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**WISEMAN
MISSIONARY BAPTIST
ASSOCIATION**

**104th ANNUAL SESSION
OCTOBER 21st and 22nd, 1994**

**CONVENED WITH
New Bethel
MISSIONARY BAPTIST CHURCH
Goodlettsville, Tennessee**

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**Next session will convene with Longview Missionary Baptist Church,
Gallatin, Tennessee, beginning 10:00 A.M., 27th of October, 1995.**

SERMONS 1994

**INTRODUCTORY Deric McClard
MEMORIAL Johnny Carver
DOCTRINAL Jimmy Roberts**

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 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 their several capacities.

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

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

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

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

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

Article XI. New Churches may be admitted into 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 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 welcome any visiting brethren present, who shall have the liberty to join in the discussion of any report listed in the Order of Business, but shall have no vote in any action of the Association.

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, except in the reception of churches into our fellowship, and that such reception be by a two-thirds vote.

Article XVII. If any Church fails to represent one or more years, and then desires to reenter the fellowship of this Association, there being, evidently, a reason for not representing, there must be a motion for their reentering the Association to be carried by a two-thirds vote. This action is to be taken after permanent organization and at the time to receive petitionary letters.

RULES OF DECORUM

1. The Association shall be opened and closed with prayer.
2. A Moderator, Clerk and Treasurer shall be chosen annually to serve the Association.
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 address another by any appellation other than that of Brother.
8. On the first day, immediately upon permanent organization, it shall be the duty of the Clerk to read the Rules of Decorum. A roll call of messengers shall be made on the second day.
9. 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.
10. 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 any other member.

ABSTRACT OF PRINCIPLES OF WISEMAN ASSOCIATION OF BAPTISTS

We, the Missionary Baptists of Christ, being regularly baptized upon the profession of our faith in Christ, are convinced of the necessity of a combination of the churches in order to maintain the general union and communion among ourselves; and being convinced that there can be no communion without union, we think it our duty to set forth in a concise manner the grounds upon which we propose to maintain this union.

1. We believe in one true and living God, the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit.
2. We believe that the Scriptures of the Old and New Testaments are the word of God, and that they are the only rule of faith.
3. We believe in the doctrine of election, according to the fore-knowledge of God, through sanctification of the Spirit unto obedience and sprinkling of the blood of Jesus Christ.
4. We believe in the doctrine of original sin and in man's impotency to recover himself from the fallen state he is in by nature of his own free will and ability.
5. We believe that sinners are justified in the sight of God by the imputed righteousness of Jesus Christ.
6. We believe in the final preservation of the saints, that they will never finally fall away and be lost, and that good works are fruits of faith and follow after justification.
7. We believe that baptism and the Lord's Supper are ordinances of Christ, and that they were given to the Church by Him; and that true believers are the only proper subjects for baptism, and that baptism is an immersion, and that orderly members of the Churches of Christ, only, have a right to the Lord's Supper.
8. We believe that no minister has a right to administer the ordinances except such as are regularly baptized and come under the hands of the Presbytery.
9. We believe in the resurrection of the dead and a general judgment, and that the joys of the righteous and the punishment of the wicked will be eternal.

FIRST DAY PROCEEDINGS

On October 21, 1994, the Wiseman Association convened for its 104th annual session. The Association began with song. The songs were "His blood has made us one" and "What a day". Brother Gary Andrews led the singing. Sister Barbara Denton played the piano and Sister Margaret Evans played the organ.

Brother Jerry Shrum, our Moderator of a year ago, made everyone welcome. He made a number of timely comments then read Ezekiel 11:14-21 for a scriptural lesson. Brother Shrum asked Brother H.C. Vanderpool to lead our prayer. After a good session of prayer, we sang "Mansion over the hilltop".

INTRODUCTORY SERMON

Brother Shrum introduced Brother Paul Patterson, the Pastor of White Hill. He was elected by the Messengers last year to preach the Introductory Sermon this year.

Brother Patterson came forward and expressed his appreciation for the honor. He asked our prayers as he entered into his sermon. He said it is a serious time when you stand before the Lord.

He read for a lesson I Kings 8:35-40. He used Romans 1:14-16 and spoke to us on the subject of obligation.

Solomon prayed that Israel's heart would be turned to God. It is our obligation to walk upright before him. We have a stumbling block. Old Satan is out there, but he does not have the power of God.

Paul told us how it would be in the last days. People would be lovers of themselves more than lovers of God.

The church at Ephesus lost their first love. He said many today have lost their first love. The first love is the love of lost souls.

We have a promise in the great Commission. The Lord has promised to go with us, but the promise stands on our serving God. We sometimes fail to go.

Solomon asked God if Israel was carried captive into other lands to hear their prayers and deliver them when they looked toward Jerusalem and the temple. Today we need to look to Christ and he will deliver us from our problems.

We find that in the last days perilous times will come. Today the homosexual movement, drugs, and alcohol abound. God will not continue to tolerate these things.

We need fellowship among the churches so that we can reach out to a lost and dying world. We need fellowship with God. If we will walk in the light, we will have fellowship with God and one another.

We are debtors. We are obligated to God and one another. If we fill our obligation, the glory of God will be seen and will fill our churches.

We need to be able to feel the Holy Spirit in our churches. We need to be led by him. We are instructed to go, where to go, when to go, and what to say.

We are obligated. II Chronicles 7:14 says if my people that are called by my name shall humble themselves and pray and seek my face and turn from their wicked ways, then I will hear from Heaven and will forgive their sins and will heal their land.

The congregation pressed forward to shake Brother Patterson's hand and endorse his good sermon. The congregation sang "Glad reunion day" and "I know I am saved".

Enrollment of Churches and Messengers

Bethlehem	.....	Bobby Sutton, Herchel Miller
Colorado	.....	Richard Crain
Concord	.....	Henry Burgett, Ray Hunter
Harmony	.....	Mark Horton, Danny Norman, Larry Brown
Harvest	.....	Steve Perrigo, William H. Woodall, Bill Cook
Lafayette	.....	Don Curtis, Loryn Attwell
Longview	.....	Johnny Carver, Carney Troutt, Mike Patterson
McFerrin	.....	Paul Patterson, William Overton, Danny Dyer, Hugh Shoulders
New Bethel	.....	Jerry Shrum, Jeff Denton, Jeremy Sisk, Gary Andrews

New Zion	Larry Gregory
Old Path	Jeff Brown, Ed Hardee, Robert Robinson, Chanie Raines
Parkwood	Nordean Copas, Henry Covington, Jimmy Roberts, Talmadge Woodall
White Hill	James Spicer, Gene Escue, James Jacobs

Officers for 1994

Moderator	Jerry Shrum
Assistant	Jimmy Roberts
Clerk	Don Curtis
Assistant	Johnny Carver
Treasurer	Bobby Sutton
Assistant	Larry Gregory

1995 Meeting Place

Longview, Gallatin, Tennessee

SERMONS FOR 1995

Introductory -	Deric McClard
Alternate -	Steve Perrigo
Memorial -	Johnny Carver
Alternate -	Henry Smith
Doctrinal -	Jimmy Roberts
Alternate -	Jeff Brown

Recognition of Visitors

NAME	CHURCH
Fred Carr	Fairview
Berlin Roy	Union #2
H.C. Vanderpool	Lyons
Kenneth Davis	Mt. Lebanon
Dexter Bacon	Bethel
Marcus Sherfey	Old Tompkinsville
William Martin	Lyons

ORDER OF BUSINESS

PERSONAL COMMITMENT - WHAT DOES GOD EXPECT?

LESSON: Romans 12:1-2

PURPOSE: To be a vessel of honor and meet for the master's use.

KEY VERSE: II Timothy 2:21

I. Present your body a living sacrifice - Your reasonable service.

A. Not like the world: but holy and acceptable.

(I Peter 1:16, Hebrews 13:16)

B. Transformed by the renewing of your mind. (Ephesians 4:22-24)

C. Proving the good, acceptable and perfect will of God. (John 16:13)

II. Faith that God will provide the grace to do his will.

A. Spiritual gifts differ according to God's grace. (Romans 12:6)

B. Faith allows God to work in us. (Philippians 2:13, Matthew 9:29)

C. God enables us to do beyond our own natural ability. (I Timothy 1:12, Philippians 4:13, II Corinthians 9:8, Ephesians 4:7)

III. Personal commitment to Christ will bring forth fruit.

A. Love for God. (John 14:15,21)

B. Love for the brethren. (John 3:16, 4:11-12)

C. Love for the lost. (Romans 10:1, 9:1-3)

Conclusion: God expects you and me to be at his disposal. When he leads, we as vessels of honor, are to allow him to work through us.

Prayerfully submitted,
Johnny Carver

The report was read by Brother Johnny Carver. A motion was made to adopt the report. It was adopted after discussion by Johnny Carver, Donnie Hines, William Overton, Kenneth Davis, Talmadge Woodall, and Gary Andrews.

A motion was passed to adjourn for one hour for lunch. Brother Fred Carr prayed the benediction and blessed the food.

Friday Afternoon

The Association began its afternoon service by singing "Without him" and "I can tell you the time". Brother Shrum read for a devotional scripture Hebrews 2:1-9. He then asked Brother Kenneth Davis to lead the congregation in prayer. The congregation then sang "Because he lives".

The Association took up the order of business. The report "Personal commitment and what does God expect" was carried over from the morning session. The report was adopted at this time.

THE CHURCH'S POSITION IN A SOCIETY OF SEXUAL REVOLUTION

Prepared by: Brent Hall and Randy Wilmore

We are truly in the midst of a sexual revolution. Television talk shows feature topics such as homosexuality and other types of bazaar sexual behavior. Pro-choice and pro-life activity clashes have become violent. National and international celebrities, prominent politicians, and even those who claim to be religious leaders are caught in adulterous, extra-marital, pre-marital, and perverted sexual acts. Yes, we are living in days that could be compared to Sodom and Gomorrah.

Society has come to see certain things as acceptable based upon the premise that time has changed, and therefore, things once regarded as wrong, are now okay. We find in II Peter 3:7-8, the apostle Peter writes, "but the Heavens and the earth, which are now, by the same word are kept in store, reserved unto fire against the day of judgement and perdition of ungodly men. But beloved, be not ignorant of this one thing, that one day is with the Lord as a thousand years, and a thousand years as one day". This scripture tells us that time, and the passing of it, are of no consequence to God nor to his unchanging ways. We must remain that "peculiar people" and hold to God's unchanging ways.

Before addressing the church's position concerning these sins according to the word of God, we must realize that this revolution is the direct result of a world that has drifted from God's basic relationship between a man and a woman. If mankind simply followed the teaching of God's word and lived according to his will, none of the sexual perversions nor sexual promiscuity would be commonplace.

Homosexuality, abortions, pre-marital and extra-marital sex and even divorce are only symptoms of a more deeply rooted problem. That being the steady deterioration of the honorable and holy state of matrimony. If men and women conducted themselves according to God's word and only entered into a sexual rela-

tionship with their spouse after marriage, there would be no sexual revolution. Homosexuality and sexual relationships outside of wedlock would not occur. The epidemic of Aids and other sexually transmitted diseases would cease to threaten our society. Abortions, which have become a form of birth control after the fact, would no longer take the lives of innocent creations from God. We need to teach our youth that abstinence is not only an option, but is God's will. Not all of our society's revolution is with our youth. We need to witness for God and covert the sinner. We need to teach our congregations those things that God has told us through his holy word. This world offers many challenges and an abundance of temptation. We know as Christians that we are sinful by our human nature. King David, one of God's truly chosen, fell to temptation. His lust for Bathsheba and his sin lead to great misery.

We should look at a Christian marriage and Godly relationship as the solution to the sexual revolution.

Christian Marriage and Relationship

God intended for man to have a companion. In Genesis 2:22-24 it is written, "And the rib which the Lord God had taken from man, made he a woman, and brought her unto the man. And Adam said, this is now bone of my bones, and flesh of my flesh: she shall be called woman, because she was taken of man. Therefore shall a man leave his father and mother, and shall cleave unto his wife: and they shall be one flesh".

God also intends for a marriage to be a life long relationship as is indicated in Matthew 19:6. "Wherefore they are no more twain, but one flesh. What therefore God hath joined together, let not man put asunder."

God has also told us what is expected in a Christian home and the relationship between a husband and a wife. In Ephesians 5:22-33, we are told "Wives, submit yourselves unto your husbands, as unto the Lord. For the husband is the head of the wife, even as Christ is the head of the church: and he is the savior of the body. Therefore as the church is subject unto Christ, so let the wives be to their own husbands in everything. Husband, love your wives even as Christ also loved the church, and gave himself for it; that he might sanctify and cleanse it with the washing of the water by the word; that he might present it to himself a glorious church, not having spot, or any such thing, but that it should be holy and without blemish. So ought men to love their wives as their own bodies. He that loveth his wife loveth himself. For no man ever yet hated his own flesh, but nourisheth and cherisheth it, even as the Lord the church: For we members of his body, of his flesh, and of his bones. For this cause shall a man leave his father and mother, and shall be joined unto his wife, and they two shall be one flesh. This is a

great mystery: but I speak concerning Christ and the church. Nevertheless, let every one of you in particular so love his wife even as himself; and the wife see that she reverence her husband."

In Proverbs 30:10-11, it is written how important that a Christian woman is to a man, "Who can find a virtuous woman? for her price is far above rubies. The heart of her husband doth safely trust in her, so that he shall have no need of spoil."

What a wonderful world and society that we would live in if we all followed God's plan for a Christian relationship, but that is not the way of the world. Since many do not follow God's plan, we must deal with the sin that is a result of disobedience.

Intimate Relations Outside the Bond of Marriage

In Hebrews 13:4, the apostle Paul said "Marriage is honourable in all and the bed undefiled". In today's society, sex outside the bond of marriage has become a very acceptable thing. Many young adults and teenagers, as well as adults, even view the frequency thereof as a mark of their manhood or womanhood. In our scripture, we find that such acts are only degrading to intimacy itself, and most ungodly. Not only so, but we also find in I Corinthians 6:18 that "he that committeth fornication sinneth against his own body". How self-degrading an action the sight of God! And no strength of an emotional bond outside of marriage, much less society's casual views, can override what we find in God's word.

Homosexuality

In Genesis 2:7, we find "and the Lord God formed man of the dust of the ground and breathed into his nostrils the breath of life..." And in verse 22 of the same chapter we find "and the rib, which the Lord God had taken from man, made he a woman, and brought her unto the man". Here we find the establishment of what kind of relationship God intended for mankind to have, that being between a man and a woman. In today's society, we find that this has been not only perverted so much as to have a gentle sounding word such as "gay" to describe it, but we are being told that gays, in and of themselves, have certain rights as gays.

We find in Leviticus 18:22 that God said "Thou shalt not lie with mankind, as with womankind: it is abomination". Therefore, it is an abomination and unacceptable in the eyes of God and should not be accepted, openly or privately, by the members of God's church. No, we do not need to be a part of what has come to be called "Gay-Bashing". But we do need to be more open about what God's holy word says about this so-called lifestyle choice. And, again, we must teach our young people and our children how ungodly and unholy homosexuality is.

Abortion

And the most horrid issue facing God's cause today with regard to the sexual revolution is abortion. Although most advocates of it do not even stand on common with the point of when the life of a human being actually begins, they do all agree that it is okay to terminate a pregnancy, and there are some who even approve of termination in the eighth or nine month.

As Elisabeth said to Mary in Luke 1:44, "For, lo, as soon as the voice of thy salutation sounded in mine ears, the babe leaped in my womb for joy." And as God told Jeremiah in Jeremiah 1:5, "Before I formed thee in the belly, I knew thee; and before thou camest forth out of the womb I sanctified thee, and I ordained thee a prophet unto the nations." There is no doubt, no none whatsoever, that before the miracle of birth, there is, without shadow of a doubt, the more truly wonderful, miracle of life. I feel in my heart that just as surely as life ends when the soul leaves the body, that life begins, no matter how small the form may be, at the moment of conception. And as God gave the commandment, "thou shalt not kill" in Exodus 20:13, we do find that abortion is murder.

Here again, upon God's holy word must we make our stand. And we must not make it with just lip service, but we must make it in spirit and in truth. In spirit and in truth is the only way we can serve, please, honor, and glorify the one who sent his Son to give his life and shed his blood to pay the price for you and me.

Prayerfully submitted,
Bro. Brent Hall
Bro. Randy Wilmore

Brother Brent Hall read the report. The report was adopted after discussion by Brethren Brent Hall, Jimmy Roberts, Donnie Hines, and Johnny Carver.

THE MISSION AND CHURCH

THE RESPONSIBILITY WE SHARE TO EACH OTHER AND THE WORLD

Christ established his church during his earthly ministry. Before his ascension, he said "...All power is given unto me in Heaven and in earth." Matthew 28:18. He gave the church the worldwide commission "Go ye therefore, and teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost: Teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you: and, lo, I am with you always, even unto the end of the world. Amen." Matthew 28:19-20. Paul said in Ephesians 3:21 "Unto him be glory in the church by Christ Jesus throughout all ages, world without end. Amen.

The church that Jesus built has continued to preach the gospel for almost 2000 years. She has moved from nation to nation, city to city, and village to village. Her influence on the world has remained strong and her beauty has never ceased. Her responsibility and mission to the world has been the preaching of the gospel of Christ Jesus. All true churches have begun as missions and later being organized into a church. The church and mission both share the same responsibility to Christ. The pastor and the missionary must have a close working relationship.

The key to success is prayer. A prayerful church and mission will have a successful work. The church must maintain a constant watch and helping hand in all matters concerning the missionary and mission.

Some Responsibilities of the Church:

1. Make sure that the missionary is sound in the faith and that the mission is being built on sound doctrinal principles.
2. Keep a constant watch on the well being of the missionary and mission both financially and spiritually.
3. If the sponsoring church is not able to meet the needs of the mission and missionary, she should seek the assistance of sister churches who may be willing to help.
4. The church should keep sister churches informed of the mission and all who might have an interest in the work. Everyone should know of the mission's existence and progress.
5. The church should keep a close relationship with the missionary and encourage him in all matters assuring him of their support.

Some Responsibilities of the Mission and Missionary:

1. The missionary should send a financial report listing all contributions and expenses for the month.
2. The missionary should make sure that the mission abides by the rules and regulations of the home church.
3. The missionary should establish himself in the community and seek employment if needed.
4. The mission should make a report to the pastor and clerk of any new members received into her fellowship.

5. The missionary and mission should use all financial help wisely, and make a report to the home church of the financial progress of the mission.

6. The missionary should be godly in the world and keep himself from ungodly people and places of the world. He should put Christ first in his life. The missionary has a great responsibility to God, to his church, to his pastor, to his family, and to the world.

Prayerfully submitted,
Bro. Dean Simmons
Bro. Jerry Shrum

The report was read by Brother Dean Simmons. The report was adopted after discussion by Brethren Dean Simmons, Jerry Shrum, and Richard Crain.

Brother Richard Crain was given an opportunity at this time to give a report on the Colorado Church and the work there. He reported the church to be very low. One soul was saved recently. He requested that we pray for the work there.

Brother Dean Simmons was given an opportunity to give a report on the work in Arkansas. He reported the work going well. Ten souls have been saved since he has been there.

A motion was made to dismiss until 7:00 p.m. for the Memorial Service. Brother Larry Gregory prayed the benediction.

MEMORIAL SERVICE

The Memorial Service began with singing "Heaven is waiting" and "Then I'll have everything". Brother Shrum came forward and expressed his appreciation for the beautiful day and the good session today. He read Psalms 66:8-20 for a devotional scripture. He then asked Brother Talmadge Woodall to lead in prayer. After the good prayer, the congregation sang "Heaven seems real to me".

Brother Shrum introduced Brother William Overton who read the Obituary Report.

REPORT ON OBITUARIES

Since we met one year ago in this Association, 28 of our friends and members of our churches have been called away to be with the Lord.

I am sure these churches, families, loved ones, and friends will miss them very much, but our loss is Heaven's gain.

As our loving Father called them one by one to leave the field of toil and to enter blissful rest, hearts were filled with both sorrow and joy. Our sorrow is from personal loss, and our joy from the assurance of their gain. There is much about them that still lives and will continue to live.

As we pause, in memory of those who lived at one time among us, we are both made to rejoice and feel humble.

We rejoice in that we to shall pass that way and join the victory that is gained through Christ. We feel humble in that the responsibilities of the great cause, for which they stood, are too great without God's help.

Prayerfully submitted,
Eld. William Overton

Our Sainted Dead

Bethlehem

Jim Young4/03/94

Concord

Elizabeth Hester2/19/94

Obera Roaden 5/10/94

Harmony

Mary Bell Atnip..... 5/31/94

Tim Lee Swindle 9/20/94

Harvest

Mildred Duncan.....4/03/94

Lafayette

Emma Miller11/11/93

Pearl Shrum1/18/94

Anna Casady3/14/94

Sarah Draper4/11/94

Diane Woosley.....4/13/94

Dorothy Dies Harper.....9/08/94

Longview

James E. Mason.....4/18/94

Emmitt Rippy7/05/94

McFerrin

Katie Halliburton Laberer 1/05/94

Hattie Long4/07/94

Laura Brooks	4/10/94
Marvin McClanahan	4/25/94
Vesta Whitley.....	8/16/94
John Hargis	9/20/94
Sally Rutledge	9/22/94

New Bethel

Marelle Gammons Woodard	11/05/93
Gracie Earps Durham	2/20/94
Ada Stubblefield	6/06/94
Gene Goad.....	6/22/94
Bertha Denney.....	6/09/94

Parkwood

Lillian Parsons.....	5/02/94
Robert Parsons.....	8/03/94

White Hill

James A. Kirby	11/09/93
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Brother Overton came forward to preach the Memorial Sermon. He used for a scriptural lesson II Corinthians 5:1-10,17. He chose for a subject "Life beyond the grave.

Brother Overton quoted verse 17. He said if any man was in Christ he is in good shape. Those that left us last year were in Christ. They had an experience and related it to their church when they united with it.

He said, he read an article in a paper that asked the question how would it be if we never died? He said with the diseases that the body came down with, in time life would be terrible.

He said, I believe that you must be born again if you make it to Heaven. Paul said, if we just have hope of Christ in this life, we would be of all men most miserable.

Brother Overton preached the resurrection of the dead and a new body like that of Christ.

Brother Overton told us about Elija and Elisha. Elija was promised a trip to Heaven. Before he left on the fiery chariot, he wanted to go to Bethel where Jacob met God. They visited Jericho where the power of God brought down the walls. They visited Jordan where John preached the gospel and introduced baptism.

John the Baptist prepared the way for the Lord. He preached repentance. He preached Jesus, behold the Lamb of God that takes away the sin of the world. He required an experience before he would baptize.

Job asked (Job 14:14-15), if a man dies shall he live again? All the days of my appointed time will I wait till my change comes. Thou shall call and I will answer. Thou shall have a desire to see the work of thine hands.

Brother Overton said, I believe one day the graves will open and my loved ones will come forth. I will see them again.

The Apostle John on the Island of Patmos was in the spirit on the Lord's day. He said, I saw a great number on the other side. If you don't know that you will see your loved ones again, you need to get saved.

John was shown the Bride of Christ. He saw that great city of the New Jerusalem where there shall be life after death. He said, I have my ticket and I am going to be with Jesus and those gone on.

The congregation pressed forward to shake hands with Brother Overton and endorse his good sermon. The congregation sang "My savior lives".

The report was adopted as read and discussed in Brother Overton's sermon.

The minutes up to this time were read and approved.

The song "They must be having a wonderful time" was sung. The congregation was dismissed. Brother Dean Cornwell prayed the benediction.

SATURDAY MORNING

The Association began its Saturday session by singing "God will wipe away all tears" and "Heaven".

Brother Shrum came forward and read Isaiah 2:1-5 for a devotional. He expressed his thanks to God for the church that the Lord established. He than asked Brother Henry Smith to lead in prayer. The prayer was followed by the song "When I came to Jordan".

Roll Call of Messengers

Wiseman Baptist Association - 18

Bethlehem	-	Bobby Sutton, Herchel Miller
Colorado	-	Richard Crain
Concord	-	None
Harmony	-	Mark Horton, Danny Norman
Harvest	-	William H. Woodall, Bill Cook
Lafayette	-	Don Curtis, Don Rush
Longview	-	Carney Troutt, Mike Patterson, Steve Anderson
McFerrin	-	Paul Patterson, Ray Smith, Hugh Shoulders
New Bethel	-	Jerry Shrum, Jeff Denton, Jeremy Sisk, Gary Andrews
New Zion	-	Larry Gregory
Old Path	-	Jeff Brown, Ed Hardee, Robert Robinson, Dolphus Smith
Parkwood	-	Nordean Copas, Henry Covington, Jimmy Roberts,
White Hill	-	James Spicer, Gene Escue, James Jacobs

Recognition of Visitors

NAME	CHURCH
James Shoulders	Greenfield
Dean Cornwell	Mt. Juliet
David Reed	Faith

Order of Business

WISEMAN ASSOCIATION PROPERTY

Wiseman Manor has become a reality in the past year. It opened in December of 1993 with two residents, and now has six. There have been additional applications from prospective residents so that if accommodations were available, a larger number of people would choose to live there.

Wiseman Manor now has a permanent license from the State. In the re-inspection process which resulted in replacement of a temporary license by the permanent license, the Manor receive high marks from state inspectors.

Wiseman Manor has gone from being broke and \$2,000 in debt to having a modest bank account. Additional appliances, telephone, and a television have been added. The concept of the home has been shown to be financially sound. However, the property still has a \$66,000 mortgage, and support from the church-es will continue to be needed to retire this mortgage.

If the Manor continues to show advantages for both the Association and the residents a year from now, the Association may want to consider a building program for Wiseman Manor, to provide accommodations for a larger number of residents. An expansion of Wiseman Manor would almost certainly take the form of a new building. The present building is in good condition and would continue to be used.

The remainder of the Wiseman property which is not being used by Wiseman Manor continues to be leased to Ray Goad for \$2,000 per year.

Respectfully submitted,
Harold Cole

**WISEMAN BAPTIST ASSOCIATION PROPERTY
AND
WISEMAN BAPTIST MANOR**

Bank Balance at End of Associational Year - 1993 \$1,324.08

Receipts:

Church Donations	16,205.50
Individual Donations	300.00
Farm Rental Income	2,000.00
Resident's Rent	<u>29,573.22</u>
Total Receipts	\$48,078.72
Total Available Cash	<u>\$49,402.80</u>

Expenditures:	
Administrator's Fee	\$12,721.22
Repairs and Fix-Up	2,576.91
Food/Household Supplies	4,554.38
Utilities	3,122.92
Tennessee Health Department Fees	560.00
Postage/Advertising/Printing	728.82
Trash Disposal	120.00
Insurance	2,029.00
Repayment of Note	2,000.00
Property Taxes	235.24
Monthly Note Payments	<u>12,000.00</u>
Total Expenditures	\$40,648.49

Bank Balance 10/21/94 \$8,754.31

Monthly Note Payments	\$1,000.00
Eight Churches Contribute Monthly	1,000.00 (Appx.)
Farm Rental Income Due 12/94	2,000.00

Hugh Shoulders, Treasurer

This is an unaudited Income/Expenditure Statement.

Brother Johnny Carver gave a report for the Committee for the undeveloped part of the Wiseman property. The property and what to do with it was discussed by Brethren Danny Norman, Jimmy Roberts, Jerry Shrum, Hugh Shoulders, and Harold Cole.

Discussion of the property was discontinued at this time to give way for the Doctrinal Sermon.

Doctrinal Sermon

A song was called for by Brother Shrum. "When I've travelled my last mile" was sung. After the song, Brother Shrum introduced Brother Don Curtis to preach the Doctrinal Sermon.

Brother Curtis thanked the Association and God for the privilege to preach the Sermon.

He said, he had fought the call to ministry a long time, but was glad God called him. He said it is a great joy to exalt God.

Brother Curtis read Matthew 21:1-10 and used for a subject "Who is this"?

The triumphant entry of Jesus into Jerusalem was a glorious sight. Brother Curtis explored the various people that may have been there. Such may have been Mary, Martha, Lazarus, the woman that had an issue of blood, and the woman that washed the feet of Jesus, etc. The Pharisees were there and asked

Jesus to quiet the people, but they had much to rejoice and praise God about. Jesus said, if the people hushed, the rocks would cry out.

Brother Curtis said, he had much to praise God for. He said the Lord saved him in July of 1952.

"Who is this" the people asked? He is the God man. Jesus was in the beginning before the world was created. In Genesis 1:26, God said, let us make man. The three were there, God the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit. John chapter one, he confirms that Christ was there. In Philippians 2, Paul said, that Christ counted it not robbery to be equal with God; but made himself not reputation, and took upon him the form of a servant, and was made in the likeness of men.

Brother Curtis said, that Jesus is our redeemer. In John 8:36, he said, if the Son make you free ye shall be free indeed. The Jews said, we are the seed of Abraham and have never been in bondage. Jesus said to them, whosoever committeth sin is the servant of sin. The apostle Paul said, I am carnal sold under sin. He also said, all here sinned and come short of the glory of God. We are all servants of sin, slaves to it. A slave could never work his way to freedom nor buy his freedom, but the son of a slave owner could buy him and set him free. Jesus came down here free from sin and bought us out of slavery. He paid the ransom at Calvary.

Brother Curtis said that Jesus is our High Priest. There should be no priest today for men to confess their sins to for we have a High Priest. Paul said to Timothy, we have one Mediator between us and God the Man, Christ Jesus. We are to call no man Father, Matthew 23:9. There is no place in the scriptures for Mary as a Mediator. The Lord in his model prayer said, pray thus our Father who art in Heaven. Paul said, whosoever calls upon the name of the Lord shall be saved. Jesus is the perfect arbitrator for he is God and man. He has experienced the suffering of this life as a poor man and was tempted in like manner, as we have been tempted, but sinned not.

Brother Curtis said Christ Jesus is the foundation of the church. The church is built out of people that know him. He taught that it would be built this way, Matthew 16. John the Baptist required this, Matthew 3. Our churches require a testimony of salvation of those uniting with us. The great Commission requires it. The Commission has three steps, the first one is to get them saved. The second is to baptize them. Some want to take people into the church hoping they would get saved later, but Jesus says they are to be saved first. Paul said, no other foundation can any man lay than that which is layed, even Jesus Christ.

Brother Curtis said, Jesus is Lord; he is our King. Many that know him as Savior do not know him as King. When he doesn't reign in our lives, they are not what they could be. When he doesn't reign in the church, troubles start and it is not what it should be.

Jesus said, I am the way, the truth, and the life. There is a song that says he is the light at the river. When we come to the river, it will be as when the children of Israel crossed Jordan. God rolled back the waters and they crossed on dry

land. For the child of God, there really is no Jordan.

Some will not see death for one day all things will come to an end. The Father will say it is enough. He will say, Son go get my children and bring them home. "Home" will be with God forever and ever. Brother Curtis said, when that day comes I would like to bow down like the 24 elders that cast their crowns before Jesus and said thou worthy. Brother Curtis ended his sermon by saying, we have much to praise the Lord about so let us in everything give him the praise he so deserves.

Some testimonies were given, then the congregation sang "He is my King".

A motion was made and passed to break for lunch. Brother Willie Phillips prayed the benediction.

Saturday Afternoon

The service began with song. The songs were "I'll Fly Away" and "Do You Know My Jesus?"

Brother Shrum came forward commenting on the good food and fellowship. He read Joel 3:15-21 for a devotional. Brother Bobby Vanderpool led the congregation as they sang "Without him" and "What a meeting in the air".

Brother Henry Smith, long time home and foreign Missionary, was given the opportunity to speak on Missions.

Brother Smith said, his call to the Mission field was just as real as the call to the Ministry, and the call to the Ministry was just as real as the experience of salvation.

He said, preparation for the field is very important; sometimes it takes a good while.

He said, the Lord wants to show you what he can do. He said, when we were in the field, churches that we had never heard of helped us.

He said, the first year in the field we had to use our savings. We had to step out on faith, but thereafter our needs were met by God's people.

He related his experience in Japan and other fields. He said that a Missionary must get out into the community and get acquainted with the people.

He said, a Missionary must preach the simple message and be very patient. Preach Jesus, exalt him - not ourselves.

A motion at this time was made to retain the Committee for the undeveloped property. The Committee is Brethren Johnny Carver, Wayne Scott, and Gaylon Porter. Said Committee is to survey the churches of the Association to find out their wishes as to the use of the property. The Committee is to then submit the plan to the churches by August 1, 1995. So that it might be acted upon at the next meeting of the Association. Motion passed.

A motion was made to appoint Brother Jimmy Roberts as Trustee. Motion passed.

A motion was made to retain the Committee working with the Wiseman Manor.

The Association returned to the regular order of business. The following report was given:

WITNESSING - NOT JUST THE PASTOR'S RESPONSIBILITY

For us to see a pattern and example about the church witnessing (to testify to), we can turn to the book of Acts and see how the early church grew as it unfolded and multiplied.

Peter preached that great sermon on the day of Pentecost and 3,000 were added to the church that already existed before Pentecost. The Lord had already given them instruction before Pentecost, in Acts Chapter 1, when he appeared to them. They were to wait in Jerusalem for the promise of the Father, of which was the power of the Holy Ghost. In Acts 1:8, "But ye shall receive power, after that the Holy Ghost is come upon you: and ye shall be witnesses unto me both in Jerusalem, and in all Judea, and in Samaria, and unto the uttermost part of the earth". In Acts Chapter 2, when it was noised aboard about the church assembling, there were people from every nation under Heaven there. When this great number was saved, it only makes good reasoning they witnessed to their own people in the tongue wherein they were born, not an unknown tongue.

In Acts 2:46, "And they continuing daily with one accord in the temple and breaking bread from house to house, did eat their meat with gladness and singleness of heart". As the church grew in Acts, our focus goes from the preachers to the church members witnessing. Acts 5:42, "And daily in the temple and in every house, they ceased not to teach and preach Jesus Christ". We must remember at this early stage of the church the new sect, (followers of Christ), were certainly not free to preach and teach in the synagogues so they resorted to the streets and from house to house. In Acts 8:1, when Saul made havoc of the church they were all scattered aboard and went everywhere preaching the word, (8:4b). Acts 8:5, "Philip went down to the city of Samaria and preached Christ unto them". (V-6), "And the people with one accord gave heed unto those things which Philip spake", and in V-26 "the angel of the Lord spake unto Philip, saying, Arise, and go toward the south". As Philip went he met the Ethiopian eunuch and Philip joined himself to the chariot. The eunuch was reading from Isaiah and Philip taken the same scripture and in 8:35, "Then Philip opened his mouth and began at the same scripture and preached unto him Jesus". In Acts 9, Saul was stricken down by the Lord and he was told what to do. Acts 9:10-11, "And there was a certain disciple at Damascus, named Ananias and to him said the Lord in a vision, Ananias. And he said, Behold, I am here, Lord. And the Lord said unto him, Arise, and go into the street which is called straight, and enquire in the house of Judus for one called Saul, of Tarsus: for, behold he prayeth". Saul, who became the Apostle Paul, was saved, baptized, and straightway he preached Christ in the synagogues. The Lord not only used men of the church to witness, but also used women as well. After Christ rose from the dead, an angel appeared

unto the women that came to his grave and told, "he is not here: for he is risen": they were told to "go tell", Matthew 28:6, 10.

Also the great story in John 4, where Jesus came from Judea to Samaria and he met the adulterous woman. She met Jesus, she left her waterpot, ran down into the city and witnessed unto them and 4:39 "many of the Samaritans of that city believed on him for the saying of the woman, which testified, He told me all that ever I did". No where in the New Testament does it tell the sinner to go to church, but the New Testament is filled where the church is asked to go witness.

Respectively submitted,
Eugene Brown

Brother Eugene Brown read the report. The report was adopted after discussion by Brethren Eugene Brown, Bobby Sutton, Nordean Copas, and Jerry Shrum.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Ending Balance 10/30/93	\$1,718.00
Richard Crain	<u>-717.00</u>
	\$1,001.00
Gerald Printing Service (Minutes) 4/16/94	\$898.00
Gerald Printing Service Assoc. Letters 9/30/94	<u>28.09</u>
Ending Balance 10/20/94	\$74.91
Bethlehem	\$50.00
Colorado	10.00
Concord	50.00
Harmony	50.00
Harvest	25.00
Lafayette	125.00
Longview	100.00
McFerrin	125.00
New Bethel	150.00
New Zion	10.00
Parkwood	50.00
Old Paths	30.00
White Hill	<u>50.00</u>
Balance 10/22/94	\$825.00

The report was adopted after discussion by Brother Bobby Sutton.

CORRESPONDENCE

It has been an honor for us at New Bethel Missionary Baptist Church to host the 104th annual session of the Wiseman Baptist Association in our "200th" anniversary of serving the Lord Jesus.

We would like to thank everyone for the singing, the music, prayers, reports, talks, and the preaching. A special thanks to the ladies for preparing and serving the food. We pray that your visit has been a blessing and that you will be blessed for coming.

We are thankful to hear of lost souls being saved in all churches. We are thankful for all the preachers that labor so faithfully, and all the members of each church that keeps this "Old Time Way" alive.

We at New Bethel have enjoyed the good fellowship with each of our Brothers and Sisters in the Lord. We are most thankful for the presence of the Lord that has been among God's people this weekend.

We pray that each has grown stronger this year and more prayerful for the cause of Christ. We are thankful that it says in God's Word, "And I, if I be lifted up from the earth, will draw all men unto me". We pray that each of you will continue to lift up the sweet name of Jesus in your churches and in your lives, and don't be discouraged, the Lord Jesus will walk with you and take care of his own.

Prayerfully submitted,
Morris Watson
John Buck

The report was read by Brother John Buck. It was discussed by Brethren Morris Watson, Jerry Shrum, and Bobby Vanderpool, then adopted.

LETTER - SILOAM ASSOCIATION

Wiseman Missionary Baptist Association:

We send greetings to the affiliate churches in your Association in the name of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ.

It is our prayer that this past year has been spiritually prosperous to your edification and to the Lord's honor and glory.

Siloam Association recently met for its 42nd annual session with New Zion Missionary Baptist Church in Lafayette, Tennessee. There were 29 churches represented with 74 Messengers seated.

The churches reported 138 increases in membership and 154 decreases for a total membership of 4,094.

Contributions to support the Lord's work included \$72,829.27 for missions, both home and foreign.

The 43rd annual session of the Siloam Missionary Baptist Association will convene September 29, 1995, with Old Union Missionary Baptist Church. The

year 1995 marks the bi-centennial celebration for this church. We invite all our Brothers and Sisters from your association to meet with us for these sessions.

May God bless you in your efforts,
Eld. Billy Moran, Moderator
Bro. Clifford Hayes, Clerk

LETTER - BETHEL ASSOCIATION

From: Bethel Missionary Baptist Association
TO: Our Sister Associations in the Mutual Faith of our Lord Jesus Christ

Greetings:

We have just convened in our 36th annual session with Kokomo Missionary Baptist Church and are happy to report that our Lord met with us as evidenced by the sweet fellowship.

All 15 of our churches lettered to this year's session with a combined membership of 1,503, a decrease of 49 from last year. Our total contributions were \$325,000 with approximately 10% going to foreign and home mission efforts.

Our Moderator for the past seven years, Eld. Odus Cummings, stepped down from this office having ably served us for a total of nine years. We pray for God's blessings to reside with him and his family. We have elected Eld. Larry Taylor to serve as Moderator and ask you to help us pray for him.

We richly enjoyed this year's sermons. Eld. Monty Shoulders preached the Introductory Sermon and admonished us to return to the family values that God instituted in both/or earthly and spiritual families. Our minds reached Heavenly heights as Eld. Larry Taylor memorialized our dearly departed. And in our Doctrinal Sermon, Eld. Don Watts implored us for Jesus' sake to shake the sinful wages of this world and return to our Heavenly Father for the power to reach lost souls that we desperately need.

We were pleased to receive correspondence from Big Bear Creek, Enon, Siloam, Southwestern District, and Wiseman Missionary Baptist Associations. It is a joy to hear you rejoicing in our Father's tender mercies.

We invite you to our 1994 session to be held with Friendship Missionary Baptist Church, 5520 E. Baseline Rd., Columbus, Indiana, on Friday, September 16th at 7:00 p.m. We look forward to an Introductory Sermon by Eld. Steve Strong, a Memorial Sermon by Eld. Lewis Holland, and a Doctrinal Sermon by Eld. Dexter Bacon.

LETTER - SOUTHWESTERN DISTRICT ASSOCIATION

Wiseman Missionary Baptist Association:

Greetings in the name of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ, from the churches of the Southwestern District Missionary Baptist Association. We trust that the past year of your efforts has brought honor and glory to the name of our Heavenly Father.

When we met for our 145th annual session in 1993, 30 churches reported 48 baptisms with a total membership of 3,449. Please help us pray that the Lord will bless our efforts this year with proof of a wonderful harvest of lost souls for God.

We thank all who were able to visit with us during the 1993 session and pray that you found it most enjoyable in the Holy Spirit. We would like to invite all to join us for the 1994 session to be held with Clarksburg Missionary Baptist Church located five miles north of I-40 and exit 108 on Highway 22N in Clarksburg, Tennessee. The sessions will be held on October 7-8, 1994, starting at 10:00 a.m. Please remember our efforts in your prayers.

May God bless,
Harold Carver, Moderator
3655 Rowland Mill Road
Bruceston, TN 38317
(901) 586-2124

Lee M. Carter, MD, Clerk
1220 Goodman Circle West
Memphis, TN 38111
(901) 458-1326

1995 Order of Business
WISEMAN BAPTIST ASSOCIATION
Proposed Order of Business For 1995

1. Christian Values and the Views of a Secular World: Can They Co-Exist?
Chairman: Jeff Brown Asst: Mark Horton

2. Making Christian Education More Effective - Let's Give our People Something to Take Home.

Chairman: Brent Hall Asst: Tom Howard

3. Obituaries - Johnny Carver, Henry Smith

4. The Necessities for a Successful Mission in the 90's

Chairman: Kenneth Massey Asst: Richard Crain

5. The Role of our Churches in Strengthening our Young Families

Chairman: Morris Watson Asst: Jeremy Sisk

6. Wiseman Association Property

Chairman: Hugh Shoulders Asst: Wayne Scott

7. Treasurer's Report - Bobby Sutton

8. Correspondence

Chairman: Kenny Glover Asst: Mike Stokes

9. New Business

The order of business was adopted without discussion.

The Minutes were read and approved at this time.

A motion was made to adjourn to meet with Longview on the 27th of October 1995 at 10:00 a.m. The motion carried.

Testimonies were given. The song "His Blood Has Made Us Free" was sung. Brother Richard Crain prayed the benediction.

DIRECTORY OF CHURCHES

BETHLEHEM: Long Hollow Pike, Goodlettsville, TN 37072

PASTOR – B.G. Sutton, 130 Clifftop Dr., Hendersonville, TN 37075
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CLERK – Marelle Newman, 1011 Jensen Lane, Hendersonville, TN 37075
(822-9079)

TREAS – Emma Wilkerson, 3076 Patton Branch, Goodlettsville, TN 37072
(859-0053)

S.S. SUPT – Jerry Wiley, 110 Arrow Head, Hendersonville, TN 37075
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COLORADO: 1676 S. Dayton St., Denver, CO 80231

PASTOR – Richard Crain, 4664 #A, South Fraser Ct., Aurora, CO 80015
(303/766-7091)

CLERK – Cherie Crain, 4664 #A, South Fraser Ct., Aurora, CO 80015
(303/766-7091)

TREAS – Katherine Musselwhite, 16965 S. Dayon, Aurora, CO 80231
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S.S. SUPT – Richard Crain
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CONCORD:

PASTOR – Tom Armstrong, 127 Catalpa Dr., Mt. Juliet, TN 37122
(754-8771)

CLERK – Lou Ella Sloan, 123 Ben Albert Rd., Cottontown, TN 37048
(672-4160)

TREAS – Carolyn Tate, 3921 Hwy. 76 Cottontown, TN 37048
(672-3572)

S.S.SUPT – Sammy Sloan, 123 Ben Albert Rd., Cottontown, TN 37048
(672-4160)

HARMONY: 1044 E. Trinity Lane, Nashville, TN 37207

PASTOR – Mark Horton, 121 Honeysuckle Dr., Hendersonville, TN 37075
(822-0475)

CLERK – Janet Brewster, 312 Slayton Dr., Madison, TN
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TREAS. – Geneva Graham, 3121 Union Hill Rd., Joelton, TN 37080
(876-0689)

S.S. SUPT – Larry Brown, 204 Spring Valley Dr., Hendersonville, TN 37075
(264-2412)

HARVEST: 192 Curtis Cross Roads, Hendersonville, TN 37075

PASTOR – Steve Perrigo, 125 Zeigler Fort Rd., Gallatin, TN
37066 (451-1302)

CLERK – William H. Woodall, 113 LaPlaza Drive, Hendersonville, TN 37075
(824-7534)

TREAS. – Kenneth Zink, 103 Veebelt, Hendersonville, TN 37075 (824-2494)

S.S. SUPT – William H. Woodall
(824-7534)

LAFAYETTE: 302 College St., Lafayette, TN 37083

PASTOR – Don Curtis, 8117 Rocky Mound Rd., Westmoreland, TN 37186
(644-2296)

CLERK – Loryn Atwell, 1400 North Hollis Lane, Lafayette, TN 37083
(666-2400)

TREAS. – Danny Robinson

S.S. SUPT – Danny Robinson, 213 Donoho Ave., Lafayette, TN 37083
(666-3550)

LONGVIEW: Corner of Spencer and Eletta Sts., Gallatin, TN 37066

PASTOR – Johnny Carver, 1110 Kendall Farm Dr., Hendersonville, TN 37075
(824-3818)

CLERK – Mike Patterson, 102 Crosspointe, Hendersonville, TN 37075
(824-0816)

TREAS – Raymond R. Hall, 1112 Earl St., Gallatin, TN 37066 (452-6850)

S.S. SUPT – Terry Griffin, 536 Amquiwood Ct., Madison, TN 37115
(860-3914)

MCFERRIN: 431 W. Old Hickory Blvd., Madison, TN 37115

PASTOR – Kenneth W. Massey, 202 Bayshore Drive, Hendersonville, TN
37075 (264-3334)

CLERK – Frank McClanahan, 1759 Saundersville Rd., Hendersonville, TN
37075 (824-3268)

TREAS. – James Hill, 6617 Hwy 100, Nashville, TN 37205 (352-4113)

S.S. SUPT – Thomas Howard, 106 Airfloat Dr., Hendersonville, TN 37075
(824-7368)

NEW BETHEL: 1080 Old Dickerson Pike, Goodlettsville, TN 37072

PASTOR – Jerry L. Shrum, 186 Wessington Place, Hendersonville, TN 37075
(826-0302)

CLERK – Billy J. Woodard, 4052 Yoest Drive, Nashville, TN 37207
(868-1988)

TREAS. – Galen Porter, 115 Dillon Drive, Hendersonville, TN 37075
(822-4974)

S.S. SUPT – Galen Porter, 115 Dillon Drive, Hendersonville, TN 37075
(822-4974)

NEW ZION: Highway 56, 4 Mi. North of I-40, Bloomington Spgs., TN 38545

PASTOR – Larry S. Gregory, 2231 Sparta Pike, Lebanon, TN 37087
(449-0837)

CLERK – Mattie Gregory, Same as Pastor

TREAS. – Same as Clerk

OLD PATHS: Highway 70, 1 Mile South of I-40, Lebanon, TN 37087

PASTOR – None

CLERK – Ed Hardee, 4121 Hunters' Point Pike, Lebanon, TN 37087

(444-5044)

TREAS. – Dolphus Smith, 1383 Linwood Rd., Watertown, TN 37184

(237-9921)

S.S. SUPT – Same as Treasurer

PARKWOOD: 244 Ewing Lane, Nashville, TN 37207

PASTOR – Jimmy Roberts, 1009 Spearpointe Drive, Hendersonville, TN 37075 (824-6481)

CLERK – Connie Garvin, 554 Menees Lane, Madison, TN 37115 (868-2350)

TREAS. – Delson Ragland, 1228 McChesney Drive, Nashville, TN 37207

(226-2643)

S.S. SUPT – Rick Barrett, 434 Rodney St., Gallatin, TN 37066

(451-3198)

WHITE HILL: 1031 Old Louisville Highway, Goodlettsville, TN 37072

PASTOR – Paul G. Patterson, 101 Walnut Trace, Hendersonville, TN 37075 (822-0162)

CLERK – Nancy Spicer, 3351 Pleasant Grove, White House, TN 37188

(672-2720)

TREAS. – Gene Escue, 1031 Old Louisville Hwy. Goodlettsville, TN 37072

(672-2798)

S.S. SUPT – Bruce Smith, 8325 Friendship, Cross Plains, TN 37049

(654-4756)

DIRECTORY OF ORDAINED AND LICENSED MINISTERS

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BETHLEHEM

Bobby G. Sutton, 130 Clifftop Drive, Hendersonville, TN 37075 (824-6266)

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*John Madden, 3617 Rocky Mound Rd., Westmoreland, TN 37186 (644-5215)

* Danny Norman, 5163 Regent Dr., Nashville, TN 37220 (834-3755)

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*Landon J. (Buddy) Long, Auburn, KY (542-4430)

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W.R. Overton, 190 Sanders Ferry Rd., Hendersonville, TN 37075 (822-8564)
Paul G. Patterson, 101 Walnut Trace, Hendersonville, TN 37075 (822-0162)
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Raymond Smith, 2306 Demarius Dr., Nashville, TN 37216 (226-5445)
*Keith Whitley, 1508 Clover Ct., Hermitage, TN 37076 (885-4887)

NEW BETHEL

Jerry L. Shrum, 186 Wessington Place, Hendersonville, TN 37075 (826-0302)
Morris Watson, 1209 Daniel Drive, Hendersonville, TN 37075 (824-4708)
Clemons Gregory, 1095 Ridgecrest Dr., Goodlettsville, TN 37072 (859-0295)
*Dean Simmons, 500 Oneida St., Jacksonville, AR 72076 (502/834-2614)
*Larry Sisco, 266 Southburn Dr., Hendersonville, TN 37075 (824-1006)
*Kenny Oldham, Rt. 2 Box 2320 Eastside Dr., Demorest, GA 30535 (706-766-2026)
*John Buck, 217 Maple St., Madison, TN 37115 (868-8627)
*Brent Hall, 1022 Woods Lake Dr., Madison, TN 37115 (868-9331)
*Cary Kemp, 412 Rodney Dr., Gallatin, TN 37066 (451-9628)
*Benny Snoddy, 3334 Pinson School Rd., Greenbrier, TN 37073 (859-4672)
*Gordon Poole, 1109 Center St., Lebanon, TN 37087, (449-5254)
*Jeremy Sisk, 535 North Dupont Ave., Madison, TN 37115 (868-0676)
*Jeff Denton, 1508 Stonehill Rd., Mt. Juliet, TN 37122 (773-7486)

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Jeff Brown, 2428 Dundee Lane., Nashville, TN 37214 (883-0057)
Chanie Raines, 2434 Africa Rd., Lebanon, TN 37087 (444-6208)

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Jimmy Roberts, 1009 Spearpointe Dr., Hendersonville, TN 37075 (824-6481)
* Stephen Barrett, 434 Rodney St., Gallatin, TN 37066 (451-3198)

Note: All phone numbers without an area code listed are in the 615 area.

HISTORICAL TABLE
 Wiseman Association was organized at Cedar Bluff Church, near Gap of Ridge,
 Macon County, Tennessee, on November 18, 1891.

DATE	PLACE	PREACHER	MODERATOR	CLERK
1891	Cedar Bluff	J.H. Grime	W.M.S. Wilks	B.R. Hawkins
1892	Meadorville	W.M.S. Wilks	W.M.S. Wilks	B.R. Hawkins
1893	Dixon's Creek	J.S. Pardue	W.M.S. Wilks	B.R. Hawkins
1894	Lafayette	J.S. Pardue	W.M.S. Wilks	J.S. Pardue
1895	Hartsville	J.S. Pague	W.M.S. Wilks	D.S. Reed
1896	Cedar Bluff	J.A. Stone	W.M.S. Wilks	D.S. Reed
1897	Independence	J.F. Lambert	M.C. Fitzpatrick	D.S. Reed
1898	Dixon's Creek	W.M.S. Wilks	W.M.S. Wilks	D.S. Reed
1899	Friendship	J.L. Hawkins	W.M.S. Wilks	D.S. Reed
1900	Siloam	J.W. McQueen	J.F. Lambert	D.S. Reed
1901	Rocky Mound	J.J. Dyer	M.C. Fitzpatrick	D.S. Reed
1902	Shady Grove	H.H. Grime	M.C. Fitzpatrick	D.S. Reed
1903	New Harmony	W.M.S. Wilks	W.M.S. Wilks	D.S. Reed
1904	New Hopewell	J.W. McQueen	W.M.S. Wilks	D.S. Reed
1905	Rock Bridge	J.W. McQueen	W.M.S. Wilks	D.S. Reed
1906	Corum's Hill	Earl D. Simmons	W.M.S. Wilks	D.S. Reed
1907	Long Creek	W.M.S. Wilks	C.N. Simmons	D.S. Reed
1908	Hillsdale	C.B. Massey	W.M.S. Wilks	D.S. Reed
1909	Hartsville	E.E. Folk	C.N. Simmons	D.S. Reed
1910	Cedar Bluff	J.T. Oakley	J.T. Oakley	D.S. Reed
1911	Meadorville	C.B. Massey	J.T. Oakley	D.S. Reed
1912	Friendship	J.W. Gilton	A.J. Sloan	D.S. Reed
1913	Bledsoe's Creek	A.J. Sloan	J.T. Oakley	D.S. Reed
1914	Siloam	J.T. Oakley	P.S. Burnley	D.S. Reed
1915	Pleasant Hill	W.J. Summar	W.K. Johnson	D.S. Reed
1916	Spring Creek	C.B. Massey	A.J. Sloan	T.C. Harrison
1917	Dixon's Creek	T.F. Moore	A.J. Sloan	T.C. Harrison
1918	New Harmony	T.F. Moore	A.J. Sloan	T.C. Harrison
1919	Fairview	P.S. Dyer	A.J. Sloan	T.C. Harrison
1920	Pleasant Grove	W.S. Jenkins	A.J. Sloan	T.C. Harrison
1921	New Zion	P.S. Dyer	A.J. Sloan	T.C. Harrison
1922	Rock Bridge	R.O. Sanders	A.J. Sloan	A.J. Sloan
1923	Cedar Bluff	N.C. Fuqua	R.Y. Hawkins	A.J. Sloan
1924	Long Creek	I.N. Sloan	R.O. Sanders	A.J. Sloan
1925	St. Zion	R.O. Sanders	L.A. Stewart	A.J. Sloan
1926	Old Hopewell	L.A. Stewart	L.A. Stewart	A.J. Sloan
1927	Union	A.W. Keen	L.A. Stewart	A.J. Sloan
1928	Brantontown	R.O. Sanders	L.A. Stewart	A.J. Sloan
1929	Meadorville	W.T. Tylor	L.A. Stewart	A.J. Sloan
1930	Haysville	F.W. Lambert	L.A. Stewart	A.J. Sloan
1931	Capitol Hill	A.J. Sloan	L.A. Stewart	L.A. Stewart
1932	Siloam	R. Thompson	N.C. Fuqua	N.C. Fuqua
1933	Rocky Mound	C.B. Massey	R.O. Sanders	N.C. Fuqua
1934	Pleasant Will	R.O. Sanders	N.C. Fuqua	N.C. Fuqua
1935	Good Will	F.W. Lambert	N.C. Fuqua	N.C. Fuqua
1936	Spring Creek	W.T. Tylor	N.C. Fuqua	N.C. Fuqua
1937	New Harmony	R.O. Sanders	N.C. Fuqua	N.C. Fuqua
1938	New Bethel	F.W. Lambert	N.C. Fuqua	N.C. Fuqua
1939	Union	R.O. Sanders	N.C. Fuqua	N.C. Fuqua
1940	Red Hill	F.W. Lambert	N.C. Fuqua	N.C. Fuqua
1941	Lafayette	R.O. Sanders	N.C. Fuqua	N.C. Fuqua
1942	Siloam	F.W. Lambert	N.C. Fuqua	N.C. Fuqua
1943	Athens	R.O. Sanders	N.C. Fuqua	N.C. Fuqua
1944	Union Hill	H.H. Smith	N.C. Fuqua	N.C. Fuqua
1945	Brantontown	F.W. Lambert	N.C. Fuqua	N.C. Fuqua
1946	Drake's Creek	F.W. Lambert	N.C. Fuqua	N.C. Fuqua
1947	Long Creek	F.L. Ray	N.C. Fuqua	N.C. Fuqua
1948	Old Union	F.L. Ray	N.C. Fuqua	N.C. Fuqua
1949	Macedonia	F.L. Ray	N.C. Fuqua	N.C. Fuqua
1950	Old Hopewell	F.L. Ray	N.C. Fuqua	N.C. Fuqua
1951	Rocky Mound	M.R. Drury	N.C. Fuqua	N.C. Fuqua
1952	East Main St.	Albert Crouch	N.C. Fuqua	N.C. Fuqua
1953	McFerrin Ave.	Albert Crouch	N.C. Fuqua	N.C. Fuqua
1954	Cedar Bluff	H.C. Vanderpool	N.C. Fuqua	N.C. Fuqua
1955	West End	H.C. Vanderpool	N.C. Fuqua	N.C. Fuqua
1956	Buffalo Spgs.	H.C. Vanderpool	N.C. Fuqua	N.C. Fuqua
1957	Concord	G.O. Templeton	N.C. Fuqua	N.C. Fuqua
1958	Pleasant Hill	A.G. Gregory	N.C. Fuqua	N.C. Fuqua
1959	Enon Chapel	A.G. Gregory	N.C. Fuqua	N.C. Fuqua
1960	New Bethel	A.G. Gregory	N.C. Fuqua	N.C. Fuqua
1961	Liberty Hill	A.G. Gregory	N.C. Fuqua	N.C. Fuqua
1962	Longview	Jas. (Pete) Porter	N.C. Fuqua	N.C. Fuqua
1963	Old Hopewell	Jas. (Pete) Porter	N.C. Fuqua	N.C. Fuqua
1964	White Hill	Jas. (Pete) Porter	N.C. Fuqua	N.C. Fuqua
1965	Salem	Jas. (Pete) Porter	N.C. Fuqua	N.C. Fuqua
1966	Pipers Chapel	Jas. (Pete) Porter	N.C. Fuqua	N.C. Fuqua
1967	Fairview	H.D. Linville	N.C. Fuqua	N.C. Fuqua
1968	Good Will	H.D. Linville	N.C. Fuqua	N.C. Fuqua
1969	Faith No. 1	H.D. Linville	N.C. Fuqua	N.C. Fuqua

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Date	Place	SERMONS PREACHED		Moderator	Clerk
		Introductory	Doctrinal		
1970				F.L. Ray	W.T. Russell
1971	Gateway	H.D. Linville	W.T. Russell	F.L. Ray	W.T. Russell
1972	Faith #2	H.D. Linville	W.T. Russell	F.L. Ray	W.T. Russell
1973	Grace	H.D. Linville	W.T. Russell	F.L. Ray	W.T. Russell
1974	Cedar Bluff	H.D. Linville	W.T. Russell	F.L. Ray	W.T. Russell
1974	Liberty Hill	H.D. Linville	W.T. Russell	F.L. Ray	W.T. Russell

Date	Place	SERMONS PREACHED				OFFICERS ELECTED		
		Introductory	Memorial	Doctrinal	Moderator	Clerk	Treasurer	
1975	Rock Bridge	H.D. Linville		H.G. Taylor	F.L. Ray	H.C. Vanderpool	A.G. Gregory	
1976	Lafayette	H.D. Linville		H.G. Taylor	F.L. Ray	H.C. Vanderpool	A.G. Gregory	
1977	Buffalo Sprgs.	J.W. Briley	F.L. Ray	H.G. Taylor	F.L. Ray	H.C. Vanderpool	A.G. Gregory	
1978	McFerrin	Kenneth Woodall	C.L. Russell	H.G. Taylor	F.L. Ray	H.C. Vanderpool	A.G. Gregory	
1979	Harmony	Hilman Duncan	D.W. Story	J.W. Briley	H.G. Taylor	H.C. Vanderpool	A.G. Gregory	
1980	New Bethel	Everett Scruggs	Bobby Gann	Jas. P. Porter	H.G. Taylor	H.C. Vanderpool	A.G. Gregory	
1981	Faith (TN)	Guthrie Thompson	Edgar Copeland	J.W. Briley	H.G. Taylor	H.C. Vanderpool	A.G. Gregory	
1982	Longview	Bobby Pitt	C.L. Russell	H.D. Linville	H.G. Taylor	H.C. Vanderpool	A.G. Gregory	
1983	Salem	Charles Patterson	W.E. Massey	H.C. Vanderpool	H.G. Taylor	H.C. Vanderpool	A.G. Gregory	
1984	Cedar Grove	Ray A. Sutton	James "Pete" Porter	A.G. Gregory	H.G. Taylor	H.C. Vanderpool	A.G. Gregory	
1985	Old Hopewell	Gary Duncan	James Shoulders	H.D. Linville	H.G. Taylor	H.C. Vanderpool	A.G. Gregory	
1986	Gateway	Ottis Jones	W.E. Massey	C.L. Russell	H.G. Taylor	H.C. Vanderpool	A.G. Gregory	
1987	West End	Terry Lyles	Henry Smith	James P. Porter	H.G. Taylor	H.C. Vanderpool	A.G. Gregory	
1988	Goodwill	Jeff Brown	Gary Duncan	Hilman Duncan	H.G. Taylor	H.C. Vanderpool	A.G. Gregory	
1989	New Bethel	Lomnie Meador	Johnny Meador	Hilman Duncan	H.G. Taylor	H.C. Vanderpool	A.G. Gregory	
1990	McFerrin	Charles Patterson	Ottis Jones	J.W. Briley	H.D. Linville	H.C. Vanderpool	A.G. Gregory	
1991	New Bethel	Kenneth Massey	Bobby Sutton	W.T. Russell	H.D. Linville	Ottis Jones	A.G. Gregory	
1992	Lafayette	Jimmy Roberts	Johnny Carver	Tom Armstrong	Jerry Shrum	Kenneth Massey	Bobby Sutton	
1993	Parkwood	Larry Gregory	Eugene Brown	James Shoulders	Jerry Shrum	Don Curtis	Bobby Sutton	
1994	New Bethel	Paul Patterson	William Overton	Kenneth Massey	Jerry Shrum	Don Curtis	Bobby Sutton	

STATISTICAL TABLE

CHURCHES	Year Organized	CHURCH MEMBERS										Present Membership
		GAINS					LOSSES					
		Baptisms	Letters	Restoration	Statement	Letters	Expulsions	Deaths				
Bethlehem	1962	6			1	2		3		1		140
Colorado	1980					2						21
Concord	1874	5	1			1				2		128
Harmony	1961		1			1				2		100
Harvest	1980		4			1				1		72
Lafayette	1849	11	3	1		2				6		488
Longview	1960	4	3			4				2		158
McFerrin	1948	5	7		4	4				7		495
New Bethel	1794	11	4			1		3		5		500
New Zion	1981					1						22
Old Paths	1973	1	1			1						58
Parkwood	1962	3	1			3				2		342
White Hill	1946	1				3		3		1		168
TOTALS		47	25	1	5	26		9		29		2692

Note: The column for "Meeting Days" was omitted because all the representing churches have full time services.
 The Association voted in New Business to omit publishing the "FINANCIAL REPORT"

SUNDAY SCHOOL SUMMARY

CHURCH	Enrollment 1992	Enrollment 1993	Enrollment 1994	No. of Teachers
BETHLEHEM	69	75	69	12
COLORADO	17	7	9	2
CONCORD	83	90	90	9
HARMONY	22	20	20	4
HARVEST	12	15	15	3
LAFAYETTE	130	130	130	9
LONGVIEW	90	90	90	9
McFERRIN	255	262	233	12
NEW BETHEL	170	198	207	19
NEW ZION	7	5	8	1
OLD PATHS	25	25	25	5
PARKWOOD	75	95	75	10
WHITE HILL	55	60	54	4
TOTALS	1087	1149	1025	99