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## SYNOPSIS

The Forty-Third Annual Session of the Antioch Association was held with Rose Creek Church, September 6-7-8-9, 1934.

Bro. R. M. Johnson, Moderator; E. O. Wright, Clerk.

The Forty-Fourth Annual Session of the Antioch Association was held with Oak Grove Church No. 1, Logan County, September 6-7-8-9, 1935.

Bro. R. M. Johnson, Moderator; and E. O. Wright, Clerk.

# MINUTES

Minutes of the Forty-Fifth Annual Session of the Antioch Association of Free Will Baptist met in regular session with Union Grove Church, on September 10-11-12-13, 1936.

Opened with singing.

Called to Order by Moderator R. M. Johnson.

Prayer by Bro. J. A. Venable.

Introductory sermon by Bro. John Reel.

Text, "Memories."

Concluded by Bro. Melvin Snow.

Song, "Enough For Me."

The Moderator appointed the following committee on Divine Service: Bro. Jeff Burris, G. I. Eakin, and Luther Chapple.

Dismissed with prayer by Bro. W. R. Jobe, to meet at 9 o'clock, Friday.

## FRIDAY MORNING

Called to Order by Moderator R. M. Johnson.

Scripture Lesson, 23rd Psalm, by Bro. W. F. McGee.

Song.

The Moderator declared the Association opened for any such business as may come before the body.

The list of churches were called, and the following were presented, read, and approved:

St. Joe—Goldie Maxwell, Mollie Venable, Rhea Stamps.

Union Grove—Roy Staggs, T. L. Tackett, Walter Eakin.

Sweet Home—Charley and Ruby Compton, Myrtle Blankenship.

Oak Grove No. 2—T. V. Johnson, Dewey Kinder.

Shiloh—Chalmer Duvall, Elzada Maxwell.

Harmony—J. J. West, Ida Burris.

Moreland—G. I. and Effie Eakin, H. H. Pigg.

Oak Grove No. 1—Annie Rollins, A. R. Lowery, Elmo Edding.

Maple Springs—W. M. Heflin, Julia Gideon, Lucy Bowden.

Double Springs—Forest Flowers.

Liberty—By Letter.

Slaty Crossing—John Lewis, Mrs. Carroll and Girthal Rainey.

Rose Creek—Ellis Rainey, Luther Chapple.

Mt. Home—Jess Looper.

Holman—By Letter.

Pecan Grove—Not represented.

Newly Organized Church, Hickory Grove at Teel School House Delegates—R. S. Teel, Roy Clines.

Honorary Members—Sisters M. M. Burris, Lenora Johnson, Ellen Holmes, Annie Rollins.

Advisory Members—Bros. W. M. Guinn, A. J. Latham, Joe Harris, and Bro. J. W. Coffman as corresponding delegate from Zion Hope Association.

The right hand of Christian Fellowship was given to all Delegates and Christians.

The Association further organized by electing the following officers: Eld. John Reel, Moderator; W. F. McGee, Assistant Moderator; E. O. Wright, Clerk, Mary Lavina Eakin, Assistant Clerk.

After several short talks the Association adjourned with prayer by Bro. J. A. Venable to meet at 1:30 o'clock.

Intermission.

Called to Order by singing.

Duet by Mary Lavina Eakin and Betty Reel.

Preaching by Bro. F. M. Hudson.

Scripture Lesson, 11th Chapter Hebrew.

Song, "Amazing Grace."

Prayer by Bro. A. J. Walker.

Song, "Oh Won't It Be Wonderful There."

Text, Hebrew 12:1-2, concluded by Bro. A. J. Walker.

#### FRIDAY AFTERNOON

Called to Order by singing.

Songs, "It's An Unfriendly World, "The Church On The Hill."

Scripture Lesson, 23rd Psalm.

Read by Moderator Bro. John Reel.

Prayer by Bro. Jeff Burris.

The Moderator declared the Association opened for any such business as may come before it.

Reading of Rules of Order by Clerk.

The following committees were appointed by Moderator:

Committee on Resolutions—W. F. McGee, John Brown, Melvin Snow, W. S. Isbell, C. A. Loyd.

Committee on Finance—T. L. Tackett, Luther Chapple, Jess Looper, J. J. West, S. E. Taylor.

Committee on Temperance—F. M. Hudson, Henry Teel, Carroll Rainey.

Committee on Sabbath School—Mary Lavina Eakin, Ida Burris, Elzada Maxwell.

Committee on Obituary—Roy Staggs, A. J. Walker, J. A. Venable.

Committee on Non-Represented Churches—Elmo Edding, John Harris, Goldie Maxwell.

Committee on Union of Churches—Chalmer Duvall, Forrest Flowers, R. A. Johnson.

The Committee on Divine Service announce that Bro. Wm. Guinn, and Bro. Latham would fill the stand at night, and Bro. W. R. Jobe and J. A. Venable would fill the stand Saturday night.

After some short talks, the following committees reported—On Sabbath School, and Temperance. After discussions were adopted and read.

Dismissed with prayer by Bro. W. R. Jobe, to meet at 9 o'clock, Saturday.

Intermission.

### FRIDAY NIGHT

Called together by singing, at which a song service was enjoyed. A devotional exercise was held with W. F. McGee as leader.

Song.

Preaching by Bro. W. M. Guinn.

Scripture Lesson, 8th chapter of Romans.

Text, "The Great Plan of Salvation, concluded by Bro. A. J. Latham.

Dismissed with prayer by A. J. Latham, to meet Saturday.

### SATURDAY MORNING

Called to Order by Moderator.

Opening song, "Wash All My Sins Away."

Scripture Lesson, Romans 12.

Prayer by Bro. W. R. Jobe.

Song, "Amazing Grace."

Moderator declared the Association open for business.

At this time the following Brothers were ordained as Deacons: Bro. Henry Teel, Ernest Rainey, Roy Staggs, and Walter Eakin, by the Ordaining Council, W. R. Jobe, R. M. Johnson, and W. S. Isbell.

Dismissed with prayer by Bro. F. M. Hudson.

Intermission.

Called together by singing.

Prayer by Bro. F. M. Hudson.

Duet by Mary Lavina Eakin and Betty Reel.

The following memorial service followed in honor of the Brothers and Sisters, who have departed this life since our last Association.

The report of the Obituary Committee was read: We, your Committee on Obituary, find that the following Brothers and Sisters have departed this life since our last Association. Although we miss them in our Association, but we feel our loss is Heaven's gain: Bro. J. L. B. Shinn, Harmony Church; Sister Bonnie Huff, Sister F. M. Nichols, Bro. F. M. Nichols, Sister Tennessee Parker, Liberty Church; Sister Lona Marble, Sister Delpha McGee, Sister Dora Burris, St. Joe Church.

Bro. R. A. Johnson spoke in memory of Sister Tennessee Parker.

Song, "Oh, Won't It Be Wonderful There."



Bro. R. B. Venable spoke in memory of Sister Dora Burris.

Song, "I'm Not Ashamed."

Bro. W. R. Jobe spoke in memory of Sisters Bonnie Huff and Delpha McGee.

Duet, "Mother, I Am Lonely."

Bro. F. M. Hudson spoke in memory of Bro. F. M. Nichols.

Quartet by Bro. John Reel and wife, and Bro. Walter Eakin, and T. L. Tackett.

Bro. W. F. McGee spoke in memory of Bro. J. L. B. Shinn, Sister Lona Marble, and Sister F. M. Nichols.

Song, "She Still Remembers."

Dismissed with prayer by Bro. J. A. Venable.

Noon Intermission.

Called together at 2 o'clock with singing.

Prayer by Bro. Roy Staggs.

The Moderator declared the Association open for business.

### REPORT OF COMMITTEES

Motion made and carried to bring forward the resolutions of 1930 Session in regard to the ordination of ministers.

Resolved: That the ministers should first be recommended by his church and then be examined by examining committee and ordained by a council.

We, the Committee on Examination of ministers, recommended to Oak Grove Church, the ordination of T. V. Johnson to the full work of the gospel ministry as a Free Will Baptist preacher.

Signed: F. M. Hudson, W. R. Jobe, W. F. McGee, R. M. Johnson, Comm.

Approved by the Antioch Association in regular Session, Sept. 12, 1936.  
Eld John L. Reel, Moderator; E. O. Wright, Clerk.

Committee on Non-Represented Churches—We, your Committee on Non-Represented Churches, find that that Pecan Grove Church not represented and cause unknown.

Elmo Eddings, J. D. Harris, Goldie Maxwell, Committee.

Committee on Union of Churches—We, your Committee, be leave to report all churches in Union as far as we know.

Chalmer Duvall, E. F. Flowers, R. A. Johnson, Committee.

Committee on Resolutions—We, your Committee on Resolutions, submit the following report. Whereas, a number of ministers in our organization preach, write and teach a thousand years reign on earth by our Lord at the second coming. They say he will set up his kingdom; some say a political kingdom, others say a spiritual kingdom; some say the rich dead will be raised at His coming and reign with Him here a thousand years and then the wicked dead will be raised.

Be it resolved: That we, the Free Will Baptist Antioch Association, now in annual session with Union Grove Church near Atkins, Pope County, Ark., declare these theories to be unscriptural and causing much confusion in our body. Therefore, we ask the churches of the Antioch Association not to call any minister as Moderator of the church who preaches, writes or teaches this theory as we deem them to be unorthodox. We further ask that ministers

known to be of this belief not be employed to hold or assist in revival meetings within the bound of this Association.

W. F. McGee, John Brown, Melvin Snow, W. S. Isbell, C. A. Loyd,  
Committee.

A motion made and carried to send this resolution to State Association.

Committee on Sabbath Schools—We find that good Sabbath Scholols are maintained in nearly every church community, but sometimes, owing to small membership, it becomes necessary to unite with other denominations in union Sunday Schools in order that the interest may be maintained. We urge that when possible, the Free Will Baptist maintain their own organization.

Mary Lavina Eakin, Ida Burris, Elzada Waxwell, Committee.

Committee on Temperance—We view with alarm to the work of sin in the form of intemperance since the return of the saloon in our state and nation, but eternal vigilance is the price of liberty and we sincerely urge our members to join all other Christian workers to curb the horrible evils of whiskey habit until we may again become able to banish the same from our land and we earnestly urge parents to keep as far as possible their sons and daughters from all immoral places of amusement which tend to weaken their power of resentment.

F. M. Hudson, C. W. Rainey, T. H. Teel, Committee.

Committee on Finance—We, the Committee on Finance, have received \$22.50 from the members of the body for Minute funds.

J. J. West, Jess Looper, T. L. Tackett, Luther Chapple, S. E. Taylor,  
Committee.

The Moderator declared nominations were in order for the home for the next Association, and Slaty Crossing was nominated and elected by acclamation.

Bro. R. B. Venable preach the introductory sermon and Bro. J. A. Venable conclude.

State delegates elected as follows: J. J. West, John Lewis, Jess Looper, Chalmer Duvall, T. L. Tackett.

Alternates—Charley Compton, Ira Wright, Wesley Lowery, Bob Teel, Dewey Kinder.

Motion made to send Bro. Jessie Jeffries greetings from the Antioch Association.

Bro. W. R. Jobe was elected as State Evangelist of the Antioch Association.

The Committee on Divine Service announce that Bro. W. R. Jobe would fill the stand at night and Bro. J. A. Venable conclude.

Dismissed with prayer by Bro. J. A. Venable, to meet with Slaty Crossing Church, September, 1937.

### SATURDAY NIGHT

Called together by singing.

At which a good song service was enjoyed. Quartet by Union Grove ladies.

Bro. R. B. Venable conducted devotional services.

Prayer by Bro. Venable.

Song, "At The Cross."



Prayer by Bro. W. F. McGee.

Song, "We Are Passing Away."

The Spirit of God manifested in the hearts of men and women.

Quartet by Venable sisters.

Preaching by Bro. W. R. Jobe.

Concluded by Bro. J. A. Venable.

Resolutions of Thanks—We, the Delegates, Ministers, Deacons, and visitors, wish to extend to the generous people of Union Grove Community, our heartfelt thanks for their kind hospitality shown us during our stay with them. Nothing has been withheld that would add to the happiness and enjoyment of this Association. We extend our thanks to the good singers and pianist for the splendid music rendered. Also to the outgoing Moderator, Bro. R. M. Johnson, for his able service and our beloved presiding Moderator, Bro. John Reel, for his excellent service. And to our worthy Clerk, Bro. E. O. Wright, for his excellent service during this Association. May God still continue to add blessings to all concerned and means accumulated be used to His Glory as we feel this has.

Committee.

### SUNDAY MORNING

Called together by singing.

Preaching by Bro. R. M. Johnson.

Scripture Lesson, 1st Psalm.

Prayer by Bro. A. J. Walker.

Song, "Jesus Lover Of My Soul."

Text, 2 Cor. 8:2.

Song, "I Am Just a Pilgrim."

Concluded by Bro. John Reel.

Dismissed with prayer by Bro. Venable.

This brings to a close one of the best Sessions ever held.

Eld. John L. Reel, Moderator.

Ernest O. Wright, Clerk

### REPORT OF MINISTERS

Report of Rev. R. B. Venable—I have pastored two churches, did some local work, held one revival meeting, witnessed several conversions, received into the church three members, baptized three, held nine funeral services, married one couple, treveled about 900 miles, received \$20.00.

Report of Rev. John Reel—I have traveled about 1,095 miles, preached about 52 sermons, conducted 7 funerals, married 4 couples, and received about \$80.75.

Report of Rev. F. M. Hudson—Pastored one church, preached 22 sermons, received \$36.00.

Report of Rev. W. R. Jobe—Pastored 2 churches, preached 156 sermons, conducted 12 funeral services, baptized 2, helped 6 revivals, received \$73.64.

## DEACONS PRESENT

S. H. Walker, W. J. Pobe, H. H. Pigg, C. A. Loyd, W. J. Wright, Roy Staggs, Walter Eakin, G. T. Eakin, W. F. McGee, W. S. Isbell, John Harris, Henry Teel, Ernest Rainey, John Brown, Carroll Rainey.

## MINISTERS PRESENT

F. M. Hudson, R. B. Venable, J. A. Venable, W. R. Jobe, A. J. Walker, R. M. Johnson, R. A. Johnson, John Reel, C. F. Harris, Melvin Snow.

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CONSTITUTION

From a long series of experiences 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 a 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. This Association shall be composed of members chosen by the different churches of our union, and each church is entitled to three messengers. All ordained ministers, deacons and church clerks of our faith and order in the bounds of 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 moderator and clerk, county and postoffice, Sabbath or meeting and the amount paid pastor.

3. The members thus chosen and convened, to be denominated the Antioch Association of Free Will 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 over the churches, reserving the right of withdrawing from any church acting disorderly.

4. The Association shall have a moderator and a clerk, 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 Free Will Baptists, the moderator giving the right hand of fellowship.

6. Every motion made and seconded shall come under consideration of the Association, unless 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 the discretion of the Association.

8. It shall be the duty of the clerk to keep a regular file of the minutes, and that each minister make a written report of his work in said year, and on failure to do so he will be debarred a voice in the Association; and that we pay our clerk \$5.00 for his services, and urge that the minutes be printed and mailed within 60 days after the Association.

9. The minutes of the Association shall be read and corrected, if needed, and signed by the moderator and clerk before the Association adjourns.

10. The Association shall have a fund for her support, which shall be supplied by voluntary contributions of the different 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 a 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 presbyter 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. Any such minister who wishes to be reinstated 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 the hands of a Presbytery of Elders.

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

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### ARTICLES OF FAITH

1. God—We believe in one true and living Triune God; composed of Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, equal in divine essence, purpose, power, and glory. St. John 1:1; Cor. 8:6; 1 John 5:7; St. John 10:30.

2. Christ—We believe that Jesus Christ is the divine Son of God; was with the Father and the Holy Spirit at the time of the creation; left the Courts of Heaven and came to this earth. Took upon Himself the form of humanity, sin excepted, by being born of the virgin Mary, manifested his power, was crucified, placed in Joseph's new tomb, arose from the dead the third day, completing the great plan of salvation; walked and talked with his disciples, publicly ascended up to Heaven, and that he will descend to gather his jewels home. Isaiah 9:6; St. John 1:14; Luke 7:26-28, 24:50-53; Math 14:13-21; Mark 16:9-19, 15:22-41; Acts 1:9-12.



3. Holy Spirit—We believe the Holy Spirit has visited true believers in all ages, and especially since the ascension of the Son back to the Father, and its coming on the day of Pentecost. Has taken up its office work among all nations of people as a Divine Reprover, Comforter, and Guide. Judges 6:34, 11:29; St. John 16:8-14; Isaiah 63:10-12; Ephesians 4:30; Acts 8:17-20.

4. The Bible—We believe the Bible, which is composed of the scriptures of the Old and New Testaments, was given by inspiration of God, is our waybill from earth to Heaven, and only infallible rule of faith and practice. II Peter 1:19-21; II Timothy 3:14-17; Daniel 10:21; Acts 1:16-17; Math. 21:42.

5. The Fall of Man—We believe that God created man good, gave him a just law by which he should be governed, with promises of reward for faithfulness and with penalties of punishment for disobedience. Gave man power of free moral agency to choose the right and reject the wrong. But our first parents heeded the voice of the great Enemy of souls, voluntarily transgressed the Law of God, fell under the just penalty of the same, and were unable of their own power to extricate or save themselves from the great dilemma into which they had fallen. God gave to them the hope of salvation through the coming of Christ. Gen. 1:27, 2:16-17; Romans 11:11-35, 5:18; Psalms 37:23-24.

6. Redemption, Salvation, Adoption—We believe that Jesus Christ, by his birth, death, burial, resurrection and ascension, paid the purchase price of redemption of the whole human race, arranged a pardon for all who come to Him upon Gospel terms; and a law of adoption into the Kingdom of Heaven, and an eternal inheritance in the glorified Kingdom above. Hebrews 9:12, 1-4; Gal. 3:13, 4-5; Titus 2:14; St. John 3:16; Isaiah 45:22.

7. Conditions of Salvation—We believe that all persons dying in infancy, and all idiots, are saved by the atoning merits of the Son of God without any act upon their part; that persons coming to the years of accountability, transgressing the Law of God, must upon their part exercise faith in Jesus Christ through repentance toward God, at the completion of which pardon takes place in the mind of the Father, and by the Holy Spirit they pass through the ordeal of regeneration, are washed in the blood of the Lamb and are planted in the Kingdom of Christ or God. John 3rd chapter; Math. 19:13-22; II Cor. 7:10; Luke 18:16-17; St. John 4:11-16; Psalms 98:3.

8. Salvation Free—We believe that God desires the salvation of all; Christ died for all; the gospel invites all; the Holy Spirit strives with all, and whosoever will may come and be saved upon the terms of the Gospel. I Peter 1:9, 13:25, 2:9, 24:25; Rev. 22:17.

Baptism—We believe that Christian baptism is the immersion of believers in water, in the name of the Father, Son of Holy Spirit, in which is represented the burial and resurrection of Christ; also represents our death to sin, and only those who have come under the presbytery of elders are qualified to administer the same. Math. 3:14-16, 28:29, 3:5-6; I Peter 3:21; St. John 3:23; Acts 10:47.

10. Communion and Foot Washing—We believe that the Lord's Supper and the washing of feet are ordinances of the gospel of Christ; the Lord's Supper was instituted by our Savior to commemorate his broken body and shed blood for the sins of the world, and to show our remembrance of Him till He comes. All Christians have a right to the Lord's Supper, and should be invited; "let a man examine himself and so let him eat."

The washing of feet was instituted at the same time that the supper was instituted as an act of humility to show our love for each other and both

ordinances should be perpetuated by all Christians until his second coming. Luke 22:19-20; I Cor. 11:20-29; St. John 13:1-18; Math. 26:26-29.

11. The Sabbath—We believe that the Christian Sabbath should be observed as a day of rest and for the worship of God; that we should abstain from all sinful amusements, and secular employments, works of mercy and piety. Exodus 20:11, 31:12-18; Deut. 5:12-15; Ezek. 20:12; Math. 28-1; Luke 23:56; Acts 13:42-48; Mark 2:27.

12. Call to the Ministry—We believe in a divine call of the ministry; that God in His goodness and power of grace, impresses His ministers with the burden of lost souls, to the extent that the call becomes irresistible with personal contentment; that when they yield to the call and exercise their native gifts according to the scripture with a full reliance upon Him He accompanies them in the person of the Holy Spirit to guide them in the way of truth and to bless their labors according to His purpose. Jonah 1:1; Jer. 1:5; Mark 3:14; Acts 1:22-26; Math. 28:19.

13. The Invisible Church—We believe that the invisible or Spiritual Church is the redeemed in the aggregate, is the family of God, is composed of all true Christians of every congregation from righteous Abel to the restitution of all things, from every kindred, nation, tongue and people. Eph. 3:16-21, 2:20-22; Heb. 12:22-23; I Peter 2:5; Acts 2:47; Math. 16:18.

14. The Visible Church—We believe that a visible Church of Christ is a congregation of faithful men and women, having obtained fellowship with the Lord and with each other, agreeing to keep up a good discipline and doctrine according to the rules of the gospel. II Thes. 1:1; Acts 20:28; III John 1:10; Math. 18:17; Rev. 1:4, 11, 20.

15. Perseverance—We believe that all true believers in Christ should persevere in divine grace, and in the knowledge of the truth and that God's grace is sufficient to help them to overcome all the obstacles of life and that all the combined forces of the great enemy of souls on earth and in Hell (or in his eternal abode) are not able to pluck them from his hand so long as they walk in the path of duty; but those who sidestep and willfully refuse or neglect to perform their duty they would backslide and if persistently continued would be eternally lost. II Cor. 9:10; II Peter 1:4-8; I Peter 2:2; Rom. 8:35-39; Apostasy; II Peter 1:8-9; I Cor 10:1-13; Heb. 12:15-17, 6:1-6, 3:12; I St. John 5:16; I Tim. 4:1-2; St. John 15:1-7; Math. 12:31-32.

16. Christ the Head of the Church—We believe that Christ is the great head of the Church, and that the government of the local church is with the body. Col. 1:18-19; Math. 16:18, 21:42; Heb. 12:23; Eph. 1:22; Acts 16:4-5.

17. Sanctification—Sanctification is a work of God's grace, by which the soul is cleansed from all sin and wholly consecrated to Christ. It takes place in regeneration and the Christian can and should abide in this state to the end of life, constantly growing in the grace and knowledge of our Lord Jesus Christ. And the sanctification of the body (which is held under subjection) will take place in the resurrection. I Cor. 6:11; II Thes. 2:13; Heb. 12:14; Phil. 3:21; II Thes. 5:19-23; St. John 17:17-19; II Timothy 2:20-21.

18. The Soul—The soul is endless, 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 23:24, 16:19-25; Rev. 6:9; Math. 10:28.

19. The Resurrection—We believe in the resurrection of the dead, both of the righteous and wicked. When the resurrection shall take place the soul



and body shall be reunited, the righteous shall be received into everlasting happiness to reign with God forever; but the wicked shall go away into everlasting punishment. Math. 28:6; St. John 5:28-29; I Cor. 15:51-58.

20. Judgment—We believe that there will be a great universal judgment, when all men shall be judged according to their works, whether they be good or bad, and that immediately thereafter the wicked shall enter into everlasting punishment, and the righteous into everlasting happiness. II Thes. 1:4-9; Rev. 14:9-13, 20:12-13, 21:8; II Cor. 5:10; Math. 12:36-37; Acts 17:31.

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### RULES OF ORDER

1. At every sitting of the Association, business shall be opened and closed 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 opened 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 in 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 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.

FORTY-FIFTH ANNUAL SESSION OF THE  
ORDER OF BUSINESS

1. Introductory Sermon.
2. Association shall be called to order by the moderator, or in his absence by 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 the chair or the clerk.
9. Appointment of the following committees: (a) Resolution; (b) Finance; (c) Divine Service; (d) Temperance; (e) Sabbath Schools; (f) Obituaries; (g) Non-represented Churches; (h) Union of Churches.
10. Reports of committees holding over from last Association, and other unfinished business.
11. Report of new committees.
12. New business.
13. Adjournment.

# STATISTICAL TABLE

Churches	Moderators	Clerks	Dismissed	Received	Excluded	Died	No. Ministers	Paid Pastors	Days of Meeting	Membership
St. Joe	J. L. Harris	G. H. Tanner	0	0	0	3	3	\$5.23	3	126
Union Grove	R. M. Johnson	Mary Lavina Eakin	0	0	0	0	1	29.80	1	134
Oak Grove No. 2	Jack Lathum	Mary Johnston	0	1	0	1	1	25.00	1	72
Shiloh	T. V. Johnson	Moody Maxwell	0	0	0	0	1		4	42
Harmony	F. M. Hudson	J. M. Sparks	0	0	0	1	2		3	45
Oak Grove No. 1	Melvin Snow	S. E. Taylor	0	0	20	0	2	30.50	2	46
Maple Springs	Jack Lathum	Ava Harris	0	2	0	0		30.00	4	32
Double Springs	Jack Lathum	Doyle Roberts	0	0	0	0		25.50	2	14
Liberty	W. R. Jobe	Tennie Blair	1	0	0	3		16.05	1	30
Slaty Crossing	W. A. Crouch	I. F. Ply	0	33	2	0		63.00	4	78
Rose Creek	R. M. Johnson	Arthur Chapple	9	6	1	0	1	47.00	4	51
Holman	John Reel	Rubie Mathews	0	0	0	0			1	50
Mt. Home	John Reel	Jess Looper	0	2	0	0		26.00	2	12