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#### FIRST DAY

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 22, 1941

At ten o'clock a. m. on this date, Wiseman Baptist Association convened in its fiftieth annual session, with Lafayette Baptist church, Lafayette, Tenn. Services were opened with singing "Blessed Assurance" and "Saviour, More Than Life." After some remarks by the Moderator, Elder N. C. Fuqua, Elder Walter Jenkins of Enon Association led in prayer. Song. "Sweet Hour of Prayer," was sung, after which the Moderator read as a lesson Matt. 5:1-12, and Elder W. T. Russell offered prayer. Song, "Love Lifted Me" was sung.

The Moderator presented Elder R. O. Sanders, the appointee of last year, to preach the Introductory Sermon. Brother Sanders offered a number of remarks and then read as a lesson 1 John 4:1-13. He chose as a text 1 John 5:1, stressing as main points the love of God, love for the brethren and the manifestation of such love to the world. He pled with brethren to love each other better. At the close of the discourse a number of songs were sung, while the hand of endorsement was given the speaker.

The roll of churches was read, and the Moderator appointed Elders J. E. McDonald and Phocian Gibbs as Reading Clerks. After four of the letters had been read, it was moved to adjourn one hour for dinner. Dismissed with prayer by Elder Vernon Thompson.

#### WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON

After a fine dinner the Association came together with singing "Are You Washed In The Blood," followed with pray-

er by Brother I. P. McDonald of Enon Association. At this point Elder J. Robert Paschal, Superintendent of the Old Ministers and Orphans' Home at Camden, and some of the children from the Home were presented. They put on a very interesting program of songs, after which a free-will offering of \$30.70 was taken for the support of the Home.

The reading of the letters from the various churches was resumed and finished.Enrollment of the various churches and their messengers was as follows:

BRATTONTOWN-H. C. Brooks, C. P. Cothron, Walter Smith.

BUFFALO SPRINGS—R. O. Harris, Leslie Marshall, W. V.

Thompson.
CEDAR BLUFF—Robert Gulley, Claude Slate, Bud Andrews.

FAIRVIEW—Jack Carr, Oakley Cook, J. W. Hammock.

FIFTH STREET-W. D. Jordan, Harley Jordan.

FRIENDSHIP-C. F. Green, C. J. Gammon, A. L. Cothron.

GOOD WILL—J. A. Linville, G. G. Taylor, Willie McClanahan.

HAYSVILLE-J. C. Ford, A. W. Lawrence.

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

LONG FORK—N. C. Fuqua, Y. O. Johnson, J. H. Wheeley.

MACEDONIA-R. K. Meador, Moda Taylor.

MAPLE GROVE-T. C. Howard.

MAYSVILLE-Alfred Cook.

MEADORVILLE—Pink Daws, Charles Gregory, Chalmers Eller.

MT. ZION-L. A. Stewart, E. D. Poe, Curtis Pardue.

NEW BETHEL-M. H. Whitley, P. H. Brooks, Henry Smith.

NEW HARMONY-A. J. Sloan, E. A. Jones, Irving Edens.

NEW ZION-Willie Cox, G. C. West, S. H. Dillard.

OLD HOPEWELL—Ed Grizzle, J. E. Manning, Warren Leath.

PLEASANT GROVE—Not represented.

PLEASANT HILL-W. W. Bowman, H. B. Sloan.

RED HILL—H. O. Brawner.

ROCK BRIDGE—E. C. Sherron, Edgar Brown.

ROCKY MOUND—R. C. Linville, H. O. Cliburn, H. H. Harris.

SILOAM-F. W. Lambert, R. O. Sanders, T. C. Harrison.

SPRING CREEK-G. L. Hughes.

SULPHUR FORK-Sam Minor.

UNION-W. T. Russell.

UNION HILL-F. L. Ray, O. L. Gregory, Sam Dickens.

Permanent organization was effected by electing the following officers: 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.

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

ENON ASSOCIATION—Elder J. E. McDonald, I. P. McDonald, Dr. T. D. Wilson, Elder Phocian Gibbs, Elder Walter Jenkins, W. E. Coley, J. E. Blankenshlp, Witt Dillard, A. E. Prowell, W. T. Shaw, Henry Hammer, C. O. Wallace, A. J. McClard, E. E. Massey.

BLEDSOE ASSOCIATION—C. E. Gregory, W. S. Tuck.
BARREN RIVER ASSOCIATION—Jim Combs, Page Wheat.

#### PLACE OF MEETING

The selection of a place of meeting next year was taken up. After some speeches, Siloam church, two miles east of Westmoreland, was chosen, 1942 being the 100th anniversary of the organization of the church. Elder F. W. Lambert was chosen to preach the next Introductory Sermon, with Elder W. T. Russell as alternate. Elder A. J. Sloan was selected to deliver the next Doctrinal Sermon, with Elder R. O. Sanders as alternate. Elder L. A. Stewart was the choice of the Association to preach the next Memorial Sermon, with Elder N. C. Fuqua as alternate.

#### NOMINATIONS

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

- 1. RELIGIOUS LITERATURE—L. A. Stewart, Hubert, Brooks.
  - 2. PROHIBITION-M. H. Whitley, Herlin Brown.
  - 3. MISSIONS—Phocian Gibbs, F. L. Ray.
  - 4. BAPTIST HOME-W. T. Russell, W. W. Bowman.

- 5. PASTOR'S SUPPORT-J. E. McDonald, R. Thompson.
- 6. MINISTERIAL EDUCATION—G. L. Hughes, Walter Jenkins.
  - 7. SUNDAY SCHOOLS-Edgar Brown, Alvin Jones.
  - 8. PRAYER MEETINGS-Alfred Cook, Henry Smith.
- 9. STATE OF RELIGION—William Overton, Vernon Thompson.
  - 10. RESOLUTIONS-Carlos Davis, Ennis Coley.
  - 11. OBITUARIES-F. W. Lambert, Irving Edens.
  - 12. FINANCE—M. H. Whitley, Edgar Brown, Oakley Cook.
  - 13. TREASURER'S REPORT-T. C. Harrison.
  - 14. CORRESPONDENCE-H. H. Howser, A. W. Jenkins.

The report on Nominations was adopted without discussion.

Homes were next assigned to messengers and visitors.

Moved to adjourn to meet at nine o'clock on tomorrow. Dismissed with prayer by Elder M. H. Whitley.

#### SECOND DAY

#### THURSDAY, OCTOBER 23, 1941

The Association came together with singing "Beautiful Star of Bethlehem," "Lord, Lead Me On" and "I'll Fly Away." Prayer was offered by Elder Edgar Brown. Song, "Shake My Mother's Hand," was sung.

The Clerk read the roll of messengers, the Rules of Order and the Minutes of yesterday, which were approved.

The following visitors were seated:

ENON ASSOCIATION—Elder C. B. Massey, Frank Jenkins, W. C. Barton, N. M. Williams, W. H. Reagan, A. S. Williams, A. D. Hargis, Robert Green, Elder J. E. Cole.

WILSON COUNTY ASSOCIATION-E. C. Watkins.

The regular Order of Business was taken up. The report on Religious Literature was read by Elder L. A. Stewart as follows:

#### RELIGIOUS LITERATURE

We are very proud of the many books, church papers,

tracts and various kinds of religious literature published by our denomination. We find them to be religious, clean, wholesome and instructive, because they set forth the simple doctrine of the church and the plan of salvation, so that the wayfaring man need not err therein.

L. A. STEWART, P. H. BROOKS, Committee

Adopted after discussion by L. A. Stewart and C. B. Massey.

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

#### PROHIBITION

We, your committee on Prohibition, submit the following report: One of the greatest issues of today is the temperance question, not only from a religious point of view, but also from a social standpoint. Local, State and National leaders now realize, for a fact, that our present prohibition laws from a social standpoint are poorly enforced. We, as Baptist people, under the grace of God, remember God's word. In Galatians 6:7, we read: "Be not deceived, God is not mocked. Whatsoever a man soweth, that shall he also reap." We are also made to believe that strong drink is the direct or indirect cause of more deaths in this country whose coins bear the inscription: "In God We Trust," than any other one evil.

The most serious aspect of this evil of strong drink today is the awful fact that more of our young women and men are partaking of this vile thing that is offered in the form of whiskey, wine or beer, than ever before. The wise man, Solomon, used these words: "Wine is a mocker, strong drink is raging; whosoever is deceived thereby is not wise." Therefore, we, as your committee, recommend that each messenger go back to his church and ask his pastor to preach at least one sermon on temperance during the coming year. We further recommend that every member bear in mind that part of our church covenant which says: "We agree to abstain from the sale and use of all intoxicating drinks as beverages." And last, if you want to help build a clean, sober America, that you subscribe for the National Voice. Respectfully submitted.

M. H. WHITLEY, HERLIN BROWN, Committee

The report was adopted after discussion by M. H. Whitley, R. O. Sanders, Alfred Cook, William Overton and C. B. Mas-

sey.

The following visitors were invited to seats with us:

ALLEN ASSOCIATION—Elder L. D. Robinson, Elder A. I. Wilson, W. H. Long and John King.

The report on the Baptist Home was read by Elder W. 1. Russell as follows:

#### BAPTIST HOME

We, your committee, submit the following report: We have a Home near Camden, Tennessee, known as the Baptist Old Ministers and Orphans' Home. This institution is for the purpose of caring for ministers, who, having made the great sacrifices required of Gospel ministers, come to the end of their active ministerial lives to find themselves poor and destitute while they wait the summons from the other side; for their wives or widows, and for orphan children.

This Home, since its beginning, has cared for 52 children and two old ministers. At present there are eight boys and eleven girls in the Home. These children were once dear to some mother's heart, but she had to leave them. We are thankful for a place where they may have food, raiment, shelter, love and best of all, the teaching that will enable them to reach heaven at last.

We recommend that our churches give more consideration to the needs of this Home, that each church will take a regular monthly offering for its support and that all our members will pray for this institution.

W. T. RUSSELL, W. W. BOWMAN, Committee

The report was adopted after a warm discussion by W. T. Russell, C. B. Massey, M. H. Whitley, Hurley Linville, Estell Whitlow, T. C. Harrison, L. A. Stewart, E. M. McDonald and Walter Jenkins. At this point a collection was taken for the Home, amounting to \$7.85.

#### NOTES BY ASSISTANT CLERK

The hour for the preaching of the Doctrinal Sermon having arrived, the regular Order of Business was suspended, and the Moderator presented Elder A. J. Sloan, the appointee of last year, to preach the sermon. Brother Sloan with the sermon today has delivered twenty doctrinal sermons before the Wise-

man Association, having preached his first Doctrinal discourse at Bledsoe's Creek in 1914 when Wiseman Association was in session with that church. Song, "Farther Along," was sung, after which Brother Sloan offered a number of remarks and read as a lesson Eph. 4:1-17. He chose as a text Eph. 5:27 and preached a great sermon on the origin, perpetuity and doctrine of the church of Jesus Christ, the Baptist church, and the glory that follows. As Brother Sloan, with the power of the Holy Spirit upon him, preached, many hearty Amens were heard. At its close many good songs were sung as the hand of fellowship and endorsement was given the speaker.

Moved to adjourn one hour for dinner. Dismissed with prayer by Elder E. M. McDonald.

#### THURSDAY AFTERNOON

After a fine dinner the Association came together with singing "Unfriendly World," followed with prayer by Elder Herlin Brown. Songs, "City On Mt. Zion," "Lord, Lead Me On" and "I'll Meet You In the Morning," were sung.

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

#### MISSIONS

Through the goodness and love of God toward mankind. He has made it possible for all the fallen race to be saved by the offering of His only begotten Son on Calvary. John 3:16 says: "God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son that whosoever believeth in Him should not perish, but have everlasting life." In order for man to be saved, he must hear the Gospel. Paul says in Romans 1:16: "The Gospel is the power of God unto salvation unto everyone that believeth." In 1 Cor. 1:21, we read: "It pleased God by the foolishness of preaching to save them that believe." Again in Rom. 10:14, 15: "How then shall they call upon Him in whom they have not believed? and how shall they believe in Him of whom they have not heard? and how shall they hear without a preacher?" So man must hear the Gospel, believe it to be truth, repent for all his sins, calling upon the name of the Lord, and believe on Him with all the heart. "Whosoever shall call on the name of the Lord shall be saved." Paul commanded Timothy to "preach the word."

Our Saviour gave the great commission to His church to go "teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father,

and of the Son and of the Holy Ghost." God says in Isaian 55: 11 that His word should not return unto Him void. We are not doing as much as we should do for the spread of the Gospel but little being done in a financial way to carry out the great Commission. We urge every church to consider and support this cause which is the greatest of all among the churches: Everyone can have a part in helping to preach the Gospel.

F. L. RAY, Committee

The report was adopted after discussion by F. L. Ray, L. D. Robinson, C. B. Massey, W. D. Jordan, Alfred Cook, Harley Jordan and others.

The report on Pastor's Support was read by Elder J. E. Mc-Donald as follows:

#### PASTOR'S SUPPORT

We, your committee, submit the following report: In general our pastors are poorly supported. But few are able to live, support their families and provide anything for old age, from their work as pastors or ministers. This presents a very discouraging picture when we note the drift toward younger and more active ministers. But few churches want a pastor when old age begins to creep upon him.

The Bible says: "They that preach the Gospel should live of the Gospel." "The laborer is worthy of his hire." And "Thou shalt not muzzle the mouth of the ox that treadeth out the corn." We feel that the present situation is due in part to the fact that pastors have not taught the churches their duty to support their shepherds, and to the lack of appreciation on the part of the churches toward their servants, the ministers of God. Many members seem to think the pastor should go to church as a matter of duty, regardless of any obligations on the part of the membership of the churches to support him. In other words the preacher is obligated to do his part, but there is no obligation to be met by the members themselves.

There is no man who serves a people more efficiently and more profitable than the faithful pastor. Just think of him as he comes to you in the heat of summer, the cold of winter, visits you when you are in distress, gives advice as to the better way of life, preaches the Gospel to your lost ones, baptizes them after they are saved, performs the marriage ceremonies of your loved ones, and then at the end of the way, holds the funeral services for those who are near and dear to your heart. Do you really appreciate a God-called, spirit-led

man of this kind?

Surely a man who has thus served his people, as all real pastors do, should be able to face old age unafraid of being left destitute and able to face life's sunset without the dread of a needy and helpless old age. A grateful people ought to see that his life ends in peace, without worry over unpaid bills and unfilled wants and needs.

"Cast me not off in the time of my old age, forsake me not when my strength faileth," has been the prayer of many preachers. We recommend that pastors try to spent more time and give more service to their churches. Also that the deacons present to the churches regularly the needs of their pastor, and their duty to support him, and that each member lay by him in store on the first day of the week as the Lord hath prospered him, and that each member see that the pastor share regularly in this bounty. Respectfully submitted.

J. E. McDONALD, Committee

Adopted after discussion by J. E. McDonald, J. W. Marsh, L. A. Stewart, J. W. Hammock, R. O. Sanders, C. B. Massey, L. D. Robinson, P. H. Brooks, N. C. Fuqua, A. I. Wilson and others...

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

#### THIRD DAY

#### FRIDAY, OCTOBER 24, 1941

The Association came together with singing "I'll Have a New Life." Prayer was offered by Elder Robert Gulley. followed with singing "When It Is Home-Coming Day." After some remarks by the Moderator, the Minutes of yesterday were read and approved. By an act of the body, the Memorial Sermon was eliminated, so that everyone might have the opportunity to attend the funeral of Prof. H. H. Howser at two thirty o'clock this afternoon. The Clerk was empowered to express to the family of Prof. Howser the sympathy of the Association, and also to have a picture of him in the minutes. The following letter of sympathy and condolence was adopted by the Association.

#### LETTER OF CONDOLENCE

Lafayette, Tennessee October 24, 1941

Mrs. Henry H. Howser and Children Lafayette, Tennessee.

Dear Mother and children:

We, as the churches comprising the Wiseman Baptist Association in its annual session convened, are made very sorrowful and wish to express to you our deepest feelings of sympathy in this dark period through which you are now passing because of the tragic death of your dear husband and father.

However, we are glad we are able to look on the brighter side and are not made sorrowful as others who have no hope.

Therefore, when it comes ours to cross the same valley and pay the same debt that he has already paid, we are expecting to meet Brother Howser in that upper and better country where heartaches, disappointments, and sadness will never be known; and sad good-byes will never more be spoken.

The very best words of consolation we are able to speak are: Lean upon the strong and loving arm of the Lord who has promised never to leave us but to help us bear our burdens as we go this way.

May God's richest blessings rest upon you is our prayer.

yours in deepest sympathy,

WISEMAN BAPTIST ASSOCIATION A. J. SLOAN, Clerk

Brother Howser, son of Dr. Jefferson Howser and Mary Meador Howser, was born and reared in Macon County. On July 29, 1908 he was married to Miss Mabel Oglesby. To this happy union four sons were born, one of whom preceded him to the grave. On October 23, 1941, between two and three o'clock p. m., the angel of Death, whose sharp sickle is ever ready to clip the brittle thread of life, came and took one of our best beloved friends and brothers, Prof. Henry H. Howser, age sixty-seven

years.

He is survived by his wife and three sons, Ralph, Hal

Brother Howser was a member of the Lafayette Baptist Church and will long be remembered for his work in the church, having served as a teacher in the Sunday School for a number of years. His death brings deep sorrow to his many friends and is a distinct loss to the church and community. Douglas and Harris.

County Superintendent of Schools. Devoted to the education Prof. Howser had been actively engaged in school work for fifty years, either teaching or serving in the capacity of of youth, he gave his time and talents to the cause of educa-

His magnanimous character and great intellect have marked and his unselfishness to the Kingdom through his long and useful life, we feel that he has merited the plaudit of the him as one of the best loved characters among those with whom he has lived and labored. In his love for his Master Lord-"Well done, thou good and faithful servant."

(Clerk's note. The above tribute to Prof. Howser is presented by Lafayette Baptist church.)



Henry H. Howser

The regular Order of Business was taken up. The report on Sunday Schools was read by Elder Edgar Brown as follows:

#### SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

We, your committee on Sunday Schools, submit the following report: Sunday School means an appointed time and place to meet and study the word of God under such regulations as may be deemed necessary for best surroundings. In 2 Tim. 2:15, Paul told Timothy to "Study to show thyself approved unto God, a workman that needeth not to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth."

We recommend that every church in Wiseman Association have a Sunday School, that the members might study the Bible to learn more of God's will concerning us.

EDGAR BROWN,

E. A. JONES, Committee

Adopted after discussion by Edgar Brown, Alfred Cook, C. B. Massey, N. C. Fuqua, William Overton, R. O. Sanders, P. H. Brooks and F. W. Lambert.

Thereport on Ministerial Education was read by Elder G. L. Hughes as follows:

#### MINISTERIAL EDUCATION

By ministerial education we mean the obtaining or acquiring of knowledge. We must study. Paul commanded Timothy to study, and also to give time to reading. The more the man of God knows, the better prepared is he to impart knowledge to others. We believe that every young minister should avail himself of every opportunity to acquire a useful and helpful education. We do not insist that the minister must have a college education in order to preach acceptably; but we do believe that an education, rightly used, will be a blessing to the man of God and to his hearers. Education is preparation to use wisdom, but knowledge without wisdom is detrimental to the minister.

G. L. HUGHES, G. W. JENKINS, Committee

Adopted after discussion by G. L. Hughes, W. T. Taylor, R. O. Sanders and others.

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

#### PRAYER MEETINGS

We, your committee on Prayer Meetings submit the following report: There should be a weekly prayer meeting in every church in Wiseman Association, in order that the churches may be more powerful in winning the lost. The church was praying with one accord just before the day of Pentecost came. Acts 1:14. We are commanded in God's word to pray without ceasing. The church was thus engaged in prayer when Peter was released from prison.

We, therefore, recommend that the messengers of this Association go back to their respective churches and begin a prayer meeting if none is now in progress. This will enable us to be stronger in the Lord and better prepared for every good word and deed.

ALFRED COOK, HENRY SMITH, Committee

Adopted after discussion by Alfred Cook, F. L. Ray and Oakley Cook.

The report on State of Religion was read by Elder  $\widetilde{\mathbf{W}}$ illiam Overton as follows:

#### STATE OF RELIGION

We, your committee on State of Religion, submit the following report: Salvation is one thing and religion is another. Salvation is the gift of God, while religion is something you do. We feel that every child of God should put forth every effort he can for the advancement of the Master's cause. We should give to every worthy cause, and should not forget to pray for each other. Let us do more in the future than in the past. Let us pray earnestly that God will hear and save lost souls.

WILLIAM OVERTON, W. V. THOMPSON, Committee

Adopted after discussion by William Overton, C. B. Massey, N. C. Fuqua, W. T. Russell and others.

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

#### OBITUARIES

We learn with sadness that during the past twelve months, thirty-four of our beloved brethren and sisters have left us for another world.

Among those that left us were some of the best in their respective churches and such congregations are going to feel their loss very much.

They have gone from their earthly homes, but they are waiting for us on that happy shore where parting will be no more.

We suffer and sorrow and grieve and cry, but their suffering and sorrow and grieving and crying are over forever. We battle on against the increasing power of evil in the world, but they have been taken away from the evil to come. But until God calls us to join them, let us labor and work and pray. Let us be faithful and true and bold in the things of our God. Let us love God supremely and do His will. We, too, shall soon bid the world farewell and join our loved ones in a world free from war and strife, poverty and want, grief and sorrow, disease and death. Then in the presence of God, and Christ and with our departed friends we shall live forever where dark shadows never, never come and good-byes are never said.

F. W. LAMBERT, Committee

Adopted without discussion.

The same report used last year on Resolutions, except for the name of the entertaining church, was adopted. It is as follows:

#### RESOLUTIONS

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

- 1. That we extend our sincere thanks to Lafayette 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 are taking military 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

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

#### FINANCE

We submit the following report: We have received from the various churches the sum of \$67.97 for the printing of Minutes and Clerk hire.

OAKLEY COOK, M. H. WHITLEY, EDGAR BROWN, Committee

Adopted without discussion.

The report of the Treasurer, T. C. Harrison, was read as follows:

#### TREASURER'S REPORT

During the 1941 sitting of the Wiseman Baptist Association the following sums have come into my hands:

Foreign Missions	<u></u> \$	6.00
Old Ministers and Orphans	' Home	43.05

TOTAL \$49.05

T. C. HARRISON, Treasurer

Adopted without discussion

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

#### CORRESPONDENCE

It gives us joy to have had the privilege of having with us this group of faithful workers in the Lord's vineyard. We trust your visit among us has been pleasant and that you will take back to your churches pleasant memories of your stay in our midst. We feel that modern methods of travel have deprived us of much joy, in that so few of us had the pleasure of having you in our homes. We feel that you and we have a closer relationship because of this Association. As you go out from us, we pray that each messenger and visitor may have a broader vision, a greater determination to be a soul winner for the Master. May He keep you from harm. May He lead you in His service. May you reflect His life in your daily living.

A. W. JENKINS, H. H. HOWSER, Committee

Adopted without discussion.

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

The meeting time of our Association was changed from Wednesday, Thursday and Friday after the third Sunday in October to Friday, Saturday and Sunday after the third Sunday in October. It was further agreed that the Doctrinal Sermon be preached on Sunday at eleven o'clock, and the Memorial Sermon at eleven o'clock on Saturday.

By request Capitol Hill church was granted a letter of dismission to unite with Allen County Baptist Association.

Adjourned to meet at ten o'clock a. m. on Friday after the third Sunday in October, 1942, with the church at Siloam, two miles east of Westmoreland, Tennessee, on Highway 53. The closing prayer was offered by Elder L. A. Stewart.

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

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 Brother 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 Moderator.
- 5. No member shall speak more than three times on the same subject without leave of the body. The chairman on each subject shall have an opening speech of ten minutes and two other speeches of five minutes each.
- 6. Each 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 privileges of speaking as any other member, provided the chair be filled out shall have no vote unless the Association be equally divided
- 11. Any person violating these rules, or at any time manifesting a spirit contrary to the Gospel, shall be reproved, or such other course taken with him as the Moderator may think proper, either at his own option or the intimation of any other member.

#### 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, dismissed by letter, 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, whese 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 unibneof the faith of the Gaspel with our educational and mission interests I.8. Section ......

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 shall be additted into this Association, who shall petition by letter, and messengers, and on examination, if found orthodox, and orderly, may be received and made known be 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 may be 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 on subjects except 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

BUFFALO SPRINGS—Bertha Jackson, June 28, 1941.

FAIRVIEW—John Farley, November 18, 1940, Mrs. Nancy Farley, November 21, 1940.

FIETH STREET—Miss Frances Grider, October, 1941.
Mrs. Sarah Mosely, October, 1941, Boss Adkins, October, 1941.

GOOD WILL—Ed McClanahan, September 28, 1941, Dora Fisher, October 8, 1941.

LAFAYETTE Mrs. J. R. Gammon, February, 1941, Mrs. B. H. Brockette, July 17, 1941.

LONG CREEK—E. O. Sanders, December 5, 1940, A. R. White, January 6, 1941, Willie Harger, February 15, 1941.

MACEDONIA—A. A. Carter, January 18, 1941, Maggie Conyer, April 19, 1941.

MEADORVILLE—William Brockett, November 1, 1940, William A. Duty, February 21, 1941, John Lee Brawner, Rebruary 25, 1941, Ottie Gregory, April 18, 1941, Julia Swindle Akin, May 26, 1941.

MT. ZION-Mrs. Pearl Downing, March 5, 1941.

NEW HARMONY-Louise Lamb, October 3, 1941.

OLD HOPEWELL Mary Katharine Gammon, Sentember 28, 1941, Ann Mungle, date not given.

PLEASANT HILL—Howard Freeland, May 27, 1941, Florence Sloan, June 17, 1941, Minerva Barber, date not given.

UNION—Mrs. H. C. Simmons, November 20, 1940, J. T. Russell, February 20, 1941, Mrs. Wendell Russell, April 18, 1941, Isabelle Ellis, August 29, 1941, John F. Furmall, October 15, 1941.

UNION HILL—George Key, September 29, 1941.

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# WISEMAN BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

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FRIENDSHIP	Eskell Gann, Lafayette, Tenn.	
GOOD MILL	J. A. Linville, Hartsville, Tenn. Ezra Lawrence, Lafayette, Tenn.	
HAYSVILLE	Ezra Lawrence, Lafayette, Tenn.	Wrenzy Wheeley, Lafayette, Tenn.
LAFAYETTE	- E. W. Meador, Lafayette, Tenn.	Eugene Cook, Lafayette, Tenn
LONG CREEK		
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.	
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NEW HARMONY	Clay Smith, Hartsville, Tenn.	
NEW ZION	S. H. Dillard, Lafayette, Tenn.	
OLD HOPEWELL .	_ Warren Leath, Bethpage, Tenn	
PLEASANT HILL .	W. W. Bowman, Portland, Tenn.	
RED HILL		
ROCK BRIDGE		
ROCKY MOUND		
SILOAM	Leslie Harrison, Westmoreland, Tenn.	.
SPRING CREEK	G, L. nugnes, Laravette, Tenn	
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UNION	Omer Morrison, Tracy, Ky	
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