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ASSOCIATION**

TENNESSEE

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## DIRECTORY OF ORDAINED MINISTERS

### Not Pastors in the Association

J. A. Carter, Adolphus, Ky.  
George Harrison, Gallatin, Tenn.  
A. G. Stinson, Adolphus, Ky.  
W. J. Summers, Gallatin, Tenn.  
I. N. Knight, Bethpage, Tenn.  
G. L. Hughes, Lafayette, Tenn.  
G. A. Gregory, Bethpage, Tenn.  
Lewis Mince, Bethpage, Tenn.  
W. R. Pedigo, Lafayette, Tenn.  
E. A. Jones, Lafayette, Tenn.  
Ervin Eden, Westmoreland, Tenn.  
M. H. Whitley, Nashville, Tenn.  
P. H. Brooks, Goodlettsville, Tenn.  
W. R. Overton, Old Hickory, Tenn.  
W. M. Wright, Old Hickory, Tenn.  
D. C. Russell, Indianapolis, Ind.  
P. S. Dyer, Lafayette, Tenn.  
Roulston Butler, U. S. Army  
William McDonald, Holland, Ky.  
J. A. Linville, Hartsville, Tenn.  
B. T. Matthews, Hartsville, Tenn.  
Chas. Green, Lafayette, Tenn.  
G. C. Meador, Bowling Green, Ky.  
L. D. Robinson, Bowling Green, Ky.  
John Byrd, Bowling Green, Ky.  
Harley Jordan, Bowling Green, Ky.  
W. D. Jordan, Bowling Green, Ky.  
Oscar Page, Bowling Green, Ky.  
Bryant Hauchens, Bowling Green, Ky.  
Walter Deweese, Franklin, Ky.  
Robert Gulley, Hartsville, Tenn.  
Aubrey Andrews, Lafayette, Tenn.  
I. N. Sloan, Westmoreland, Tenn.  
W. M. Norman, Lafayette, Tenn.  
V. C. Harris, Lafayette, Tenn.  
J. C. Walker, Lebanon, Tenn.  
H. P. Brown, Bethpage, Tenn.  
Willie Harris, Westmoreland, Tenn.  
H. S. Linville, Westmoreland, Tenn.  
Edgar Brown, Fountain Head, Tenn.  
W. T. Taylor, Lafayette, Tenn.

**PROCEEDINGS**  
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Friday, October 20, 1944—10 A. M.

The Wiseman Baptist Association met in its fifty-third annual session with the Baptist church at Union Hill, Sumner county, Tennessee, at ten o'clock on this date. Services were opened with singing and prayer by Elder L. A. Stewart, followed by another song and the reading of the first twelve verses of the fifth chapter of Matt. Prayer by Elder C. M. Massey, followed by song. After which the Moderator, Eld. N. C. Fuqua, presented Eld. F. W. Lambert, the appointee of last year, to preach Introductory Sermon. After some remarks by Brother Lambert, he chose for a text, Eph. 1:7 and preached a great sermon on theme: "The Riches of God's Grace," And we were made to rejoice in the grace of God. At the close of the sermon the congregation pressed forward to give their hands as a token of their endorsement of the sermon, while a number of songs were being sung amid tears of joy.

After which the roll of churches were called and the Moderator appointed Brother Oakley Cook and Eld. W. T. Russell as reading clerks.

The following churches and their messengers were enrolled:

ATHENS—Eld. Jas. C. Walker, J. O. Walker, G. S. Whited.  
BRATONTOWN—Lester Parker, W. T. Gross, Eld. V. C. Harris.  
BUFFALO SPRINGS—Eld. W. V. Thompson, J. W. Thompson.  
CEDAR BLUFF—Donnie Brooks, John White, John Lamb.  
DRAKES CREEK—J. C. Horn, A. B. Gann, O. C. Gammons.  
FAIRVIEW—Oakley Cook, Jack Carr, Eld. R. Thompson.  
FRIENDSHIP—Letter, no messenger.  
GOOD WILL—G. G. Taylor, Jack Wright, Jessie Holder.  
HAYSVILLE—J. C. Ford, Eld. William McDonald.  
LAFAYETTE—G. W. Johnson, Billie K. Johnson, Calvin White.  
LONG CREEK—Eld. N. C. Fuqua, Ellis Jones, W. O. Johnson.  
MACEDONIA—Roy K. Meador, George Taylor.  
MAPLE GROVE—Enoch Carter, J. H. Bean, Cornealious Jones.  
MAYSVILLE—Arlie Wade, Robert Whitlow.  
MEADORVILLE—Denis Glover, Elmo Eller.  
MT. ZION—Eld. L. A. Stewart, Curtis Pardue.  
NEW BETHEL—Elders M. H. Whitley, J. H. Smith, W. R. Overton.

NEW HARMONY—Eld. A. J. Sloan, Riley Drury, E. F. Fuqua.  
 NEW ZION—Ottis Caruthers.  
 OLD HOPEWELL—Eld. Lewis Mince, Eld. G. O. Templeton.  
 PLEASANT GROVE—Not Represented.  
 PLEASANT HILL—H. B. Sloan, Luther Kirkham, J. H. Kirkham.  
 RED HILL—Letter; no messenger.  
 ROCK BRIDGE—Eld. H. P. Brown, E. C. Sherron.  
 ROCKY MOUND—Eld. Willie Harris, E. L. Brockett.  
 SILOAM—Eld. F. W. Lambert, Eld. R. O. Sanders, L. C. Curtis.  
 SPRING CREEK—Eld. G. L. Hughes, E. W. Gent, Jess Browner.  
 SULPHUR FORK—G. G. Wilson, B. S. Gregory.  
 UNION—Eld. W. T. Russell, Rex Hunt.  
 UNION HILL—Dennis Gammons, O. L. Gregory.

Permanent organization was effected by electing Eld. N. C. Fuqua, Moderator, Eld. F. W. Lambert, Assistant Moderator; Eld. A. J. Sloan, Clerk; Eld. F. W. Lambert, Assistant Clerk; and Brother I. C. Harrison, Treasurer.

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 Eld. Lewis Mince.

### FIRST DAY--AFTERNOON SESSION

After a fine dinner, came together by singing and prayer by Eld. W. T. Russell. Petitionary letters were called for and the messengers from Drakes Creek church, Simpson county, Ky., presented their letter and were received into the Association and the Moderator extended the hand of fellowship and the church and its messengers were enrolled in the list of churches.

Eld. C. B. Massey, and Elder John Gregory, from Enon Association were invited to seats with us.

### NOMINATIONS

The report on nominations was read by the Clerk, as follows:

1. RELIGIOUS LITERATURE—Eld. C. B. Massey, Eld. T. L. Blalock.
2. PROHIBITION—Eld. R. O. Sanders, Eld. P. S. Dyer.
3. BAPTIST HOME—Eld. F. W. Lambert, Eld. Jas. C. Walker.
4. MISSIONS—Eld. L. D. Robinson, Eld. J. H. Smith.
5. PASTOR'S SUPPORT—Eld. Ben R. Taylor, Eld. M. H. Whitley.
6. MINISTERIAL EDUCATION—Eld. R. Tompson, Rex Hunt.
7. SUNDAY SCHOOLS—Elders William McDonald, W. R. Overton.
8. PRAYER MEETINGS—Elders F. L. Ray, Edgar Brown.
9. STATE OF RELIGION—Elders Robert Gulley, John Gregory.
10. RESOLUTIONS—Oakley Cook, Eld. Lewis Mince.
11. OBITUARIES—Eld. D. C. Russell, Eld. G. O. Templeton.
12. FINANCE—Riley Drury, O. C. Gammons.
13. CORRESPONDENCE—O. L. Gregory, Eld. L. J. Russell.

Adopted, without discussion.

**PLACE OF MEETING**

The selection of next meeting place of the Association was taken up. After some discussion, Brattontown church, two miles west of Lafayette, Tenn., was chosen to entertain the Wiseman Association next year. Eld. J. H. Smith was selected to preach the Introductory Sermon; Eld. F. W. Lambert, alternate. Eld. F. W. Lambert was selected to preach the Memorial Sermon; Eld. R. O. Sanders, alternate. Eld. A. J. Sloan was selected to preach the Doctrinal Sermon; Eld. W. T. Russell, alternate.

Homes were next assigned to messengers and visitors.

Moved to adjourn to meet at ten o'clock on the morrow. Dismissed with prayer by Elder M. H. Whitley.

**SECOND DAY--MORNING SESSION**

Oct. 21, 1944--10:00 A. M.

Came together by singing and prayer by Eld. Cleave Meaders.

The Clerk read the roll of messengers and the Rules of Decorum.

The Minutes of yesterday were read and adopted.

The following visitors were seated: G. A. Porter, Joe Wells, L. H. Frey and R. W. Donoho.

The report on Religious Literature was read by Eld. T. L. Blalock, but the report was never turned in to the clerk, we, therefore, insert the following report:

**REPORT ON RELIGIOUS LITERATURE**

This is an age of much reading and that which is read, largely determines the beliefs, opinions and teachings of our people. This being true, it becomes evident that only such literature as is sound, scripturally, should be placed in the homes of our people. We, therefore, recommend first of all the Bible, which is the inspired word of God, to the human race. Christ commanded that the Scriptures be searched; Paul told Timothy that they were able to make one wise unto salvation; also that the "man of God might be made perfect, throughly furnished unto every good work". Let's study the Bible daily and abide by its teachings.

We recommend all sound Baptist books and papers.

The report was discussed by T. L. Blalock and adopted.

Report on Prohibition, was read by Eld. R. O. Sanders as follows:

**REPORT ON PROHIBITION**

We, your committee on prohibition, submit the following:

Prov. 2:1, "Wine is a mocker, strong drink is raging; whosoever is deceived thereby is not wise". Surely lots of good people are deceived; if not, we believe the people of God could get some things done about one of the worst things that we have to contend with. We have much to say but do little. Some don't have much to say or do but drink all they can get and hide behind the church and get by with it.

Eld. R. O. Sanders,

Eld. P. S. Dyer, Committee

Adopted, after being discussed by R. O. Sanders, Eld. P. S. Dyer, T. L. Blalock.

The hour having arrived for the Memorial Sermon the regular order of business was suspended and the Moderator presented Eld. F. L. Ray to preach the sermon, as Eld. W. T. Taylor, the appointee, was not present.

Brother Ray, after some remarks, chose for text Job 14:14-15, 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 hand shake took place amid the rejoicing of those whose hope for heaven grows brighter.

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

## SECOND DAY--AFTERNOON SESSION

After another fine dinner, came together by singing and prayer by Eld. D. C. Russell. After which the discussion of prohibition was continued by M. H. Whitley, W. W. Bowman, Oakley Cook, Jas. C. Walker, G. G. Wilson and adopted by adding the following, written by W. C. Young:

"On the 4th of November, when chill was the weather,  
Two ballots were cast in a box together;  
They nestled up close, like brother to brother,  
You couldn't tell one of the votes from the other.  
The Sunday School man; no man could be truer,  
Kept busy all summer denouncing the brewer;  
But his fevor cooled off with the change of the weather,  
And late in the autumn they voted together.  
The Sunday School man had always been noted  
For fighting the saloons, except when he voted;  
He piled up his prayers with a holy perfection  
And knocked them all down on the day of election.  
The foxy old brewer was cheerful and mellow,  
Said he: 'I admire that Sunday School fellow;  
He's true to his church, to his party he's truer,  
He talks for the Lord, but votes for the brewer.'"

The Report on Missions was read by Eld. J. H. Smith, as follows:

### REPORT ON MISSIONS

We, your committee on Missions, submit the following report:

When Jesus commissioned his church he said, "Go ye therefore and teach all nations baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Ghost," Matt. 28:19. Since this commission was given after His agony and cruel death on the cross for us, how can any child of God be indifferent to carrying it out?

It seems that the great commission is being placed last among our Lord's commands and our church work. Christ's order is being reversed

in spite of the fact that He died for us and we say we love Him. He put the lost soul first and we are putting it last. The sacrifice made by the Lord should stir the hearts of all the members of the churches of this association toward their duty to help spread the gospel of salvation to a lost world.

The churches are the institutions which the Lord has commanded to preach the gospel to all the world. So we need to wake up and hear once more the command to go, as it comes from our Master in heaven and do our best to get the gospel to the lost of our own land and to those who know not God in heathern lands.

J. H. Smith

Adopted, after being discussed by J. H. Smith, T. L. Blalock, P. S. Dyer and others.

At this point the Clerk read a report of the New Bethel mission in Indianapolis, Ind. as follows:

I began this work Oct. 1943, held one revival assisted by Eld. J. H. Smith, had two professions of faith in Christ and a fine revival among God's people. During the year there has been five professions and a good Sunday School started and is running in high. If the Lord wills we will organize a church here the first Sunday in Nov. 1944. Pray for us.

Eld. D. C. Russell.

The report on Baptist Home was read by Eld. F. W. Lambert, as follows:

#### REPORT OF BAPTIST HOME

Baptist have an orphan's home near Camden, Tenn. Eld. Edd Cooper is in charge and is well suited to the work. From reports coming from West Tennessee, we doubt if a better man could be found for the place. There is a church in the home, and Bro. Cooper was their pastor before he took charge of the home. A number of the children are members of the church in the home. Here they receive good instructions, proper discipline, and are taught the Scriptures regularly. Three old misisters and about 65 children have been cared for in this institution which is open to old ministers, their wives, or widows, and orphan children.

The needs of the home are great, its support having been greatly hindered by reason of the fact it is not possible to run the truck in gathering supplies for these inmates of the home, due to the tire situation.

We recommend that every church take up a regular offering for the home, since it is being supported entirely by free-will offerings. Let us also pray that in all our undertakings, the Lord will direct.

Eld. F. W. Lambert,

Eld. Jas. C. Walker, Committee

Adopted, after being discussed by F. W. Lambert and T. L. Blalock.  
Moved to adjourn till 10 a. m. Sunday. Prayer by Lloyd Fishburn.

**SUNDAY, OCTOBER 22, 1944**

Came together by singing and prayer by Eld. Jas. C. Walker.

The Minutes were read and adopted.

The following visitors were invited to seats with us: Wilson County Association, Eld. Hall Grime, Harvey Grime, E. C. Watkins, T. W. Vantrease; Enon Association, C. F. Boze, Benton Smith, J. E. McDonald, G. E. Gregory.

The report on Pastor's Support was read by Eld. M. W. Whitley, as follows:

**REPORT ON PASTOR'S SUPPORT**

We, your committee on Pastor's Support, submit the following report: We feel that many of our churches are a little slack in the support of their pastors, and we also feel that the preachers of Wiseman Association are God called men and willing at all times to preach the gospel to the best of their ability. Now let's not forget that the commission was given to the churches to preach the gospel to the world. Then it is the duty of the churches to have the gospel preached to all the world. The Son of God said in Luke 10:7, "A laborer is worthy of his hire." This being true we should see to it that our pastors are supported. Paul says those that preach the gospel should live of the gospel.

We note there has been some improvement along these lines but let's try to do better next year.

Adopted, after discussion by M. H. Whitley and others.

Eld. Ben R. Taylor,  
Eld. M. H. Whitley, Committee

The report on Ministerial Education was read by Eld. R. Thompson, as follows:

**REPORT ON MINISTERIAL EDUCATION**

Paul wrote Timothy to "Study to show thyself approved unto God, a workman that needeth not be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth." Peter said of Paul: "As also in all his epistles, speaking in them of those things; in which are some things hard to be understood, which they that are unlearned and unstable wrest, as they do also the other scriptures, unto their own destruction," II Peter, 3:16.

Our preachers, as almost never before, need a deep and thorough understanding of God's word. We believe the minister should at least know the word of God and it is well that he know how to express himself in language that will enable both the educated and the uneducated to understand his message.

Eld. R. Thompson,  
Rex Hunt, Committee

Adopted, after discussion by R. Thompson, Rex Hunt, R. O. Sanders and N. C. Fuqua.

**Notes By Assistant Clerk**

(The hour for the preaching of the Annual Doctrinal Sermon having arrived, the regular order of business was suspended and the Moderator presented Eld. A. J. Sloan, the appointee of last year, to preach. The congregation sang "Amazing Grace." After some remarks by Bro. Sloan, he chose for a text, Matt. 3:1. He preached a great sermon on the origin, perpetuity, and doctrine of the church of Jesus Christ, the Baptist Church, and the power and glory that is to follow. Brother Sloan preached one of the greatest sermons ever preached before the Wiseman Association. This sermon was preached with much power and many shouted for joy as the speaker brought his sermon to a close. Many songs were sung and a hearty handshake took place amid shouts of joy.)

Moved to adjourn one hour for dinner. Dismissed with prayer by Eld. R. O. Sanders.

**SUNDAY AFTERNOON**

After a fine dinner, the Association came together by singing and prayer by E. C. Watkins.

After which a collection of \$81.50 was taken for the Camden Orphan's Home.

The report on Sunday Schools was read by Eld. W. R. Overton, as follows:

**REPORT ON SUNDAY SCHOOLS**

We, your committee on Sunday Schools, submit the following report:

We notice from last year's report that less than one-half of our churches have Sunday Schools. We think our churches are making a sad mistake by not having a good Sunday School. The Bible teaches us to train up the child in the way it should go. We need to teach and train our children the things taught in the Bible and plant in their minds the one important thing of seeking the Lord for salvation early in life while he may be found. So we recommend a sound Sunday School in all our churches.

William McDonald.

William Overton, Committee

Adopted, after discussion by Eld. W. R. Overton, Jas. C. Walker, Eld. Hall Grime, Lewis Mince.

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

**REPORT ON PRAYER MEETINGS**

Prayer is one of the greatest privileges ever given to man. The Bible tells us that prayer should be made for all men. Christ prayed for us. Let us pray for our lost friends. We need power from God and it must come through prayer. Let us urge every messenger to return to his respective church and begin a prayer meeting at once.

Eld. F. L. Ray.

Eld. Edgar Brown, Committee

Adopted, after discussion by F. L. Ray, Edgar Brown, F. W. Lambert and H. A. Thompson.

The report on State of Religion was read by Eld. R. O. Sanders, as follows:

#### REPORT ON STATE OF RELIGION

We believe the State of Religion today is far below what it was when the Wiseman preachers walked to and fro through the country and preached the gospel of the Son of God. We feel that the present state can be improved if those who love God will try to lend a helping hand to every needy cause, praying for each other and for the progress of the Lord's work in the world as we are taught of God to do. We have become stingy with the Lord's work, left off many of our obligations. According to James 1:27, there is not much pure religion in the world today. God help us to wake up.

Eld. Robert Gulley,  
Eld. Willie Harris, Committee

Adopted, after discussion by Robert Gulley.

The report on Obituaries was read by Eld. G. O. Templeton, as follows:

#### REPORT ON OBITUARIES

Those departed from our midst and thereby dropped from our church rolls number 32. We extend our deep sympathy to all touched in any way by this loss sustained by the going of these dear saints, and pray God's blessings upon all their homes, and the churches affected. May we be faithful in the Lord's work, and meet them in the sweet bye and bye.

Adopted, without discussion.

Eld. J. H. Smith, Missionary for the Association, made the following report:

#### MISSIONARY'S REPORT

I have held five meetings during the year which resulted in 10 professions of faith in Christ and 11 baptized; organized one church; visited five churches; preached 45 sermons. Money received on the field, \$387.21, received from the churches, \$50.00. Total, \$437.21.

Adoped, without discussion.

#### FINACIAL STATEMENT OF THE MISSION IN INDIANA

This mission is conducted by Eld. D. C. Russell of New Bethel church. Money received and paid out, \$826.48. Amount on hand, \$120.64.

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

#### REPORT ON RESOLUTIONS

Whereas, Wiseman Eantist Association having met in a very harmonious, as well as enjoyable session, with Union Hill church;

Therefore, be it resolved:

1. That we heartily thank this church and community for their hospitality shown us, in their homes and at this church.

2. That we extend to the Moderator, Clerk and Treasurer our best wishes for their splendid, efficient service, which has been rendered to us in the past; we also wish them many more years in the vineyard of the Lord.

3. That each messenger go back to his respective church, and make his greatest effort to reduce vice and worldliness, and such things that are detrimental to the church and the state of religion.

4. That we vote and pray that whiskey may be removed from our land.

5. That the Clerk have 600 copies of Minutes printed and distributed among the churches according to the amount received from each for printing.

Adopted, without discussion.

Oakley Cook,  
Lewis Mince, Committee

The report on Finance was read by Riley Drury, as follows:

**REPORT ON FINANCE**

Your committee has collected from the various churches for the printing of Minutes and Clerk hire, \$79.12.

O. C. Gammons,  
M. R. Drury, Committee

Adopted, without discussion.

**TREASURER'S REPORT**

During the present session of the Association, the following sums have been paid to me:

Foreign Missions.....	\$ 7.25
Home Missions.....	\$ 10.00
Camden Home.....	100.50
<b>TOTAL.....</b>	<b>\$ 117.75</b>

T. C. Harrison, Treasurer

The report on Correspondence was read by Eld. L. J. Russell, as follows:

**CORRESPONDENCE**

Brethren, we are more than glad to have had you with us, and we feel and realize that the Association has been a spiritual blessing to us and our church, as well as the community. We are unable to express our deep appreciation of the presence of the messengers and visitors from the various churches in our church and in our homes. We ask that you visit us again and that you make our church and our homes, your church and your homes when you are in our community.

O. L. Gregory,  
L. J. Russell, Committee

Adopted, after some remarks by F. L. Ray and L. J. Russell.

**NEW BUSINESS**

Each church was asked to take an offering to help build a house of worship for our new church, Drakes Creek.

On motion of Eld. F. W. Lambert, the Association asked Eld. A. J. Sloan to prepare the sermon he preached today in pamphlet form and that our churches pay the expenses.

Eld. J. H. Smith and Eld. Cleve Meadow were endorsed as Missionaries for Wiseman Association for next year.

Moved to adjourn to meet on Friday after the third Sunday in October, 1945, with Brattontown Baptist church, two miles west of Lafayette, Tenn. Dismissed with prayer by Eld. Edgar Brown.

Thus closed another great session of this great body of old time Missionary Baptists. It was good to be there. More than 40 ministers were in attendance.

God grant that we may go on in this old fashion way until Jesus comes and takes us home to that great Association of Baptist that will meet in the Holy City of Jerusalem where Christ will be Moderator and the Recording Angel will be Clerk.

ELDER N. C. FUQUA, Moderator  
Lafayette, Tennessee

ELDER A. J. SLOAN, Clerk  
Lafayette, Tennessee

T. C. HARRISON, Treasurer  
Westmoreland, Tennessee

**RULES OF DECORUM**

1. The Association shall be opened and closed with prayer.
2. A Moderator and a Clerk shall be chosen by the members present.
3. Only one person shall speak at a time, who shall arise and address the Moderator by the appellation of Bro. Moderator, and shall, while speaking, confine himself to the subject under discussion and shall not be interrupted unless he digress from the subject and shall in no wise reflect on any other speaker, so 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 reproved, or such other course be taken with him as the Moderator may think proper, either at his option or the intimation of any other member.

**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.

## CONSTITUTION (Continued)

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, whose duties shall be to serve their brethren in their several capacities.

Article VI. The Association 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 Friday at 10 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 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 may be heterodox in principle 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 18:15-17 in attempting to bring it to repentance.

Article XIV. The Association at its sitting 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.

ATHENS—Sister Martha J. Mason, Jan. 20, 1944. Sister Mollie H. Owen, July 28, 1944.

BRATONTOWN—Pvt. Jessie Cothron, June 21, 1944.

BUFFALO SPRINGS—Sister Callie Thompson, July 18, 1944. Bro. Robert Spears, Oct. 15, 1944.

FIFTH STREET—Mrs. Edd Meadow, March 21, 1944.

GOOD WILL—James Fisher, and Charlie Scruggs. Dates not given.

HAYSVILLE—Dr. J. Y. Freeman, Dec. 20, 1943.

LAFAYETTE—Eld. L. W. Stewart, and Sister Mary Simons. Dates not given.

LONG CREEK—Mrs. Almer Meader, Nov. 8, 1943. Pvt. Paul Ray Walrond, July 27, 1944.

MAPLE GROVE—Brother Ray Hagan, August, 1944.

MEADORVILLE—Brother George McClard, July 18, 1944. Sister Vinie Andrews. Date not given.

MT. ZION—Ella Hargett, Sept. 30, 1944.

NEW BETHEL—Brother Heberon Leaman, Jr., April 28, 1944.

NEW ZION—S. F. Jones, Nov. 16, 1943. Earcie Green, June 2, 1944.

OLD HOPEWELL—Sister Ada Mince and Sister Paris Gregory. Dates not given.

NEW HARMONY—Brother Daily Edens, Feb. 14, 1944.

PLEASANT HILL—Pearl Webb, March 20, 1944. Sister Alberta Parker Adams, May 1, 1944, Brother Hardy Rippey, May 21, 1944.

RED HILL—Sister Hawkins Gent, Aug. 25, 1944.

ROCK BRIDGE—E. P. Martin, April 28, 1944.

ROCKY MOUND—Brother Henry Harris, March 4, 1944.

SILOAM—Sister Lucy Angle, Jan. 4, 1944.

### CHURCH DIRECTORY

Church	Pastor and Postoffice Address	Clerk and Postoffice Address
Athens	R. Thompson, Westmoreland, Tenn.	Sam C. Walker, Lebanon, Tenn.
Brattontown	N. C. Fuqua, Lafayette, Tenn.	W. T. Gross, Lafayette, Tenn.
Buffalo Springs	G. O. Templeton, Westmoreland, Tenn.	I. N. Sloan, Westmoreland, Tenn.
Cedar Bluff	R. O. Sanders, Westmoreland, Tenn.	Donnie Brooks, Lafayette, Tenn.
Drakes Creek	J. H. Smith, Nashville, Tenn.	O. C. Gammons, Franklin, Ky.
Fairview	N. C. Fuqua, Lafayette, Tenn.	Oakley Cook, Hartsville, Tenn.
Fifth Street	C. B. Massey, Pleasant Shade, Tenn.	Christine Harris, Bowling Green, Ky.
Friendship	E. C. Butler, Red Boiling Springs, Tenn.	A. L. Cothron, Lafayette, Tenn.
Goodwill	Calvin Gregory, Lafayette, Tenn.	G. G. Taylor, Hartsville, Tenn.
Haysville	N. C. Fuqua, Lafayette, Tenn.	A. W. Lawrence, Lafayette, Tenn.
Lafayette	F. W. Lambert, Westmoreland, Tenn.	G. W. Johnson, Lafayette, Tenn.
Long Creek	W. T. Russell, Tracy, Ky.	W. O. Johnson, Westmoreland, Tenn.
Macedonia	N. B. Powell, Scottsville, Ky.	Roy K. Meader, Adolphus, Ky.
Maple Grove	L. A. Stewart, Holland, Ky.	J. M. Dossey, Fountain Run, Ky.
Maysville	Ben R. Taylor, Lafayette, Tenn.	Robert Whitlow, Scottsville, Ky.
Meadorville	W. T. Russell, Tracy, Ky.	Maxie Carman, Lafayette, Tenn.
Mt. Zion	F. W. Lambert, Westmoreland, Tenn.	Curtis Pardue, Holland, Ky.
New Bethel	A. J. Sloan, Lafayette, Tenn.	John N. Callis, Goodlettsville, Tenn.
New Harmony	A. J. Sloan, Lafayette, Tenn.	Clay Smith, Hartsville, Tenn.
New Zion	G. C. West, Lafayette, Tenn.	S. H. Dillard, Lafayette, Tenn.
Old Hopewell	R. O. Sanders, Westmoreland, Tenn.	J. C. Oldham, Bethpage, Tenn.
Pleasant Hill	A. J. Sloan, Lafayette, Tenn.	Jas. Kirkham, Fountain Head, 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.	T. C. Harrison, 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, Fountain Run, Ky.
Union Hill	F. L. Ray, Fountain Head, Tenn.	O. L. Gregory, Gallatin, Tenn.

CHURCH	Church Treasurer and P. O.	S. S. Supt. and P. O.
Athens	J. O. Walker, Lebanon, Tenn.	Bill Swaffer, Martha, Tenn.
Brattontown	W. T. Gross, Lafayette, Tenn.	
Buffalo Springs	Leslie Marshall, Bethpage, Tenn.	Hershal Meader, Westmoreland, Tenn.
Cedar Bluff	John White, Lafayette, Tenn.	
Drakes Creek	Luthur Davis, Franklin, Ky.	
Fairview	F. W. Ford, Hartsville, Tenn.	
Fifth Street	F. M. Harris, Bowling Green, Ky.	Loving Rather, Bowling Green, Ky.
Friendship	Eakell Gann, Lafayette, Tenn.	
Goodwill	J. A. Linville, Hartsville, Tenn.	
Haysville	Ezra Lawrence, Lafayette, Tenn.	Elvis Law, Lafayette, Tenn.
Lafayette	O. L. Hargis, Lafayette, Tenn.	B. M. Pipkin, Lafayette, Tenn.
Long Creek	Ellis Jones, Lafayette, Tenn.	
Macedonia	Roy K. Meader, Adolphus, Ky.	W. M. Gregory, Adolphus, Ky.
Maple Grove	H. B. Dossey, Fountain Run, Ky.	
Maysville		F. M. Stinson, Scottsville, Ky.
Meadorville	Bufford Haley, Hillsdale, Tenn.	
Mt. Zion	Dee Poe, Holland, Ky.	R. F. Downing, Holland, Ky.
New Bethel	J. N. Callis, Goodlettsville, Tenn.	J. N. Callis, Goodlettsville, Tenn.
New Harmony	Clay Smith, Hartsville, Tenn.	
New Zion	S. H. Dillard, Lafayette, Tenn.	
Old Hopewell	Warren Leath, Bethpage, Tenn.	
Pleasant Hill	Jas. Kirkham, Fountain Head, Tenn.	Jas. Kirkham, Fountain Head, Tenn.
Red Hill	A. H. Gent, Holland, Ky.	
Rock Bridge	Virgle Sloan, Bethpage, Tenn.	
Rocky Mound	Melvin Cliburn, Westmoreland, Tenn.	
Siloam	Leslie Harrison, Westmoreland, Tenn.	
Spring Creek	G. L. Hughes, Lafayette, Tenn.	
Sulphur Fork	J. H. Miner, Bethpage, Tenn.	
Union	O. D. Morrison, Tracy, Ky.	
Union Hill	Jim Piper, Gallatin, Tenn.	

FINANCIAL TABLE

CHURCHES	Foreign Missions	Home Missions	District Missions	Nashville Or- phans Home	Camden Home	Given to Poor	Incidental Expenses	Paid Our Pastor	Paid Help in Meetings	Building and Repairs	Paid Visiting Ministers	Printing Fund	All Other Causes	Total Contributions
Athens	\$ 22.10	\$ 19.68			\$ 31.41		\$ 26.63	\$ 224.50	\$ 62.00	\$ 51.05	\$ 4.75	\$ 3.00	\$ 27.92	\$ 453.04
Brattontown		20.36			35.81	57.34	55.99	267.08	50.00		35.78	3.00		525.36
Buffalo Springs								12.00	25.50	30.45	2.50	1.00	16.00	174.45
Cedar Bluff					13.00		16.20	168.50	31.00		9.00	2.50	40.00	280.20
Drakes Creek								8.50				2.00		8.50
Fairview							5.00	164.35	72.10	16.60	26.95	3.52		288.52
Fifth Street		1,228.06			85.75	161.37	63.00	1,261.41	221.79	336.44	112.94	5.00		3,524.62
Friendship							20.28	150.00	27.13			1.20		297.41
Goodwill					52.00				90.00			4.00		146.00
Haysville					23.13		41.20	236.90	44.00			2.10		347.33
Lafayette	25.62	8.64	5.15	14.05		8.56	110.00	600.00			59.81	2.50	25.00	859.33
Long Creek					15.25		32.40	325.10	67.00		3.87	3.00	15.00	461.62
Macedonia		3.42			5.00			182.00			10.00	2.00		202.42
Maple Grove			18.25					232.00	105.00	105.00		2.50	25.00	469.50
Maysville					1.75		27.45	135.00	30.00	442.00	9.25	1.00		636.53
Meadorville								243.58	126.00		7.50	3.00	14.25	394.33
Mt. Zion	1.75	1.75			5.17	224.60	44.95	467.38		2.10	10.00	3.00	20.00	781.70
New Bethel	5.00		12.80		139.63	30.00	167.70	800.00		63.90	155.40	4.55	15.75	1,494.63
New Harmony					<del>40.31</del>	75.00	57.00	315.00	61.25		12.25	3.00	50.00	617.51
New Zion					5.37	37.10		91.23	27.00			2.70	26.20	189.93
Old Hopewell		37.50			13.83		22.20	233.59	69.14	85	27.40	2.00	24.86	481.37
Pleasant Hill			12.00		5.00		8.00	330.00	100.00	68.00		3.00	5.00	528.06
Red Hill					2.50			161.50	54.85			2.05		220.86
Rock Bridge					39.40		21.60	189.50	80.00		29.31	2.40		362.30
Rocky Mound			4.30		32.75		108.00	216.00	53.05		18.00	3.00		440.00
Siloam	9.15				68.86	25.00	4.85	284.47	76.50		7.90	3.00	50.00	586.95
Spring Creek			12.00		5.00		14.35	125.00	24.80		9.56	2.00		192.71
Sulphur Fork								100.36	18.00	18.00		1.50		174.86
Union					39.50		31.80	241.00			45.00	2.00		383.40
Union Hill					41.20	114.25	13.30	300.50	61.75	11.32	46.16	2.50	49.90	640.28
TOTALS	\$ 69.63	\$ 1,389.42	\$ 64.20	\$ 14.05	\$ 601.25	\$ 733.25	\$ 909.02	\$ 9,155.45	\$ 387.82	\$ 1,145.61	\$ 633.35	\$ 79.12	\$ 400.48	\$ 16,159.72

### STATISTICAL TABLE

CHURCHES	When Organized	Meeting Days	CHURCH MEMBERSHIP						Present Membership	Value of Church Property	
			Gains			Losses					
			Baptisms	Letter	Restoration	Statement	By letter	Exclusions			Deaths
Athens	1843	Third	2				2		2	90	\$ 1,500
Brattontown	1925	Third	4	4			7		1	166	1,000
Buffalo Springs	1930	Third	6						2	54	500
Cedar Bluff	1887	First					1	6		145	1,000
Drakes Creek	1944	Fourth	10	9						41	
Fairview	1875	First	3							119	1,000
Fifth Street	1924	1st, 2nd, 3rd	22	15	2		3		1	422	4,500
Friendship	1919	First	2	2				2		69	800
Goodwill	1899	Fourth	5				5		2	182	1,000
Haysville	1925	Fourth			1		1		1	91	3,000
Lafayette	1849	First	13	16			1		2	235	4,000
Long Creek	1853	First					4		2	154	1,000
Macedonia	1873	Fourth	6					1		120	1,000
Maple Grove	1904	First	1				11		1	101	800
Maysville	1922	First	6	1						80	1,000
Meadorville	1869	Third	14	2			1		3	294	1,000
Mt. Zion	1838	Third	7	2			1		1	390	1,000
New Bethel	1792	1st, 3rd	9	10			5	1	1	232	2,000
New Harmony	1848	Second	12	1			1		1	248	1,500
New Zion	1910	First					2		2	147	1,000
Old Hopewell	1921	Second	1						2	170	1,500
Pleasant Hill	1876	First	5				4	1	3	187	2,000
Red Hill	1925	Second	2				1		1	108	1,200
Rock Bridge	1883	Third	1					1	1	128	2,000
Rocky Mound	1873	Second	3					1	1	204	1,000
Siloam	1842	First	6				1	4	1	263	1,200
Spring Creek	1849	First					1			97	1,000
Sulphur Fork	1888	Third		2			1			38	800
Union	1853	Second					1			241	2,000
Union Hill	1919	Second	11				3			186	1,500
<b>TOTALS</b>			151	63	3		56	18	31	5,024	\$42,800

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