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**FIRST DAY**

**WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 23, 1940**

At ten o'clock a.m. on this date Wiseman Baptist Association convened with Red Hill Baptist Church in its forty-ninth annual session. Services were opened with singing "Where the Soul Never Dies." After some remarks by the Moderator, Elder N. C. Fuqua, Brother I. P. McDonald, of Enon Association, led in prayer. Song, "I'll Be Satisfied," was sung, after which the Moderator read as a lesson the 27th Psalm. Prayer was offered by Elder R. O. Sanders, followed with singing "When the Saints Go Marching In."

The Moderator presented Elder F. W. Lambert, the appointee of last year, to preach the Introductory Sermon. Brother Lambert read as a lesson Eph. 6:10-19, and chose as a text 1 Cor. 11:1. He preached a good sermon on the "Conversion and Teaching of Paul," delivering same in the spirit and power of the great Apostle. Many rejoiced aloud, and pressed forward to give the speaker their hand in token of their endorsement of this great sermon.

The Moderator appointed Elders L. A. Stewart and W. T. Russell as Reading Clerks. Enrollment of the Churches and their messengers was made as follows:

BRATTONTOWN—C P. Cothron, Emerson Jones.

BUFFALO SPRINGS—I. N. Sloan.

CAPITOL HILL—Not represented.

CEDAR BLUFF—Robert Gulley, John White, Allen

Adams.

- FAIRVIEW--F. W. Ferd. Jack Carr, R. Thompson.  
 FIFTH STREET--W. B. Jordan.  
 FRIENDSHIP--A. L. Cothron, J. L. Gammon, C. J. Green.  
 GOOD WILL--J. A. Linville.  
 HAYSVILLE--A. W. Wheelley, Ernest Wheelley, Ira Lawrence.  
 LAFAYETTE--L. W. Stewart, Dewey Tucker.  
 LONG CREEK--N. C. Fuqua, W. O. Johnson, Y. O. Johnson.  
 MACEDONIA--W. M. Gregory, Roy K. Meador.  
 MAPLE GROVE--John Bean, M. C. Howard, P. C. Howard.  
 MAYSVILLE--Alfred Cock, G. H. Taylor.  
 MEADORVILLE--Maxey Carman.  
 MT. ZION--Curtis Pardue, Miller Downing, D. Poe.  
 NEW BETHEL--F. L. Ray, William Overton.  
 NEW HARMONY--A. J. Sloan, E. A. Jones, Irving Edens.  
 NEW ZION--G. C. West, W. R. Pedigo, Willie Cox.  
 OLD HOPEWELL--Louis Mince, Ed Grizzle, G. O. Templeton.  
 PLEASANT GROVE--Not represented.  
 PLEASANT HILL--W. W. Bowman, L. W. Grubbs, W. B. Martin.  
 RED HILL--W. W. Jent, A. H. Jent, W. D. Lonas.  
 ROCK BRIDGE--H. P. Brown, Edgar Brown, E. C. Sherron.  
 ROCKY MOUND --R. C. Linville, Melvin Cliburn, Charlie Alexander.  
 SILOAM--R. O. Sanders, F. W. Lambert, T. C. Harrison.  
 SPRING CREEK--G. L. Hughes, E. W. Jent, L. H. Parker.  
 SULPHUR FORK--John Minor, H. B. Roark, B. S. Gregory.  
 UNION--W. T. Russell.  
 UNION HILL--D. R. Perrigo.

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Permanent organization was affected 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.

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Speeches of thanks were made by the newly elected officers, after which it was moved to adjourn one hour for dinner. Dismissed with prayer by Elder Irving Edens.

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**WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON**

After a fine dinner the Association came together with singing "Farther Along" and "Won't It Be Wonderful There" Prayer was offered by Elder Alfred Cook.

Petitionary letters were called for and none offered.

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The following visiting brethren were received and invited to seats with us:

ENON ASSOCIATION—I. P. McDonald, B. O. Prowell, Allen Rue Farley.

NASHVILLE ASSOCIATION—Elder Vernon Wright.

BLED SOE ASSOCIATION—John Leath.

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The report on Nominations was read as follows:

**NOMINATIONS**

1. RELIGIOUS LITERATURE—F. W. Lambert, Charlie Alexander, William Overton.
2. PROHIBITION—R. O. Sanders, Y. O. Johnson, R. W. Tracy.
3. BAPTIST HOME—E. A. Jones, J. D. Cook, Jack Carr.
4. MISSIONS—W. T. Russell, E. C. Sherron, Edgar Brown.
5. PASTOR'S SUPPORT—L. A. Stewart, Curtis Pardue, John Dossey.
6. MINISTERIAL EDUCATION—W. W. Bowman, A. W. Wheeley, L. W. Stewart.
7. SUNDAY SCHOOLS—R. Thompson, Dewey Tucker, G. L. Hughes.
8. PRAYER MEETINGS—F. L. Ray, G. O. Templeton, I. N. Sloan.
9. STATE OF RELIGION—Louis Mince, Herlin Brown, H. A. Thompson.
10. RESOLUTIONS—Herlin Brown, H. R. Overton, Hurley Linville.
11. OBITUARIES—Alfred Cook, R. C. Linville, T. C. Harrison.
12. FINANCE—Irving Edens, Oakley Cook, Melvin Cliburn.
13. TREASURER'S REPORT—T. C. Harrison.

14. CORRESPONDENCE—W. W. Jent, A. H. Jent, W. D. Lonas.

Adopted without discussion.

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#### PLACE OF MEETING

The selection of the next meeting place of the Association was taken up. After some discussion Lafayette church in Lafayette, Tennessee, was chosen as the next church to entertain Wiseman Association. Elder R. O. Sanders was selected to preach the next Introductory Sermon, with Elder W. T. Russell as alternate. Elder A. J. Sloan was chosen to deliver the next Doctrinal Sermon, with Elder F. W. Lambert as alternate. Elder R. O. Sanders was chosen to deliver the next Memorial Sermon, with Elder F. W. Lambert as alternate. Elder L. A. Stewart was chosen to preach the Memorial Sermon for the present session on Friday.

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Homes were next assigned messengers and visitors.

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

#### RELIGIOUS LITERATURE

We, your committee on Religious Literature, submit the following report: Let our people read good, sound Baptist literature, carefully weighed and tried by the Scriptures. Our people should be careful as to the literature their children read, for there is much unsound reading matter to be found almost everywhere. We recommend the American Baptist and the Independent Baptist Voice as good papers. Let us read some good religious paper, good books and above all, let us read the Bible.

F. W. LAMBERT,

WILLIAM OVERTON,

CHARLIE ALEXANDER, Committee.

Adopted after discussion by F. W. Lambert, Irving Edens, A. J. Sloan, I. P. McDonald, Alfred Cook, R. O. Sanders, W. T. Russell and others.

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Moved to adjourn to meet at nine thirty o'clock on the morrow. Dismissed with prayer by Elder Vernon Wright.

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SECOND DAY

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 24, 1940

The Association came together with singing "Everybody Will Be Happy," and "I'll Fly Away Some Day," followed with prayer by Elder C. B. Massey of Enon Association.

The Rules of Order and the roll call of messengers were read. The minutes of yesterday were read and approved.

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The following visitors were invited to seats with us:

ENON ASSOCIATION—Elder C. B. Massey, J. A. Shaw, A. S. Williams, Elder J. E. McDonald, Frank Jenkins.

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

PROHIBITION

We, your committee on Prohibition, submit the following report: There is no law governing our actions on life's pathway more binding upon us, or more important to our well being, than is the law of temperance; and there is no law the breach of which brings a surer or swifter destruction. Our prayer is, as we send forth this report, that it may cause some poor, erring sinner to come to the Saviour, who will abundantly pardon.

The devil does not hate mankind, neither does he love man; yet he is the greatest enemy of man, the enemy of God, Heaven and righteousness. The devil is an opposer of God's work, a hinderer of the Gospel. He is the father of lies. He is proud, powerful, wicked, boastful, deceitful and cruel. Matt. 4:6.

"Wine is a mocker, strong drink is raging; whosoever is deceived thereby is not wise." Prov. 20:1. "Awake, ye drunkards; and weep and howl, ye drinkers of wine." Joel 1:5. "Woe unto them that rise up early in the morning, that they may follow strong drink; that continue until night, till wine inflame them! and the harp, and the viol, the tabret, and pipe, and wine, are in their feasts: but they regard not the work of the Lord." Isa. 5:11-12.

Strong drink feeds rheumatism, it creates gout, it invites cholera, is stains the land with crime and blood, it fills the penitentiaries to overflowing with victims, victims for the electric chair. Its joy is filled to overflowing when it hears the cries of its victims in the death cell.

R. O. SANDERS, Committee.

The report was adopted after discussion by R. O. Sanders, Alfred Cook, C. B. Massey, W. T. Russell, Oakley Cook, F. W. Lambert, Irving Edens, N. C. Fuqua, Mrs. Ellis Jones and G. H. Taylor.

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#### 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. "Yes, I Know I Have Been Redeemed," was sung, after which Brother Sloan came to the pulpit and offered a number of remarks about Baptist doctrine. He chose for a text Psalm 26:8, and preached a great sermon on Baptist churches. With help from the Lord the speaker showed the glory and power of the church, its doctrine, ordinances and final triumph. Many hearty amens were heard during the discourse. At its close many good songs were sung, the hand of endorsement was given Brother Sloan, and many shouted aloud for joy.

Moved to adjourn one hour for dinner. Dismissed with prayer by Elder W. T. Taylor.

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#### THURSDAY AFTERNOON

After another fine dinner the Association came together with singing. Prayer was offered by Elder G. O. Templeton. The following visiting brethren were recognized and invited to seats with us:

G. S. Whited, Oakley Walker, James Walker, A. R. Piper, W. H. Long.

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After some announcements the report on the Baptist Home was read by Elder E. A. Jones as follows:

#### BAPTIST HOME

We have a good Baptist Orphans' Home near Camden, Tennessee, which has cared for 42 children since it was opened to receive unfortunate boys and girls who do not have fathers and mothers to care for them. The home is also open to old worn-out ministers, their wives or widows. Some of these aged saints have found a refuge there.

The Home is supported by the free-will offerings of Baptist churches and individuals who want to help. We fear that we



are making only a small effort to support the Home. We urge the members of our churches to contribute regularly to the support of the Home, that the children in this institution may have food, shelter, clothing and schooling; that they be fitted and prepared for their proper places in later life. They are being taught the old-time way of salvation by the worthy superintendent, Elder J. Robert Paschal.

We urge a better support of the Home, with monthly gifts of money, clothing and food. We urge every pastor to keep this very worthy cause before his church.

E. A. JONES,  
O. L. CARR, Committee.

Adopted after discussion by E. A. Jones, W. T. Russell and T. C. Harrison. A free-will offering to the amount of \$21.00 was taken for the Home.

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

#### MISSIONS

The great purpose of God's gift of His only Son was that all should be saved by believing on Him. Thus salvation is by grace through faith. Grace because man has never done anything to merit the forgiveness of sins but is depraved, a sinner by nature and cannot help himself. Eph. 2:3. Through faith because God gave His Son as a propitiation for our sins, who bore our sins in His own body on the tree of the cross and finished a plan of redemption for us that by faith or trust in Him we are saved from sin.

This Jesus is referred to in John 1:1 as the Word which was from the beginning and was present in the creation of all things.

In Psalm 68:11 we read that God gave the Word but great was the company that published it. So this Word must be published, people must be told of this wonderful Saviour by the gospel which Paul declares is the power of God unto salvation to everyone that believeth. But again Paul says, Rom. 14:10-15.

"How can they call upon Him in whom they have not believed? How can they believe in Him of whom they have not heard and how can they hear without a preacher?" So men must hear the gospel, believe it to be the truth, call upon Him in prayer; and upon repenting, God grants faith to the individual to believe on the Christ.

Jesus Christ gave the great commission of preaching the gos-

pel into the hands of His Church and said: "Go! teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son and of the Holy Ghost, etc."

In Acts 1:8 Jesus said to His church before He went away: "And ye shall receive power after that the Holy Ghost is come upon you and ye shall be witnesses of me in Jerusalem and in all Judea and in Samaria and unto the uttermost part of the earth." So our scope for the spread of the gospel is to every nation and people under heaven. We cannot all preach to these heathen nations but we can have a great part in it, by taking of that that God has so wonderfully blessed us with and making it possible for the missionary upon whom God has placed the call to go and tell the lost about this wonderful Christ. We cannot go too far or pay too much to that missionary who has the cause at heart and tells the story in the old-time way as Home Missionary or Foreign.

Our report for missions for this year shows a little improvement over last year but we still have room for further improvement.

We, your committee, wish to urge everyone to consider the importance of our doing more for missions and go back to our churches and do our best to build a greater interest among our people in this great work.

Respectfully submitted,

W. T. RUSSELL,

ED BROWN,

E. C. SHERRON, Committee.

The report was adopted after discussion by W. T. Russell, R. O. Sanders, Alfred Cook, H. A. Thompson and Louis Mince.

The report on Pastor's Support was read by Elder L. A. Stewart as follows:

#### PASTOR'S SUPPORT

Your committee believes that every God-called man should be supported by the churches that call him as their under-shepherd. But as the letters come in from the different churches in this Association, it seems the pastors are not being supported as they should be.

Psalm 71:9 says, "Cast me not off in the time of old age, forsake me not when my strength faileth."

At some time or other this has been the prayer of every min-

ister of the Gospel relative to the time when the days of his usefulness in the pastoral work would be over.

Ministers are gifts of Christ Himself to the churches, Eph. 4:11. Ministers are God-made, not man-made, Paul so declared in Eph. 3:7. "I was made a minister, according to the gift of the grace of God given unto me by the effectual working of His power."

The pastor is worthy of his support while he is physically and mentally fit for burden bearing in the churches. and, when evening shadows gather, he should be able to pillow his weary head on the bosom of a grateful people and receive a comfortable support until God calls him home.

L. A. STEWART,  
CURTIS PARDUE,  
JOHN DOSSEY, Committee.

The report was adopted without discussion.

Moved to adjourn to meet at nine thirty o'clock on the morrow. Dismissed with prayer by Elder G. L. Hughes.

### THIRD DAY

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 25, 1940

The Association came together with singing. Prayer was offered by Elder Herlin Brown. At the close of the prayer there seemed to come a shower of God's blessings upon us. A number of good songs were sung and there was much rejoicing among the saints.

The minutes of yesterday were read and adopted.

The report on Sunday Schools was read by Elder R. Thompson as follows:

### SUNDAY SCHOOLS

We mean by Sunday School an appointed time and place to meet and study God's Word, or sound Bible literature based upon the Scriptures. The Bible teaches us that Christ met with the people in the synagogues on the Sabbath day and stood up to read from the prophet Isaiah. He also said: "Search the Scriptures, for in them ye think ye have eternal life; and they are they that testify of me." We recommend that every church

in Wiseman Association have a Sunday School, that the members of each congregation might study the Scriptures together and learn more about God's will concerning us.

R. THOMPSON,

G. L. HUGHES, Committee.

Adopted after discussion by R. Thompson, R. O. Sanders, Alfred Cook, F. L. Ray, E. M. McDonald, A. J. Sloan, Emerson Jones, W. R. Overton, H. A. Thompson, Hurley Linville, and N. C. Fuqua.

The report on Ministerial Education was called for, but it was not ready. Last year's report was read by Elder W. T. Russell as follows:

#### 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 after discussion by W. T. Russell, R. O. Sanders and others.

The hour having arrived for the preaching of the Memorial Sermon, the regular Order of Business was suspended. The Moderator presented Elder L. A. Stewart, the appointee, to preach the sermon. Before the beginning of the discourse, the report on Obituaries was read by Elder Alfred Cook as follows:

#### OBITUARIES

From the letters to the Association we learn that 42 members have answered the last roll call since we met a year ago:

We regret that they have been called from our midst, but we believe that our loss is Heaven's gain. We are told in God's word: "But I would not have you to be ignorant, brethren, concerning them which are asleep, that ye sorrow not, even as others which have no hope. For, if we believe that Jesus died and rose again, even so them also which sleep in Jesus will God bring with him." 1 Thes. 4:13, 14. We are looking forward to the time in that great Association above when we shall meet them again in the presence of our Saviour, where we shall never again say good-bye.

ALFRED COOK,  
T. C. HARRISON,  
R. C. LINVILLE, Committee.

The congregation sang: "Precious Memories," after which Brother Stewart took for a text 1 Thess. 4:18, and preached a comforting and consoling sermon for the sorrowing and broken-hearted who have been bereft by the departure of earth's dearest friends. At the close a good handshake took place amid the rejoicing of those whose hope for Heaven grows brighter.

Moved to adjourn one hour. Dismissed with prayer by Elder Hurley Linville.

#### FRIDAY AFTERNOON

After another sumptuous repast, the Association came together with singing. Prayer was offered by Brother Oakley Cook, after which a free-will offering of \$16.56 was taken for Elder Alfred Cook.

The following special Resolution was offered by Elder A. J. Sloan.

#### SPECIAL RESOLUTION

Whereas, some years ago Dr. John Smith, a preacher of Bethany Church in Enon Association, departed from the faith once delivered to the saints; and, whereas, the said Smith and all his followers were excluded from the Church;

Therefore, be it resolved: That we recommend to all the churches of this Association that no member be received into their fellowship on the baptism received at the hands of the said John Smith; and that any church that may have made the mistake of receiving such member either baptize such member or dismiss him from their fellowship.

A. J. SLOAN.

The Resolution was adopted without discussion.

The report on Prayer Meetings was read by Elder F. L. Ray as follows:

#### PRAYER MEETINGS

We believe that prayer meetings are profitable in our churches. The Bible teaches that the first Baptist churches met in prayer meeting capacity, and asked God for those things that were needed. We must ask the Lord for the things He wants us to have.

The Bible says: "Pray without ceasing." Our Saviour was a man of prayer, calling on the Father continuously. We feel that we are living in evil days. Our faith is being tried on every hand. Let us as God's people look to Him in prayer. He is able to deliver us from our troubles. We trust that all the churches of Wiseman Association will maintain a regular prayer meeting service. Prayerfully submitted,

F. L. RAY,

I. N. SLOAN,

G. O. TEMPLETON, Committee.

The report was adopted following discussion by F. L. Ray, G. O. Templeton, Oakley Cook, Alfred Cook and W. T. Russell.

The report on State of Religion was read by Elder Herlin Brown as follows:

#### STATE OF RELIGION

Our churches seem to be in very good condition. But we believe that the state of religion can be improved very much if those who love God will lend a helping hand to every worthy cause, giving to the Lord's cause as we should, and praying for each other, for the lost, and for the progress of the work of the Master. So are we taught in the Bible. We have neglected many of our obligations and have turned down the very things that make up pure and undefiled religion as defined in James 1:27. God has said that His word should not return to Him void. Let us pray earnestly that the coming year may bring a great harvest of souls.

LOUIS MINCE,

HERLIN BROWN,

H. A. THOMPSON, Committee.

Adopted after discussion by Herlin Brown and H. A. Thompson.

The report on Resolutions was read by Elder Herlin Brown as follows:

#### RESOLUTIONS

Whereas, Wiseman Baptist Association having met in a very harmonious as well as enjoyable session with Red Hill Church; therefore, be it resolved:

1. That we extend our sincere thanks to Red Hill church and community for their hospitality shown us in their homes, their church, and their community.
2. That we extend to the Moderator and the Clerk our thanks for their efficient services during this session.
3. That we as God's people make a strong fight against the evils that are likely to lead our young people astray, such as Sunday baseball, picture shows, dances, and the many other evils that abound in our land.
4. That we pray earnestly for the progress of the work of the Lord in His churches, for His ministers and for each other.
5. That we go home and write our Congressmen that whiskey be prohibited in the training camps where our boys take a year's training.
6. That the Clerk have 600 copies of Minutes printed and distributed among the churches according to the amount received from each for printing.

HERLIN BROWN,

H. S. LINVILLE,

H. R. OVERTON, Committee.

Adopted without discussion.

The report on Finance was read by Elder Irving Edens as follows:

#### FINANCE

We have received from the churches for Minutes and Clerk hire a total of \$58.36.

IRVING EDENS,

OAKLEY COOK,

MELVIN CLIBURN, Committee.

Adopted without discussion.

The report of the Treasurer is as follows:

### TREASURER'S REPORT

During the present 1940 session of the Wiseman Association the following sums have been paid into my hands:

District Missions -----	\$10.20
Old Ministers and Orphans' Home -----	21.00
Total -----	\$31.20

T. C. HARRISON, Treasurer.

The Standing Committee made a report of what they had done. Elder Irving Edens, the missionary for the Association, also made a report. The Standing Committee's report was adopted, but the Missionary's report was rejected, following a heated discussion by R. O. Sanders, A. J. Sloan, Irving Edens, N. C. Fuqua, and L. A. Stewart. On motion of A. J. Sloan the action of the Association in adopting the Standing Committee's report was rescinded, the Standing Committee was discharged, the Associational Mission work was discontinued, and the funds on hand were given to Elder Irving Edens.

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

### CORRESPONDENCE

As we come to the close of this sitting of Wiseman Association, we, as Red Hill church and community, wish to extend to the messengers of the churches of the Association and the visitors from other Associations our sincere thanks and appreciation for your visit to us in our church and in our homes, which have been uplifted much by your coming into our midst. It has been a great spiritual feast to meet together in this great gathering, to feel God's power and the Holy Spirit in our services together. And now, until we meet again, we say good-bye, praying God's blessings to rest upon every church and all the visitors. May the great God of Heaven grant unto you all a glorious year in the salvation of the lost.

W. W. JENT,

A. H. JENT,

W. D. LONAS, Committee.

After some remarks by N. C. Fuqua, W. W. Jent, Mrs. N. C. Fuqua, T. C. Harrison, and others, the report was adopted.

Moved to adjourn to meet on Wednesday after the third Sunday in October, 1941, with the Lafayette Baptist Church, Lafayette, Tenn. Dismissed with prayer by Elder R. O. Sanders.



Thus closed one of the greatest, and possibly the greatest, meetings in the history of this body. It seemed at times as if we were lifted up to Heaven. It was glorious to be there. David said: "What shall I render unto the Lord for all His benefits toward me?"

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

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 discussion and shall not be interrupted unless he digress from the subject and shall in no wise reflect on any other speaker, so as to make remarks on his slips, failings, or imperfections, but shall fairly state his views without sophistry or criticism.

4. No member shall absent himself from the Association without leave of the 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 reprovved, 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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## 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. The 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.

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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 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.

### 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—Mrs. Lucille Frye Montgomery, Feb. 9, 1940. Mrs. Hattie Smith, July 25, 1940. M. R. Fuqua, Sept. 22, 1940.
- BUFFALO SPRINGS—Mrs. Mattie Thompson, Nov. 14, 1939. William Harrison, March 15, 1940.
- CEDAR BLUFF—Eliza Adams, Feb. 10, 1940.
- FAIRVIEW—Jeff Jones, Aug. 4, 1940.
- FIFTH STREET—Mrs. Blanche Lee, July 1, 1940. Mrs. Wells, July 5, 1940. Mrs. Lucy Taylor, July 16, 1940.
- FRIENDSHIP—Mrs. Clara Holland Smalling, Feb. 1940. Wylie Marsh, Feb., 1940. M. M. Holland, July, 1940.
- HAYSVILLE—B. P. Law, March 26, 1940.
- LAFAYETTE—F. O. Smith, Feb. 10, 1940. S. A. Cothron, Sr., Feb. 16, 1940. Joe Carter, May 29, 1940. Dr. Patterson East, Aug. 25, 1940.
- LONG CREEK—Virgil Lamb, date not given.
- MACEDONIA—Seariah Meador, date not given. Henry Carter, Aug. 29, 1940. Ezekiel Keen, Oct. 15, 1940.
- MAPLE GROVE—Odell Disman, date not given.
- MT. ZION—Mrs. Irving Cook, Oct. 21, 1939. Claude Hughes, March 14, 1940. Radford Taylor, Oct. 11, 1940.
- NEW BETHEL—Julia Blakely, July 15, 1940.
- NEW HARMONY—Emmie Norman, June 14, 1940. Alvie Norman, Aug. 30, 1940.
- OLD HOPEWELL—Grover Mince, June 15, 1940.
- PLEASANT HILL—John Webb, June 22, 1940. J. H. Kirkham, Sr., June 26, 1940.
- ROCKY MOUND—Roy Slayton, Jan. 29, 1940. Etta Meador, April 10, 1940. Eva Kepley, June 30, 1940. Sarah Meador, Sept. 17, 1940.
- SILOAM—L. F. Minick, Nov. 7, 1939. Mallie Hammock, April 18, 1940.
- SPRING CREEK—Jimmae H. Gregory, April 18, 1940. Judge King, January 19, 1940.
- UNION HILL—Laura Denny, May 8, 1940. John Gregory, Oct. 15, 1940.

## CHURCH DIRECTORY

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WISEMAN BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

CHURCHES	PASTORS and THEIR ADDRESSES	CLERKS AND THEIR ADDRESSES
BRATONTOWN	N. C. Fuqua, Lafayette, Tenn. -----	L. B. Finches, Lafayette, Tenn. -----
BUFFALO SPRINGS	W. V. Thompson, Bethpage, Tenn. -----	J. W. Plening, 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. -----	Vallie Nash, Lafayette, Tenn. -----
GOOD WILL	A. J. Sloan, Lafayette, Tenn. -----	G. G. Taylor, Hartsville, Tenn. -----
HAYSVILLE	N. C. Fuqua, Lafayette, 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. -----	George H. Taylor, Scottsville, Ky. -----
MEADORVILLE	Wm. McDonald, Lafayette, Tenn. -----	Earl Crowder, Lafayette, Tenn. -----
MT. ZION	F. W. Lambert, Westmoreland, Tenn. -----	Curtis Pardue, Holland, Ky. -----
NEW BETHEL	A. J. Sloan, Lafayette, Tenn. -----	F. L. Ray, Fountain Head, Tenn. -----
NEW HARMONY	A. J. Sloan, Lafayette, Tenn. -----	Clay Smith, Hartsville, Tenn. -----
NEW ZION	W. T. Taylor, Lafayette, Tenn. -----	G. C. West, Lafayette, Tenn. -----
OLD HOPEWELL	R. O. Sanders, Westmoreland, Tenn. -----	J. C. Oldham, Bethpage, 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. -----
SILAM	F. W. Lambert, Westmoreland, Tenn. -----	Virgil Lambert, Westmoreland, Tenn. -----
SPRING CREEK	W. V. Thompson, Bethpage, Tenn. -----	G. L. Hughes, Lafayette, Tenn. -----
SULPHUR FORK	W. W. Bowman, Portland, Tenn. -----	Bertha Gregory, Bethpage, Tenn. -----
UNION	N. C. Fuqua, Lafayette, Tenn. -----	E. E. Page, Tracy, Ky. -----
UNION HILL	A. J. Sloan, Lafayette, Tenn. -----	Earl Suddarth, Gallatin, Tenn. -----

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CHURCHES	TREASURERS AND THEIR ADDRESSES	S. S. SUPTS. AND ADDRESSES
BRATTONTOWN	L. B. Hughes, Lafayette, Tenn.	
BUFFALO SPRINGS	Hardy 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	Eskell Gann, Lafayette, Tenn.	
GOOD WILL	J. A. Linville, Hartsville, Tenn.	
HAYSVILLE	Ezra Lawrence, Lafayette, Tenn.	Ezra Lawrence, Lafayette, Tenn.
LAFAYETTE	E. W. Meador, Lafayette, Tenn.	John D. Wootten, Lafayette, Tenn.
LONG CREEK	S. G. Woodcock, Westmoreland, Tenn.	
MACEDONIA	Roy K. Meador, Adolphus, Ky.	J. A. Carter, Adolphus, Ky.
MAPLE GROVE	H. B. Dossey, Fountain Run, Ky.	
MAYSVILLE	Selma Wade Rich, Scottsville, Ky.	George H. Taylor, Scottsville, Ky.
MEADORVILLE	Buford Haley, Hillsdale, Tenn.	
MT. ZION	E. D. Poe, Holland Ky.	R. F. Downing, Holland, Ky.
NEW BETHEL	F. L. Ray, Fountain Head, Tenn.	J. N. Callis, Goodlettsville, Tenn.
NEW HARMONY	Clay Smith, Hartsville, Tenn.	
NEW ZION	S. H. Dillard, Lafayette, Tenn.	
OLD HOPEWELL	R. H. Fuller, Bethpage, Tenn.	
PLEASANT HILL	W. W. Bowman, Portland, Tenn.	
RED HILL	A. H. Jent, 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	J. H. Minor, Bethpage, Tenn.	
UNION	Omer Morrison, Tracy, Ky.	
UNION HILL	John Gammon, Fountain Head, Tenn.	

STATISTICAL TABLE

CHURCHES	When Constituted	Days of Meeting	Members Reported Last Year	CHURCH MEMBERSHIP							Total Present Members	No. Enrolled in S. S.	No. of Teachers in S. S.
				GAINS			LOSSES						
				Baptisms	Letters	Statements	Restorations	Letters	Exclusions	Deaths			
Brattontown	1925	Third	145	19	6			4	1	3	162		
Buffalo Springs	1930	Third	49					3	6	2	38		
Cedar Bluff	1887	Third	153	12	4			2		1	166		
Fairview	1875	Third	113	9				1	1	1	119		
Fifth Street	1924	1st, 2nd, 3rd	349	15	8	2		1		3	370	85	5
Friendship	1919	Third	58	1	5					3	61		
Good Will	1899	Fourth	186	45	3		4	2			236		
Haysville	1925	Fourth	93					3		1	89	50	4
Lafayette	1849	Third	191	15	5			6		4	201	135	6
Long Creek	1853	First	152	5				6	1	1	149		
Macedonia	1873	Fourth	97	9					1	3	102	45	4
Maple Grove	1904	First	112					4		1	107		
Maysville	1922	Fourth	71					1			70		
Meadorville	1869	Third	378	9				5	4		378		
Mt. Zion	1888	Third	359	3	2			3		3	358	57	4
New Bethel	1792	First	163	10	16			3	5	1	180	74	4
New Harmony	1848	Second	223		3					2	224		
New Zion	1910	First	151	1				2			150		
Old Hopewell	1921	Second	152	14	5			1	1	1	168		
Pleasant Hill	1876	First	180	3	2			2	1	2	180		
Red Hill	1925	Second	94	4	1			1			98		
Rock Bridge	1883	Third	121	4	2				1		126		
Rocky Mound	1873	Second	207	7	2			2	4	4	206		
Siloam	1842	First	237	17	1			1	1	2	251		
Spring Creek	1849	First	70	6	1	1	1		1	2	76		
Sulphur Fork	1888	Third	30	3							33		
Union	1853	Second	236	10	1				1		246		
Union Hill	1919	Second	161	2	5					2	166		
<b>TOTALS</b>			4,531	223	72	3	5	53	29	42	4,710	446	27

WISEMAN BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

### FINANCIAL TABLE

CHURCHES	Foreign Missions	Home Missions	District 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					\$ 22.32		\$ 14.50	\$ 111.32	\$ 20.00	\$ 75.00		\$ 2.35		\$ 245.49	\$ 1,000
Buffalo Springs								25.39	3.50	8.00	2.00	1.00		39.89	700
Cedar Bluff		\$ 3.50	\$ 7.85		20.41	\$ 27.40		85.04	28.20					206.95	1,000
Fairview			1.00		15.97	75.00	29.53	120.00	19.82	55.00	18.40	2.55	\$ 32.00	337.72	1,000
Fifth Street	\$ 5.00				62.79	50.85		560.71	165.65	924.40	57.58	3.00		1,829.33	2,750
Friendship								20.00	2.50			1.00		23.50	600
Good Will								140.00	100.00	20.00	10.35	3.00		273.35	1,000
Haysville					20.01		24.50	120.00	7.65	8.20		2.00		182.41	3,000
Lafayette	4.60	4.85		\$20.87	12.50	1.50	195.16	543.85		6.65	10.00	2.00	8.30	810.28	4,000
Long Creek	.50		5.10		35.45	2.00	24.00	194.48	27.10		4.10	2.00	9.35	304.08	1,000
Macdonia		1.50			2.00	3.25		60.00				1.50	10.00	78.25	1,000
Maple Grove	4.10				8.45	25.00		76.60				1.50		115.65	800
Maysville		9.63			1.00			54.96		8.00	3.75	1.00		78.34	300
Meadorville					26.07		49.27	200.37		36.55	9.05	2.50		323.81	1,000
Mount Zion					4.70	15.00	18.75	225.00	36.00		10.00	2.10	77.75	389.30	1,000
New Bethel	14.25		11.02		43.07	9.00	54.60	137.86	32.75	9.50	80.00	2.50	32.00	426.55	2,000
New Harmony			3.01		34.40		25.68	200.00	23.00	39.00		3.00		328.09	1,500
New Zion					5.00	4.00	5.00	34.00				1.50		49.50	1,000
Old Hopewell					11.35	6.00	8.20	136.50	41.59		6.56	2.25		212.45	1,500
Pleasant Hill			8.02		10.65		5.00	165.56	31.60			3.00		223.83	2,000
Red Hill						10.55	3.00	87.00	22.50	230.00	1.00	2.00		356.05	1,200
Rock Bridge					36.33			118.70	30.00		13.67	2.00	54.60	255.30	2,000
Rocky Mound		5.85			18.30	6.00	21.50	95.00	16.53	10.00	4.00	3.20	50.00	230.38	1,000
Siloam		11.05			39.19	35.00	4.50	125.00	28.50	65.00	12.21	3.10	24.78	348.33	1,200
Spring Creek					9.50	4.00	8.25	67.85	16.85		1.00	1.20		108.65	800
Sulphur Fork								28.25	7.00	38.00	1.00	.66		74.91	800
Union					13.14		25.00	177.10	64.75	15.02		2.10		297.11	1,800
Union Hill					24.26		5.00	68.18	26.50	27.50	4.32	2.00		157.76	1,000
Assoc. Collections		16.56			21.00									37.56	
Totals	\$27.95	\$53.44	\$36.00	\$20.87	\$497.86	\$274.55	\$521.49	\$3,978.72	\$751.99	\$1,575.82	\$248.99	\$58.36	\$298.78	\$8,344.72	\$38,450