

MINUTES

OF THE

GENERAL ASSOCIATION

OF

REGULAR BAPTISTS

OF MISSISSIPPI

ORGANIZED 1855

HELD WITH

LOUIN BAPTIST CHURCH

NESHOBA COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI October 25 and 26, 1916,

The next meeting of this body will be held with the Good Water Baptist Church, beginning at ten o'clock on Wednesday after the Fourth Sunday in October, 1917.

OFFICERS

D. W. MOULDER, President	
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Minutes of the General Association.

FIRST DAY MORNING SESSION

The General Association of Mississippi met in its annual session with Louin Baptist Church, Oct. 25, 1916.

After singing ''Amazing Grace'', Bro. L.G. Bassett led in prayer.

At 10 o'clock President, D.W. Moulder, called the body to order and appointed a Digest committee consisting of R.L. Breeland, W.L. Meadows and R.C. Folks.

Finance Committee—W.N.Montgomery, A.H.Edwards, A.Pierce.

Program Committee—L.M.Philips, W.R.Allmon, T J. Waldrup.

The body then proceeded to elect officers for the ensuing year, by acclamation. D.W. Moulder was elected President; T.J. Waldrup, 1st Vice President; Z.K. Gilmore, 2nd Vice President; Jas. E. Chapman, Corresponding secretary; R. L. Simmons, Treasurer; J. W. Rooker, Recording Secretary.

The officers elected accepted their respective offices with suitable remarks. On motion visiting brethren be invited to seats with us.

Report of Digest Committee.

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	7. Montrose	Jasper	B.F. James T.
	3. Harmony	Smith	B.F.James. L.R. Hardy. By Funds.
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20.	LIIII	Jasper	E W Sumrall.
21.	Mt Sinia	Newton	W H Rainer.
22.		Neshoba	By letter and funds.
23.	Hopewell	Newton	By funds.
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25.	Antioch	Jasper T	J James, Charlie Philips.
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27.	New Home		T Stringer.
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		DWM	oulder, RT Moulder.
3.	Bay Spring A	ssociation-	-Z.K.Gilmore, J.W.Rooker
		L.M	.Philips, N.J.Montgomery,
		Jas	.E.Chapman, R.Z.Gilmore,
		W.	E.Philips, R.C.Folks, W.E.
		Ha	ll, G.W.Jones, W.D.Upton,
		S.V	W.Stringer, T.J.Miley.
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31.	Ebenezer	Jasper	W.D.Andrews.
32.	Vernon	the equipment	B.F.Roper, M.J.Courtney.
33.	Lake Como	us	W.P.Pierson, E.Philips.
34.	Mossville	A. A. Ahro	J.W.Robbins.
35.	Leaf River	Smith	W.R. Vaughn, J.R. Wilkins
36.	Center Hill	Wall-skip is	By Letter.
37.	Clear Creek		J.R.Coley, M.M.Coley.
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40.	Providence		Frank Lindley.
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47.	Neshoba	Neshoba	L.P. Wilson, R E. James.
48.		Newton	R.B.Lay, E.A.Shelly.
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J.D. Blakeney,

E.F. Blackwell.

52. Bluff Springs Neshoba By Funds. 53. Rock Branch Newton

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R. L. BRELAND. R.C. FOLK. W.L. MEADOWS.

Bryan Simmons, C. M. C; L. E. Lightsey, Jones, Association, T. C. Lightsey, Jones, Association, T. C. L. E. Lightsey, Jones, Association, T. C. M. C; L. E. Lightsey, Jones, Association, T. C. M. C; L. E. Lightsey, Jones, Association, T. C. M. C; L. E. Lightsey, Jones, Association, T. C. M. C; L. E. Lightsey, Jones, Association, T. C. M. C; L. E. Lightsey, Jones, Association, T. C. M. C; L. E. Lightsey, Jones, Association, T. C. M. C; L. E. Lightsey, Jones, Association, T. C. M. C; L. E. Lightsey, Jones, Association, T. C. M. C; L. E. Lightsey, Jones, Association, T. C. M. C; L. E. Lightsey, Jones, Association, T. C. M. C; L. E. Lightsey, Jones, Association, T. C. M. C; L. E. Lightsey, Association, T. C. M. C; L. C. M. C; L. C. M. C; L. C. M. C. Correspondence. County Association; T.S. Entrekin, Lebanon Association; J.C. Parkon and T.S. Entrekin, Lebanon Association; County tion; J.C.Parker and L.G.Gates, from Jones County Association: Dr. J.D. L.G.Gates, from Jones County hoard; Association; Dr. J.B.Lawrence, State mission board; Dr. P.I.Lipsy Rantist Dr. State mission board; Dr. P I. Lipsy, Baptist Record; M.J. Derric, Louisville

On motion, we now elect delegates to Baptist State D. W. Convention, we now elect delegates to Baptist Sumoulder. R.L.Breland L. Baptist Convention. D.W. Moulder. R.L.Breland, James E.Chapman were elected to the State Convention. to the State Convention; W.H.Rainer to Southern Bap

tist Convention; W.F.Smith, Alternate. The hour for the Associational Sermon having ared the appointee J W D areach, rived the appointee, J.W.Rooker, proceeded to preach, using as a text Heb. 11.1 using as a text Heb. 11:1. Subject, Faith. The body adjourned for one hour for bountiadjourned for one hour for dinner, which was bountifully supplied by the town of Louin.

On motion, the following Order of Business was a dopted:

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WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON.

1-15--Devotional services. 1:30 to 2:00-Laymen's Movement. 2:15 to 3:15-Christian Education. 3:15 to 4-Sunday School. 4 to 4:45-Hospital.

WEDNESDAY NIGHT.

7 to 7:15—Devotional. 7:15 to 8:15—Missions. 8:15 to 9-Temperance.

THURSDAY MORNING.

8:30 to 8:45-Devotional. 8:45 to 9:15-Memorial. 9:15 to 10-Orphanage. 10 to 11-B.Y.P.U. 11 to 12—Publication.

THURSDAY AFTERNOON.

1 to 1:15-Devotional. 1:15 to 1:45-W.M.U. 1:45 to 2:30-Resolutions. 2:30 to 3:00-Nominations. Adjourn.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Devotional services were conducted by I.J. Blocker. The report on S.S. was read by W.R. Allmon and discussed by W.R.Allmon, J.A.Hill, Dr. G.W.Land, I.J. Blocker and L.W. Gates. Adopted.

Sunday Schools

It is useless to argue the importance of the Sunday School work. We are coming to appreciate more and more the fact that the religion of Jesus Christ is a teaching religion, and one thing needful is a knowledge of the Bible.

We are gratified with the advancement made in our Sunday School work in all lines, as teachers training, organizing new Schools, Normal diplomas, and better equiped building.

But we see a great deal to be done yet in our Sunday School work. The report to the State Convention shows that one third of the churches of the State have no Sunday School and that only twenty per-cent of our church membership attend.

We recommend that every thing be done in every association to get a Sunday School in every church and that we try to enlist our non enlisted members to attend Sunday School.

Submitted, J. W. Rooker, W. R. Allmon.

Christian Education.

The report was read by W.L.Grafton and discussed by W.L Grafton, Bryan Simmons, and J.B.Lawrence.

We are making a great progress in education. This is a very important factor among christian people, and we are glad to note that Baptists are giving much time and money to this great cause. Experience has taught the missionary that he must educate the heathen

before they can be christianized. They are maintaining schools and colleges for this purpose. They must have educated leaders among them if the work prospers. No denomination is more alert now than the Baptist. We need more trained leaders among our people. We need not only trained ministers but laymen as well. All our people need education in order that progress may be made in God's Kingdom, and the greatest development possible reached in the individual life.

No denomintion can do this better than the Baptist.

We have in Mississippi five colleges and one academy that stands for the highest type of christian education. Mississippi College for boys at Clinton, Miss., C. M. C. at Newton, for boys and girls, Woman's College for girls at Hattiesburg, Miss., Blue Mountain at Blue Mountain for girls, Hillman College at Clinton, Miss., for girls, and Mississippi Heights Academy, at Blue Mountain, Miss., for boys, Mississippi College, Clarke Memorial College and Woman's College are owned and controlled by the Baptists of the State. The others are attended and controlled by private individuals and are doing good work, and are worthy of our consideration as well as those we own and controll.

Three of these colleges are ours, and the others are worthy of our patronage and we urge that our Baptist people send their boys and girls to them. We can say without fear of contradiction that they can get as good training mentally here as in any of our State Institutions, to say nothing of moral and spiritual training which is essential to the making of good man and womanhood,

We have a large number of young preachers who

are trying to educate themselves. They need our help and must have it if they are ever to be the leaders that God would have them to be. Brethren, let us pray for and support our Baptist Schools.

Respectfully Submitted, W.L.Grafton.

Temperance.

The report was read by T.J.Waldrup, and discussed by L.G.Gates, M.J.Derrick, J.C.Parker. Adopted.

Your committee beg to make the following report: The very word Temperance should appeal to all that is high and holy in us, because our Lord so often spoke against this stupendous of intemperance evil. The use of Alcoholic, and all stimulants of a kindred nature is the leading evil of the age, for it degenerates human life, and causes much of our insanity. It has caused more bitter tears than any other practiced evil, more homes has been rent asunder, more heart-broken wives and children made to suffer on account of the use of this hellish stuff than for any other known evil.

One has said that this great monster evil is ten-

The medical world has discovered by close analysis that Alcohol is poisonous to the human bodies, and there has been a marvelous decrease in its use as a medicine and with the present ratio of decrease it won't be it from the medical world.

Through the degenerative effect of this great evil Kingdoms have failed, Empires have crumbled and gone to pieces; but thanks be to God the Eastern world

as well as our own beloved America, has woke up to the magnitude of this great evil.

We are profoudly grateful for the battles fought and victories won; but we urge every lover of morality and civic righteousness not to let up till the last victory is won over this monster evil. We are confident through the providences of God that the victory over the whiskey traffic will go down in history as the great reform of the twentieth century.

The already mobilized forces has been a great factor in the abolition of the whiskey traffic, but we need a consecrated effort on the part of every noble son and daughter of this great nation of ours, in order for us to have national prohibition.

As we see it, organization and education is the salvation of any nation or people, so we need to be better united for this task. Our children should be taught along this line by our teachers from our rural Schools and on up to our high Universities, and in the homes as well, and we also have temperance lessons along during the year in our Sunday Schools. We should make these Sundays great days with us and our children. We also have many church members that need to be educated out of this great evil.

We unhesitatingly, say, that any professed christian that signs a whiskey petition, or votes for its sale, makes a compromise of the religion of Jesus Christ. We also feel that Temperance has to do with other habits of life. Some of these we mention and we shall close. First, is the mind: we are often exhorted in God's word, to be sober minded, for "as a man thinketh so is he". Second, we shall mention is temperate in speech: "we should be quick to hear, slow to speak,

slow to wrath", the wise man said: "words fitly spoken were like apples of gold in pictures of silver." We mention one other, that is the manner of dress. God only speaks out in approval of but one style of dress, and that is of modest appearal as becometh godliness.

Respectfully Submitted, T.J.Waldrup, Chairman.

Mississippi Baptist Hospital.

The report was read by W.T.Smith and was discussed by J.C.Parker, Dr. G.W.Land. Adopted.

The Christian Hospital is an organized expression of Christ's care for the sufferer. While on the earth he went about preaching, teaching and healing, and he bids us go and do likewise.

Our hospital located at Jackson, Miss. was started in a frame residence in 1911. Soon this proved to be too small and in 1915 a modern building, large enough to accommodate fifty patients was erected.

Since 1911 about 3,000 persons have been cared for in these two buildings. One fifth of these have been benevolent patients so far as the hospital is concerned, and one third have been benevolent so far as physicians and surgeons are concerned. Above all, the services rendered to all have been for the honor and glory of God.

Your committee regrets to report that although our hospital is doing such a noble work, our people are not coming to its support as they should. Our new building was erected with borrowed money, much of which has not been repaid.

The trustees and the management are very much

embarrassed by this situation.

OUR ATTITUDE

What should be our attitude towarde our hospital?

- 1. Let us learn all we can about it.
- 2. Let us pray for its success.
- 3. Let us patronize it if practical when in need of its service.
 - 4. Let us help to pay for the building.

 Respectfully Submitted,

 W.T.Smith.

The body adjourned to meet at 7 o'clock tonight.

FIRST DAY—NIGHT SESSION.

The Association was called to order and "Come Thou Fount" was sung after which Bro. W.R. Allmon conducted the devotional exercises.

Mission.

The report was read by J.E.Chapman and discussed by J.E.Chapman, Dr. J.B.Lawrence. The report was adopted.

The question of Mission is taught throughout the whole Bible, either by precept or example. Giving the gospel to a lost world is an obligation God lays upon all of his children, whom he has redeemed through the precious blood of His Son, Our Lord Jesus Christ.

We are saved to glorify God in our souls and our bodies, and there is no better way this can be done than by giving the gospel to a lost world.

Our Savior gave us our marching orders when he delivered the commission to his churches and people.

In Matthew it is nationalized, "Go teach all na-

tions''ect. In Mark it is individualized, "Preach the gospel to every creature"etc. In the Acts of the Apostles it shows its limits, commencing at Jerusalem, but to go to the uttermost parts of the earth. In Matthew, He promises to be with his people to the end of the world.

It is ours to do the work, and then by faith claim the promise. For convenience sake, the work of Southern Baptist is divided into three fields-State, Home, and Foreign Missions.

STATE MISSIONS

This part of the Work is done in the boundries of our own State and is carried on by the Baptist Convention and the General Association of Southeast Mississippi. The State Convention covers the larger part of the territory of our state, but our immediate concern is in our General Associational work. We have had during this year 27 Missionaries employed more or less of their time, We have had 38 Stations, with 103 baptisms and 98 by letter.

State Missions is the basis upon which all of our work must depend for a support. If this fails, all others will fail. The latter part of the commission, "Teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you," needs special emphasis just now, and this can be done better through state work than any

Southeast Mississippi is a vast field that demands special developement. Many poor churches throughout our whole state needs to be helped not only in support of their pastors, but to a deeper consecration of personal service and means in the Masters work.

HOME MISSIONS

This work is carried on through the Home Mission

Board of the Southern Baptist Convention and covers all of our Southern States, a portion of Missouri and Illnois, together with Cuba and Panama. They had 1143 Missionaries last year and 17,666 baptisms. This work was done largely in co-operation with state bodies and this becomes a basis for all other religious work. This Board donates \$500 a year to our work, which brings us under special obligation to help them.

The poorer churches of the South, the Negroes in their Evangelical and educational work, the Indians in the west, and indeed every class of people in the South is helped by them. They are doing a great work for our whole Southland, which no other body could do. Let us give this Board our prayers and financial support, that a greater work may be accomplished by them in the future.

There are some 35,000,000 people in our Southland, 20,000,000 of whom make no profession of religion whatever. Then take the Catholics from the remaining 15,000,000 and we see what a great task lies out before us. Some 28,000,000 almost if not wholly without Christ

FOREIGN MISSIONS

The Foreign Mission Board of the Southern Baptist Convention is the medium through which this work is being done. It is located at Richmond, Virginia, with Dr.J.F.Love as Corresponding Secretary.

They have Missionaries in China, Japan, Italy, Africa, Brazil, Argentina and Mexico. They have 133 males and 182 females Missionaries, a total of 315. The Baptisms last year were 6,473. Number of churches 459, 95 of which are self supporting. They report 166 native ordained helpers, with 531 unordained male and

female helpers. We should heed the words of our Our Savior, "Lift up your eyes and behold the field already white unto the harvest." Our people need: First, Enlightenment; Second, Enlistment; Third, Enlargement in this world-wide work. The Home and Foreign Field, Published at Nashvill, Tennessee, by the Sunday School Board will greatly aid in giving and helping in the above.

Millions of people, in all heathen and papal lands are sending up the Macidonian cry, "Come over and help us!" Like Paul, "Let us not be disobedient to the heavenly vision."

B.Y.P.U.

The report was read by L.G.Basset and discussed by J.C.Parker, L.G.Basset, and adopted.

The uniting of the young people in Baptist thought, doctrine and training will be the one and only way to have a great and strong force of older men and women who will have the power to make a great Baptist Empire and gain a great victory for the Master in command.

The problem of training our young people has occupied a prominent place in the minds of our greatest Baptist thinkers and many ways have been tried out but the one that seems to be the most practical is the The Particular of the problem of training our young people has occupied a prominent place in the minds of our greatest but the one that seems to be the most practical is the

The Baptist Young Peoples Union has for its purpose the training of our young people. It has accomplished much for good in our christian colleges, city practical in our country churches, where they have the

pastor with them only once a month and no Layman who can or will lead.

We find only a few B. Y. P. U's in the General Association and these as a rule are enlisting only a small part of those that ought to be trained for the Masters work.

Your committee recommends that strenuous efforts be put forth in the organization and maintainance of this work, and if we find that the plan of the B.Y.P.U. is not practical for our condition let us quit making reports of it and turn our attention to find the ways and means that will reach this part of a field of needy work.

Signed, L.G.Bassett,

The body adjourned to meet at 8:30 Thursday morning.

SECOND DAY—THURSDAY MORNING FORENOON SESSION.

The Association assembled in devotional services conducted by W.L.Grafton.

The body resumed its work by reading and discussing reports.

Laymen's Movement.

The report was read by R.T.Moulder and discussed by R.T.Moulder L.L.Denson, Dr. G.W.Land, M.J.Derrick, I J.Blocker. Adopted.

One of the greatest needs of Baptists to-day is enlistment and consecrated Baptist laymen to get to the point where they can see their duty to God, the church, and to all mankind; to teach, pray, sing, finance and do anything that God calls for,

The committee don't only believe but know that great good has been accomplished by the Laymen's Movement. In many places of the State, Laymen have spoken on different subjects and have done a great work.

The next 10 days, the Laymen have the best chance to prove to be men of God—that is to enlist and stamp the State for the one Quart Law.

The Laymen have educated themselves to a higher standard but there is room for promotion yet. Brethren of the associations, we recommend that each delegate and pastor return home and arouse the Laymen to their duty more fully. If awake to their duty as they should be we would not hear so much cry for men in Southeast Mississippi and other parts of the State.

R.T. Moulder.

Publications.

The report was read by R.L. Breland and discussed by R.L. Breland, Z.K. Gilmore, E.W. Sumerall, Dr. P.I. Lipsey, Dr. G.W. Land. Adopted.

In the book of books we read "my people are destroyed for the lack of knowledge." This is just as true to-day as in the days of the writer of old. One of the crimes of the age is the ignorance, in the church and out of the church, of God's word and God's work. The printed is one of the best means in the world of creating sentiment and establishing and moulding opinion. The agents of darkness and error have long where distributing their books and tracts, setting forth their prenicious teachings.

The Bible should be read and practiced by all, especially by Christian people. To claim to be a follower of Christ and not read his book is a shame. Then other religious books should be read, but these books should be carefully censored before being placed in our homes.

We trust that the Missisippi Baptist is only sleeping and that it will soon be coming out regularly again. We must get behind it and make it go. The Baptist Record is our State paper and should be read. The Home and Foreign field—the consolidated organ of the two Mission Boards, now published at Nashville, Tenn. price 50 cents, should be read. The Orphanage Gem should go into every home. Liberal use should be made of the tracts which teach the truth. "Study to show thyself approved unto God".

Submitted,

R. L. Breeland.

The Treasurers annual report was read by M.B. Simmons, and adopted.

TREASURER'S REPORT OCTOBER, 1916.

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The report was read by Z.K.Gilmore and discussed by Z.K.Gilmore, T.J.Miley. Adopted.

Your committee on orphanage submit the following report:

We feel greatful to know that we have such an institution in Mississippi conducted by our esteemed Bro. J.R. Carter and wife, and supported by the Baptists of our state. We feel that it is an honor .to God to take care of the helpless children of our state. It is doing service to God and is a part of Christianity.

The Home is 19 years old and has cared for 712 children; at this time, under fine religious influence and in a healthy condition—127 girls and 80 boys. These are all depending on the Baptists for food and raiment. In Matthew 25:35 our Lord said "for I was an hungered and and range" and any care me drink. I was thirsty, and ye gave me drink; I was a stranger and ye took me in."Read the 36th words the 36th verse. There are 207 children and almost every one who is of the age to be accountable for themselves are christians. Then we ought to praise God for

Respectfully submitted,

One hour was taken for refreshments which were bounteously supplied by the town people.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

After prayer by R.C.Folks, the regular work was resumed.

The report was read by R.C. Folks and discussed by R.Allmon T. F. T. Hanted. W.R.Allmon, L.E.Lightsey, D.W.Moulder. Adopted.

Twenty-seven or eight years ago there was organized what is known as the Woman's Missionay Union—

an auxiliary to the Southern Baptist Convention which Convention was in session at Richmond, Virginia at the time of the organization, and we believe that this organization supplied a great need for a better organized system of work among our women, who are doing a great work and have done a vast amount of good through their orgaization, therefore we ought to encourage them in their work—not only encourage but help them in every way possible that they may do a greater work, which work is being done through the Boards of the Southern Baptist Convention, its own missionaries training school at Louisville, Kentucky.

The Margaret Fund for the education of Missionary Children and the work in all of its phases is mightily stimulated through the literature that is being gotten out by the Union.

Through the Sunday School Board it contributes to the Bible Fund for the free distribution of Bibles and tracts; through the Foreign Mission Board it reports all the Women Missionaries, and the schools under that charge on the foreign mission fields of the Southern Baptist Convention and beside gives largely to Hospitals and other schools.

It proves women for mission work on home and foreign fields which enables them to a better work than they could have done other-wise.

Besides this general work which applies equally to each state, the State Union, through their state central committees, put before the societies under their care certain State Mission objects for their own territory. The greatness of the work done by W.M.U. is shown by the following facts revealed at the last state convention in their systematic giving which enables them to make

the following financial report:

Home Mission \$5,610.19; Foreign Mission \$8,224.47; State Mission \$6,125.63; Hospitals \$1,964.98; Orphanage \$7,905.68; Frontier Boxes \$1,243.80; Training School Bible fund and Margaret fund \$2,090.08; Colleges \$1,865. 60; Ministerial Relief \$799.97; Education \$640.63; Jubilate fund \$1,468.90; Literature fund \$148.35.

Total for home use 24,417.22

Grand total Does not every pastor here want the good women of his church to have a part in this great work? I am sure they do Is: they do. Is it possible? Yes, just a little bit of definite work will bring results. It is the experience of the thousand of pactors the work and of pastors that women are more anxious to do work for their master. for their master than men only they need encouragement and some one to lead. A pastor who has never known the blazzing the state of t known the blessing of having the women of his church organized is missing of having the women of his church organized is missing one of the women of his confor christian work to one of the most effective agencies

for christian work known to the church of Christ today.
Your committee and lay-Your committee would urge every pastor and layman to go home and plead with their church for the organization of a Woman's Missionory Union.

Respectfully submitted, R.C. Folk.

The report was read by R.L. Breland, and adopted.

We, your committee on nominations, recommend the following named Brethren for the Executive Board

Ministers—R.E.Moore, W.L.Grafton, L.M.Phillips,

W.R. Allmon, W.M. Yarborough, W.T. Smith, R.C. Folk, W.H.Rainer, T.J.Miley, F.M.Breland, L.D.Bassett, T. A.Sims, T.C.Bankston, R.L.Breland, I.J.Blocker, E.

Brethren-J.M. Wedgeworth, J. E. Graham, A. W.Sumrall. Pierce, B.J. Hamrick. G.F. Williams, R.T. Moulder, W. W.J. McMullan, E. B. Keyes, W.N. Montgomery, A. H. Edwards, J.B.Gibsons, J.M.Waits, W.M.Gressom, C.W.

We recommend that the next meeting of this body McMullan. be held with Good Water Church, Smith County, in 1917; and that Eld. L.D. Bassett preach the next annual Sermon and that Eld. W.R.Allmon be his alter-

We recommend that the meeting of the Board be held with Lawrence Church, Newton County, Wednesnate. day after the 2nd Sunday in December, at 10 o'clock a. m. 1916.

Submitted, R. L. Breland, W.R. Allmon, Jas E. Chapman

Finance Committees Report.

We your committee on finance have received the wing amounts for the different purposes. foll

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Respectfully submitted, W.N. MONTGOMERY, A. H. EDWARDS, A. PIERCE.

Memorial

The report was read by L.D. Basset and discussed L.D. Basset D. T.J. by L.D. Basset, D.W. Moulder, H.P. Yarborough, T.J. Miley, J.E.Ch. D.W. Moulder, H.P. Yarborough, T.J. Miley, J.E.Chapman, L.E.Lightsey, R.L.Breland.

We your committee on memorials, rejoice to report that we have not had so many deaths in our bounds this year. Have not had so many deaths in our bounds this year. Have not had so many deaths in our pourthe Lord has been any special epidemics, yet the Lord has been calling his children almost day by

We would love to mention all of their names but mention cannot for lack of information, so we will only mention

Bro. W.T. Cooper, of Neshoba Church, who has number of our Min. been a member of our Missionary Board for a number of years and was faithful was alof years and was faithful to that trust. He was algreat ways present when not sick. Bro. Cooper was a great man. He departed this life March 31, 1916, after

We also mention Sister Husbands, the beloved wife of Eld. H.F. Husbands. The sacrifices made by preachers wives will only be known when we all get home departed the to glory. She departed this life October 13, 1916.

Eld. L.J. Caughman, her brother, followed her on to glory Oct. 14, 1916. They were brother and sister. Bro. Caughman has been one of our most faithful within preachers for near 40 years, serving as a pastor within

our bounds during all his ministerial life, and serving this body in every department of the work. He served as President of this body one term and served as trustee of the Orphans Home a long time, and served on the Executive Board all the time, served on about all of the important committees. Indeed, we miss him so badly but we thank God for his life having been spent in our midst. Eternity will only reveal the

We extend our prayers and sympathy to all the good done by him. bereaved ones.

Submitted. L.D. Bassett.

Executive Board's Report.

The report was read by J.E. Chapman, and adopted. Dear Brethren:—We submit the following report which is a brief synopsis of our years work.

Notwithstanding the excessive bad year of storms and floods, we feel that the Lord has graciously blessed our work during the year.

Most of our missionaries report a greater success upon their work than last year. We have 19 missionaries in the field, for this calendar year-3 less than last year. The amount of work done is not quiet as great as last year, but the success is greater. The amount of work done as compared with last year is as follows: Days spent last year 1212; this 980. Sermons last year 1072; this 861, Stations last year 43; this 30. Baptisms last year 82; this 103. Letters last year 64, this 98.

When the work done by Corresponding Secretary is added, the days and sermons are but little behind last

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year. While the baptisms this year excels last year by 21, the latter 21, the letters excel last year by 34. This certainly is encouraging encouraging, considering the disadvantages under which the work was done. The gale and floods in July demoralized every thing right at the time when our work usually meets with the greatest success.

Our Heavenly Father's blessings has certainly attended us; the number of missionaries with us for the whole, and a part of the whole, and a part of the year are 27 compared with 24 last year. We have 3 full time and 3 half time Missionaries and the ramainal stable. and the remainder are fourth time (See statistical table.

Our missionaries have been faithful, with but few failures in meeting appointments.

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L. D. Bassett. Rose Hill T.Smith, Salem, Green Co.; L. D., Bassett, Rose Hill, Jasper, Co., I. C. Bankston, Peace, Walnut Grove, Smith Co.; L.N. Jones, Gallilee, Peace, and Two Mil. Wolf, River, and Two Mile, Harrison; Wm. Creel, Ft. Wade, Pazon, and Latimer, Jackson Co.; J.E. Curry, Wade, Jackson, County; J.S. York, (Choctaw) Canaan, Pine Bluff, Mt.Zion and North Bend, Scott, Leake, and Neshoba counties; E.W. Willis, Bethany, Macedonia, Hope-Well, Stratton, Newton, Neshoba, and Leak Counties;

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INDIAN WORK

The work among the Indians is necessrily slow, owing to their lack of education and heathen superstition. There are some places where among them where they they will not let, nor hear one of our preachers preach among them. North Bend is one of these places, and our mi our missionary can only visit among them, read the scriptures to them, talk to and pray with them the best he can.

They are not taking as much interest in educating their children as they did a few years ago, and this, in part part, accounts for the lack of more success among them.

They reported at th their association October 13-15 7 churches, 12 baptisms—24 by letter, with a total members, 12 baptisms—24 by letter, of about 1,000, membership 148. This out of population of about 1,000, is not the hear always is not a good showing, but their growth has always been all a good showing between silver and showing between silver and showing by been slow, and will be until they can be elevated by education.

CHURCH BUILDING

There has been but little done this year in this k. G. paid \$100. Work. Sweet Water Church, Green Co. was paid \$100. Some others were promised help, but failed to meet the condition were promised help, but failed to meet the Conditions. There is some \$500.00 or more on hand.

The days The devastation of church buildings in the lower country. country by the storms, will need considerable New soon. Much of our territory is in need of help. New mission no. mission points are needed in places, while there are a great man help to support their pasts. their pastors, and to develop them in every good word and work.

We recommend a continuation of our work along usual line our usual lines, leaving it with the Executive Board to

arrange for its work in detail.

The following is a summary of the Corresponding Secretarys work for the first three quarters 1916.

Days spent 99; sermons 81; miles 3,210; collections \$312.18

Chairmen of Committees to write Reports 1917.

Missions-T.J. Waldrup.

Temperance—R.L. Breland.

Publication-L.D. Bassett. Orphanage-T.J. Miley.

S.S.-W.L.Meadows.

Christian Education—M.Y.Miley.

Laymen's Movement-A.J. Vinzant.

B.Y.P.U.—Will Hedgewood. W.M.U.—W.R. Allmon.

Hospital--J.E. Wills.

Memorials-A.J. Hughes.

Resolutions.

Resolved first; That this Association approve the Baptist Hospital at Jackson, as part of our work.

Resolved second; That each church of the General Association be asked to take a collection for sustenta-

Resolved third; That we encourage our Executive Board to direct their attention more to the work of developing the understand the understand the work of developing the understand the u veloping the undeveloped churches.

Resolved fourth; That immediately after calling body together call appoint the body together each year, the President shall appoint a Committee on Discourse the President shall appoint all letters a Committee on Digest of Letters, to whom all letters may shall be handed, that all churches and messengers may

Resolved fifth; That this body extend to the good ple of I are beople of Louin its hearty thanks for their generous

Resolved sixth; That the Recording Secretary have copies at hospitality. 1,200 copies of our minutes printed, and that he be allowed \$50.00 lowed \$50 for his services, and that he draw on the Treasurer of

Resolved seventh; That the Recording Secretary e listed: Treasurer for same and expenses. have listed in our minutes the names of Ministers of

Resolved: That we tender our thanks to the State Colthis body. Cvention Board for letting L.E. Lightsey

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On motion the General Association adjourned to with County at 10 o borter be with us so much in his work. meet with Good Water church Smith County at 10 o'clock on W clock with Good Water church Smith County at Into Oct. On Wednesday after the Fourth Sunday in 1917. Oct. 1917.

D.W.MOULDER, Moderator. J.W.ROOKER, Recording Secretary,

CONSTITUTION.

ARTICLE 1. This Association shall be known by name of your Association of Regular Bap. the name of "The General Association of Regular Bap of Missississis in the state of the state of

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tributing to the objects and work of this Association, shall be entitled to membership as follows: viz: Churches to have one representiive until their membership reaches fifty; then two until it reaches one hundred, and then three, and no more. Associations to have one delegate to every hundred communicants, provided no one entitled to a seat who is not a regular Baptist in good standing. Provided further that any regular Baptist in good standing, making an individual contribution to any object fostered by the Association, shall be entitled to a seat as a delegate, if he so

ART. 4. This Association shall never possess a single attribute of power or authority over any church or Association. It absolutely and forever disclaims any right of this kind avowing the cardinal principles ever dear to Baptists—that every church is sovereign

ART. 5. The officers of this Association shall be a President, two Vice-Presidents, Corresponding and Recording Secretary Recording Secretaries, and a Treasurer, to be elected by ballot or other latios inby ballot or otherwise, and a Treasurer, to be cumbent upon such as and to discharge the duties in appoint cumbent upon such officers, and thirty directers appoited by a Committee and thirty directers appoint ed by a Committee on Nominations, all to be chosen annually, and to consider the constant of t nually, and to continue in office until their successors

ART. 6. These officers, together with directors, ll constitute a Posticers, together with directors to shall constitute a Board of managers, with power to trasact all business of managers, with power was trasact all business for which this Association was formed during record which this Association to be formed during recess of same. The President to be chairman of the Road of same. The President to be chairman of the Board, any five of whom, with the presiding officers, to constitute a quorum. Provided, in appoint all cases of absence of any officer, a pro tem appoint ment may be made, and to report annually to the Association

ART. 7. The same individual may be both Corciation. responding and Recording Secretary.

ART. 8. The meeting of this Association shall be annual, and on Wednesday, Thursday and Friday, after the form the fourth Sunday in October, and at such places as may be may be agreed upon from time to time, the Board to meet as often as business may require.

ART. 9. This Association may at any time appoint a special board on any of the objects of Christian Benevoles ART. 10 All moneys contributed for a special obnevolence embraced in this Constitution.

ject shall be faithfully applied, in accordance with the Constitution may be altered or

amended at any time by a vote of two-thirds of the members. members present; provided, the fourth article be regarded as any time by a vote of two substitutes and the substitute of two substitutes and the substitute of two substitutes are substituted or amended. ed as sacred, and never be altered or amended.

1. At every sitting, business shall be opened and

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diately after the delegates' names have been enrolled

and the Association organized.

- 5. No motion shall be discussed without it has been seconded and reduced to writting, if requested
- 6. Motions made and lost shall not be recorded in the minutes, unless so ordered at the time.
- 7. If any proposition or motion under debate contain two or more points, it shall be divided at the request of any member, and the vote taken separately.
- 8. Every speaker shall rise and address himself to the President, and no one shall speak more than twice on any motion unless by permission of the Association.
- 9. The President is to judge as regards order in the discussion of subjects, except when an appeal is made to the body, which shall be done without delay
- 10. All committees appointed by this body shall be nominated by the President subject, however to the

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Union Siminary	2 00	3 00	0 00			
New Hope	6 50					
Mossville	15.00					
Louin	9.50		9.50			
Ebenezer		1.60	1,67			
Summerland		17.63	17.62			
Vernon	5.08		11.02			
Antioch	5.30	••••••				
Antioch S.S.	2.40					

	Accoriatio	n.	
Ne	w Liberty Association	H.M.	F.M.
	S.M.		
	1 00	8 92	10 08
Clear Springs	960	1 00	1 00
Good Water		8 70	10 30
Harmony	••••••	4 60	4 40
White Oak		5 00	5 00
New Liberty			
Good Hope	10 73		
Leaf River	1 15		
Center Hill	3 50		
Fellowship	3 10	1 95	
Sardis			1 35
Centerville		CALL TO THE REAL PROPERTY.	
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	Mt Pisgah Associatio	n.	
		H.M.	F.M.
	S.M.	11, 111,	4 05
Churches	,		7 70
Good Hope		3 31	
Mt. Pleasant			4 05
Hickory S.S.			
Mt Sinai	6 87		
Pinkney	2 65		
Sand Springs	5 60		
Linwood S.S.	9 58		
Hope	4 00		
J.B. Cibbons	1 25		
Pine Ridge	eigtion 17 00	6 05	5 80
Mt. Pisgah Assoc			
Beulah	2 95		
W.M.U.	18 50	3 00	3 00
Poplar Springs Pleasant Hill	4 00	2 00	2 00
	2 08	1 00	1 00
Hazel W.M.U.	2 00		
Hazel Girls Aux.	70		75
Hazel Sunbeams		47	
Hazel S.S.	75		
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Longo	S.M.	H.M.	F.M.
Lorena	5 00	3 50	4 50
Lorena S.S. Lorea W.M.U.	1 00	1 00	1 00
Neshoba	1 50	1 00	1 00
Neshoba S.S.	15 00	12 65	15 00
Neshoba B. Y. P. U.	4 50	3 00	3 50
Neshoba Sunbeams	1 30	1 00	1 00
Sunpeams	1 00	75	80
Oktibeha A	Association		
Ocobla	S.M.	H.M.	F.M.
Dumer	1 00	55	1 00
	1 50	1 00	1 00
Liberty	28 86		
Macedonia	11 00		
Perry County			
	S.M.	H.M.	F.M.
County Line	S.111.		
Beaumont	F 00	2 75	2 75
Ovett	5 00		
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Tallahala A	Association		
Lowery's Creek	S.M.	H.M.	F.M.
Indian Springs		6 15	7 35
	5 56		
Leaf River	Association	3	
New Hope	S.M.	M.H.	F.M.
Salem	\$38 10	717.114	T Yin
		1 50	1 0
Gulf Coast	Association	1 00	1 0
Antioch	S.M.	1	77.76
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