

Minutes of the Twenty-Ninth Annual
Session of the
Antioch Association of
Freewill Baptists



Held with Smyrna Church
Pope County, Ark.
September 9, 10, 11, 1920.

Next Session to be Held With Holman Church,
Johnson County, Ark.

ELDER R. M. JOHNSON, Moderator,
Moreland, Arkansas

LELA NICHOLS, Clerk,
Delaware, Arkansas.

MINUTES

The Twenty-Ninth Annual Session of the Antioch Association of Freewill Baptists convened with Smyrna Church, Pope county, Arkansas, Thursday night, September 9, 1920.

Elder J. K. Dunkin preached the introductory sermon to a large and attentive audience. Text, 1 Cor. 5:10.

In the absence of the Moderator, Elder R. M. Johnson called the session to order, whereupon Andrew Harkey, G. H. Gideon and John Harris were appointed to serve on the Committee of Divine Service.

FRIDAY MORNING SESSION.

Song by Congregation, "What a Friend We Have in Jesus."

Singing, "Sometimes We'll Stand Before the Judgment Bar."

Scripture lesson read by Rev. J. A. Venable, Corinthians, 5:1-17. Prayer by A. B. Venable.

Song, "Amazing Grace."

J. N. Johnson was appointed Reading Clerk.

The roll of churches was called, letters read and delegates seated as follows:

Cross Plains Church—Mrs. Blanche Duvall, Miss Nora Duvall and C. A. Haskins.

Davis Chapel—T. L. Staggs and J. J. West.

Holman Church—H. M. Hopper and Charlie Hopper.

Happy Hollow Church—G. W. Davis, M. P. Simmons and G. W. Duvall.

Liberty Church—J. T. and Mrs. Tennie Blair and J. N. Johnson.

Mountain Home Church—Jess Looper and J. S. Willis.

Oak Grove Church—Ellen Holmes, Nannie Lowrey and John Hammons.

Oak Grove No. 2 Church—L. F. Singleton, Golda Brown and H. O. Johnson.

Pine Grove Church—E. E. Smith, Miss Lucy Smith and Mrs. Tennie Johnson.

Smyrna Church—C. F. Harris, Mesdames G. A. Gideon and Lucy Bowden.

Sweet Home Church—Mr. and Mrs. Neil Burnett, Mrs. Hobart Sorrels and Miss Hattie Sorrels.

St. Joe Church—Mattie Venable, Jas. Venable, P. N. Clemons, Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Burris and G. H. Tanner.

Union Grove Church—Dolan Jackson, W. H. Haralson, Rosa Furr and E. Wright.

Zion Hill Church—Alice Childers, J. A. and Amy LaFarlett.

Flat Rock Church—C. A. and Mrs. Mae Mohr.

Mt. Vernon Church—W. J. Wright, W. J. Gullet and R. J. Henderson

Rose Creek Church—Not represented.

Mt. Zion Church—Not represented.

Letters were called for from corresponding Associations. One was received, namely, Zion Hope. The delegates were not present.

The right hand of Christian fellowship was extended tended to all Christians present.

The Association organized by electing the following officers: Elder R. M. Johnson, Moderator; Elder R. A. Johnson, Assistant Moderator; Ernest Wright, Treasurer and Lela Nichols, Clerk.

Meeting adjourned to meet at 2:30 p. m.

Prayer by G. W. Burris.

Preaching services at 11 a. m. conducted by Rev. J. B. Vaughan, reading John 14:1-21.

Prayer by Rev. Joe Venable. Song, "Press Along."

Owing to the feebleness of Eld. Vaughan, he resigned the stand to Eld. J. H. Walker, who used as lesson text, Psalms 51:10, "Create in me a clean heart, O, God; and renew a right spirit within me."

Afternoon Session.

Song, "O Love Surpassing Knowledge."

Scripture lesson read by Moderator Johnson, Psalms, 15th chapter.

Song, "Nearer My God to Thee."

Prayer, L. W. Kimbrell.

Song, "I'm Glad Salvation is Free."

The Rules of Order were read by Clerk and the Moderator appointed the following Committees:

Resolutions—G. W. Burris, R. A. Johnson, Jess Looper, J. A. Venable, Cal Loyd and C. A. Haskins.

Finance—W. R. Cooper, J. S. Willis, J. A. Choate, Neal Burnett and G. W. Staggs.

Temperance—J. J. West, J. N. Johnson and B. M. Bewley.

Sabbath Schools—Rosa Gideon, Ellen Holmes, Tennie Blair, Emma Burnett and Wm. McGee.

Obituaries—E. Wright, J. T. Blair, Hugh Walker and Charlie Hopper.

Condition of Non-Represented Churches—L. W. Kimbrell, R. B. Venable, John Harris, L. H. Hopper, Press Denton and John Hammons.

Union of Churches—C. A. Mohr, J. H. Harshaw, Garland Duvall, A. J. Malone, H. J. Walker.

A motion carried to elect a Building Committee of five. The following named men were recommended and elected: R. A. Johnson, Chairman, Dardanelle; Chas. Hopper, Secretary-Treasurer, Lamar; C. A. Haskins, Moreland; W. J. Wright, Atkins; F. M. Nichols, Delaware.

Motion carried to exclude the privilege of serving on any Committee for a period of three years to those who fail to discharge his or her duties as a member of a Committee without reasonable excuses.

Meeting adjourned to meet at 9:00 o'clock Saturday morning.

Rev. R. A. Johnson preached Friday evening. J. H. Walker concluded. The inspiring message was received by a large and attentive audience.

SATURDAY MORNING SESSION.

Song by congregation. Scripture lesson read by Moderator, Acts, 15th chapter. Prayer. The body was then declared ready to attend to any business that might come before it.

The following reports from the outstanding Committees were received.

Report of Committee on Resolutions.

The report of the Committee on Resolutions was received for discussion and adopted as follows:

No. 1. We recommend that the Freewill Baptists strictly see after their interests in the church property at Union Grove, and no change whatever be made in the deed to said property and that the rider to same be removed as we feel it was added without authority.

No. 2. We recommend that a Committee of Five be appointed to investigate the Seminary Church matter in Johnson county.

No. 3. We recommend that we retain a Building Committee.

No. 4. We recommend that in future sessions of this Association when anyone who is appointed or elected to serve on a Committee and fails to do so, without a reasonable excuse, they shall be excluded from privilege of Associational work for a period of three years.

No. 5. We recommend that this Association devise some plan by which destitute churches that are calling for pastors be supplied.

No. 6. We recommend that each church in the Antioch Association donate \$5.00 as a building fund; that money be sent to the Treasurer of the Building Committee elected by this body. The Treasurer or Clerk of this Committee shall be empowered to ask said amount of each church to be used for the purpose of building Freewill Baptist church houses.

No. 7. We recommend that this body select the place of meeting for the 1921 session and elect the one to preach the introductory sermon.

It was voted to hold the next session of the Antioch Association with Holman church, in Johnson county, six miles northeast of Cabin Creek railroad station, or Lamar post-office. Conveyance may be had from Cabin Creek.

The Building Committee elected has been named in Minute preceding this report.

A motion carried to adjourn until 2:30 p. m.

Rev. L. H. Hopper filled the minister's stand Saturday at 11 o'clock. Lesson read, first chapter of Jonah. Rev. J. H. Venable concluded the services.

Prayer by Bro. George Davis.

Saturday Afternoon Session.

Song, "I'll Go Where He Calls."

Scripture lesson by Moderator.

Song, "Heaven Holds All for Me."

Prayer, J. W. Wright.

The business of the Association was taken up where it was discontinued at the morning session.

The reports of the outstanding Committees were called for and received as follows:

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES.

Committee on Sabbath Schools.

We, your Committee on Sabbath Schools, submit the following: To our sorrow we find that Sabbath Schools are sadly neglected by our churches. A survey of the United States show that 98 per cent of the church members have come up through Sunday Schools and that 95 per cent of the criminals are those who never attended Sabbath Schools. We also find that only 60 per cent of the rising generation are in attendance in Sabbath School. From the above records we urge pastors, deacons and church members to organize and maintain such schools in all our churches.

JULIA GIDEON, Chm.

Committee on Temperance.

We, your Committee on Temperance, submit the following:

We point with pride to the steady growth of temperance in our state. We heartily endorse the National move of Prohibition. We hope intoxicating liquors will soon be put out of our nation never to return.

J. J. WEST, Chairman.

Condition of Non-Represented Churches.

We, your Committee on Condition of Non-Represented Churches, submit the following:

For unknown causes we find that Rose Creek and Mt. Zion churches are not represented in the Association. Both churches were in good standing at our last session of the Association.

L. W. KIMBRELL, Chairman.

Committee on Union of Churches.

We, your Committee on Union of Churches, submit the following:

So far as we can find all churches are in full union one with the other.

C. A. M. MOHR, Chairman.

TWENTY-NINTH ANNUAL SESSION

Committee on Building.

We, your Committee on Building, submit the following:

We find that the \$80 indebtedness on Mt. Vernon church has been paid in full.

C. JOHNSON, Chairman.

Committee on Finance.

We, your Committee on Finance, report as follows:

We have collected and paid the Treasurer a total of \$38.48.

W. R. COOPER, Chairman.

Treasurer's Report.

RECEIVED.		PAID OUT.	
Bal. from year	\$ 7.34	For Minutes	\$34.00
From Financial Com.....	41.20	To State Association	5.00
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Total Received.....	\$48.54	Total Paid Out	\$39.00
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Balance	\$ 9.54		

Report of Committee on Obituaries.

We, your Committee on Obituaries, report as follows:

We find that the following Brothers and Sisters have departed this life since our last meeting of the Association:

BROTHER MURRAY ARNOLD, St. Joe Church.

SISTER MIDDY JANE HATCHETT, Mountain Home Church.

SISTER SARAH SCOTT, Smyrna Church.

BROTHER L. V. OVERTURF, Oak Grove No. 2 Church.

SISTER MARGARET VAUGHN, Cross Plains Church.

Judging their lives according to the standard of God's Truth, we believe them worthy to hear the welcome applause, "Well done, thou good and faithful servant; enter thou into the joys of the Lord."

May God help us to live faithful to the end that we may meet our friends and loved ones around the throne of God.

E. O. WRIGHT, Chairman.

Memorial services shall be held each year. The one to preach the sermon shall be chosen by the Committee appointed on Divine Service.

Motion carried that the Antioch Association set aside five dollars to help pay expenses of the State Association.

Motion carried to discharge all committees whose report had been heard and accepted.

The Association voted that the Committee appointed at the last Association to disband Mt. Pleasant Church be discharged and that the Association grant letters to the members of said church. The Clerk was instructed to write such letters and same was sent to respective persons immediately, namely: J. M. and Elizabeth Sparks, Landra McAnulty, H. G. and Willie Weir.

Elder Fred Duvall was chosen by the body to preach the introductory sermon on Thursday night of the 1921 session when convened with the Holman Church.

Motion carried to adjourn to meet with Holman Church, Johnson county, on Thursday night before the second Sunday in September, 1921.

Rev. C. Johnson, was chosen to fill the stand Saturday evening. Bro. W. F. McGee conducted a prayer service before preaching, during which the power of God was manifest in the hearts of men and women. Owing to the length of this revival Rev. Johnson concluded best not to preach and only talked a few minutes. His few remarks were received and enjoyed by an immense audience.

At the close of the evening services the following resolution was tendered the good people of Smyrna Church and entire community.

BE IT RESOLVED, That this entire Association extend to the good people of this community their heartfelt thanks for the generous manner in which they have cared for same and to the entire audience for its courteous attention and good behavior.

Preaching Sunday at 11 a. m. by Elder R. M. Johnson; Memorial services, Scripture lesson, 4th chapter of Thesolonians. Text, Rev.——.

R. M. JOHNSON, Moderator,
Moreland, Arkansas.

LELA NICHOLS, Clerk.
Delaware, Arkansas.

ROLL OF DEACONS.

Cross Plains—G. I. Eakin, Gumlog; H. H. Pigg, Russellville; F. M. Hudson, Sr., Moreland; R. J. Duvall, Moreland; J. F. Burris, Russellville.

Davis Chapel—G. W. Russell, Gumlog; J. L. Stanton, Russellville; Lee Staggs, Moreland.

Holman—R. E. Dunn, Lamar.

Happy Hollow—G. M. Davis, Moreland; Bob Duvall, Moreland.

Liberty—T. A. Allen, Blaine; F. M. Nichols, Delaware; G. C. Baker, Delaware.

Mountain Home—John Tombleson, Hagarville; J. S. Willis, Lamar; Berry Looper, Lamar; W. S. Ferril, Lamar; L. W. Pitts, Hagarville.

Oak Grove—S. H. Walker, Scranton; J. C. Houser, Scranton; P. C. Denton, Scranton; W. W. White, Scranton.

Oak Grove No. 2—W. Kimball, Moreland; G. W. Newman, Gumlog.

Pine Grove—R. T. Garrison, Dardanelle; J. H. Harshfield, Delaware.

Smyrna—J. D. Harris, Russellville; Jas. Scott, Bearden, Okla.; M. C. Jackson, Russellville.

Sweet Home—Hobert Sorrels, Atkins; J. S. Flowers, Atkins; Hamp Sorrels, Atkins.

St. Joe—W. F. McGee, Atkins; G. T. Gipson, Atkins; A. L. Young, Atkins; G. W. Duvall, Van Buren.

Union Grove—W. J. Wright, Atkins; C. A. Loyd, Atkins.

Zion Hill—Joe Barnett, Atkins; W. R. Sorrels, Webber Falls, Okla.

Flat Rock (newly organized)—B. M. Bewley, London; H. T. Horton, London.

Mt. Vernon—R. J. Henderson, Moreland; D. A. Coffman, Moreland.

Mt. Zion—D. L. Stone, Gumlog; W. L. Ketchem, Moreland.

DEACONS PRESENT—J. H. Harshfield, W. Kimball, S. H. Walker, W. J. Wright, C. A. Loyd, Hobert Sorrels, J. S. Flowers, J. S. Willis, Berry Looper, Lee Staggs, J. D. Harris and B. M. Bewley.

ROLL OF ORDAINED MINISTERS.

R. M. Johnson, Moreland; J. A. Venable, Hattleville; Elbert Henderson, Atkins; Jessie Jeffries, Moreland; R. B. Venable, Atkins; Fred Duvall, Atkins; J. B. Vaughan, Moreland; F. M. Hudson, Jr., Moreland; J. T. Burris, Moreland; H. E. Singleton, Moreland; R. A. Johnson, Dard-

anelle; Cordas Johnson, Scranton; H. J. Walker, Scranton; G. C. McDonald, Scranton; J. K. Dunkin, Clarksville; Dave Thompson, Appleton; Esom Baker, Scottsville; Garland Duvall, Moreland; L. H. Hopper, Lamar, Rt. 2; J. H. Harshaw, Atkins; Cyrus Hudson, London.

MINISTERS PRESENT—R. M. Johnson, J. B. Vaughan, R. A. Johnson, Cordas Johnson, H. J. Walker, J. K. Duncan, Dave Thompson, Garland Duvall, Fred Duvall, L. H. Hopper, J. H. Harshaw, J. A. Venable, Cyrus Hudson and R. B. Venable.

REPORT OF MINISTERS OF YEAR'S WORK.

Elder R. M. Johnson pastored four churches; received six members; preached one hundred and two sermons; preached thirty-two funerals; traveled about eight hundred miles; received one hundred thirty-one dollars and eighty cents.

DELEGATES TO STATE ASSOCIATION.

Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Burris, Mr. and Mrs. F. M. Nichols, James Venable, Ernest Wright, H. M. Hopper, Summers Ferrell, W. F. McGee and J. N. Johnson.



CONSTITUTION.

From a long series of experience, we, the churches of Jesus Christ, being regularly baptized upon the profession of our faith in Christ, are convinced of the necessity of a combination of churches to perpetuate a union and communion among us, and to preserve and maintain a correspondence with each other, we therefore propose to keep orders and rules of our Association, according to the following plan or form of government:

1. The Association shall be composed of members chosen by the different churches in our Union, and each church is entitled to three Messengers. All ordained ministers and deacons of our faith and order in the hands of the Antioch Association shall be members when present.

2. Letters from the different churches shall be prepared, read to and approved by each church conference assembled, signed by the Moderator and Clerk before presentation to the Association. Also to express their number in fellowship, the number received by experience, letter, recommendation or restoration, dismissed, excluded, and that have died since the last Association. Also the name of Moderator and Clerk, county and postoffice, Sabbath of meeting and the amount paid pastor.

3. The members thus chosen and convened, to be denominated the Antioch Association of Freewill Baptists, being composed of the churches of parts of Pope, Johnson, Yell and Logan counties, and the Association to have no power to lord it over God's heritage, nor to have any ecclesiastical power of the churches, reserving the rights of withdrawing from any church acting disorderly.

4. The Association shall have a Moderator and a Clerk, who are to be chosen by the suffrage of the members present.

5. New churches may be admitted into the Association, by letter or by delegates, if found to be orthodox in the faith of the Freewill Baptists, the Moderator giving the right hand of fellowship.

6. Every motion made and seconded shall come under the consideration of the Association unless it be withdrawn by the member making it.

7. The Association is to endeavor to furnish the churches with the Minutes of this Association in proportion to the number of members in each church, the distribution being at discretion of the Association.

8. It shall be the duty of the Clerk to keep a regular file of the Minutes.

9. The Minutes of the Association shall be read and corrected, if needed, and signed by the Moderator and Clerk before the Association closes.

10. The Association shall have a fund for her support, which shall

be supplied by voluntary contribution of the churches, whose duty it shall be to send it by the hands of the messengers, which money so sent shall be deposited in the hands of the Treasurer for that purpose, and he shall be accountable to the Association for all money received by him until paid out as they may direct.

11. The Association, in case of failure of any church to attend, may inquire into the cause.

12. It is the duty of the Association to see after the union of the churches.

13. It is the sense of this Association that if a minister take a letter from a church of this Association and neglect or refuse to place it in some church for the period of one year, his name shall be dropped from the roll of Ministers, his credentials revoked, and this Association will not recognize any work that may come under his hands as a presbytery after such time, and it shall be the duty of the Clerk after such steps have been taken by the Association, to notify the Clerk of the county in which such minister may live or have his credentials recorded, of the action of this Association toward such minister. And any such minister who wishes to be re-instated by this Association can do so by uniting himself with some church of this Association, and from the beginning of his membership his credentials shall be in full force and his work recognized without again coming under a Presbytery of Elders.

14. Amendments to this plan of Government may be made at any time when a majority of the members may deem it necessary.

ARTICLES OF FAITH.

1. We believe in one true and living God—the Father, Son and Holy Ghost—and these three are equal in divine essence, power and glory. John 1:1; 1 John 5:7; 1 Cor. 8:6; John 10:30.

2. We believe that the Scriptures in the Old and New Testaments are the words of God, and the only infallible rule of faith and practice. 2 Tim. 4:2; 2 Tim. 3:16.

3. We believe that God created man good and gave him holy commandments, whereby he should live holy, but man voluntarily disobeyed the commandments of God, transgressed the law and fell under the just condemnation of the same, whereby all men are sinners, not by constraint, but by choice, being partakers of the sinful nature attained by the fall. But we see Jesus, who was made a little lower than the angels for the suffering of death, crowned with glory and honor; then He by the grace of God should taste death for every man. Gen. 1:27; Gen. 2:16-17; Gen. 3:6; John 3:16-17; Heb. 2:9.

4. We believe that Christ, by His death, burial and resurrection purchased our pardon and offers it freely to all men upon the principle of repentance toward God and faith in the Lord Jesus Christ. He now commands all men everywhere to repent, therefore look unto me and be ye saved all the ends of the earth, for I am God, and there is none else. Rom. 5:6-21; Matt. 4:17; Isaiah 45:22; Matt. 9:13.

5. We believe that all adult persons must be regenerated and born of the spirit of God if they inherit eternal life. John 1:6-14; Matt. 19:28; Titus 3:5; John 3:1-13; Rom. 8:9.

6. We believe that regeneration is an instantaneous renewal of the heart by the Holy Spirit whereby the penitent sinner receives a new life, becomes a child of God and is disposed to serve him. As babies require constant food for bodily development, the new born babe in Christ requires spiritual food that he may develop by a gradual growth into full stature of Christian manhood. John 3:5; Ez. 36:26-7; Titus, 3:5; Heb. 12:14; Gal. 5:1-21; Eph. 2:10; Rom. 8:16; John 1:12; Matt. 13:31; Mark 4:26; 1 Peter 2:2.

7. We believe that the doctrine of Sanctification or Holiness as taught in the Bible is applicable to the soul or inner man, and to it alone, and that the sanctification of the body will not take place until the resurrection of the dead, when this mortal soul shall put on immortality and this corruptible body shall put on incorruption. 1 Cor. 6:11; Rom. 7:17-25; Phil. 3:21; 1 Cor. 15:44.

8. We believe that all Christians should persevere in grace, and be faithful to the end if they inherit eternal life, for blessed are they that do His commandments that they have a right to the tree of life and enter in through the gates of the city. Cor. 10:12-13; Rev. 22:14; Rom. 11:20-21; Heb. 10:26; John 15:2-6.

9. We believe a visible Church of Christ is a congregation of faithful men and women who have obtained fellowship with each other and have given themselves to the Lord and one another, having agreed to keep up good discipline according to the rules of the Gospel. Matt. 18:15-20.

10. We believe that the church is the family of God, in the aggregate composed of all the redeemed from righteous Abel to the restitution of all things from every nation, kindred and tongue. Matt. 16:18; Acts 2:47; Heb. 12:23; Acts 10:34-35; Eph. 1:22.

11. We believe that Jesus Christ is the great head of the church and the government thereof is with the body. Eph. 5:23; Col. 1:18-21; Matt. 18:17-18.

12. We believe that baptism by immersion is the apostolic mode, even the burial of a believer in water, and that Christ, who is our life, showed this humble example to his children and bade them walk therein. Matt. 3:5-16; Matt. 28:19-20; Mark 1:8-11; Acts 8:38; Rom. 6:16.

13. We believe that Baptism, the Lord's Supper, and the washing of the Saints' feet are ordinances of the Gospel of Jesus Christ and to be continued until His second coming. Matt. 28:19; Luke 22:19-20; John 13:5.

14. We believe that only those who have obtained a living hope in the Lord Jesus Christ, have a right to baptism and those only who have been called of God and have come under the Presbytery of Elders have a right to administer the same. Titus 1:1-16; Mark 16:16; Matt. 3:8-9; Acts 10:47; 1 Tim. 4:14-16.

15. The soul is immortal, hence does not die with the body, but immediately after death enters into a conscious state of happiness or misery, according to the spiritual character here possessed. Phil 1:23; Luke 23:43; Rev. 6:9.

16. We believe that there will be a general universal judgment when all men shall be judged according to the deeds done in the body whether good or bad and that immediately thereafter the wicked shall enter into everlasting punishment, and the righteous into eternal happiness. Eccl. 1:14; Matt. 12:36-37; 2 Thes. 1:8-9; Rev. 14:11; Rev. 21:8; Luke 16:23; 2 Cor. 5:10.

17. We believe that God in His goodness displays power of grace in a great degree in calling and qualifying his servants by the teaching of the Holy Ghost and by the instruction of His blessed words to go forth and proclaim life and salvation without price. He bids us freely to come and nothing prevents the salvation of any but their own stubborn rebellion and sinful refusal to come. Acts 9:15; 1 Tim. 4:16; 1 Cor. 1:23; 1 Tim. 1:15-16.

18. We believe in a divine call to the ministry, that the minister shall heed the admonition of Paul to Timothy to study the Scripture, that the church donate of their substance as the Lord prospers them to the support of their pastors, that said ministers may have better opportunities to store their minds with that spiritual food so necessary to Christian development. To this end we recommend that each church have a finance committee of three to consist of two deacons and a Clerk to collect and store such funds. 2 Tim. 2:15; 1 Cor. 16:1-2.

RULES OF ORDER.

1. At every sitting of the Association, business shall be opened and concluded with prayer.

2. Those who speak shall rise, address the Moderator, and personal reflections shall be avoided.

3. All motions made and seconded shall be open for discussion, but debate may be shut off at any time by a majority of the members of the Association.

4. 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.

5. Motions made and lost shall not be recorded on the Minutes, unless so ordered at the time.

6. No one shall speak more than once on the same subject without special leave from the body.

7. All questions shall be decided by a majority of the members present.

8. No member shall absent himself without leave of the Moderator.

9. At the future sessions of this Association arrangements shall be made so as to insure two sermons, or other devotional exercises which shall be equivalent thereto, during each day of the session, and that the chair announce just before adjournment who shall fill the stand at the next meeting.

10. Alterations may be made in these rules at any regular meeting of the Association.

ORDER OF BUSINESS.

1. Introductory sermon.
2. Association called to order by Moderator, or in his absence, the Clerk.
3. Letters from the churches of this Association called for, read and messengers invited to seats.
4. Right hand of fellowship.
5. Call for letters from newly organized churches.
6. Corresponding Associations.
7. Election of permanent officers.
8. Reading Rules of Order and Minutes of last Association by Chair or Clerk.
9. Appointment of the following Committees: (a) Resolutions; (b) Finance; (c) Arrangements of Preaching; (d) Temperance; (e) Sabbath Schools; (f) Obituaries; (g) Condition of Non-Represented Churches; (h) Union of Churches.
10. Report of Committees appointed at last Association, and other unfinished business.
11. Report of new Committees.
12. New business.
13. Adjournment.

STATISTICAL TABLE:

CHURCHES	MODERATORS.	CLERKS.	Received.....	Dismissed.....	Excluded	Died.....	No. of Ministers	Paid Pastor....	Day of Meeting	Membership....
Cross Plains	F. M. Hudson, Moreland.....	A. E. Duvall, Moreland.....	2	1	..	1	1	.....	2	70
Davis Chapel.....	R. B. Venable, Moreland.....	J. J. West, Gumlog	0	1	0	0	1	.....	3	23
Holman.....	J. K. Dunkin, Clarksville.....	Chas. Hopper, Lamar	0	2	1	0	1	\$30.00	1	69
Happy Hollow.....	J. G. Duvall, Moreland	J. H. Farmer, Moreland .....	..	..	..	..	1	40.00	4	20
Liberty.....	R. M. Johnson, Moreland.....	Mrs. Tennie Blair, Delaware .....	..	..	3	..	1	97.79	1	36
Mountain Home...	C. Johnson, Scranton.....	E. C. Holloway, Lamar	3	..	..	1	1	28.25	4	79
Oak Grove.....	R. M. Johnson, Moreland.....	B. F. Holmes, Scranton .....	..	..	11	..	1	40.00	2	43
Oak Grove No. 2..	T. H. Dixon, Appleton.....	Ida Johnson, Moreland	22	..	..	1	1	56.23	1	79
Pine Grove.....	J. K. Duncan, Clarksville.....	E. E. Smith, Delaware .....	..	..	..	..	1	24.00	3	46
Smyrna.....	R. M. Johnson, Moreland.....	July Gideon, Moreland	1	..	1	1	1	44.00	3	34
Sweet Home.....	H. E. Singleton, Moreland.....	Phosia Sorrels, Atkins	3	..	1	..	1	6.00	2	25
St. Joe	R. B. Venable, Atkins.....	G. H. Tanner, Atkins.....	1	..	..	1	1	45.60	3	64
Union Grove.....	Cordas Johnson, Scranton.....	E. Wright, Atkins	2	..	2	..	1	41.00	1	54
Zion Hill	R. B. Venable, Moreland	H. F. Banks, Hattleville .....	..	..	..	..	1	11.75	4	17
Rose Creek.....	Not Represented.....	Not Represented .....	..	..	..	..	..	.....	..	..
Flat Rock										
(newly org.).....	R. B. Venable, Moreland.....	C. A. Mohr, London	4	..	..	..	1	.....	..	12
Mt. Zion.....	Not Represented.....	Not Represented .....	..	..	..	..	..	.....	..	..
Mt. Vernon.....	J. A. Venerable.....	W. J. Wright .....	..	4	..	..	1	.....	2	23