

**Minutes of the Annual  
Bethel Conference  
of North Carolina**



**1838**



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Conference in 1838 was held with the church at Grimsley's, Greene county, N. C., on the 8th, 9th, 10th and 11th of November. Eld. Dickerson Dail preached the Introductory Sermon—Text: 1 Cor. 1:10. Conference was then organized, and Eld. Jesse Heath was chosen Moderator; Eld. Jacob Utley, Asst. Moderator; Bro. Winsor Dixon, Clerk; Bros. John H. Dixon and James Albritten be a committee on Finance; Elders Jacob Utley, James Moore and Dickerson Dail be a committee of Arrangements.

On motion, the church letters were handed in and read.

On motion, Eld. Jacob Utley visit the South Carolina churches and brethren this year.

On motion, of Eld. Bond, the Constitution of the Annual Conference be read.

On motion, a petition from the church at Imitation, for the ordination of Bro. Jordan Cox be considered.

Agreed, that Elders Jesse Heath, R. Bond and John Powell be appointed to attend to the ordination of Bro. Cox.

On motion of Elder R. Bond, agreed that the names of the ministers be called, and inquiry made of their religious character during the past year, and upon examination, it was ordered that Elder Jas. Moore's name be erased from the minutes, for intoxication.

Ordered, that Elder Jesse Vause be cited to attend the next Annual Conference.

Ordered. that the name of Elder John Rasberry be discontinued in the minutes, he having removed from the State.

Ordered, that the names of Elder Brinson Hollace and Bro. Everet Davis be discontinued, on account of their removal from the State.

Ordered, that the name of Bro. Samuel Madlin be discontinued in the minutes on account of his death.

Ordered, that the name of Elder Daniel Cox be discontinued for disorderly conduct.

Ordered. that Elder Jeremiah Rowe be cited to attend the next Annual Conference.

On motion, inquiry be made about the ordination of Bro. Wm. Brown.

Agreed that the ordination he had received be valid, and that his name be enrolled on the minutes.

On motion, of Elder Lewis Williams, resolved, that the Conference take into consideration the subject of the spread of the Gospel.

Voted to adjourn to time and place of next Conference.



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