moderator presented Elder R. O. Sanders, the appointee of last year, to preach the Introductory Sermon. After some remarks, Brother Sanders read as a lesson Ecclesiastes 12:1-5 and chose for a text the first verse of the chapter. His theme was "Choosing God Early in Life." He showed that the sinner had the power of making a choice. He preached with power and demonstration of the Holy Spirit. There were many hearty amens from the brethren which showed their endorsement of the sermon. At the close the congregation sang "He Loves Me" and "A Country Where People Don't Die," while the brethren and sisters shook hands with each other and with the speaker in endorsement of the discourse.

The Moderator appointed Elders W. T. Russell and F. W. Lambert as Reading Clerks. Enrollment of the churches and their messengers was made as follows:

- BRATTONTOWN—E. M. McDonald, W. M. Norman, W. T. Gross.
- BUFFALO SPRINGS—W. V. Thompson, Hardy Thompson, Robert Bush.
- CEDAR BLUFF—Allen Adams, John White, Robert Gulley.
- FAIRVIEW—R. Thompson, Oakley Cook, Henry Williamson.
- FIFTH STREET—H. F. Jordan, A. S. Sampson, G. C. Meador.
- FRIENDSHIP—Letter, but no messengers.
- GOOD WILL—J. A. Linville.
- HAYSVILLE—Wrenzy Wheeley, Ervin Knight, Johnnie Ford.
- LAFAYETTE—Dewey Tucker.
- LONG CREEK—N. C. Fuqua, Y. O. Johnson, Herman Harper.
- MACEDONIA—Not represented.
- MAPLE GROVE—M. C. Howard, J. M. Dossey, Cornelius Jones.
- MAYSVILLE—Geo. H. Taylor, T. A. Shockley, A. D. Wade.
- MEADORVILLE—Letter, but no messengers.
- MT. ZION—Miller Downing, Curtis Perdue, Porter Garrett.
- NEW BETHEL—J. O. Brooks, F. L. Ray, H. H. Leeman.
- NEW HARMONY—A. J. Sloan, Irving Edens, E. A. Jones.
- NEW ZION—W. R. Pedigo.
- OLD HOPEWELL—G. O. Templeton, Lewis Mince, H. A. Thompson.
- PLEASANT GROVE—Not represented.
- PLEASANT HILL—Luther Kirkham, Martin Grubbs, W. W. Bowman.
- RED HILL—W. D. Lonas, A. H. Jent, T. A. Harper.
- ROCKY BRIDGE—Herlin Brown, William Wright, Edgar Brown.
- ROCKY MOUND—Willie Harris, R. C. Linville, H. S. Linville.
- SILOAM—F. W. Lambert, R. O. Sanders, T. C. Harrison.
- SPRING CREEK—G. L. Hughes, Lloyd Fishburn, E. W. Jent
- SULPHUR FORK—Not represented.
- UNION—W. T. Russell, Jake Goodman, H. C. Simmons.

UNION HILL—John Brown, Earl Suddarth, Albert Piper.

Moved to adjourn forty-five minutes. After announcements, the benediction was offered by Elder W. T. Steenbergen.

#### Wednesday Afternoon

The Association assembled with singing. Prayer was offered by Elder L. O. Cliburn.

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.

Petitionary Letters were called for and none was offered.

The following visiting brethren were invited to seats with us:

ENON ASSOCIATION—Elder C. B. Massey, O. L. Gregory, H. M. Kemp, W. C. Gammon, C. C. Driver, J. E. Blankenship, C. Wert Dotson.

WILSON COUNTY ASSOCIATION—Elder Hall Grime, E. C. Watkins.

BLED SOE ASSOCIATION—Elder A. B. Pierce.

ALLEN COUNTY ASSOCIATION—Elder L. O. Cliburn, Elder Ernest Eaton, Elder H. B. Eaton, Elder W. T. Steenbergen.

BARREN RIVER ASSOCIATION—Elder J. R. Jackson, H. A. Britt, Chris Miller.

SOUTHWESTERN DISTRICT ASSOCIATION—Elder J. Robert Paschal.

Athens Church, Wilson County, Tennessee—Elder James C. Walker.

#### PLACE OF MEETING

The selection of our next meeting place was taken up. After some discussion Red Hill church, four miles northeast of Haysville, Macon County, Tennessee, was selected. Elder F. W. Lambert was chosen to preach the next Introductory Sermon, with Elder N. C. Fuqua as alternate. Elder A. J. Sloan was the choice of the Association to preach the Doctrinal Sermon next year, with Elder R. O. Sanders as alternate.

Elder J. Robert Paschall and some of the inmates of the Old Ministers and Orphans' Home at Camden being present, they were asked to put on a program which they did to the delight of all present. At the close of the program a free-will offering of \$17.62 was taken up for the Home.

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

#### NOMINATIONS

1. RELIGIOUS LITERATURE—W. T. Russell, Irving Edens, Hall Grime.
2. PROHIBITION—C. B. Massey, Will Brown, W. V. Thompson.
3. BAPTIST HOME—Oakley Cook, T. C. Harrison, J. W. Lambert.
4. MISSIONS—W. T. Steenbergen, Ed Brown, C. C. Driver.
5. PASTOR'S SUPPORT—Ernest Eaton, J. O. Brooks, Noah Carter.
6. MINISTERIAL EDUCATION—H. B. Eaton, Harley Jordan, Charlie Cline.
7. SUNDAY SCHOOLS—M. H. Whitley, Wrenzy Wheeley, Ervin Knight.
8. PRAYER MEETINGS—R. Thompson, T. C. Harrison, Miller Downing.
9. STATE OF RELIGION—Herlin Brown, Y. O. Johnson, J. A. Linville.
10. RESOLUTIONS—G. O. Templeton, Alvin Jones, W. V. Thompson.
11. OBITUARIES—L. O. Cliburn, A. B. Pierce, S. G. Woodcock.
12. Finance—Oakley Cook, Lewis Mince, W. T. Russell.
13. TREASURER'S REPORT—T. C. Harrison.
14. CORRESPONDENCE—W. T. Russell, Noah Carter, J. T. Russell.

The report was adopted without discussion.

The report on entertainment was called for, and the messengers and visitors were assigned homes. Moved to adjourn to meet at nine o'clock on the morrow. After announcements, the Association was dismissed with prayer by Elder A. B. Pierce.

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**SECOND DAY****Thursday, October 19, 1939**

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

The roll of messengers was called and the minutes of yesterday were read and approved.

Visitors were enrolled as follows:

LIBERTY ASSOCIATION—Elder T. J. Tinsley.

ALLEN COUNTY ASSOCIATION—C. T. Carlock.

ENON ASSOCIATION—Elder J. E. Cole.

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

**RELIGIOUS LITERATURE**

We, your committee on Religious Literature, desire to recommend to all God-loving and God-serving people to keep in their homes before their children the soundest and firmest of good Bible literature at all times. It is as strength to the aged and as medicine to the young whereby they may be taught the right principles of godliness. We specially urge that all literature be carefully weighed and tried by the Bible before it is offered to our people and especially to the young. It is by the Scriptures that all human conduct, creeds and principles are to be measured.

We suggest, first of all, the precious pages of the Bible as the very best of literature. We also recommend the Fore-runner, the American Baptist and the Independent Baptist Voice. We say in conclusion: "Buy the truth and sell it not."

W. T. RUSSELL,

IRVING EDENS, Committee.

Adopted after discussion by W. T. Russell, C. B. Massey, Dewey Tucker, H. A. Thompson, M. H. Whitley, J. D. Cook, Jas. C. Walker, Irving Edens, Oakley Cook, R. O. Sanders, J. O. Brooks and N. C. Fuqua.

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

**PROHIBITION**

We, your committee on Prohibition, submit the following report: Every Baptist ought to be a total abstainer from the use of strong drink as a beverage. Strong drink is not only detrimental to the peace and morals of the country, but it is also detrimental to the health of those who use it. And

it affects the mind and health of the offspring of fathers and mothers who use it. It causes the death of thousands of innocent people who do not use it, by wrecks and by murder and in other ways. It makes fiends out of parents. It causes husbands to beat and mistreat their wives. It makes widows and orphan children by the thousands. Beer is the worst form of strong drink because children and women can and do buy it. The head of our nation believes in it, the first lady of the land thinks that the young women ought to be taught how much they can drink and get away with it.

Strong drink is not a matter of politics but of principles that ought to affect every God-fearing and God-loving man and woman, and especially every Baptist. We cannot hope to remedy this strong drink evil as long as we vote for men who believe in its legality and use. We can never be able to control this evil as long as we vote in its favor. We should always ask God to direct us in our voting and then go as He directs.

C. B. MASSEY,  
W. W. BOWMAN,  
W. V. THOMPSON, Committee.

The report was adopted after discussion by C. B. Massey, W. W. Bowman, R. O. Sanders, M. H. Whitley, F. L. Ray and others.

#### 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 chose for a text Heb. 10:14 and preached a great sermon on the security of God's people. He showed many great things God did for His people, His many promises not to forsake them, His power to keep them, and how that all of those who have been born again will finally reach the glory world. It was a sermon of great power and many were the hearty amens as the saints feasted on the good things of the Lord. At the close of the discourse many songs were sung while the hand of fellowship and endorsement was given the speaker amidst the tears of joy of many of the hearers.

Moved to adjourn one hour. Dismissed with prayer by Elder Jas. C. Walker.

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**THURSDAY AFTERNOON**

After a sumptuous dinner the Association assembled with singing, followed with prayer by H. A. Thompson. At this point a free-will offering was taken up for Elder Alfred Cook, amounting to \$11.90.

The brethren from New Zion, Friendship and Spring Creek churches presented their letters at this time and their names were enrolled as messengers.

Visitors were seated as follows:

ENON ASSOCIATION—H. G. Copas, W. H. Cothron.

EDMONTON ASSOCIATION—Daniel Simmons.

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The report on Baptist Home was read by Brother Oakley Cook as follows:

**BAPTIST HOME**

We have a good home near Camden, Tennessee, which we feel, is worthy of the support of our people both financially and in our prayers. This home is open to orphan children, aged ministers and their wives or widows. James said: "Visit the fatherless in their affliction." We urge the members of the churches of this Association to give liberally of their means to support his home. Also pray for its Superintendent, Elder J. Robert Paschal, that he may be able to teach the children under his care the old-time way of salvation by repentance toward God and faith toward our Lord Jesus Christ. We urge all the churches to take a free-will offering each month for this worthy cause. Paul teaches us that if we give liberally, we shall reap bountifully. Let us not neglect the boys and girls in this home.

OAKLEY COOK,

T. C. HARRISON,

J. W. LAMBERT, Committee.

After a lively discussion by Oakley Cook, C. B. Massey, Dewey Tucker, Jas. C. Walker, T. C. Harrison, H. H. Leeman, N. C. Fuqua, A. B. Pierce, F. W. Lambert, J. E. Cole, Y. O. Johnson, H. G. Copas, L. A. Stewart, J. O. Brooks, Ernest Eaton, W. T. Russell and others, the report was adopted.

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Moved to adjourn till nine o'clock tomorrow. Dismissed with prayer by Elder W. M. Norman.



**THIRD DAY****Friday, October 20, 1939**

The Association came together with singing, followed with prayer by Elder E. A. Jones. The minutes of yesterday were read, corrected and approved. The moderator requested all to abide by our rules.

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

**MISSIONS**

The Great Commission of our Lord continues to ring in the hearts of His people as it did in the apostolic age. The command, "Go Evangelize," is the most important command He gave to His disciples and followers, because it has to do with the future of His kingdom. Paul and Barnabas waxed bold in speaking the Lord's command, "I have set thee for a light to the Gentiles, that thou shouldst be for salvation unto the uttermost parts of the earth." Acts: 13-47.

Christians everywhere should feel that they have the responsibility of proclaiming the Gospel of Jesus Christ to all the world. For convenience we call one section of the world the Foreign Field, and in this department of work we seek to minister to those of other lands. Today some of these foreign nations are in great commotion and we know not what a day will bring forth; but let us keep in mind that the Lord of all power still lives and rules, and will guide amid the distressing affairs of men and nations. We have no right or authority to slacken our efforts or reduce our contributions because of these disturbances. On the other hand, if there ever was a time when the gospel of Peace and Love and Mercy needed to be emphasized more than the present, history does not record it. If Peace is restored it must be restored upon the terms of the gospel of Christ, and this gospel must be heard to be believed, and men must be sent to proclaim it in order that it may be heard. "The field is white unto the harvest, but the laborers are few." Are you praying that the Lord of the harvest send laborers into His harvest? Are you endeavoring to make it possible for them to go by supplying money with which it can be done? What does the record of our churches reveal about our interest? Are you content with what you did last year? Do you feel that you have shown a keen concern for the salvation of those who have never heard the gospel? We boast of being Missionary Baptists. Are we demonstrating that spirit to the world? The price of your

salvation and ours meant the death of our Lord, the supreme sacrifice. What are we sacrificing in order that we may show our appreciation of His Love and Mercy? He said, "If you love me you will keep my commandments," and the greatest commandment He gave, the commandment of more significance than all others, was, "All authority is given Me in heaven and in earth, go teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Ghost, teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you, and lo I am with you always, even unto the end of the world." Brethern, we have no disposition to offer criticism, God forbid, but your contribution for missions last year, Foreign, Home and District, amounted to \$24.76—, 29 churches with a reported membership of 4219, just a little more than one-half cent per member. May we modestly and humbly inquire, are you satisfied with that report? We know you are not. Then let us here and now re-dedicate ourselves to the work of the Master. Let us place ourselves upon His altar and be willing and anxious to be used of Him for His glory. We are going to meet Him by and by, and if we merit His commendation, "well done," we are going to have to do what He commands: "Why call ye me Lord and do not the things I say?"—Humbly submitted.

A. B. PIERCE,  
EDGAR BROWN, Committee.

The report was adopted after discussion by A. J. Sloan, Dewey Tucker, L. A. Stewart, R. O. Sanders, H. S. Linville, N. C. Fuqua, M. H. Whitley, Ernest Eaton, E. A. Jones, H. A. Thompson, G. C. Dossey, J. M. Dossey and F. W. Lambert.

The report on Pastors' Support was read by Elder Ernest Eaton as follows:

#### PASTORS' SUPPORT

We note from the letters from the various churches to the Association that most of them are doing reasonably well in supporting their pastors, although some of the churches are very weak in this respect when we consider the number of their members. We recommend that every pastor try to preach once or twice each year on the teaching of the Bible concerning this matter. We are sure this will help the pastor and also the members who will be blest for doing their duty. It is the duty of the pastor to teach his people to give liberally to every worthy cause. In so doing he will improve his support and also encourage and help those

causes that require some finance. We urge the members of the churches not to fail in their duty to the pastor. The Bible teaches us that they which preach the Gospel should live of the Gospel. Let us try to make some improvement in supporting the work of the churches.—Yours in Christ,

ERNEST EATON,  
J. O. BROOKS,  
NOAH CARTER, Committee.

Adopted after discussion by Ernest Eaton.

A report on Ministerial Education was read and after it had been discussed by Haskell Eaton, Dewey Tucker, F. W. Lambert, R. O. Sanders, T. C. Harrison, W. T. Russell, Irving Edens, L. A. Stewart, Jas. C. Walker and N. C. Fuqua, it was rejected on the grounds that it was ambiguous and indefinite.

Moved to adjourn one hour for dinner. Dismissed with prayer by Elder H. S. Linville.

#### FRIDAY AFTERNOON

After another fine dinner the Association assembled with singing "How Firm A Foundation," followed with prayer by Elder G. O. Templeton.

The following resolution was offered by Elder A. J. Sloan:

#### SPECIAL RESOLUTION

Whereas some churches bordering on the bounds of this Association are receiving members from other denominations on their alien baptism; therefore, be it resolved:

That this Association go on record as condemning the practice and that we declare non-fellowship with all churches and Associations endorsing or practicing alien baptism.

A. J. SLOAN

The resolution was unanimously adopted without discussion.

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

#### SUNDAY SCHOOLS

We judge from the letters to the Association that Sunday Schools have not increased in number since our last meeting. Surely we are overlooking the words of the Lord Jesus Christ in Matt. 28:19, when He said: "Go teach all

nations." We believe this commission was given to the church and, if you please, we mean by church, a Missionary Baptist church, with Baptist teachers. Further we think that the word "teach" in this passage means that one should be taught repentance because the Bible says: "Repent or perish." As born-again Baptists we do not believe that signing a card is enough or that shaking hands with some preacher will meet the requirements of the Lord when He said: "Ye must be born again."

If each church would organize a Sunday School, much could be done toward carrying out the Great Commission and in heeding Solomon's words: "Train up a child in the way he should go; and when he is old, he will not depart from it."

We recommend as Sunday School literature that which is published by the American Baptist Association at Texarkana, Ark.-Tex. We hope that when we meet next time, there will be a substantial increase in Sunday Schools among the churches of Wiseman Association.

M. H. WHITLEY,  
WRENZY WHEELY,  
ERVIN KNIGHT, Committee.

Adopted after discussion by M. H. Whitley, H. S. Linville, F. W. Lambert, Geo. H. Taylor, R. O. Sanders, Oakley Cook, Dewey Tucker and others.

The report on Ministerial Education as submitted this morning having been rejected, the following report was read by Elder W. T. Russell:

#### MINISTERIAL EDUCATION

By appointment the following report on Ministerial Education is submitted: By ministerial education we mean that the individual upon whom God has laid the great burden and responsibility of carrying the Gospel of the Lord Jesus Christ to lost humanity, prepare himself by studying the inspired pages of God's sacred word in much prayer and humility, depending upon God for revelation of its deep and hidden mysteries.

We believe that every man must have knowledge to read and study the Bible before he can acceptably preach the Bible, because one must know what is in the Bible before he can tell what it says. After one has that knowledge which is imperative, let him study to show himself approved unto God, a workman that needeth not to be ashamed,

rightly dividing the word of truth. And next, let him depend for wisdom upon God who giveth to all men liberally and upbraideth not. W. T. RUSSELL.

Adopted without discussion.

The report on Prayer Meetings was read by Elder R. Thompson as follows:

#### PRAYER MEETINGS

Prayer is the sincere desire of the heart. David said that he would lift up his eyes to the hill of the Lord from whence his help cometh. Daniel, the prophet, prayed three times daily, with his window opened toward Jerusalem. Jesus prayed before He organized His church. The Apostles were men of prayer. Paul said, "I will, therefore, that men pray everywhere, lifting up holy hands without wrath and doubting."

We believe that it would be profitable for each church to maintain a weekly prayer meeting in order that we might have the leadership of the Holy Spirit, that we might know the will of God, and that we might ask for those things we need.—Prayerfully submitted,

R. THOMPSON,  
T. C. HARRISON,  
MILLER DOWNING, Committee.

Adopted after discussion by R. Thompson, W. M. Norman, Irving Edens, H. S. Linville, F. W. Lambert and E. A. Jones.

The report on State of Religion was read by Bro. Y. O. Johnson as follows:

#### STATE OF RELIGION

The churches of this Association seem to be in very good condition, a large number of souls having been saved and many added to the churches during the past year. This should encourage us to continue our fight for the right and God will bless us for our efforts as He has in the past. We have the promise of reaping in due season if we faint not.

HERLIN BROWN,  
Y. O. JOHNSON,  
J. A. LINVILLE, Committee.

Discussed by Y. O. Johnson and M. H. Whitley and adopted.

The report on Obituaries was called for, but it was not on hand and the Clerk was empowered to prepare and insert in the Minutes a suitable report. His report is as follows:

#### OBITUARIES

We learned from the letters to the Association that thirty of our members have been called away during the past year. Some of them were leaders in their churches, one of them being a minister, Elder Henry Harper. He was a member of Good Will Baptist church for many years. He was the only preacher to be called away during the Associational year. Some deacons were included in the list of the dead. We regret to give up these good members, but we bow in submission to God's will. By their passing away, we are reminded that our time is coming and we know not the day nor hour. It behooves us to be ready and to live each day as though it were our last on earth. Since time is fleeting and we are swift passengers from time to vast eternity, we are made to see more and more the wisdom of building our happiness on the things that are eternal instead of the vain things of the world. We find great consolation in the thought that those who have left our ranks during the past year had made peace with God and they had for a long time been "looking for a city which hath foundation whose maker and builder is God." So we give them up with the thought that they are now at rest and that we shall meet them again in a better world. The sorrowing and fatherless and motherless children have our deep sympathy in the loss of their parents. Husbands and wives whose partner in life has left them are to be pitied. Parents whose children have died are sad and their load is heavy. But amidst all life's sorrows there comes the comforting presence of Him who has said: "I will never fail thee nor forsake thee."

Let us carry our sorrows without murmuring. Let us take up the unfinished tasks our sainted dead left us. Let us look on the bright side of life rather than the gloomy. Let Hope have her way. Let Love for God prompt all our hearts. Let God have His way and He will lead us to final victory, to a bright crown, to a better home, and to our loved ones who have left us.

A. J. SLOAN, Committee.

Some touching remarks were made at this point by H. A. Thompson, J. O. Brooks, F. W. Lambert, R. O. Sanders, L. A. Stewart and others.

The report on Resolutions was read by Elder G. O. Thompson as follows:

#### RESOLUTIONS

Whereas, the Wiseman Baptist Association having met in a very spiritual session with Union church, near Fountain Run, Kentucky; therefore, be it resolved:

1. That we extend to Union church and community our sincere thanks for the kindness and hospitality shown us both at church and in their homes.
2. That we extent our thanks to the Moderator and the Clerk for their efficient services during this Association.
3. That we, as Baptists, make a stronger fight against the evils of modern times.
4. That the Clerk have 500 copies of Minutes printed and distributed among the churches, and that he have the remainder of the minute fund for his work.

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

Adopted without discussion.

The report on Finance was read by Brother Oakley Cook as follows:

#### FINANCE

We have received from the various churches for Minutes and Clerk hire a total of \$52.60.

Adopted without discussion.

OAKLEY COOK,  
LEWIS MINCE,  
W. T. RUSSELL, Committee.

#### TREASURER'S REPORT

The report of the Treasurer was read as follows:

During the present 1939 session of Wiseman Association the following sums have been paid into my hands:

Foreign Missions .....	\$ 2.10
Home Missions .....	2.65
District Missions .....	2.00
Old Ministers and Orphans' Home .....	22.97
Total .....	\$29.72

T. C. HARRISON, Treasurer.

Adopted without discussion.

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

#### CORRESPONDENCE

For the church at Union we want to express our hearty appreciation of having had the privilege of entertaining the 48th annual session of the Wiseman Baptist Association. We feel that this Association has been of great help to us as a church and community. We feel that it has brought about a greater zeal for God and His cause among us.

We certainly have enjoyed having in our homes the messengers from the various churches. We want everyone of you to feel that you are welcome in our homes at all times. Stop with us when in our community. May God's richest blessings ever be poured out upon each and every church represented and may He bless all our efforts to His glory. Respectfully submitted.

W. T. RUSSELL,  
NOAH CARTER,  
J. T. RUSSELL, Committee.

The report was adopted after remarks by W. T. Russell, J. T. Russell and T. C. Harrison.

The Standing Committee composed of W. O. Johnson, J. D. Cook and J. A. Linville, was empowered to select a Missionary for the ensuing year.

#### NEW BUSINESS

It was ordered that we have a sermon next year at 11:00 o'clock on Friday in memory of our dead, and that the preacher be selected by the Association the first day of the session.

Moved to adjourn to meet at ten o'clock on Wednesday after the third Sunday in October, 1940 with Red Hill church, four miles northeast of Haysville and twelve miles north of Lafayette, Tennessee. Dismissed with prayer by Elder E. M. McDonald.

Thus closed a very good session of this old-time body of Baptists.

N. C. FUQUA, Moderator,  
Lafayette, Tennessee.  
A. J. SLOAN, Clerk,  
Lafayette, Tennessee.  
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 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.

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**STANDING COMMITTEE**

W. O. Johnson, R-2, Westmoreland, Tennessee.  
J. D. Cook, R-1, Hartsville, Tennessee.  
J. A. Linville, R-1, Hartsville, Tennessee.

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**CONSTITUTION**

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

Article VIII. These Associations shall meet annually on Wednesday at 10:00 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 re-

ceived 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.

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

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**OUR SAINTED DEAD**

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

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- BRATTONTOWN—Sireen Parker, date not given.  
FIFTH STREET—Mrs. Finch, date not given.  
FRIENDSHIP—Mrs. Caroline Marsh, March 14, 1939.  
GOOD WILL—Mrs. Mary McClanahan, date not given. Mrs. Janie Stalcup, date not given. Elder Henry Harper, date not given.  
HAYSVILLE—Mrs. Crit White, Feb. 28, 1939.  
LAFAYETTE—Mrs. Jane Smith, April 9, 1939.  
LONG CREEK—Mrs. Nelia Claiborne, April 23, 1939. Mrs. Ollie Harper, June 15, 1939.  
MAPLE GROVE—John Patterson, date not given. John Sutton, date not given.  
MEADORVILLE—Mrs. Gladys Sykes, July 8, 1939. Sam Parker, date not given.  
MT. ZION—Mrs. Eliza Cox, July 1939.  
NEW HARMONY—Mrs. Josie Claiborne, Oct. 28, 1938. Miss Judie Adams, Nov. 11, 1939. Taylor Barber, March 22, 1939. Mrs. Bertha Fuqua, July 4, 1939.  
NEW ZION—Mrs. Sarah Walton, March 2, 1939. Arthur Stafford, March 28, 1939.  
OLD HOPEWELL—George Mince, Jan. 16, 1939. Mrs. Dora Earps, Feb. 1939.  
PLEASANT HILL—Layon Hill, Feb. 19, 1939.  
ROCK BRIDGE—Pattie Crowder, Aug. 6, 1939.  
ROCKY MOUND—Elvis Johnson, March 27, 1939. Katie Ripley, April 29, 1939.  
SPRING CREEK—Mary Harper, Feb. 19, 1939.  
UNION HILL—Myrtle Key, Feb. 7, 1939. Martha McClanahan, Feb. 28, 1939.

## CHURCH DIRECTORY

CHURCHES	Treasurers and Their Addresses	S. S. Supts. and Addresses
BRATTONTOWN.....	L. B. Hughes, Lafayette, Tenn.....	
BUFFALO SPRINGS.....	Hardin Thompson, Bethpage, Tenn.....	W. H. Thompson, Bethpage, Tenn.....
CEDAR BLUFF.....	John White, Lafayette, Tenn.....	
FAIRVIEW.....	F. W. Ford, Hartsville, Tenn.....	
FIFTH STREET.....	The Deacons, 525 High St., Bowling Green, Ky.....	R. L. Rather, Bowling Green, Ky.....
FRIENDSHIP.....	J. L. Gammon, Lafayette, Tenn.....	
GOOD WILL.....	J. A. Linville, Hartsville, Tenn.....	
HAYSVILLE.....	Ezra Lawrence, Lafayette, Tenn.....	Ezra Lawrence, Lafayette, Tenn.....
LAFAYETTE.....	E. W. Meador, Lafayette, Tenn.....	Geo. W. Johnson, Lafayette, Tenn.....
LONG CREEK.....	S. G. Woodcock, Westmoreland, Tenn.....	
MACEDONIA *.....	Roy K. Meador, Adolphus, Ky.....	
MAPLE GROVE.....	H. D. 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.....	R. H. Fuller, Bethpage, Tenn.....	
PLEASANT GROVE *.....		
PLEASANT HILL.....	W. W. Bowman, Portland, Tenn.....	
RED HILL.....		H. W. Binion, Holland, Ky.....
ROCK BRIDGE.....	Edgar Brown, Fountain Head, Tenn.....	
ROCKY MOUND.....	H. O. Cliburn, 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.....	Mary York, 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.....	A. B. Pierce, Westmoreland, Tenn.....	Eugene Cook, 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.....	W. T. Taylor, 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.....	H. O. Brawner, 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.....	Omer Morrison, Tracy, Ky.....
UNION HILL.....	R. Thompson, Lafayette, Tenn.....	Earl Suddarth, Gallatin, Tenn.....

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## 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	Statements	Letters	Expulsions				Deaths	
Brattontown	1925	Third	138	9	1				1	1	1	145		
Buffalo Springs	1930	Third	46	7		3			1	6		49	25	3
Cedar Bluff	1887	Third	137	19	1				3	1		153		
Fairview	1875	Third	112	1	2	1			2	1		113		
Fifth Street	1924	1st, 2d, 3d	346	9	3	2			8	2	1	349	85	5
Friendship	1919	Third	59									58		
Good Will	1899	Fourth	185	4						3		186		
Haysville	1925	Fourth	87	7	2		1		2	1	1	93	50	4
Lafayette	1849	Fourth	190	2	1	3			4		1	191	105	6
Long Creek	1853	First	149	11					6		2	152		
Macedonia *	1873	Fourth	90									90		
Maple Grove	1904	First	108	7	1					2		112		
Maysville	1922	Fourth	49	17	5							71	43	4
Meadorville	1869	Third	377	3						2		378		
Mt. Zion	1888	Third	299	56	7		1		3		1	359	56	4
New Bethel	1792	Third	165	2	3				7			163	74	4
New Harmony	1848	Second	200	<del>22</del>	<del>2</del>				4	1	4	215		
New Zion	1910	Fourth	152		2	2			1	2	2	151		
Old Hopewell	1921	Second	161	2	2	1					2	164		
Pleasant Grove *	1881	Third	40									40		
Pleasant Hill	1876	First	182		2				3		1	180		
Red Hill	1925	Third	73	18	3							94	41	4
Rock Bridge	1883	Third	122	4							1	125		
Rocky Mound	1873	Second	196	19	1	1			8		2	207		
Siloam	1842	First	212	26	5	3			1			245		
Spring Creek	1849	First	67	4							1	70		
Sulphur Fork *	1888	Second	29									29		
Union	1853	Second	230	8	5				7			236		
Union Hill	1919	Second	131	8					2	4	2	131		
<b>TOTALS</b>			<b>4332</b>	<b>265</b>	<b>48</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>65</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>4549</b>	<b>479</b>	<b>34</b>	

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### FINANCIAL TABLE

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	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$30.51	\$	\$14.00	\$95.37	\$16.07	\$31.25	\$2.50	\$2.00	\$	\$191.70	\$1,000
Buffalo Springs					14.18			50.25	3.90	18.00	7.00	1.50		94.83	700
Cedar Bluff					16.72	5.50		105.10	23.56	65.00		2.65		218.53	1,000
Fairview			1.00		17.75	3.00	8.35	97.65	21.00	22.50	11.00	2.50	2.00	186.75	1,000
Fifth Street	6.25	10.00	10.00		110.00	40.00	72.00	600.00	100.00	10.00	21.00	4.00	57.05	1,040.30	2,000
Friendship					3.00			27.32	10.85			1.00		42.17	600
Good Will					18.00		25.00	200.79	17.70			3.00		264.49	1,000
Haysville					28.00			126.00	18.00	1,206.00		1.32	2.40	1,381.72	2,500
Lafayette				5.00	5.00		25.76	197.25	16.25	29.25	163.31		20.00	461.82	3,000
Long Creek					22.89		23.17	178.80	20.25	46.00	6.50	2.50		300.11	1,000
Macedonia *					1.05	1.00		30.00	7.00	20.00		2.00		61.05	600
Maple Grove					10.93			83.85	23.00	9.00		1.45		128.23	800
Maysville		1.65			3.63			75.25	36.15	21.20	5.00	1.00		143.88	800
Meadorville							26.88	210.40		102.55		2.50		342.33	1,000
Mt. Zion	2.10				13.64		24.00	265.00	81.50	12.00	8.50	1.50	70.00	478.24	1,000
New Bethel	15.50				28.00	15.00	42.75	186.47			30.00	3.00		320.72	2,000
New Harmony					32.41		24.07	167.45	42.55	12.35		3.00		281.83	1,500
New Zion					5.75			75.00		480.00	1.25	1.25	15.00	578.25	1,000
Old Hopewell					42.01	10.00	19.79	181.65	57.53	3.61	5.54	2.00		322.13	1,500
Pleasant Grove *												1.00		1.00	1,000
Pleasant Hill					4.05		4.00	193.00	49.60			3.00	5.00	258.65	2,000
Red Hill					4.17			75.00	37.50			1.30		117.97	1,200
Rock Bridge					25.28		28.14	153.02	30.50			1.75		244.54	2,000
Rocky Mound		1.00	1.00		16.00	6.00	18.00	110.00	24.20	42.00	3.00	3.00		224.20	800
Siloam					15.60	47.50	12.75	125.00	35.56		5.60	2.50	37.80	282.31	1,200
Spring Creek					2.00		58.00	78.55	13.00	50.00		1.60	8.00	211.15	800
Sulphur Fork *					2.68									2.68	800
Union					21.93		25.70	186.70	46.15	123.87	4.80	2.00		411.15	1,800
Union Hill								63.50	15.66		18.79	1.30	30.00	129.25	1,000
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>\$23.85</b>	<b>\$12.65</b>	<b>\$12.00</b>	<b>\$5.00</b>	<b>\$495.18</b>	<b>\$128.00</b>	<b>\$452.36</b>	<b>\$3,938.37</b>	<b>\$747.48</b>	<b>\$2,304.58</b>	<b>\$299.64</b>	<b>\$55.62</b>	<b>\$247.25</b>	<b>\$8,721.98</b>	<b>\$36,600</b>

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