

MINUTES

of the

SIXTY SIXTH ANNUAL SESSION

of the

Antioch Association Of Free Will Baptists

HELD WITH HARMONY CHURCH

Pope County, Arkansas

September 5-6-7-8, 1957

Next Session Will Be Held With

UNION GROVE CHURCH, POPE COUNTY, ARKANSAS

Beginning On Thursday Night, Before The Second

Sunday In September, 1958

ELDER HENRY HILL Moderator
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MINUTES OF ANTIOCH ASSOCIATION

Sixty-sixth Annual Session Which Met In Regular Session

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THURSDAY NIGHT SESSION

Opened with singing led by Brother C. W. Craig and Lester Coffman.

Duet by Sister Joan Ewing and Ellen Fendley.

Opened by Moderator, Elder Ellis Warren.

United Prayer by all.

Song by Brother E. O. Wright

Elder Warren introduced.

Elder Bob Sanders, who requested prayer service, conducted by Elder Henry Hill.

A special song by Elder, and Sister Myra Hill.

Preaching by Elder Bob Sanders. Scripture lesson, Romans 12-5 and 1st Cor., 12-25-27. - Text, 1st Cor. 12-26., "If one member suffer we all suffer."

Dismissed by Elder J. Reford Wilson to meet at 9:30 a. m.

FRIDAY MORNING SESSION

Assembled with singing by Brother Dan Coffman, Sister Goldie Maxwell and Clytie Coffman.

Opened by Moderator, Elder Ellis Warren.

Scripture lesson 1st Cor. 2-1-5.

Prayer by Elder Lytle Hallum.

Letters from the Churches of the Antioch Association were called for and read, and messengers invited to seats.

UNION GROVE—Brother Bob Rackley, Sister Walsie Tackett, and Mary Ruth Wright.

HOT SPRINGS—Sister Delia Black, Joan Ewing, Ellen Fendley, and Brother Frank Hammond..

RUSSELLVILLE—Sister Bertha Buchanan, Goldie Maxwell, and Brother Lester Coffman.

HARMONY—Brother Dan Coffman, Lee Johnston, and Auston Singleton. Roma Jackson, Clerk.

Oak Grove No. 2—Brother Lee Johnston, Sister Zula and Martha Hice.

WELCOME HOME NO. 2—Brother Truman Coffman, Sister Evelyn Parrish, and Brother Eugene Bone.

ST. JOE—Sister Alice Johnson, Brother Bill Duvall.

SLATY CROSSING— Sister Lucy Geurian, and Oma Whitfield.

HOLMAN—Sister Lottie Sparks.

RED OAK—By Letter.

MT. HOME—Sister Ella Mae Jones, Brother James Jones, and E. O. Chronister.

WALNUT GROVE—Sister Lara Ferguson.

PINE RIDGE—Brother Ike Brewer, Sister Juanita Duvall, Hazel Standridge.

CHERRY HILL—Sister Grace Taylor.

HICKORY GROVE—Sister Melissa Robinson, Brother John Teel.

JERUSALEM—Sister Linnie Mae McCoy, Ola Mae Henderson, and Brother L. G. Henderson.

KENWOOD—Brother John Burris, Wayne Douthitt.

MAPLE SPRINGS—Sister Violet Williams, Lucy Bowden, and Bro. W. M. Bowden.

MORELAND—Brother E. L. Johnson, Cap Leavell, and O. J. Chronister.

MT. VERNON—Sister Louise Johnson.

SWEET HOME—Sister Lorene Compton, Brother Elmer and Sister Flora Polk.

DUBLIN—Sister Emma Wagner, Sister Tom Whitbey, Brother Chester Thompson and Floyd Johnson.

MORRILTON—Sister Willard Cooper, Johnnie Sue Chism, Edith Burks.

NEW LIBERTY—Sister Ola Blair, Sister Odus Baker, and Brother Arthur Dixon.

LITTLE ROCK—Sister Ethel Burroughs, Lily Heath, and Brother Cleven Prise.

PHOENIX—Brother Odus Burris.

SOUTH MOUNTAIN—

HECTOR—Sister Vada Kimbrell, Belle Langford,, and Sister Pearl Waterfield. Clytie Coffman, Clerk.

The right hand of Christian fellowship was extended:

HONORARY MEMBERS—Sister Mary Hopper and Sister Mary Coffman and Sister Mary Kinder.

VISITING MEMBERS: —Sister Tammey Romines, and Brother Wages.

The Moderator appointed a committee on Devine Service: Brother Bonner Tyler, Brother Eugene Bone, and Brother John Teel.

The committee reported Elder John B. Ewing to fill the stand at 11 oclock.

Intermission. Dismissed by Elder J. D. Kinder.

Assembled with singing led by Brother Roy McCuin and Brother Odus Burris.

Prayer by Elder John B. Ewing

Preaching by Elder Ewing.

Scripture Lesson, St. Matthew 14-28 and St. Mark 16-17,—Text "Lest Ye Have Forgotten".

Dismissed by Elder W. A. Crouch to meet at 1:30.

FRIDAY AFTERNOON SESSION

Assembled with singing led by Elder Joseph Hubbard and Sister Mary Ruth Wright.

Opened by Moderator, Elder Ellis Warren.

Prayer by Elder J. D. Coffman.

The Association further organized by electing the following officers. Elder Henry Hill Moderator, Elder John B. Ewing, Asst. Moderator, and Bro. E. O. Wright, Clerk-Treasurer, Sister Mary Ruth Wright, Asst. Clerk.

The Moderator appointed the following committees: On Obituary—Sister Sylvia McCuin, Sister Prue Jones, Sister Bertha Buchanan. On Temperance—Elders J. D. Coffman W. S. Isbell and Loy Smith. On

Finance—Brother E. O. Wright, Elder Rayburn Teague and Bro. Bob Rackley. On Sabbath School—Sisters Delia Black, Lucy Bowden and Brother Monroe Davis. On Resolutions—Elders —. Reford Wilson, A-vaugh Vaughn, J. D. Kinder: Non Rep.-and Union of Churches—Elders Bobby Joe Chronister, T. J. Robertson, and Sister Clytie Coffman.

Reading of Rules of Order by Clerk.

Motion made and carried to dismiss the committees for 15 minutes

The ones remaining engaged in singing led by different leaders. A special by Sister Joan Ewing and Ellen Fendley.

Special by Elder and Mrs. Henry Hill.

Report of Resolution No. 1 read and adopted.

The Association elected Elder R. G. Webb to serve on the ordaining Council for 5 years, in place of Elder W. F. McGee, and Elder W. S. Isbell to serve 4 years in place of Elder Thomas Brashear.

The committee on Examination for ordination: Elders R. G. Webb, T. J. Robertson, J. D. Kinder, Ellis Warren, W. S. Isbell.

This council with the moderator and clerk to serve as executive committee.

The committee on Devine Service announced Brother D. L. Wright conduct devotional service, - Elder Bob Rackley to preach at night and Brother J. D. Kinder to conclude.

Dismissed by Brother Frank Hammond to meet at 9 o'clock.

FRIDAY NIGHT SESSION

Assembled with singing directed by different leaders at which a good song service was enjoyed.

Prayer by Elder Bobby Joe Chronister and Elder Rayburn Teague.
Song - "Amazing Grace."

Devotional by Brother D. L. Wright.

Prayer by Brother Bonner Tyler and Brother Joe Stevenson.

Preaching by Brother Bob Rackley — Scripture lesson, St. John 3-1-

8. Text—"Ye Must Be Born Again."

Concluded by Elder J. D. Kinder.

Dismissed by Brother Maddox.

SATURDAY MORNING SESSION

Assembled with singing led by Clerk, Brother E. O. Wright, and Brother Lester Coffman.

Opened by Moderator, Elder Henry Hill, by reading the Scripture Lesson, St. Matthew 5-3-12.

Prayer by Elder T. J. Robertson.

Called for tardy letters.

Motion made and carried to select a committee of three to correct the errors in the Article of Faith.

Elder J. D. Coffman, Elder J. Reford Wilson and Elder W. S. Isbell were selected to make the corrections.

Report of Sabbath School Committee accepted.

Songs by Sister Clytie Coffman, Elder Joseph Hubbard, Elder Henry Hill, Brother Lester Coffman, Brother Wayne Douthitt, and Elder W. S. Isbell.

Recess of 15 minutes.

Assembled with singing.

The Obituary Committee reported: We find the following Brothers and Sisters have departed this life since our last Association.

Russellville Church—Brother H. D. Keeton.

Jerusalem Church—Brother Dave Barnes, and Brother Bryan McCoy.

Walnut Grove Church—Brother Edd Bush, Sister Della Coffman.

Hickory Grove—Sister G. L. McAlroy.

Oak Grove Church—Elder T. V. Johnson and Sister Hazel Nordin.

Maple Springs Church—Brother W. H. Heflin.

New Liberty Church—Sister Tennie Blair.

Holman Church—Sister Erie Crotts.

St. Joe Church—Sister Mary Reynolds and Sister Velma Gray.

Cherry Hill Church—Sister Octonia Horton.

Mountain Home Church—Brother Steve Smith.

Brother E. O. Wright assisted the committee.

Elder A. J. Latham spoke in memory of Brother W. H. Heflin.

Elder Thomas Brashear spoke in memory of Elder T. V. Johnson. Sister Tennie Blair, Sister Mary Reynolds, Brother Dave Barnes, Bro. Bryan McCoy, Sister Velma Gray.

Elder Lytle Hallum spoke in memory of Brother Edd Bush.

Elder W. S. Isbeli spoke in memory of Sister Della Coffman, Sister G. L. McAlroy and Brother H. D. Keeton.

Elder C. U. Kinder spoke in memory of Sister Erie Crotts.

Elder Coy Douthitt spoke in memory of Sister Octonia Horton.

Elder R. G. Webb spoke in memory of Sister Hazel Nordin.

Elder J. D. Kinder spoke in memory of Brother Steve Smith.

Elder W. F. McGee spoke in memory of Brother Jack Cobb of Old Pine Hill Church. Songs "Precious Memories", "Everybody Will Be Happy", "We're Floating Down The Stream". Handshake. Dismissed by Elder W. F. McGee.

SATURDAY AFTERNOON SESSION

Assembled with singing led by Brother Gus Isom.

Opened by Moderator, Elder Henry Hill. Scripture Lesson: St. John 3-1-5.

Prayer by Elder J. Reford Wilson.

Song led by Brother Monroe Davis. The Moderator declared the Association open for business.

Report of Committees read and rec.

Resolution—

Temperance—

Non-Rep. and Union of Churches—

Finance—

The Moderator declared nominations in order for home for next Association and Union Grove was selected to meet in September, 1958, and Brother Bob Rackley to preach the introductory sermon and Elder Joseph Hubbard alternate.

Appointment of State Delegates: Sister Dessie Robertson, Brother C. W. Craig, Sister Sylvia McCuin, Sister Prue Jones, and Sister Bertha Buchanan.

Alternates were: Brother Lester Coffman, Sister Vina Tyler, Sister Gertie Crow, Sister Pearl Harris, Sister Nona Kinder.

The committee on Devine Service announced Elder Rayburn Teague to conduct devotional services, and Elder J. Reford Wilson to preach at night.

Motion made and carried to adjourn to meet with Union Grove Church in September, 1958.

Dismissed by Elder J. D. Kinder.

Elder J. D. Kinder graced the table at noon Saturday. Elder John B. Ewing graced the table at the Friday evening meal.

Elder J. D. Cofman graced the table at noon Saturday. Elder Joseph Hubbard at the Saturday evening meal.

SATURDAY NIGHT SESSION

Assembled with singing led by different leaders.

Prayer by Elder T. J. Robertson and Elder Robert Ashmore.

Devotional conducted by Rev. Rayburn Teague. "Song, "O How I Love Jesus".

Prayer by Elder J. Reford Wilson. Scripture Lesson, St. Matthew 27. Text: "What Do You Value Christ."

Prayer by Elder Wilson.

Song: "Prepare To Meet Thy God".

Resolution of thanks.

In everything, give thanks, for this is the will of God, in Christ Jesus concerning you." We do offer our thanks to the Harmony Free Will Baptist Church and the people of it's community for providing the facilities of their church for the Association, for the wonderful meals served and for the real fellowship of Christian Worship.

We pray God's blessings on this church and recommend that this body express their thanks by a standing vote.

Dismissed by Elder Bob Sanders.

SUNDAY MORNING SESSION

Assembled after Sunday School with singing led by Brother E. O. Wright.

Duet by Judy Vaughn and Margaret Linton.

Song led by Brothner C. W. Craig.

Opened by Clerk, Brother E.O. . Wright.

Preaching by Elder W. S. Isbell. Scripture Lesson: Exodus, 20th Chapter. Text: "God's Word Never Changes."

Dismissed by Brother B. F. Davis.

—Elder Henry Hill, Moderator.

—Bro. E. O. Wright, Clerk and Treas.

REPORT OF COMMITTEES

SABBATH SCHOOLS

We the committee on Sabbath Schools find all churches now having Sunday Schools. We urge each church member to put forth a greater effort to support Sunday School.

Committee.

Resolution No. 1

Be it resolved that article No. 14 be amended to read as follows:

This Association shall maintain a committee of at least five to be

elected by the body, which shall serve as the examining council for ordination of ministers.

These to be ordained must (1) convince his church and said council of his sincerity and ability, (2) his service must be in demand for official work such as pastor or baptismal rites, (3) lack of endorsement by either his church or council would prevent his ordination, (4) no one can serve on the council unless he fully believes in this plan of work, (5) this committee shall report to the body while in session, the misconduct or disregard or any rule or ordinance set forth or practiced by the Antioch Association and said party shall be dealt with accordingly.
committee.

Non-Rep. and Union of Churches

We your committee find that all are represented in the Association and are working in unity except:
Welcome Home No. 1

committee.

Temperance

We your committee on temperance make the following report: Temperance has always been a challenge to Christian living. As to alcohol it means complete abstinence in any form. We feel it is not the Skid-Row people that are leading young people into drink, but the so-called modern drinkers. And since medical science has warned that a large percent of throat and lung cancer is caused from cigarette smoking, we urge all christians to take heed to said report.

committee.

We, the committee, elected to correct the errors in the Article of Faith, do request that we be given more time to do this work. We propose, however, to complete this work that it may be printed in this years minutes.

committee.

Finance

We, your Committee on Finance, have collected from the different churches, for Antioch Minutes, \$94.50; for State Funds, \$66.00; for use of memograph machine, \$12.50; for a total of \$173.00.

committee.

Report of Treasurer

We received \$184.20. Paid out to State Funds. \$78.50 for printing of Antioch minutes; \$77.60. \$4.50 for letter forms. \$6.00 postage. For Clerk fee \$10.00. Total paid out \$176.60. Balance of \$7 60.

Brother E. O. Wright, Treasurer.

CHURCH COVENANT

Having given ourselves to God by faith in Christ and adopted the word of God as our rule of Faith and Practice, we now give ourselves to one another by the will of God in this Solemn Covenant.

1. We promise by His graces to love and obey Him in all things, to avoid the appearance of evil, to abstain from all sinful amusement and unholy conformity to the world, from all sanctions of the use and sale of intoxicating beverages, and to provide things honest in the sight of all men.

2. We agree faithfully to discharge our obligation in reference to the study of the scriptures, secret prayer devotion and religious wor-

ship and by self denial, faith and good works endeavor to grow in grace and knowledge of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ.

3. We will not forget the assembling of ourselves together for Church Conference, public worship, and the observance of the Gospel, nor fail to pay according to our ability for the support of the Church, of its poor and its benevolent work.

4. We agree to accept Christian admonitions and reproof with meekness and to watch over one another in love, endeavoring to keep the unity of the Spirit in the bonds of peace, to be careful of one another's happiness and reputation, and seek to strengthen the weak, encourage the afflicted, admonish the erring, and as far as we are able, promote the success of the Church and of the Gospel.

5. We will everywhere hold Christian principals sacred and Christian obligations and enterprise supreme, counting it our chief business in life to extend the influence of Christ in society, constantly praying and telling that God's will may be done in us as in Heaven.

6. To this end we agree to labor for the promotion of educational and denominational enterprise, the support of missions, the success of Sunday School and evangelistic efforts for the salvation of the world, and may the God of peace sanctify us wholly, and preserve us blameless unto the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ.

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, their wives and church clerks of our faith and order in the bounds of the Antioch Association shall be members, when present. In the event of the failure of part or all of the elected delegation to report by 1:30 p.m. Saturday that said vacancy be filled, providing some official or delegate from said church recommend others for said vacancies.

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, amount paid the 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, Logan, Conway, Perry, Searcy, and Pulaski counties, the Association to have no power to lord it over God's heritage, nor to have any ecclesiastical power over churches, reserving the right of withdrawing from any church acting disorderly.

4. The Association shall have a moderator, assistant moderator, clerk, and assistant 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 the 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 made 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 we pay our Clerk \$10.00 for his services, and urge that the Minutes be printed and mailed within 60 days after the Association, and that we urge each minister furnish a written report of his year's work, and especially those having care of churches.

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 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 takes 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 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 said 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. This Association shall maintain a committee of five, to be elected by the body, which shall be known as the Examining Council for Ordination.

Those who are to be ordained must—

(1) Have preached for at least one year in the bounds of this Association.

(2) Must be set apart, and have the endorsement for ordination by the church of which they are a member.

(3) Must have the endorsement of the ordaining council, or a majority vote of a legally called meeting of the council.

(4) Lack of endorsement by either of the above authorities will hold up any ordination.

(5) No one can serve on the committee unless he fully believes in this plan of this work.

(6) This committee shall report to this body, while in session, the misconduct or disregard of any rule, ordinance, set forth and practiced by the Antioch Association, and said party shall be dealt with accordingly.

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

ARTICLES OF FAITH

1. **GOD**—We believe in one true and living Triune God; composed of the Father, Son and Holy Spirit, equal in divine essence, Purpose, Power and Glory. St. John 1:1; 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 (accepted) 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 again to gather His jewels home. Isaiah 9:6; St. John 1:14; Luke 1:26-28; Math. 14:13-21; Mark 16:9-19; Luke 24:50-53; Acts 1:9-12; Mark 15:22-41.

3. **HOLY SPIRIT**—We believe that the Holy Spirit visited true believers in all ages and especially since the ascension of the Son back to the Father, and His 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; Eph. 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 Tim. 3:14-17; Daniel 10:21; Acts 1:16-17; Matt. 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 and 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 with all their posterity, 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; 3:15; 2:16,17; Rom. 11:11-35; Psalms 37:24; Rom. 5:18.

6. **REDEMPTION, SALVATION, ADOPTION** — We believe that Jesus Christ by His birth, death, burial, and resurrection, and ascension, paid the purchase price of the 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 into the glorified Kingdom above. Heb. 9:12; Gal. 3:13; 4:4-6; Titus 2:14; 1:4; St. John 3:16; Isa. 45:22.

7. **CONDITION 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 an ordeal of regeneration, are washed in the blood of the lamb and are planted in the Kingdom of Christ, John 3rd chapter; Matt. 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 whomsoever will may come and be saved upon the terms of the gospel. I Peter: 9-13, 25; 2-9-24; Rev. 22:17.

9. **BAPTISM**—We believe that Christian baptism is the immersion of believers in water, in the name of the Father, the Son and 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. Matt. 3:14-15-16; I Peter 3:21; St. John 3:23; Acts 10:47; Matt. 28:19.

10. COMMUNION AND FEET 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 by our Lord 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; Matt. 26:26-29.

11. THE SABBATH—We believe that the Christian Sabbath (Lord's Day) should be observed as day of rest for worship of God; we should abstain from all sinful amusements and secular employments, works of mercy and piety (excepted). Exodus 20:11; Exodus 31:12-18; Deut. 5:12-15; Ezek. 20:12; Matt. 28:1; Luke 23:56; Acts 13:42-48; Mark 2:27. 1st Cor. 16:1-2; Rev. 1-10.

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 become irresistible with personal contentment; that when they yield to the call and exercise their native gifts according to the scriptures 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; Matt. 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 able to the restitution of all things, from every kindred, nation, tongue and people. Ephes. 3:16-21; Heb. 12:22-23; I Peter 2:5; Ephes. 2:20-22; Acts 2:47; Matt. 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 16:5; 3rd John 1:10; Matt. 18-17; Acts 20-28; 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 of 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. Second Cor. 9:10; Second Peter 1:4-8; I Peter 2:2; Rom. 8:35-39; Apostasy; Second Peter 1:8-9; First Cor. 10:1-31; Heb. 12:15-17; First John 5:16; Heb. 6:16; First Tim. 4:1-2; Heb. 3:12; St. John 15:1-7; Matt. 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; Matt. 16:18; Heb. 12:23; Matt. 21:42; Ephes. 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. The Christian can and should abide in this state to the end of life, constantly growing in the grace

vote taken separately.

5. Motion 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 the Association arrangements shall be made, so as to insure two sermons, or other devotional exercises which shall be equivalent thereto; and the chair shall 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, in his absence, the Assistant Moderator, or 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 of Rules of Order and minutes of last Association by the chair or clerk.

9. Appointment of the following committees: (a) Resolution; (b) Finance; (c) Divine Service; (d) Temperance; (e) Sabbath Schools; (f) Obituary. (g) Non-represented and Union of Churches.

10. Report of Committees appointed at last Association and other unfinished business.

11. Report of new committees.

12. New business.

Churches	Moderator Last Year	Moderator This Year	Clerk and Post Office	Received	Dismissed	Excluded	Died	Resident Members	Non-Resident	Prayer Meeting	S. S. Attendance	No. Officers	Leagues	Minute Fund	Paid Pastors	Paid other Ministers	Value of The Church Property	Days of Meeting	Membership
Union Grove	Henry Hill	Henry Hill	Thelma English, Arkins, Rt. 2	14	6			83	72	yes	83	9	yes	\$8.00	\$2,140.00	\$110.00	\$5,000.00	FT	155
Hot Springs	John B. Ewing	John B. Ewing	Bill Johnson, Hot Springs Ark.	46				136	15	yes	60	7	yes	8.00	1,975.77	150.00	15,000.00	FT	153
Russellville	Tom Day	J. Reford Wilson	Mrs. Bob Trusty, 312 E. 'H', Russ.	2	14	1		100	43	yes	80	13	yes	5.50	2,885.00	560.00	15,000.00	FT	143
Harmony	Thomas Brashear	J. D. Kinder	Billy Sue Loveless, Russellville	13	1					yes	140	9	yes	8.00	2,725.00	245.00	9,000.00	FT	127
Oak Grove No. 2	Ellis Warren	Ellis Warren	Mary Johnston, Russellville Rt. 4				1	25	89		40	8		6.50	177.45	125.00	4,000.00	1-3	144
Welcome Home No. 2	J. D. Kinder	W. E. Coffman	Evelyn Parrish, Hector Rt. 1	1	2			63	49	yes	70	8	yes	8.00	325.00	127.00	4,500.00	1-3	112
St. Joe	Rayburn Teague	Rayburn Teague	Monroe Davis, Atkins			1	1	40	71		25	7		6.00	192.00	71.00	5,000.00	1-3	111
Slaty Crossing	T. J. Robertson	Lytle Hallum	Estie Robinson, Dardanelle Rt. 1			4		65	34	yes	60	6		5.50	377.00	127.35	4,000.00	2-4	109
Holman	Bobby J. Chronister	Robert Ashmore	Mary Pitts, Lamar, Rt. 1	11	7	1	1	33	73		54	4	yes		236.25		5,500.00	1-3	105
Red Oak	Paul Jones	John M. Crouch		9	1			88	13		50	8			223.21	156.94	5,000.44	2-4	101
Mt. Home	J. D. Kinder	T. J. Robertson	Willie Hutchins, Hagarsville	1		1	1	54	38	yes	58	9		8.00	315.00		7,000.00	2-4	92
Walnut Grove	H. L. Burris	C. U. Kinder	Mrs. Nola Coffman, Hector			1	2	12	68		24	7	yes	6.50	96.00		3,500.00	2	80
Pine Ridge	Rayburn Teague	Rayburn Teague	Clara Standridge, Atkins Rt. 1	2				30	30		35	5		5.00	176.00	40.00	2,500.00	2-4	60
Cherry Hill	Coy Douthitt	Coy Douthitt	Mrs. Dollie Brown, Perryville, Rt. 1	3			1	14	45		55	7		5.50	272.43			2-4	59
Hickory Grove	R. G. Webb	Lytle Hallum	Syble Hubbard, Morrilton			3	1	31	23		35	5	yes	5.00	480.00	54.55	4,000.00	1-3	54
Jerusalem	R. G. Webb	Loy Smith	Oma Clariday, Jerusalem	1			2	54		yes	52	6			222.45	93.00	3,000.00	2-4	54
Kenwood	W. E. Coffman	Everett G. Farnum	Virginia Virden, Atkins	1				39	10	yes	37	5		5.50		132.44	3,000.00	FT	49
Maple Springs	A. J. Latham	Bob Sanders	Lois Gideon, Russellville, Rt. 2	2			1	25	22		32	6		5.50	201.35	60.00	1,000.00	2-4	47
Moreland	Bobby J. Chronister	Bobby J. Chronister	Cassie H. Duvall, Russellville, Rt. 4		1			33	14		45	7		6.00	558.85	100.00	3,000.00	FT	47
Mt. Vernon	W. E. Coffman	W. E. Coffman	Sybil Chronister, Russellville Rt. 4					36	10		20	5	yes		119.10	25.00	1,650.00	2-4	46
Sweet Home	W. E. Coffman	C. U. Kinder	Evelyn Singleton, Morrilton					28	16		25	5		5.50	175.95	42.50	2,000.00	1-3	44
Dublin	P. C. Denton	P. C. Denton	Charley Compton, Atkins Rt. 3	8	3									6.00	100.00	210.00	3,500.00	1-3	36
Morrilton	R. G. Webb	R. G. Webb	Ewell Henderson, Scranton	21				34	2	yes	40	5		5.00	499.50	140.00	5,500.00	FT	36
New Liberty	Lytle Hallum	Robert Ashmore	Prue Jones, New Blaine		2		1	25	10		20	6		6.00	210.37	61.87		2-4	35
Little Rock	Everett Farnum	Seberan L. Corder	Dovie Barnes, N. Little Rock, Bx. 38	7							40			6.00	336.31	81.81	10,000.00		