

WISEMAN BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

SIXTY-NINTH ANNUAL SESSION

October 21, 22, 23, 1960

HELD WITH

New Bethel Baptist Church

GOODLETTSVILLE, TENNESSEE



OFFICERS

F. L. RAY, MODERATOR

427 Rosebank Avenue
Nashville, Tennessee

W. T. RUSSELL, CLERK

P. O. Box 186
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PAUL D. OLDHAM, TREASURER

Lafayette, Tennessee

Next Session of Association will be held with Liberty Hill Baptist church, two and one-half miles North of Bethpage, Tennessee. Beginning at 10:00 o'clock A. M., on Friday after the third Sunday in October, 1961.

Introductory Sermon by Elder A. G. Gregory

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, failing 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 Each motion and second shall come under the immediate consideration of the Association, unless withdrawn by the one who made it.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 appellation other 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, providing the chair be filled, but shall have no vote unless the Association be equally divided.
11. Any member violating these rules, or at any time manifesting a spirit contrary to the Gospel shall be reprovved 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.

P R O C E E D I N G S

FIRST DAY — Friday, October 21, 1960

At ten o'clock A. M. on the above date Wiseman Baptist Association came together in the opening service of its 69th annual session with the church at New Bethel, two and one-half miles Southwest of Goodlettsville, Tennessee. Services were opened with singing conducted by Eld. W. R. Overton. After the singing of "Some Day," and "Everybody Will Be Happy Over There," the moderator made a number of opening remarks and called on Eld. Phocian Gibbs who led the Association in the opening prayer. After the song, "How Firm A Foundation" was sung, Brother Ray read the first 18 verses of the second chapter of Philippians and asked Elder N. C. Fuqua to lead in another prayer which was very humbly offered and greatly enjoyed. May God bless this great servant of God which we all appreciate and esteem very highly.

At this time the moderator, after some timely remarks, presented Eld. A. G. Gregory, the appointee of a year ago, to preach the Introductory Sermon. Brother Gregory took the stand and after some preliminary remarks read for a scripture lesson Acts 7:17-36, and chose for a text Exodus 7:5 "And the Egyptians shall know that I am the Lord when I stretch forth my hand upon Egypt, and bring out the children of Israel from among them."

To the joy of this people who filled the building of New Bethel Church, Brother Gregory very ably and effectively showed us the greatness of God, His fore-knowledge, His almighty power and His unlimited Wisdom through and by which he is able to prevail against all powers to carry out His will and purpose in Heaven and in Earth. He also showed the choices God has made and does make of men to be used as instruments in his hands to carry out these purposes always to His own glory. Brother Gregory also showed us that, in these times when our faith sometimes grows so weak, we are still serving the same God that Moses served and had never neither could he ever change, and that He is always ready to open doors and prepare the way for us if we are willing to

follow Him. His message was joyfully received and while "Hold To God's Unchanging Hand" and "We'll Go On And Serve The Lord" was sung the large congregation of God's people pressed eagerly forward and gave their hands of appreciation and endorsement of his good and encouraging sermon.

At this time the moderator called for the letters from the various churches to be filed with the Clerk, and appointed Elder Phocian Gibbs of Enon Association and Brother Ray Smith of Southwestern District Association as reading clerks. After the reading of five of the letters, moved to adjourn one hour for dinner. After announcements, the benediction was offered by Elder J. C. Austin.

FRIDAY AFTERNOON

The association came together for the afternoon session after the comforts and refreshments of a very enjoyable dinner with singing "Be A Light For Jesus," after which, prayer was offered by Brother James Porter. The song, "There Is Power In The Blood" was sung and the regular order of business was taken up. The reading of the letters was continued and enrollment of churches and messengers was as follows:

ATHENS—J. C. Walker, Seth T. Watkins, James E. Whited

BECKWITH—No messengers

BUFFALO SPRINGS—Fletcher Boze, Hershel Meador

CEDAR BLUFF—Robert Gulley, Sidney Hauskins, Willie D. Adams

CONCORD—L. D. Latimer, James Callis, Aubrey Kelley

E. MAIN STREET—Harold Dean Linville, Thomas Scruggs, Bud Oldham

ENON CHAPEL—William Patterson, P. H. Major, Ben Beal

FAIRVIEW—Leslie Prock, F. W. Ford, Leslie Brackett

FAITH NO. 1—William House, C. B. Massey

FAITH NO. 2—C. J. Cline, G. C. Meadows, A. W. Sanson

CEDAR GROVE—Harry Daughtry, Garland Keene

GATEWAY—Isham Culbreath, Thomas Shumake, Hilman Duncan

GOOD WILL—J. A. Linville

GRACE—No messengers

LAFAYETTE—Leonard Gregory, Billie Keen Johnson

LIBERTY HILL—Ed Gregory, Draper Brummett, Clyde Grizzle

LONGVIEW—Johnny Carman, Quentin Sneed, Dean Driver

McFERRIN AVENUE—F. L. Ray, J. O. Brooks

MEADORVILLE—Ollie Parker

NEW BETHEL—W. T. Russell, Henry Woodard, Charles Moore

NEW HARMONY—No Messengers

OLD HOPEWELL—Reece Leath, Dessie O'Neal, Earl Ragland

PIPER'S CHAPEL—Baxter Hiatt, Joe Piper

PENNSYLVANIA AVE.—J. D. Swindle, Johnny Trapp, Dave
Graham

PLEASANT HILL—W. W. Bowman, J. W. Briley, Carthell Brown

ROCK BRIDGE — B. E. Hawkins, E. C. Sherron

RAYON CITY—B. H. Woodard, Oddie Russell, James Gradner

SALEM—James Porter, Robert Gillespie, A. G. Gregory

UNION HILL—Robert Butts, Edd Brawner, Joseph Woodard

WEST END—D. R. Perrigo, W. G. Beasley, Calvin Perrigo

WHITE HILL—Bill Bloodworth, Elvis Webb

Permanent organization was effected by electing the following officers: Elder F. L. Ray, Moderator; Elder J. C. Walker, Assistant; Elder W. T. Russell, Clerk; Eld. J. C. Walker, Assistant; Eld. J. C. Walker, Treasurer; Eld. W. T. Russell, Assistant.

Speeches of appreciation were made by the elected officers.

Petitionary letters were called for and the following received: Longview Baptist Church, Gallatin, Tenn. The right hand of fellowship was extended the messengers by the moderator.

The following Resolution attached to the letter of Athens church was read by the clerk:

"Whereas the Wiseman Association passed and put on record in their 1957 minutes the following resolution: "That we will not hold in fellowship any church or correspond with any association who tolerates the practice of alien immersion." and

The order of business was called for and read by Elder Paul Oldham as follows: It was adopted without discussion.

1. Missions
2. Old Ministers and Orphans Home
3. Christian and Ministerial Education
4. Temperance, Morality and Church Discipline
5. Financing the Lord's Work
6. Sunday School and Prayer Meeting
7. Obituaries
8. Resolutions
9. Correspondence
10. Treasurer's Report

Moved to adjourn to meet at 9:30 A. M. on Saturday. After announcements, the benediction was offered by Eld. J. C. Walker.

SECOND DAY

The association came together with singing "I'm Going That Way" conducted by Brother Eugene Canter. Prayer was offered by Brother J. O. Brooks. After the singing of "It Won't Be Very Long," the clerk read the Rules of Decorum and called the roll of messengers. A quorum was declared present. The minutes of the preceeding day were read and adopted.

Visitors were seated as follows:

SOUTHWESTERN DISTRICT ASSOCIATION—Brother
Weldon Chandler

ENON ASSOCIATION—Brother John Woodard

The regular order of business was taken up and the report on Missions was read by Brother Quentin Sneed as follows:

MISSIONS

We your committee submit the following report:

We believe Missions to be one of the most important subjects our minds could entertain. The meaning of Missions is—A Sending out with Authority.

We believe the scriptures teach that Missions began with God calling men out to preach the gospel to the lost world.

Isaiah 6:8 "Whom shall I send and who will go for me? Then said I, Here am I, send me."

There are more than 90 preachers in the Wiseman Association. Will you be a missionary at heart and join us in prayer that these preachers may go out and find their places and preach the gospel to this lost and dying world. Jesus said in John 4:34, 35 "My meat is to do the will of him that sent me." "Lift up your eyes and look on the fields for they are white already to harvest." There is a great field out before us today, the world. So let us be missionaries at heart. "Let us work while it is called day for night cometh when no man can work." John 9:4.

Pray that we may always enjoy this great privilege we now have to worship our great Maker.

Humbly and Prayerfully submitted,

Clyde W. Grizzle

Q. F. Sneed

James R. Gardner

Adopted after discussion by Clyde Grizzle, Q. F. Sneed and James Gardner.

The report on Lafayette Orphans Home was read by W. T. Russell as follows:

LAFAYETTE ORPHANS HOME

The Orphans Home in one of our interests promoted and sponsored by churches of Wiseman, Enon, Southwestern District and Siloam Baptist Associations in middle and west Tennessee. This has been a very interesting work for the trustees through the years. There have been many problems to solve, some hindrances and disappointments; but there has been the satisfaction of knowing that many children left in the world without father or mother have been provided a home and family life, a Christian environment and training, an education enabling them to assume their place in society and provide for themselves. Many have gone from this home through the years and are doing well as honorable and respectable citizens.

There are at present 7 children in the Home under the super-

vision of Brother and Sister Benton McClard, Superintendent and Matron. A new barn has been erected on the farm this year. Each child in the Home now owns and cares for his or her own cow which has furnished a strong initiative for each child to work and manage for himself.

We would like to urge all churches to keep the welfare of this Home in mind continually and contribute regularly for its upkeep and the support of the children. James tells us, "Pure religion, and undivided before God and the Father is this, to visit the fatherless and widows in their affliction, and to keep himself unspotted from the world."

Respectfully submitted,

W. T. Russell
Harold D. Linville
Lex Walters

BAPTIST OLD MINISTERS AND ORPHANS HOME

Lafayette, Tennessee

REPORT OF RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURES

October 1, 1959 — Sept. 30, 1960

RECEIPTS

Donations _____	\$5,751.08
Rent _____	40.00
Refund Of Petty Cash _____	3.60
Telephone Bills Repaid _____	2.45
Windstorm Loss (Insurance Paid) _____	143.01
Tobacco _____	713.56
Settlement In Fence _____	17.80
TOTAL RECEIPTS _____	\$6,671.00
Cash on Hand October 1, 1959 _____	\$1,247.20
Total Money Available _____	\$7,918.20

EXPENDITURES

One Third Tobacco to children _____	246.30
Cow _____	175.00
Lawn Mower _____	58.61
Electricity and Heat _____	495.35
Supt. & Matron Salary plus 1-3 of burley tobacco _____	2,012.30
Food _____	1,295.82

Telephone _____	65.88
Supplies and Repairs _____	372.97
Clothing _____	368.75
Insurance _____	72.54
Doctors and Medicine _____	164.46
Farm Feed _____	26.77
Accounting _____	5.00
Addition to House _____	214.82
Barn _____	1,792.91
Cash Items Paid _____	64.15
TOTAL EXPENDITURES _____	\$7,431.63
Balance _____	\$486.57
Cash in Bank* _____	\$487.06
Cash Over _____	.49

* Cash in Bank was not checked as Bank Statement was not available until Monday, October 3.

Hal D. Howser, Public Accountant

C. C. Ramsey, Treasurer.

Adopted after discussion by W. T. Russell and Wesley Briley.

The report on Obituaries was read by Wesley Briley as follows:

OBITUARIES

From the letters from the various churches that make up this body, we learn that a number of our beloved brethren and sisters have departed from us to go on to try out the realities of the better country. We are made sad by their absence from our association, our churches and especially our homes.

The joy that comes from the victories won during the past year by our churches was made possible by their love, vision, sacrifice and courage. The strength of our churches is due to the firm foundation that others have laid. Many of us are working in the vineyard today because of the Christian example that others set. We are reaping where others have sown and one day we shall rejoice together.

To the broken-hearted we offer our heartfelt sympathy. To the lonely, we bid them find a friend that sticketh closer than

a brother. To the heavy-laden, we urge them to cast all their cares upon One who will share every sorrow and burden. To the hopelessly sick in body, we ask them to wait for a "house not made with hands."

Then we hear John say in Rev. 14:13, "Blessed are the dead which die in the Lord from henceforth: Yea, saith the Spirit, that they may rest from their labours; and their works do follow them."

- Respectfully submitted,

James W. Briley

At this time, a song was called for and "When the Redeemed are Gathering In" was sung, the moderator presented Brother Paul Oldham to preach the Memorial Sermon. After many kind and appreciative remarks by Brother Oldham, he read for a scripture lesson Eph. 3:12 through 21, using for a subject "The Family Of God."

With liberty which can only be the product of the Holy Spirit and the power of the same Brother Oldham, by the force of truth truly lifted our minds from the vain and perishable things of this lonely world to the high and lasting things enjoyed and to be enjoyed by the family of God. The greatness of being a child of God and the inheritance awaiting us after the certain loss of all things earthly increased our faith and brightened our hope of things not seen, and God's people were made to sit together in Heavenly places in Christ Jesus. It seemed that a little bit of heaven came down and we could say with Jacob long ago, "Surely God is in this place of a truth."

While singing a number of songs including "Glad Reunion Day," "Every Hour and Every Day," "I'm A Child Of The King," "I'm Bound For The Kingdom," the large crowd, many of which had been moved to tears of joy and others openly rejoicing, pressed forward to shake the preachers hand and with one another. Many good talks were made while we all feasted together.

The report on Obituaries was adopted. Moved to adjourn one hour for dinner, and after announcements the benediction was offered by Brother Oscar Page.

SATURDAY AFTERNOON

The association reconvened with singing "Camping In Canaan," and after opening remarks by the moderator, he asked Eld. J. H. Smith to lead in prayer. After the prayer and the singing of "Jesus Hold My Hand" led by Brother James Porter, he read the third chapter of Second Timothy for a scripture consideration.

At this time an Amendment of Resolution No. 8 adopted by Wiseman Baptist Association in the 1957 Annual Session, was suggested by Eld. W. T. Russell as follows:

"Resolved that Resolution No. 8, adopted by Wiseman Association in 1957 be amended to read—That we will not hold in fellowship any church or correspond with any association which shall wilfully and deliberately persist in the practice or toleration of alien immersion, after article No. 13 of our Constitution has been followed."

By motion, the amendment was adopted.

Since Eld. J. C. Walker had vacated the office of trustee of the Orphans Home and the three-year term of W. T. Russell had expired, Eld. Paul Oldham was appointed to fill the unexpired term of Brother Walker and Eld. F. L. Ray was appointed to a three-year term.

The report on Christian and Ministerial Education was read by Eld. F. L. Ray as follows:

CHRISTIAN AND MINISTERIAL EDUCATION

We, your committee, submit the following report:

We believe that every born-again child of God should strive to gain a knowledge of God's word, to the extent that they may be able to work in the vineyard of the Master in instructing others and warning the lost to turn to God.

There are many scriptures in the Bible that teach us the need of a Christian education, also the ministers of the Lord should prepare themselves to meet the demands of the day in answering the many questions that confront us, and to be able to answer the critics that so often challenge the word of God.

I think we should do something about this needy cause. James tells us to be doers of the word and not hearers only. So

we appeal to all of you to read the word of God and try to be as active as possible. May God bless this report, and may you give it your earnest consideration. Submitted prayerfully in the interest of a greater knowledge of the word of God.

F. L. Ray
Phocian Gibbs
Johnny Carman

Adopted after discussion by F. L. Ray and J. H. Smith.

The report on Temperance, Morality and Church Discipline was read by Eld. Curtis Carter as follows:

We, your committee, submit the following report:

It seems that today there is more immorality in our churches than has ever been and less church discipline.

When we think of temperance, we think of strong drink. The wise man, Solomon, said, "Wine is a mocker, strong drink is raging; and whosoever is deceived thereby is not wise."

The first Baptist that ever lived did not drink wine or strong drink. Mark 1:15.

We believe that many members of our churches are committing immoral acts, such as indecent dressing. Moses said in Deut. 22:5, "The woman shall not wear that which pertaineth unto a man, neither shall a man put on a woman's garment; for all that do so are abomination unto the Lord thy God." Jeremiah 6:15 said, "Were they ashamed when they committed abomination? Nay, they were not at all ashamed, neither could they blush;" Paul said in 1 Timothy 3:15 "That thou mayest know how thou oughtest to behave thyself in the house of God, which is the church of the living God, the pillar and ground of the truth." And in 2 Thess. 3:6 "Now we command you brethren in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ that ye withdraw yourselves from every brother that walketh disorderly."

Your committee,
Curtis Carter
Edward Rader
J. E. Shoulders

Adopted after discussion by Curtis Carter, Wesley Briley, Paul Oldham, J. O. Brooks and Everett Scruggs.

Moved to adjourn until tomorrow morning at 9:30. After announcements the benediction was offered by Eld. Harold Dean Linville.

THIRD DAY

The association came together for the business of the last day being led in singing by Brother S. B. Cornwall, "When We All Get To Heaven." In the absence of the Moderator and also the Assistant, Elder Wilson Gregory served as moderator at the request of Brother Ray. After he had made a number of opening remarks, he called on Brother Charles Gentry to lead the association in prayer. After the singing of another song, "Kneel At The Cross," visitors were seated as follows:

ENON ASSOCIATION—Elder T. C. Jones, Elder Charles Gentry, Brother Lucius Reed, Brother Elvis Hubbard.

SILOAM ASSOCIATION—Brother W. E. Massey.

At this time and before the regular order of business was taken up a motion was made to appoint Elder F. L. Ray as chairman of a committee of five pastors of Wiseman Association which he is authorized to select to go before the pastors and churches enclosing within their membership alien immersion in an effort to bring about some action in these churches to correct their errors. The motion carried.

Moved at this time to have the Financial Report of the Orphans Home placed in the minutes of this association.

The report on Financing the Lord's Work was left with the clerk and was read by him as follows:

FINANCING THE LORD'S WORK

We, your committee, submit the following report:

The Bible is the guide for us as Baptist people to go by. The wise man, Soloman, states in Proverbs 3:9, "Honor the Lord with thy substance and with the firstfruit of all thine increase." So we are to honor the Lord with the first fruits and not our leavings. We believe too many of God's people today give God what is left over. We find also in Deut. 8:18 "Thou shalt remember the Lord thy God, for it is he that giveth thee power to get wealth." So if God gives us wealth, we should be willing

to support the greatest work on earth. The Bible also tells us that God loves a cheerful giver. We find then that God loves those who give to the support of His great cause. Our prayers are that we who have the truth will, in this needy time, work together to help enlarge the Lord's work in every way.

We need not strive to lay up treasurers on earth for they will decay. But to lay up our treasurers in heaven they abide forever.

Some of the ways we support the Lord's work is supporting with our money the Orphans Home, our missionaries at home and abroad. We also are to support our church and pastor and the poor and needy in our church and community. "It is more blessed to give than to receive." Acts 20:35

Respectfully submitted,

James (Pete) Porter

Adopted after discussion by J. H. Smith, Jimmie Sorrells, B. F. Massey. At this time a collection was taken up for the missionaries in Japan in the amount of \$155.00.

The report on Sunday School and Prayer Meeting was read by the clerk as follows:

SUNDAY SCHOOL AND PRAYER MEETING

We, as old-fashion Missionary Baptist, know we have the truth and contend for the faith which was once delivered to the saints. We know from the teaching of God's word that the truth will make all people free. One of the best ways to teach our children, young Christians and adults is in a good sound Sunday School. The Bible teaches us to train up a child in the way he should go and when he is old, he will not depart from it.

We should all work to build up our Sunday School and create an interest. Where you find a church that has a large Sunday School you will also find more people attending the preaching service. Also you will find a church that is doing things for God.

We also believe that all of our churches should have prayer meeting at least once a week. Jesus said, "It is written, my house is the house of prayer" Luke 19:46. We believe that

people meeting together in prayer meetings will stay closer to the Lord and keep a coldness from invading the church. We hope that our Sunday Schools will grow and more people will take an interest in prayer meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

William House

J. C. Austin

Robert Gulley

Adopted after discussion by Robert Gulley, Bobbie Sutton, Dee Russell.

The record from here was written by Brother Jas. C. Gregory acting clerk.

The time having arrived for the Doctrinal Sermon, Elder W. T. Russell the appointee of a year ago asked for a song and "Leaning On The Everlasting Arms" and a stanza of "Love Lifted Me" were sung.

After many good remarks, Brother Russell chose as a subject "The Necessity of a Revelation From God of Himself To Man."

He made us feel a very great responsibility to God and His cause in consideration of that which He has done for us. He went on to preach one very good sermon which the brethren whole-heartedly endorsed by many hearty Amens. Brother Russell proved to us, through logical conclusion, God's concern for man and his love toward his creation, going on to preach one of the strongest sermons I have heard in many many days, and I believe the brethren agreed. Following this great and enlightening sermon, the moderator asked for a song, and the congregation eagerly pressed forward to give to him their hands of approval.

SUNDAY AFTERNOON

The last session of the Association came together with singing "We Shall Rise" led by Brother W. G. Beasley. The Assistant Moderator, Brother Paul Oldham, was in charge and after some remarks asked Brother Joe Wilson to lead us in prayer. After the singing of "The Unseen Hand," the regular order of business was taken up, and the report on Resolutions was read by Brother Hilman Duncan as follows:

RESOLUTIONS

We, your committee, submit the following report:

Whereas, Wiseman Baptist Association having convened in its sixty-ninth annual session with New Bethel Baptist church, Goodlettsville, Tenn., where we enjoyed the liberty to meet and fellowship our sister churches according to the dictates of our hearts without fear of being molested by the wicked of the world. Therefore, be it resolved:

1. That we thank our Heavenly Father for caring for His own and for the many blessings He bestowed upon us from day to day.

2. That we express our thankfulness to New Bethel Church for the hospitality and kindness shown to all of us throughout this association.

3. That our life and conversation would be such that people would take notice that we have been with Christ.

4. That we pray for each other and for our country, that the Great God of Heaven would hear and heal our sin-sick land.

5. That we uphold the old paths that the sinners will not be hindered but will flee for refuge to lay hold upon the hope that is set before them.

6. That our clerk have 1,000 copies of the minutes printed and distributed among the churches according to the amount received from each church for printing fund, and the remainder of the fund, if any, be given to the clerk for his services.

Respectfully submitted,

O. E. Russell

Hilman Duncan

Adopted after discussion by Hilman Duncan.

The report on Correspondence was read by Brother Charles Moore as follows:

CORRESPONDENCE

We, you committee, submit the following report:

New Bethel Church wishes to express her sincere gratitude

to the Wiseman Baptist Association for holding their sixty-ninth annual session with us.

We feel that the presence of the Association at New Bethel will bring about a better understanding of the responsibility that rests upon the true church of the living God, and of the great work that lies ahead of her. We believe that the members of our church, especially the young members will better understand the independence of the local church.

We especially appreciate the guidance of those that have firmly stood for the old fashioned way for so many years. We thank them for their determination that brotherly love, as taught by the Lord, should prevail throughout this three-day session.

We sincerely hope that each person present during any part or all of the sessions has felt at home and has enjoyed their visit here.

May the great God of heaven bless all old fashioned Missionary Baptist Churches wherever they may be located.

Respectfully submitted

Wilson C. Gregory

James E. Sorrell

Charles R. Moore

Adopted after discussion by Charles Moore, Wilson Gregory, Ernest Cole, W. T. Russell, James Sorrell.

The report on Finance was read by the treasurer as follows:

FINANCE

The following amounts have been turned over to me during the present session of the association to be distributed as follows:

Printing Fund _____	\$209.91
Orphans Home (Longview) _____	13.00
Foreign Missions (White Hill) _____	50.00
Collection at Association _____	155.00
TOTAL _____	\$427.91

Respectfully submitted,

Paul D. Oldham, Treasurer

Adopted without discussion.

New business was called for but there was none offered.

Minutes of the past two days were read and adopted.

Moved to adjourn to meet on Friday morning at 10:00 o'clock before the fourth Sunday in October, 1961, with Liberty Hill Baptist Church, two and one-half miles north of Bethpage.

After some good talks and announcements, the benediction was offered by Brother Fred Carr. Thus closing another very enjoyable association, which was attended by very large crowds all three days, with plenty of delicious food for everybody served by the sisters each day.

DIRECTORY OF LICENSED MINISTERS

Ernest Bilbrey	_____	P. O. Box 394, Gallatin, Tennessee
Fletcher Boze	_____	Bethpage, Tennessee
H. A. Culbreath	_____	Miami Ave., Donelson, Tennessee
Eugene Ford	_____	Indianapolis, Indiana
James Gardner	_____	Scenic Drive, Old Hickory, Tenn.
Edd Gregory	_____	Westmoreland, Tennessee
Lewis Gregory	_____	Hendersonville, Tennessee
John Grizzle	_____	Westmoreland, Tennessee
Malcom Grizzle	_____	1105 Shelby Ave., Nashville, Tenn.
Horace Head	_____	Graycroft Ave., Madison, Tennessee
Ezra Harrison	_____	Westmoreand, Tennessee
W. C. Johnson	_____	Route 1, Goodlettsville, Tennessee
Garland Keen	_____	R. 3, Portland, Tennessee
Reese Leath	_____	353 Perrolee Ave., Gallatin, Tenn.
Burton Massey	_____	Lexington, Kentucky
C. E. McClanahan, Jr.	_____	2292 Pennington Ave., Nashville, Tenn.
Durwood McClard	_____	Lafayette, Tennessee
Thos. E. McCloskey, Jr.,	_____	R. 3, Portland, Tennessee
Johnny Merrit	_____	Gallatin, Tennessee
Truman Porter	_____	R. 3, Portland, Tennessee
O. E. Russell	_____	Highland Circle, Madison, Tennessee
McKinley Sanders	_____	R. 1, Hartsville, Tennessee
Jay Sullivan	_____	Westmoreand, Tennessee
Joe W. Thomason	_____	Gallatin, Tennessee
Guthrne Thompson	_____	R. 4, Westmoreland, Tennessee
John Wesley Thurman	_____	R. 3, Bethpage, Tennessee

Donald Vetetoe _____ R. 1, Goodlettsville, Tennessee
 Ernest Lee Wainscott _____ R. 3, Bethpage, Tennessee
 Robert Whited _____ R. 2, Lebanon, Tennessee
 Homer Lee Wilburn _____ East Jackson, Gallatin, Tennessee
 Kenneth Wilkerson _____ Hartsville, Tennessee
 Wilburn Woodard _____ Hartsville, Tennessee

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Thomas Armstrong _____ 4109 Utah Avenue, Nashville, Tenn.
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 Rufas Beasley _____ 2905 Morningside Drive, Nashville, Tenn.
 J. D. Birdwell _____ 623 Templewood Court, Donelson, Tenn.
 William B. Birdwell _____ Lafayette, Tennessee
 W. W. Bowman _____ R. 3, Portland, Tenn.
 J. W. Briley _____ R. 2, Portland, Tenn.
 Douglas E. Brooks _____ 3212 Hydesferry Rd., Nashville, Tenn.
 H. P. Brown _____ Portland, Tenn.
 Wallace Brown _____ Gallatin, Tenn.
 A. W. Carr _____ Westmoreland, Tenn.
 Fred Carr _____ Westmoreland, Tenn.
 Curtis Carter _____ Gallatin, Tenn.
 Johnny Carman _____ 105 N. Trigg St., Gallatin, Tenn.
 Norman Cliburn _____ 2250 Maplecrest Dr., Donelson, Tenn.
 Ollie Dozier _____ Lafayette, Tenn.
 Hilman Duncan _____ 2248 Maplecrest Dr., Donelson, Tenn.
 F. S. Dyer _____ R. 3, Lafayette, Tenn.
 Charlie Gray _____ R. 2, Mt. Juliet, Tenn.
 A. G. Gregory _____ R. 4, Gallatin, Tenn.
 Wilson Gregory _____ Beverly Drive, Madison, Tenn.
 Robert W. Gregory _____ 1240 Riverwood Dr., Nashville, Tenn.
 Clyde Grizzle _____ R. 2, Bethpage, Tenn.
 Henry Clay Grizzle _____ 1506 Dugger Ave., Nashville, Tenn.
 Robert Gully _____ R. 1, Lafayette, Tenn.
 William Hall _____ 409 Hite St., Gallatin, Tenn.
 Vernon Hicks _____ Indianapolis, Indiana
 William House _____ 1010 N. Second St., Nashville, Tenn.
 C. B. Huddleston _____ R. 2, Bethpage, Tenn.
 Paul Jordon _____ Bowling Green, Ky.
 Bill Leath _____ Gallatin, Tenn.

Harold D. Linville	Hartsville, Tenn.
H. S. Linville	Westmoreland, Tenn.
J. A. Linville	Hartsville, Tenn.
C. B. Massey	75 Valeria St., Nashville, Tenn.
B. T. Matthews	Hartsville, Tenn.
E. M. McDonald	R. 2, Lafayette, Tenn.
Joe McGuffey	Portland, Tenn.
G. C. Meadows	Plumb Springs Rd., Bowling Green, Ky.
C. M. Morgan	Dixon Springs, Tenn.
John Mungle	Bethpage, Tenn.
Clement Oldham	Westmoreland, Tenn.
Paul D. Oldham	Lafayette, Tenn.
Earl Patterson	R. 2, Bethpage, Tenn.
John Patterson	Hartsville, Tenn.
Elmer Perrigo	R. 3, Westmoreland, Tenn.
James Albert Porter	Hartsville, Tenn.
James (Pete) Porter	Gallatin, Tenn.
F. L. Ray	427 Rosebank Ave., Nashville, Tenn.
Edward Rader	104 Harbor Court, Hendersonville, Tenn.
Estel Ray	R. 1, Goodlettsville, Tenn.
J. B. Robertson	R. 4, Westmoreland, Tenn.
W. T. Russell	P. O. Box 186, Goodlettsville, Tenn.
C. L. Russell	R. 4, Gallatin, Tenn.
Everett Scruggs	R. 1, Gallatin, Tenn.
I. N. Sloan	R. 4, Bethpage, Tenn.
Glespie Smith	Mt. Juliet, Tenn.
Henry Smith	2823 Alhambra Circle, Nashville, Tenn.
Raymond Smith	2802 Meadow Rose Park, Nashville, Tenn.
Quentin Sneed	Gallatin, Tenn.
Lester Stinson	Bethpage, Tenn.
Raymond Sutton	809 Maplewood Lane, Nashville, Tenn.
John Talley	Lafayette, Tenn.
Howard G. Taylor	Rose and Burbank St., Nashville, Tenn.
W. V. Thompson	R. 3, Bethpage, Tenn.
Houston Tillman	Morrison Ave., Gallatin, Tenn.
G. O. Templeton	Westmoreland, Tenn.
Luther Tuttle	601 S. 11th st., Nashville, Tenn.
Peter Vantrease	Gallatin, Tenn.
M. H. Whitley	4908 Delaware, Nashville, Tenn.
W. M. Wright	305 Rayon Drive, Nashville, Tenn.
B. H. Woodard	1019 Old Hickory Blvd., Madison, Tenn.

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 meeting.

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 several capacities.

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

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

Article VIII. These Associations shall meet annually on Friday at 10 o'clock A. M., after the third Sunday in October, and continue three days, the meetings to be held at such places as may be agreed upon the Association at its annual sitting.

Article IX. A majority of the members of any regular meeting shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business.

Article X. It is expected that these meetings will be missionary in practice as well as theory.

Article XI. New churches may be admitted into the 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 the union any Church or Churches that are heterodox in principle or disorderly in practice.

Article XIII. No proceedings shall be had against any Church except on 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 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 except upon 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.

Article XVI. That all questions arising before this Association be decided by a majority vote of the messengers present, except in the reception of churches into our fellowship, and that such reception be by a unanimous vote of messengers present.

CHURCH DIRECTORY

CHURCHES

PASTORS

CLERKS

Beckwith	Giespie Smith, R. 2, Mt. Juliet, Tenn.	Louis Lain, Mt. Juliet, Tennessee, Rt. 2
Buffalo Springs	Jas. (Pete) Porter, Gallatin, Tenn.	Jas. A. Thompson, Westmoreland, Tennessee
Cedar Bluff	T. C. Jones, Lafayette, Tennessee, Rt. 2	W. D. Adams, Lafayette, Tennessee, Rt. 1
Cedar Grove	B. Huddleston, Bethpage, Tennessee, Rt. 2	Joan Young, Gallatin, Tenn.
Concord	J. C. Walker, Lebanon, Tennessee, Rt. 4	L. D. Latimer, White House, Tennessee
E. Main Street	H. G. Taylor, Rose and Burbank, Nashville	Mrs. Monroe Oldham, Hartsville, Tennessee
Enon Chapel	A. G. Gregory, Gallatin, Tennessee	G. W. Oldham, Hartsville, Tennessee
Fairview	C. D. Miller, Westmoreland, Tennessee	Fred H. Cair, Westmoreland, Tennessee
Faith No. 1	H. G. Taylor, Rose and Burbank, Nashville	J. D. Green, 305 Marigold Dr., Nashville, Tenn.
Faith No. 2	H. G. Taylor, Rose and Burbank, Nashville	Oren Harwood, Bowling Green, Kentucky
Gateway	J. D. Birdwell, 623 Templewood, Donelson	Rhea W. Dyer, 1215 Ainlay Dr., Nashville, Tenn.
Good Will	P. H. Brooks, 909 20th Ave. S., Nashville	G. G. Taylor, Hartsville, Tennessee
Grace	Edward Rader, 104 Harbor Ct., Hendersonville	James Tilman, Hendersonville, Tennessee
Lafayette	Paul D. Oldham, Lafayette, Tennessee	Geo. W. Johnson, Lafayette, Tennessee
Liberty Hill	Clyde Grizzle, Bethpage, Tennessee	Bobby Gene Owen, Bethpage, Tennessee
Longview	Elmer Perrigo, Westmoreland, Tenn.	Curtis Driver, 909 Hearn St., Gallatin, Tenn.
McFerrin Ave.	F. L. Ray, 427 Rosebank, Nashville, Tenn.	Shelby Brown, 1194 Cherbron Dr., Nashville
Meadorville	F. W. Lambert, Westmoreland, Tennessee	Donque Parker, Dixon Springs, Tennessee
New Bethel	W. T. Russell, Box 186, Goodlettsville, Tenn.	Jas. C. Gregory, 1112 Stockell St., Nashville
New Harmony	H. L. Walters, Red Boiling Springs, Tenn.	Nadine Fuqua, Hartsville, Tennessee, Rt. 1
Old Hopewell	G. O. Templeton, Westmoreland, Tenn.	Brodie Fuqua, Maple St., Gallatin, Tenn.
Penn. Avenue	Eugene Brooks, Old Hydeferry Rd., Nashville	A. L. Lanier, R. 2, Joelton, Tenn.
Piper's Chapel	H. P. Brown, R. 4, Portland, Tenn.	Baxter Hiatt, Mitchellville, Tenn.
Pleasant Hill	F. W. Lambert, Westmoreland, Tennessee	Otey Martin, R. 3, Portland, Tenn.
Rayon City	W. O. McClard, Lafayette, Tennessee	D. W. Story, Box 324, Pitts Ave., Old Hickory
Rock Bridge	N. C. Fuqua, Lafayette, Tenn.	E. C. Sherron, Bethpage, Tennessee
Salem	A. G. Gregory, Gallatin, Tennessee	I. C. McDonald, R. 1, Gallatin, Tenn.
Union Hill	Curtis Carter, R. 4, Gallatin, Tenn.	Joseph Woodard, R. 4, Portland, Tenn.
West End	J. H. Overton, Westmoreland, Tenn.	B. H. Jenkins, Gallatin, Tennessee, Rt. 1
White Hill	W. M. Wright, 305 Rayon Dr., Old Hickory	Mrs. Petty, 231 McCain Dr., Goodlettsville

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CHURCH	TREASURER	SUNDAY SCHOOL SUPERINTENDENT
Beckwith	Horace Wampole, R. 2, Mt. Juliet, Tenn.	Harry Lain, R. 2, Mt. Juliet, Tenn.
Buffalo Springs	Charles Vaughn, R. 4, Westmoreland, Tenn.	Albert Escue, R. 4, Westmoreland, Tenn.
Cedar Bluff	Allen Adams, R. 1, Lafayette, Tenn.	
Cedar Grove	Joan Young, Gallatin, Tenn.	
Concord	Aubrey Keiley, White House, Tenn.	Harry Daughtry, Gallatin, Tenn.
E. Main Street	Thomas Scruggs, Hartsville, Tenn.	Orsie Marlin, R. 2, Cottontown, Tenn.
Enon Chapel	Donell Duncan, Bethpage, Tenn.	Sam J. Gregory, Hartsville, Tenn.
Fairview	F. W. Ford, Hartsville, Tenn.	G. W. Oldham, Hartsville
Faith No. 1	Clarence Petty, 4927 Raywood Lane, Nashville	A. W. Carr, Westmoreland, Tenn.
Faith No. 2	M. V. Lillard, 1362 Kenton, B. G., Ky.	Cordell Earps, 2242 Foster Ave, Naashville
Gateway	Jack Clariday, 812 Allen Rd., Donelson, Tenn.	H. Gilbert, 1113 Clay, Bowling Green, Ky.
Good Will	Dick Linville, Hartsville, Tenn.	Ernest Wilkerson, 527 McGavock Pk., Nashville
Grace	Edgar Copeland, Hendersonville, Tenn.	William Woodard, Hartsville, Tenn.
Lafayette	Barton Wilson, Lafayette, Tenn.	Sammy Woodard, Hendersonville, Tenn.
Liberty Hill	Floyd Graham, Westmoreland, Tenn.	Leonard Gregory, Lafayette, Tenn.
Longview	Raymond Hall, Spencer St., Gallatin, Tenn.	Draper Brummett, Bethpage, Tenn.
McFerrin Ave.	Truman Dickens, 705 Trinity Lane, Nash.	Bernest Sircy, 137 Park Ave., Gallatin, Tenn.
Meadorville	C. H. McClard, Lafayette, Tenn.	Don Scott, 328 Vaughn St., Nashville, Tenn.
New Bethel	C. B. Moore, 3993 Dickerson Rd., Nashville	D. H. Evetts, 111 Graycroft Rd., Madison, Tenn.
New Harmony	Nadine Fuqua, Hartsville, Tenn.	
Old Hopewell	Brodie Fuqua, 104 Maple St., Gallatin, Tenn.	Henry Day, R. 1, Bethpage, Tenn.
Penn. Avenue	W. T. Williams, 803 Watts Lane, Nashville	Glen Brooks, 1100 N. 2nd St., Nashville, Tenn.
Piper's Chapel	Joe Piper, R. 3, Portland, Tenn.	Robt Morrow, Rt. 3, Portland, Tenn.
Pleasant Hill	Otey Martin, R. 3, Portland, Tenn.	Otey Martin, R. 3, Portland, Tenn.
Rayon City	Paul Johnson, Rio Vista Dr., Madison, Tenn.	Bethel Thomas, 301 Cherry St., Madison
Rock Bridge	Virgil Sloan, Bethpage, Tenn.	
Salem	Robert Porter, Gallatin, Tenn.	Walter Brinkley, Gallatin, Tenn.
Union Hill	Joseph Woodard, R. 4, Portland, Tenn.	H. B. Woodard, Jr., Gallatin, Tenn.
West End	Dewitt Boze, Gallatin, Tenn.	O. L. Strother, Gallatin, Tenn.
White Hill	Bill Bloodworth, Goodlettsville, Tenn.	Roy Petty, Jr., 231 McCoin Dr., Goodlettsville

STATISTICAL TABLE

CHURCHES	When Organized	Meetings Days	Mem. Reported Last Year	Church Members						Enrolled In Sunday School	No. Teachers	Value Of Church Property	
				Gains			Losses						
				Baptisms	Letters	Restorations	Letters	Expulsions	Deaths				
Beckwith	1955	Full Time	54	5	3		2	1	59	66	3	4,000.00	
Buffalo Springs	1930	First and Third	164	9			2	1	173	70	5	2,500.00	
Cedar Bluff	1887	First	153	1			2	1	150			8,000.00	
Cedar Grove	1958	Full Time	15	4			1	1	18	35	3	5,000.00	
Concord	1874	Full Time	126	7	1		1	4	128	80	6	8,000.00	
E. Main Street	1949	First	176	4	2		2	2	176	55	4	10,000.00	
Enon Chapel	1951	1st, Sun. N.-3rd Sun.	120	9	3		2		130	81	4	9,000.00	
Fairview	1875	Third	152	3	4		2	1	158	88	4	3,000.00	
Faith No. 1	1956	Full Time	195	21	44	3	2	3	257	157	9	40,000.00	
Faith No. 2	1955	Full Time	83	13	5		5		101	70	5	17,000.00	
Gateway	1957	Full Time	33	2	3				38	53	4	2,000.00	
Good Will	1891	Second and Fourth	246	30			1	4	271			6,000.00	
Grace	1958	Full Time	29	15	5		5	1	47	54	5	30,000.00	
Lafayette	1849	Full Time	366	11	9		8	1	380	247	12	25,000.00	
Liberty Hill	1958	First and Third	48	29			8	1	76	50	5	5,500.00	
Longview	1960	Full Time	329	16	15		15	15	57	80	5	10,000.00	
McFerrin Ave.	1948	Full Time	309	21	4		8		353	347	10	72,000.00	
Meadorville	1869	Third	347	4	6		7	3	324			16,000.00	
New Bethel	1794	Full Time	228	4	1		2	2	233	141	8	45,500.00	
New Harmony	1848	Second	163	2			6		159	40	3	5,000.00	
Old Hopewell	1921	Second - Fourth	76	5			13		68	71	6	2,500.00	
Penn. Ave.	1958	Full Time	55	4	2		2	1	61	52	3	10,000.00	
Piper's Chapel	1953	Full Time	192	10	1		2	2	197	65	4	5,000.00	
Pleasant Hill	1876	First	43	6	4		1		52	57	3	3,500.00	
Rayon City	1957	Full Time	210				5	2	203			6,000.00	
Rock Bridge	1883	Second - Fourth	127	20	11		15	1	141	35	3	6,000.00	
Salem	1983	1st - 3rd Sun. N.	254	14	3		9	2	260	84	4	5,000.00	
Union Hill	1919	Full Time	208	14	3		34	1	188	129	5	15,000.00	
West End	1945	Full Time	89	2			7	3	80	38	3	10,000.00	
White Hill	1946	Full Time											
Totals			4,587	298	154	91	122	22	27	4,894	2,245	130	392,500.00

FINANCIAL TABLE

CHURCHES	Foreign Missions	Home Missions	Lafayette Home	Given To Poor	Incidental Expenses	Paid Our Pastor	Paid Help In Meeting	Building And Repairs	Paid Visiting Ministers	Printing Fund	All Other Causes	Total Contributions
Beckwith	165.16	121.00	26.00	272.34	206.49	1,322.21	125.00		225.13	5.00		2,157.00
Buffalo Springs		273.16	42.74		47.00	531.95	63.85		122.82	5.00	21.50	1,539.85
Cedar Bluff	63.84		90.68		162.11	482.00	142.25	121.12	15.00	4.16	66.77	1,032.82
Cedar Grove	10.94	47.46	9.92			242.41	21.70		47.03	2.50		544.07
Concord	336.08	209.00	144.87	50.19	307.48	1,487.76	115.00		118.10	7.50	103.00	2,848.98
E. Main St.	115.15	50.00	13.50	22.70	236.46	404.27	124.00	3.00	52.05	6.25	46.75	1,074.13
Enon Chapel	100.00	97.10	19.00		185.00	786.31	171.00		200.60	6.00		1,565.01
Fairview			11.75		35.00	326.00	228.00		60.00	5.00		665.75
Faith No. 1	2,380.40	1,768.99	267.00	2,432.10	1,412.35	1,840.77	189.18	12,908.24	1,146.62	25.00		24,370.65
Faith No. 2	95.35	53.46	26.81	15.00	300.26		1,163.79	1,614.95	53.59	5.00	42.92	3,371.13
Gateway	226.02	69.44	131.10		262.27	643.01	111.00	1,795.29	352.32	3.00	64.50	3,657.95
Good Will			42.00		124.00		266.00			6.50		438.50
Grace	430.54	13.02		18.22	1,263.33	343.23	33.76	8.00	59.16	3.00		1,741.72
Lafayette	23.05		416.92	105.10	1,810.11	4,733.63	522.82	5,672.59	129.92	10.00		13,631.63
Liberty Hill	25.00		8.35		230.80	166.37	69.60	1,790.57	88.12	6.00	164.68	2,547.54
Longview	113.20		13.00	108.70	276.53	652.87	118.21	2,118.34		5.00	106.00	3,596.85
McFerrin Ave.	1,413.19	355.83	386.28	209.49	1,722.34	5,588.16	390.56	4,315.04	184.67	20.00	123.58	14,769.14
Meadowville	35.44	59.63	63.07		224.20	923.52	512.50		76.32	10.00		1,906.68
New Bethel	324.20	70.00	244.53	108.65	600.00	4,576.47	293.25	2,598.83	635.75	15.00	810.15	10,276.83
New Harmony			76.84	123.08	60.64	577.51	200.00		95.86	6.00	491.11	1,631.04
Old Hopewell		25.00	11.00		101.16	460.44	112.20		70.00	6.00	54.97	840.77
Penn. Ave.	63.16		16.00		1,013.02	577.74	92.00	847.50	140.42	10.00	25.80	2,785.64
Pipers Chapel	81.62	17.86	11.25		149.46	516.70	61.00	73.00	212.73	5.00	1,128.62	2,257.24
Pleasant Hill	66.35	45.00	30.00	57.50	127.72	742.00	180.00		141.25	7.50	20.00	2,417.32
Rayon City		62.00	25.00	63.70	55.21	827.91	117.00	597.41	362.93	5.00		2,116.16
Rock Bridge	81.00		25.58		107.55	543.25	169.50		113.55	6.00	45.00	1,091.43
Salem	60.55	100.56				439.93	144.41	145.00	217.56	5.00		1,113.01
Union Hill	176.25	389.04	195.00	60.34	291.41	1,220.36	173.29	455.00	163.57	7.00	25.04	3,183.30
West End	104.50	255.70	155.22	67.60	630.15	1,738.77	238.00		200.00	8.00		3,397.34
White Hill	50.00	23.50	25.00	15.00		811.66	80.00		45.00	4.00		1,054.16
Totals	6,427.70	3,279.85	2,528.41	3,729.71	11,942.05	33,477.21	16,229.87	5,332.07	219,413.42	7,427.39	112,823.64	