Minutes

of the

Hopewell No. 2 Association

of

Free Will Baptists

1964

32nd ANNUAL SESSION

Convened At Camp Grounds-Pruitt City, Okla.
Aug. 13, 14, 15, 1964

OFFICERS

Moderator	Rev. A. L. McAffrey
Assistant Mod.	Rev. Ward Fellabaum
Clerk	Juhree McClain
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The next Session of the Hopewell No. 2 Association will be held at the Camp Grounds, Thursday night, Aug. 12, 13, and 14, 1965.

— OFFICERS —

Moderator1302 W. 13th, Sulphur	Rev. A. L. McAffrey
Assistant Mod Box 63, Ratliff City	Rev. Ward Fellabaum
Clerk	Juhree McClain
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Asst. Clerk Rt. 3, Duncan	Rev. Beryl Blair
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Asst. Treasure	Rev. Dale Fletcher
Parliamentarian 501 15th N. W.	Rev. Jerry Rhoades
Asst. Parliamentarian 219 S. 6th, Healdton	Rev. Doyle Cox
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— DISTRICT OFFICERS	
Executive Board	•
Marlin Bivins	5 years
Beryl Blair	
C. C. Higgins	
Terrel Holland	2 years
Mike McCumber	1 year
Credentials Board	-
Doyle Cox	3 years
Lee Arthur Yandell	2 years
A. L. McAffrey	
Camp Ground Board	
Troy Lewellen	3 years
C. C. Higgins	2 years
W. A. Dehart	1 year
Mission Board	• * * * * * * * * * * * * * * * * * * *
Jerry Rhoades	· ·
Gayle Gardner	
Doyle Cox	1 year

— PROCEEDINGS —

The 32nd Annual session of the Hopewell No. 2 Association of Free Will Baptist when convened at the camp ground, beginning Thursday night, Aug. 13, 1964 through the 15th.

Services were declared in session by Moderator, Jerry Rhoades. Opened by singing, Prayer by Bro. Jake Hicks. Devotion brought by Rev. T. D. Holland. Prayer by Rev. Gayle Gardner. Message brought by Rev. Doyle Cox, using I Samuel 9:2. Dismissed by Bro. Hattenstine.

FRIDAY MORNING, AUG. 13, 1964: Services called to order with singing led by A. L. McAffrey, Acc. by Sis. Sandra Davenport. Devotion by Rev. Jake Hicks-Eph. 2:12, Prayer by Rev. Hicks.

Letters called for and delegates seated with a fellowship handshake. Eleven Churches were represented.

Officers were elected (see page 1). The Chair appointed all committees for this session. PULPIT COM. Sis. Bert Williamson, Bro. P. B. Truitt, and Bro. Keith Day. RESOLUTION COM. Bros. Doyle Cox, C. C. Higgins, and Jake Hicks. SUNDAY SCHOOL: Sis. Doris Deatherage, Vada Fletcher, and Jewel Chaudoin. EDUCATION: Bro. Jerry Rhoades, Sis. Laura Smith, and Sis. Myrtle Norton. OBITUARY: Bro. Marlin Bivins, Sis. Margie Carrell, and Margaret Jones. TEMPERANCE: Sis. Alice Spirgin, Mildred Morgan and Nora Winters.

Motion carried to postpone election of a camp director until the afternoon session.

Motion carried to adjourn until afternoon session.

Bro. Jake Hicks was selected to preach the 11 o'clock servic. Dismissed by Bro. Keith Day.

Eleven O'Clock service opened by singing led by Bro. Marlin Bivens, Acc. by Sis. Sandra Davenport (When We All Get To Heaven, I'll Live on). Prayer by Sis. Nora Winters. Special singing (Glory Land Way) By Bros. Bivens, Cox, McAffrey and Rhoades.

Message brought using Heb. 3:2.

FRIDAY, AUG. 15th Afternoon session—Opened by singing (I Must Tell Jesus* led by Bro. Divins, Acc. by Sandra Davenport. Devotion and Prayer by Bro. Blair.

Motion carried to table replacement of Bro. Wilson on The Executive Board.

Motion carried to disband League Board.

Motion carried to elect aboard of 3 men for 1 year to acquaint Hopewell No. 2 with C. T. S.

Bros. Jerry Rhoades, Doyle Cox, and A. L. McAffrey were elected.

Motion carried that we set date for Youth Camp before electing a Director.

Motion carried Youth Camp start Sunday (June 27 to July 3, 1965). Bro. and Sis. Blair was elected for Camp Directors.

Motion carried that Bro. and Sis. Blair have the privilege of selecting teachers, sponsors and cook. They must be approved by the body.

Motion carried the Youth have privilege of selecting their Evangelist, for 1965 session.

Motion carried that above motion be ammended (their selection must be approved by Executive Board).

Motion carried the Mission Board be given power to buy property at Davis, Okla., for the purpose of establishing a mission.

Motion carried that 25% of Coop. that is retained in this association go to missions, taking 25% of the 35% that goes into General fund.

Services turned to Bro. Payne for a talk about O.B.C. \$29.59 was received.

Motion carried we recess until 9:30 A. M., Sat., Aug. 15th FRIDAY NIGHT SESSION, AUG. 14, 1964.

Services opened by Moderator Bro. A. L. McAffrey. Singing led by Bro. Marlin Bivins, Acc. Fredda McClain at the piano. Songs sung (I Am Thine Oh Lord, Take The Name of Jesus With You and I'll Be Satisfied). Prayer By Bro. Ingram. Special Song by Bro. and Sis. Gardner (Wasted Years) Testimony service led by Bro. Ingram. A small number was present, but a wonderful spirit was felt by all. We had Old time Shouting in the congregation. Special song by Sis. Higgins Acc. by Mary Rhynehart. (When I Get To The End of the Way.) Message brought by Bro. Ward Fellabaum. Prayer by Bro. Marlin Bivins. Text Gen. 9-12-Gen 17:1- "Our Covenant Relationship with God" Dismissed by Bro. Ralph Mullins.

Saturday morning, Aug. 15, 1964—Session open with singing led by Bro. Rhoades, Acc. by Sis. Mary Rhynhart, singing "The Unclouded Day". Devotion by Bro. Allen Wood from James 1 Prayer Bro. Wood.

Letter was read from Wilson and delegates were Seated.

Report given by Bro. Rhoades on the division of the Hopewell No. 2 Association.

Motion carried that Hopewell No. 2 be divided for quarterly meetings.

Motion carried that the Committee that was appointed at Sulphur be instructed to bring recommendation concerning the division of Hopewell No. 2 quarterly meetings, as the first item of business in the afternoon session.

Motion carried to recess until 1:00, for business.

Eleven O'Clock Service-Singing led by Bro. Gayle Gardner Acc. by Sis. Sandra Davenport, singing "Glory Land Away, When We All Get To Heaven, I'll Live On." Special song by Bro. Rhoades, Cox, and Woods. Acc. by Sis. Sandra Davenport. Bro. A. L. McAffrey brought the Memorial Service. Scripture used, Matthew 26:13 Act. 20:17.

SATURDAY AFTERNOON, AUG. 15, 1964—Session opened by singing led by Sis. Reed, Acc. by Mary Rhynehart. Song "Won't it be Wonderful There." Devotion by Bro. John Woods. Psalms 23 Prayer by Bro. Hattenstine. Service turned to Bro. N. R. Smith for a talk.

Motion carried we accept the recommendations of the board on Hopewell No. 2 division of quarterly meetings. (see reports).

SUNDAY SCHOOL REPORT—read and accepted (see report).

EDUCATIONAL REPORT—read and accepted (see report).

TEMPERANCE (No Report).

OBITUARY REPORT—read and approved (see report).

Ladies Auxiliary report submitted (see report).

RESOLUTION—report given (see report).

Motion carried to table resolution No. 2 until the treasure report is read.

Motion carried to except treasury report.

Motion carried to except Camp Ground treasury report.

Motion carried that we have an Associational Revival, when we start our Association Revival, Monday through Friday, Aug. 9th-13th, 1965.

Motion carried that high vote be the preacher to hold revival, closest runner up be alternate. Bro. Lynn Wood of Ada was elected, Bro. A. L. McAffrey, Alt.

Motion carried Bro. Allen Wood will preach memorial service 1965.

Motion carried Bro. Holland preach the Northern opening service at Duncan in November 13-14: Quarterly Meet.

Motion carried Bro. Burton Perry be the opening speaker of the Southern part of Quarterly Meeting, at Healdton in November 20-21.

Motion carried a summery report of quarterly meetings be in the annual minutes.

Motion carried the date of the yearly association begin Aug. 12, 1965. Revival will begin Aug. 9, 1965.

Motion carried we receive state delegates as given by churches adding any that is necessary verbly. J. L. Stubblefield-Lone Grove; Joan Holland, Comanche; Shirley Gardner, Clemscot; Daymond Kirk, Marietta; Velma McAffrey, Sulphur; Patsy Blair, Santa Fe; Floretta Rhoades, Ardmore; Sue Miller, Stobtown; Floy Reed, Duncan; Jewel Chadeouien, Countyline; Velma Cox, Healdton; Nell Dennington, Wilson.

Dismissed by singing "Amazing Grace".

REPORTS

CREDENTIAL BOARD—Bro. Jake Hicks was examined and accepted into our fellowship. (2) Bro. Dale Fletcher was accepted and licensed to preach the gospel for 1 year. (3) Bro. Jones was examined and found sound in doctrin of Free Will Baptist, but he desires to study tithing for another year and be examined again.

SUNDAY SCHOOL BOARD—Recommends the churches invite some of the O. B. C. college students to visit the Sunday School's to give illustrations on teaching methods.

OBITUARY REPORT—We are sorry to report that the following has departed this life; Bro. Johnny Justice, Ardmore; Bro. Jack Fletcher, Ardmore; Sis. Ernie Williams, Clemscot; Bro. W. A. Brooks, Duncan; Bro. Nila Jennings, Duncan; Bro. Kelly Whitehead, Healdton; Sis. Esta Bollen, Sulphur; Sis. Alice West, Sulphur; Bro. J. O. Louther, Sulphur; Bro. Stubblefield, Lone Grove. Our Loss is Heavens gain, may we meet them to rejoice in Heaven together.

EDUCATION Report—(1) We recommend each church be involved in at least one State Sponsored Institute. (2) The Church doctrine be taught by qualified teachers in each church at least once each month. (3) That Association sponsor a training course in Free Will Baptist History.

RECOMMENDATION No 1 We recommend that Hopewell No. 2 association be divided as follows:

Northern District	Southern District
Sulphur	Ardmore First
Countyline	Marietta
Clemscot	Marietta
Sante Fe	Stobtown
Comanche	Lone Grove
Duncan	Wilson
Lawton	Healdton

This division in accordance with recommendations that churches nearest highway No. 7 be organized into one quarterly meeting and churches nearest highway No. 70 be organized into one quarterly meeting. (2) Northern District meet with Duncan Church, Nov. 13, 1964. Southern Dist. meet with Healdton, Nov. 20th for purposes of organization. (3) Quarterly meetings each elect Moderator, Asst. Mod., Clerk, Asst. Clerk, and Parliamentarian. All to be subject to assist and not in conflict with Associational officers.

RESOLUTIONS: (1) Be it resolved that we give the ladies of Healdton church a standing vote of thanks for the fine food they served. (2) Be it resolved, that each church member of Hopewell Association No. 2 contribute \$1.00 per month, if at all possible for the improvement of the camp ground.

WOMAN'S AUXILIARY—The Woman's Auxiliary of Hopewell No. 2 met at the Sulphur Church for their annual meeting. Sis. Floretta Rhoades, Vice-President, presided.

The morning message was brought by Bro. A. L. McAffrey using I Timothy 4:1 & 12 and and I Peter 5:2 for his text. Officers were elected for the following year: Pres. Floretta Rhoades, 501 15th N. W. Ardmore; Vice-Pres., Osie Higgins, 14—N. 18th. Sulphur; Stewardship & prayer Chairman: Laura Smith, Millcreek; Study Course Chairman: Sue Perry, 608 N. Drive, Ardmore; Personal Service: Odessa Walden, 300 Elm, Duncan; Treasurer: Margorie Carroll, Rt. 3, Duncan; Assistant Treasurer: Gertie Long Duncan; Recording Secretary: Velma Cox, Healdton; 319 S. 6th, Corresponding Sec., Doris Deatherage, 104 N. W. 2nd, Marietta Program Chairman: Laura Smith, Mill Creek Youth Chairman: Velda McCumber, 909 10th N. W., Ardmore. Present Enrollment 59, No. Churches reporting 5 Avg. Att. 40 Youth Org. 9 Study Courses Held 15, Youth Enrollment 72, No. Daily Bible readers 15, No. Family Altars 12, No. Weeks of Prayer held 10.

LEAGUE—Duncan, July 19, 1964—Services were opened with singing led by Bro. Yandell with Weldon Cooksey at the piano. Devotion was given by Alvis McAffrey, Ecc. 12:1 Claudius Mullens led us in prayer. Welcome was given by Weldon Cooksey. Glenda Mullins gave the Responce.

Business meeting was called to order by Alvis McAffery. Officers for the next year were elected, Pres. Alvis McAffery, Vice Pres. Sandra Davenport, Recording Sec. Sue Mullins, Asst. Rec. Mary Fellabaum, Corresponding Sec. Francine Stanley, Asst. Corr. Sec. Romona Williams, Treasurer Clarenda Lemmings, Asst. Treas. Fredda McClain, Pianoist, Nora Vanoy, Asst. Pianist Marsha Brick, Song Leader, Weldon Cooksey, Asst. Song Leader, Tana Wilson, ushers: Gary Stout and Glendel Johnson; Asst. ushers: James Fellabaum and John Pollard. The body voted to wait till afternoon services to elect our General Sponsors. Parlimentarian; Ralph Mullins. The theme committee was then chosen.

Motion carried the Hopewell No. 2 association league body accept C. T. S. (Church Training Service) as their name. We were dismissed until 10:55. Prayer by Bro. Ralph Mullins.

Worship service opened by singing "Rescue the Perishing" Led by Weldon Cooksey. Prayer by Bro. Rose. There was more singing. Message by Bro. L. T. Woodall brought a wonderful message. Dismissed by Bro. Claudius Mullins. Afternoon was mostly business. Clemscot asked for the next C. T. S. Rally. Richard Tate was chosen for our next speaker. Our theme for our next rally will be "O ye of Little Faith". Bro. and Sis. L. T. Woodall were elected General Sponsors. Dismissed by Bro. Woodall.

MINUTES OF THE QUARTERLY MEETINGS

The first quarterly meeting when convened with the Healdton Church, met on Friday night, Nov. 22, 1963. Message was brought by Bro. Merle Wilson from Luke 24:44. Dismissed by Bro. Howell. Saturday morning services opened with 11 churches present. Credential Board examined and found Bro. Watson sound in Doctrin and recommended he be ordained.

Motion carried that clerk send card stating time and date of the Free Will Baptist School at Clemscot, held by Rev. Wade Jernigen.

Motion carried that Rev. Jernigen be paid \$100.00 for the teaching of the classes.

Motion carried that Insurance on Camp Ground be paid from General Treasurer. Eleven O'Clock service brought by Rev. Gayle Gardner. His text was Mathew 16:18. Dismissed by brother Watson. Mission Board Members named: Merle Wilson, Doyle Cox, and Terrel Holland. Motion carried that mission board duties be recorded with executive board.

Second quarterly meeting convened with the Sulphur church, Friday night speaker being Rev. Berle Blair using Heb. 4:12. Services dismissed by Bro. Higgins.

Saturday morning services opened, with 11 churches present.

Motion carried to accept Bro. Paul Clark resignation as Treasure, and send him a letter of recommendation because of his fine service. Bro. Allen Wood was elected to fill the vacancy. Bro. Mike McCumber as Alt.

Motion carried to receive the Marietta church into our association, and seat the delegates.

Bro. James Deathridge was elected to preach 11 O'clock services. Dismissed by Bro. Lewellon.

Morning message taken from Collissions 1:1, 6.

Motion made and second that Bro. James Deathridge be ordaine to the ministry, also that Bro. Allen Wood and Bro. Fred Hodge be ordained as Deacons. (carried)

Motion carried to have executive board audit the treasurer books before turning them to Bro. Allen Wood.

Dismissed by Bro. Troy Dobbs.

Special min. March 22, 1964. At the request of Sis. Ledbetter the active member of the Wilson Church. The Mod. Clerk, and Treasurer met for the purpose of Re-Activating. Present were Bro. Elmer Buck, Deacon from Ardmore: Rev. Burton Perry of Ardmore, Minister. Doors of the church were opened by Rev. Jerry Rhoades. Eight members were recevied. Noah Mitchel, Sis. Noah Mitchel, Violet Crafton, John C. Crafton, Rev. Edward Dennington, Sis. Edward Dennington, Vickie Dennington, and Debby Dennington. Officers are Sis. Ledbetter, Clerk, Sis. Violet Crafton Treasurer, Rev. Dennington Pastor.

Third quarterly meeting met at Ardmore, May 22, 1964. Rev. Dee Arthur Yandall preached opening service Gen. 11:1,9. Dismissed by Bro. Hattenstie.

Saturday Morning services opened with 11 churches represented. Rev. Allen Wood brought the message from I Peter 2:20,25.

Saturday afternoon services opened by Bro. Dillard leading singing.

Motion carried Rev. Gayle Gardner replace Rev. Wilson and 3 year man on Mission board 1.

Credential board examined and recommended Rev. Dennington into our association.

Motion made and sec. we adjurn (carried). Dismissed by Rev. Gayle Gardner.

MINISTERS DIRECTORY

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W. W. Fellabaum, Box 63, Ratliff City					
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Jake Hicks, Lone Grove	OL 7-4350				
J. H. Hill, 1116 E. End, Sulphur					
Licensed Ministers:	•				
Keith Day, Sulphur					
Dale Fletcher, Ardmore					
Allen Wood, Ardmore, 420 Elm	CA 3-5288				
STATISTICS					
Churches reporting	12				
Total Membership	1,179				
Ordained Ministers	22				
Licensed Ministers	3				
Deacons					
Paid Pastors	27,648.15				
Paid PastorsPaid Evangelists	1,482.64				
Building and repair					
Publication and Literature	2,631.21				
Cooperative Fund	2,749.42				
Missions	1,626.84				
Miscellaneous					
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DEACONS

Wayne Howell, 615 15th, N. W., ArdmoreLamar Howell, Box 1073, Ardmore	CA 3-7149
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E. J. Reid, Rt. 1, Marlow	OL 8-3574
W. A. Dehart, Healdton	BA 9-0256
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Marlin Bivins, Wirt Healdt	on BA 9-1638
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LeRoy Spurgeon, Rt. 3, Duncan	Alma 56K71
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Les Dunn, Ringling	
Herman Hood, Alma	49K7
Buddy Anderson, Healdton	•
Troy Morris, Rt. 3, Box 155, Ardmore	OL 7-4513
Joe Balthrop, Rt. 3, Box 154, Ardmore	OL 7-4451
Guy Denney, Star Rt., Lone Grove	OL 7-4277
Henry Christian, Rt. 3, Box 152, Ardmore	07 - 48-0
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RULES OF ORDER

- 1. At every sitting of the Association, business shall be opened and closed with prayer by the Moderator or whosoever he may request.
- 2. Ministers and deacons present are invited to seats, allowed to take part in debates on all subjects, and to vote.
- 3. Those who speak shall arise and address the Moderator. Personal reflections shall be avoided in all debates.
 - 4. No motion shall be discussed without a second.
 - -Matt. 10-22 2 Pet. 1-4 to 10 Hebb: 4 to 6, 2 Pet 2-20-21
- 5. When a motion has been made and seconded, and a member opposes its discussion, the Moderator shall put the question, "Shall it be discussed?" If negative, the question shall be dismissed.
- 6. If any proposition or motion under debate contains two or more points, it shall be divided at the request of any member and the vote taken separately.
 - 7. Motions made and lost shall not be recorded.
- 8. No one shall speak more than twice on the same subject without special leave of the Moderator.
- 9. All questions shall be decided by a majority vote of all members present.
- 10. No member shall absent himself without special leave of the Moderator.
- 11. Minutes shall be leisurely read and corrected before the close of the Association, if necessary.
- 12. At all future sessions of the Association, arrangements shall be made to assure two sermons or other devotional exercises equivalent thereto, during each day of the session, and the chair shall announce, just before adjournment, who shall fill the stand at the next meeting.
- 13. The Rules of Order shall be distinctly read from the chair immediately after organization.
- 14. Alterations may be made in these rules at any regular session of the Association.

GOVERNMENT OF THE CHURCHES

The local church is an independent body so far as relates to its own government, the transaction of its own business, the choice of its officers, and the discipline of its members.

Persons who give evidence of piety are received to membership by a vote of the church; and if not baptized, on condition of being baptized. If objections are made, they should be stated

to the church; and if objections are judged valid, the candidate should not be received into fellowship. The right hand of fellowship is given all persons by the church.

Persons expelled from sister churches for any cause or for immorality, should not be received until first giving satisfaction.

Letters of dismissal and commendation are granted to members in good standing, by a vote of the church, on their removal from its limits. Ministers are received and dismissed by letter, as other members are, except when they come or go to other denominations, in which case a council of ministers should be called respecting the action.

It is the duty of the church to unite with some Association and represent itself regularly by delegates and letter.

No person shall be a delegate from a church, unless he or she is a member and appointed by the church he or she claims to represent.

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- 2. House called to order by the Moderator.
- 3. Letters called for, read and received.
- 4. Right hand of fellowship and seating delegates.
- 5. Election of officers.
- 6. Petitonary letters called for.
- 7. Reading Rules of Order.
- 8. Invite visiting brethren to seats in council.
- 9. Appointment of committees.
- 10. Unfinished business.
- 11. New business.
- 12. Reports of committees.
- 13. Miscellaneous business.

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- 1. Called to order by the Moderator.
- 2 Called into conference, or vote to go into conference.
- 3. Call for peace of the church (All who are at peace with God and each other, hold up your right hand.)
- 4. Visiting brethren invited to seat in council members from other Free Will Baptist churches allowed)
 - ./5. Reading of minutes of last church conference.
 - 6. Unfinished business. Varanurl re
 - 7. New business.
 - 8. Reports of delegates to Association or Quarterly meeting.

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- 9. Are there any sick or in distress?
- 10. Support of ministry and other expenses.
 - 11. Call for confession.
 - 12. Invitation for members.
 - 13. Adjournment.

REVISED CONSTITUTION

From long experience, the members of the Church of God denominated Free Will Baptist, being regularly baptized upon a profession of faith in our Lord Jesus Christ, and being convinced of the necessity of a combination of Churches to perpetuate a Union among us, and to preserve and maintain correspondence with each other, do therefore ordain this constitution for our better Church government.

ARTICLE 1: MEMBERSHIP—This Association shall be composed of members chosen by the different Churches of our union, not exceeding three messengers from each Church, and upon producing letters they shall be entitled to seats. All ordained Ministers, their wives, Deacons, and their wives and Church Clerks of said union shall be regular members present, by virtue of their office.

ARTICLE 2: NAME—The members thus chosen and assembled with the Ministers and Deacons of the Quarterly or Annual Association of Hopewell No. 2 Association of Free Will Baptist being composed of the several Churches of our Union, the association having no power to lord it over God's heritage, nor having any ecclesiastical power over the Churches, reserving the right of withdrawing from any church becoming disorderly.

ARTICLES 3: LETTERS—Each church may represent by sending three delegates who will bring Church Letters on the authorized letter form furnished by the association.

ARTICLE 4 Section 1: OFFICERS—The association shall consist of a moderator, assistant moderator, clerk, assistant clerk and youth camp director.

ARTICLE 4, Section 2: BOARDS AND COMMITTEES—The standing board of Hopewell No. 2 association shall be the Executive Board, League Board, Credential Board, and Board of Trustees. Committees as needed will be appointed by the Moderator and they will serve until their work is completed or their successor is appointed.

ARTICLE 5: NEW CHURCHES—Newly Constituted Churches may be admitted to the Association, which are to be petitioned by letter and delegates, and if upon examination, they are

to be found orthodox and orderly, they may be received into the association, the Moderator giving the right hand of fellowship.

ARTICLE 6: QUESTIONS—No questions from any Church shall come under the consideration of the association, unless it has first been considered in its own Churches.

ARTICLE 7: DISCIPLINE—Each ordained Minister shall be a member of a Church in the bounds of said association, and if the Church should hold his letter in question for a period of three months, he must surrender his Credentials to the quarterly meeting, or make restitution. In the event a Church does not abide by this article the association can deal with the Church.

ARTICLE 8: BUSINESS—The annual Association shall supercede the quarterly meetings, in its business. No printed matter can be changed by the quarterly meetings that appear in the yearly associational minutes (Exception: Should the need arise to change the printed matters in the minutes, it can be done by a called meeting of the association, by the Executive Board. Resolutions passed in the quarterly meeting shall be in force as long as it does not conflict with the printed matter in the minutes.)

ARTICLE 9: AMENDMENTS—Amendments to this constitution may be made when necessary, by a two-thirds vote of the members present at any regular session, providing the amendment be presented in writing one day in advance.

ARTICLE 10 Section 1: FINANCE—The work of this association shall be financed by the cooperative program, and such special appeals for funds as may be necessary.

ARTICLE 10 Section 2—Each Church shall send \$5.00 annually for minutes, which will be distributed by the Clerk to the Churches, unless the Church supports cooperatively.

ARTICLE 10—Section 3—Each Church shall send \$5.00 annually for the State Delegate.

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(1) We believe in one true and living God, the Father, Son, and Holy Ghost, and these are equal in Divine essence, power and Glory Romans 1-20: "For the invisible things of him from the creation of the world are clearly seen, being understood by the things that are made, even his eternal power and God head; so that they are without excuse:"

I John 1:1: "That which was from the beginning which we have heard, which we have seen with our eyes, which we have looked upon and our hands have handled, of the work of life."

- 2: "(For the life was manifested, and we have seen it, and bear witness, and shew unto you that eternal life, which was with the Father, and was manifested unto us;)"
- 3: "That which we have seen and heard declare we unto you, that ye also may have fellowship with us: and truly our fellowship is with the Father, and with His son Jesus Christ."
- I John 5:6: "This is he that came by water and blood even Jesus Christ; not by water only, but by water and blood. And it is the spirit that beareth witness, because the spirit is true."
- 7: "For there are three that bear record in heaven, the Father, the Word, and the Holy Ghost: And these three are one."
- John 17:21: "That they all may be one; as thou, Father, art in me, and I in thee, that they also may be one in us: That the world may believe that thou has sent me."
- 22: "And the glory which thou givest me I have given them; that they may be one, even as we are one;"
- 23: "I in them, and thou in me, that they may be made perfect in one; and that the world may know that thou hast sent me, and hast loved them, as thou hast loved me."
- (2) We believe that the Scripture of the Old and New Testaments are the written Word of God and the only infallible rule of faith and practice-
- 2 Tim. 3:16: "All scripture is given by inspiration of God, and is profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness:"
- 17: "That the man of God may be perfect, throughly furnished unto all good works."
- 2 Pet: 1:18. "And this voice which came from heaven we heard, when we were with him in the mount."
- 19 "We have also a more sure word of prophecy; where unto ye do well that ye take heed, as unto a light that shineth in a dark place, until the day dawn, and the day star arise in your hearts:"
- 20: "Knowing this first, that no prophecy, of the scripture is of any private interpretation."
- 21: "For the prophecy came not in old time by the will of man: but Holy men of God spake as they were moved by the Holy Ghost."
- (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, where-

- by all mankind are sinners; not by constraint, but by choice; being partakers of the sinful nature attained by the fall, and that man is unable to save hmself with his own power, but we see Jesus for the suffering of death, crowned with glory, that He, by the Grace of God, should taste death for every man—
- Gen. 3:7: "And the eyes of them both were opened, and they knew that they were naked; and they sewed fig leaves together, and made themselves aprons."
- 8: "And they heard the voice of the Lord God walking in the garden in the cool of the day: and Adam and his wife hid themselves from the presence of the Lord God amongst the trees of the garden."
- 9: "And the Lord God called unto Adam, and said unto him, Where art thou?"
- 10: "And he said, I heard thy voice in the garden, and I was afraid, because I was naked; and I hid myself."
- 11: "And he said, Who told thee that thou wast naked? Hast thou eaten of the tree, whereof I commanded thee that thou shouldest not eat?"
- 12: "And the man said, The woman whom thou gavest to be with me, she gave me of the tree, and I did eat."
- 13: "And the Lord God said unto the woman, What is this that thou hast done? And the woman said, The serpent beguiled me, and I did eat."
- 14: "And the Lord God said unto the serpent, Because thou hast done this, thou are cursed above all cattle, and above every beast of the field; upon thy belly shalt thou go, and dust shalt thou eat all the days of thy life."
- 15: "And I will put enmity between thee and the woman, and between thy seed and her seed; it shall bruise thy head, and thou shalt bruise his heel."
- 16: "Unto the woman he said, I will greatly multiply thy sorrow and thy conception; in sorrow thou shalt bring forth children; and thy desire shall be to thy husband, and he shall rule over thee."
- 17: "And unto Adam he said, Because thou hast hearkened unto the voice of thy wife, and hast eaten of the tree, of which I commanded thee, saying, Thou shalt not eat of it: cursed is the ground for thy sake; in sorrow shalt thou eat of it all the days of thy life;"
- Ecc. 7:29: "Lo, this only have I found, that God hath made man upright; but they have sought out many inventions."

- Rom. 3:23: "For all have sinned, and come short of the glory of God;"
- Rom. 7:7: "For scarcely for a righteous man will one die: yet peradventure for a good man some would even dare to die."
- Heb. 2:9: "But we see Jesus, who was made a little lower than the angels for the suffering of death, crowned with glory and honour; that he by the grace of God should taste death for every man."
- Gal. 3.22: "But the scripture hath concluded all under sin, that the promise by faith of Jesus Christ might be given to them that believe."
- (4) We believe that Christ, by His death, burial and resurrection, purchased our pardon and offered it freely to all mankind upon the principles of repentance toward God and faith in the Lord Jesus Christ. He now commands all men everywhere to repent, therefore He saith: "Look unto me and be saved all ye ends of the earth, for I am God, and there is none else."
- Isa. 45:22: "Look unto me, and be ye saved, all the ends of the earth: For I am God, and there is none else."
- 2 Cor. 5:14 "For the love of Christ constraineth us; because we thus judge, that if one died for all, then were all dead."
- 15: "And that he died for all, that they which lived should not henceforth live unto themselves, but unto them which died for them, and rose again."
- Isa. 53:5: "But he was wounded for our transgressions, he was bruised for our iniquities: the chastisement of our peace was upon him; and with his stripes we are healed."
- 6: "All we like sheep have gone astray; we have turned every one to his own way; and the Lord hath laid on him the iniquity of us all."
- 7: "He was oppressed, and he was afflicted, yet he opened not his mouth; he is brought as a lamb to the slaughter, and as a sheep before her shearers is dumb, so he openeth not his mouth."
- I Tim. 4:9: "This is a faithful saying and worthy of all acceptation."
- 10. "For therefore we both labour and suffer reproach, because we trust in the living God, who is the Saviour of all men, especially of those that believe."
- Act 17:28: "For in him we live, and move, and have our being; as certain also of your own poets have said, For we are also his offspring."

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- 29: "Forasmuch then as we are the offspring of God, we ought not to think that the Godhead is like unto gold, or silver, or stone, graven by art and man's device."
- 30: "And the times of this ignorance God winked at; but now commandeth all men every where to repent:"
- 31: "Because he hath appointed a day, in the which he will judge the world in righteousness by that man whom he hath ordained; whereof he hath given assurance unto all men, in that he hath raised him from the dead?"
- Acts 20:20: "And how I kept back nothing that was profitable unto you, but have shewed you, and have taught you publickly, and from house to house,"
- 21: "Testifying both to the Jews, and also to the Greeks, repentance toward God, and faith toward our Lord Jesus Christ."
- I Cor. 15:12: "Now if Christ be preached that he rose from the dead, how say some among you that there is no resurrection of the dead?"
- 13: "But if there be no resurrection of the dead, then is Christ not risen."
- 14: "And if Christ be not risen, then is our preaching vain, and your faith is also vain."
- 15: "Yea, and we are found false witnesses of God; because we have testified of God that he raised up Christ: whom he raised not up, if so be that the dead rise not."
 - 16: "For if the dead rise not, then is not Christ raised:"
- 17: "And if Christ be not raised, your faith is vain; ye are yet in your sins."
- 18. "Then they also which are fallen asleep in Christ are perished."
- 19: "If in this life only we have hope in Christ, we are of all men most miserable."
- 20: "But now is Christ risen from the dead, and become the first fruits of them that slept."
- 21: "For since by man came death, by man came also the resurrection of the dead."
- (5) We believe that adult persons must be regenerated and born of the Spirit of God if they inherit eternal life—
- John 3:1: "There was a man of the Pharisees, named Nicodemus, a ruler of the Jews:"
- 2: "The same came to Jesus by night, and said unto him, Rabbi, we know that thou art a teacher come from God: for no man can do these miracles that thou doest, except God be with him,"

- 3: "Jesus answered and said uno him, Verily, verily, I say unto thee, Except a man be born again, he cannot see the kingdom of God."
- 4: "Nicodemus saith unto him, How can a man be born when he is old? can he enter the second time into his mother's womb, and be born?"
- 5: "Jesus answered, Verily, verily, I say unto thee, Except a man be born of water and of the Spirit, he cannot enter into the kingdom of God."
- 6: "That which is born of the flesh is flesh; and that which is born of the Spirit is spirit."
- 7: "Marvel not that I said unto thee, Ye must be born again."
- 8: "The wind bloweth where it listeth, and thou hearest the sound thereof, but canst not tell whence it cometh, and whither it goeth: so is every one that is born of the Spirit."
- 9: "Nicodemus answered and said unto him, How can these things be?"
- 10: "Jesus answered and said unto him, Art thou a master of Israel, and knowest not these things?"
- (6) We believe that infants are saved by the merits of the Son of God-
- Mark 10:13: "And they brought young children to him, that he should touch them: and his disciples rebuked those that brought them."
- 14: "But when Jesus saw it, he was much displeased, and said unto them, Suffer the little children to come unto me, and forbid them not: for of such is the kingdom of God."
- 15: "Verily I say unto you, Whosoever shall not receive the kingdom of God as a little child, he shall not enter therein."
- 16: "And he took them up in his arms, put his hands upon them, and blessed them."
- Matt. 18:1: "At the same time came the disciples unto Jesus, saying, Who is the greatest in the kingdom of heaven?"
- 2: "And Jesus called a little child unto him, and set him in the midst of them,"
- 3: "And said, Verily I say unto you, Except ye be converted, and become as little children, ye shall not enter in to the kingdom of heaven."
- 4: "Whosoever therefore shall humble himself as this little child, the same is greatest in the kingdom of heaven."

- (7) We believe that all Christians should perserve in grace and be faithful to the end, if they inherit eternal life; for blessed are they that do His commandments that they may have the right to the tree of life, and may enter in through the gates of the city—
- Matt. 10:21: "And the brother shall deliver up the brother to death and the father the child: and the children shall rise up against their parents, and cause them to be put to death."
- 22: "And ye shall be hated of all men for my name's sake: but he that endureth to the end shall be saved."
- 2 Pet. 1:4: "Whereby are given unto us exceeding great and precious promises: that by these ye might be partakers of the divine nature, having escaped the corruption that is in the world through lust."
- 5: "And beside this, giving all diligence, add to your faith virtue; and to virtue knowledge;"
- 6. "And to knowledge temperance; and to temperance patience; and to patience godliness;"
- 7: "And to godliness brotherly kindness; and to brotherly kindness charity."
- 8: "For if these things be in you, and abound, they make you that ye shall neither be barren nor unfruitful in the knowledge of our Lord Jesus Christ."
- 9: "But he that lacketh these things is blind, and cannot see afar off, and hath forgotten that he was purged from his old sins."
- 10: "Wherefore the rather, brethren, give diligence to make your calling and election sure; for if ye do these things, ye shall never fall:"

Hebrews 6:4. For it is impossible for those who were once enlightened, and have tasted of the heavenly gift, and were made partakers of the Holy Ghost,

- 5: And have tasted the good word of God, and the powers of the world to come.
- 6: If they shall fall away, to renew them again unto repentance; seeing they crucify to themselves the son of God afresh, and put him to an open shame.
- II Pet. 2:20: For if after they have escaped the pollutions of the world through the knowledge of the Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, they are again entangled therein, and overcome, the latter end is worse with them than the beginning.
- 21: For it had beeen better for them not to known the way of righteousness, than, after they have known it, to turn from the holy commandment delivered unto them.

- 22: But it is happened unto them according to the true proverb, The dog is turned to his own vomit again; and the sow that was washed to her wallowing in the mire.
- I Tim. 1:19: Holding faith, and a good conscience; which some having put away concerning faith made shipwreck:
- Matt. 10:22: And ye shall be hated of all men for my name's sake: but he that enedureth to the end shall be saved.
- (8) We believe that Baptism by immersion is the Apostolic mode, even the burial of the believer in water; and that Christ, who is our life, showed this humble example to His children, and bids us walk therein-
- Matt. 3:13: "Then cometh Jesus from Galilee to Jordan unto John, to be baptized of him."
- 14: "But John forbad him, saying, I have need to be baptized of thee, and comest thou to me?"
- 15: "And Jesus answering said unto him, Suffer it to be so now: for this it becometh us to fulfill all righteousness. Then he suffered him."
- 16: "And Jesus, when he was baptized, went up straightway out of the water: and, lo, the heavens were opened unto him, and he saw the Spirit of God descending like a dove, and lighting upon him:"
- Matt. 28:19: "Go ye therefore, and teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost."
- 20: "Teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you: and, lo, I am with you always, even unto the end of the world. Amen."
- Acts 8:36: "And as they went on their way, they came unto a certain water: and the eunuch said See, here is water; what doth hinder me to be baptized?"
- 37: "And Phillip said, If thou believest with all thine heart, thou mayest. And he answered and said, I believe that Jesus Christ is the Son of God."
- 38: "And he commanded the chariot to stand still: and they went down both into the water, both Philip and the enunch; and he baptized him."
- 39: "And when they were come up out of the water, the Spirit of the Lord caught away Philip, that the eunuch saw him no more: and he went on his way rejoicing."
- (9) We believe that God in his goodness calls and to a great degree qualifies his servants by the teaching of the Holy Ghost, and by the instructors of his blessed word, to go forth

and proclaim life and salvation. He bids us freely to come, and nothing prevents the salvation of any but their own stubborn rebellion and sinful refusal to come.

John 14:26: "But the Comforter, which is the Holy Ghost, whom the Father will send in my name, he shall teach you all things, and bring to your remembrance, whatsoever I have said unto you."

Heb. 5:4: "And no man taketh this honour unto himself, but he that is called of God, as was Aaron."

I Tim. 1:9: "Knowing this, that the law is not made for a righteous man, but for the lawless and disobedient, for the ungodly and for sinners, for unholy and profane, for murderers of fathers and murderers of mothers, for manslayers,

- 10: 'For whoremongers, for them that defile themselves with mankind, for menstealers, for liars, for perjured persons, and if there be any other thing that is contrary to sound doctrine;"
- 11: "According to the glorious gospel of the blessed God, which was committed to my trust."
- (10) Ammended to read. We believe that Baptism and the Lords Supper and washing of the Saint's feet are Divine ordances and should be observed by all his children. We interpet the Treaties to teach Christian Baptism by imersion only, and in the name of the Father, Son, and Holy Ghost, and in observanced of the Lords supper at night only in connection with the washing of the Saint's feet.
- 21: "For in eating every one taketh before other his own supper: and one is hungry, and another is drunken."
- 22: "What? have ye not houses to eat and to drink in? or despise ye the church of God, and shame them that have not? What shall I say to you? shall I praise you in this? I praise you not."
- 23: "For I have received of the Lord that which also I delivered unto you, That the Lord Jesus the same night in which he was betrayed took bread:"
- 24: "And when he had given thanks, he brake it, and said, Take, eat: this is my body, which is broken for you: this do in remembrance of me."
- 25: "After the same manner also he took the cup, when he had supped, saying, this cup is the new testament in my blood: this do ye, as oft as ye drink it, in remembrance of me."
- 26: "For as often as ye eat this bread, and drink this cup, ye do shew the Lord's death till he come."

- 27: "Wherefore whosoever shall eat this bread, and drink this cup of the Lord, unworthily, shall be guilty of the body and blood of the Lord."
- 28: "But let a man examine himself, and so let him eat of that bread, and drink of that cup."
- 29: "For he that eateth and drinketh unworthily, eateth and drinketh damnation to himself, not discerning the Lord's body."
- Rom. 6:4: "Therefore we are buried with him by baptism into death: that like as Christ was raised up from the dead by the glory of the Father, even so we also should walk in newness of life."
- 5: "For if we have been planted together in the likeness of his death, we shall be also in the likeness of his resurrection:"
- I Pet. 3:21: "The like figure whereunto even baptism doth also now save us (not the putting away of the filth of the flesh, but the answer of a good conscience toward God,) by the resurrection of Jesus Christ:"
- 22: "Who is gone into heaven, and is on the right hand of God; angels and authorities and powers being made subject unto him."
- Matt. 28:19: "Go ye therefore, and teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost;"
- 20: "Teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you: and, lo, I am with you alway, even unto the end of the world. Amen".
- John 13:13: "Ye call me Master and Lord: and ye say well; for so I am."
- 14: "If I then, your Lord and Master, have washed your feet; ye also ought to wash one another's feet."
- 15: "For I have given you an example, that ye should do as I have done to you."
- 16: "Verily, verily, I say unto you, The servant is not greater than his lord; nether he that is sent greater than he that sent him."
 - 17: "If ye know these things, happy are ye if ye do them."
- (11) We believe that none have a right to Baptism only those who have obtained a living hope in the Lord Jesus Christ, and none have the right to administer the same only those who are called of God and have come under the hands of the Presbytery of Elders; and each church ought to have a pastor, deacons, and clerk, chosen by the church and continuing in office during the good pleasure of the same; and in dealing with disorderly

members, reference should he had to the 18th chapter of Matthew, and other Scriptures relative to dealing with disorderly members. In all cases a majority shall rule, except in receiving members shall be unanimous.

Tit. 1:5: For this cause left I thee in Crete, that thou shouldest set in order the things that are wanting, and ordain elders in every city, as I had appointed thee:"

Acts 14:23: "And when they had ordained them elders in every church, and had prayed with fasting, they commended them to the Lord, on whom they believed."

II Thess. 3:6: "Now we command you, brethren, in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, that ye withdraw yourselves from every brother that walketh disorderly, and not after the tradition which he received of us."

- 7: "For yourselves know how ye ought to follow us: for we behaved not ourselves disorderly among you;"
- (12) We believe it to be the duty of each church to assemble themselves together in conference once a month and that it is the duty of the pastor of the church when setting forth the Lord's Supper to "let a man examine himself, and so let him eat." I Cor. 11:28: "But let a man examine himself, and so let him eat of that bread, and drink of that cup."

John 13:14: "If I then, your Lord and Master have washed your feet; ye also ought to wash one another's feet."

Heb. 10:23: "Let us hold fast the profession of our faith without wavering; (for he is faithful that promised:)"

- 24: "And let us consider one another to provoke unto love and to good works:"
- 25: "Not forsaking the assembling of ourselves together, as the manner of some is; but exhorting one another: and so much the more, as ye see the day approaching."
- (13) We believe that Sanctification and Holiness is a Bible doctrine, that immortality is God dwelling in the light so when this corruptible shall have put on incorruption, and this mortal shall have put on immortality, then shall be brought to pass the saying that is written: "Death is swallowed up in victory." That it is our duty to be tender and affectionate to one another, and to study the happiness of the people of God in general and to be singly engaged to promote the honor and glory of God.

Gal. 6:10: "As we have therefore opportunity, let us do good unto all men, especially unto them who are of the household of faith."

I John 2.9: "He that saith he is in the light, and hateth his brother, is in darkness even until now."

John 17:19: "And for their sakes I sanctify myself, that they also might be sanctified through the truth."

John 15:3: "Now ye are clean through the word which I have spoken unto you."

I Pet. 3:15: "But sanctify the Lord God in your hearts: and be ready always to give an answer to every man that asketh you a reason of the hope that is in you with meekness and fear:"

Heb. 12:10: "For they verily for a few days chastened us after their own pleasure; but he for our profit, that we might be partakers of his holiness."

- 11: "Now no chastening for the present seemth to be joyous, but grievous: nevertheless afterward it yieldeth the peaceable fruit of righteousness unto them which are exercised thereby."
- 12: "Wherefore lift up the hands which hang down, and the feeble knees;"
- 13: "And make straight paths for your feet, lest that which is lame be turned out of the way; but let it rather be healed.
- 14: "Follow peace with all men, and holiness, without which no man shall see the Lord:"
- 15: "Looking diligently lest any man fail of the grace of God; lest any root of bitterness springing up trouble you, and thereby many be defiled;"
- Gal. 6:10: "As we have therefore opportunity, let us do good unto all men, especially unto them who are of the household of faith."
- (14) We believe in the resurrection of all men at the last day. They that have done good will come forth to the resurrection of life, and they that have done evil unto the resurrection of the damnation, then the wicked will go away into eternal punishment, but the righteous into eternal life.

John 5:28: "Marvel not at this: for the hour is coming, in the which all that are in the graves shall hear his voice,"

29: "And shall come forth; they that have done good, unto the resurrection of life; and they that have done evil, unto the resurrection of damnation."

Dan. 12:1: "And at that time shall Michael stand up, the great prince which standeth for the children of thy people: and there shall be a time of trouble, such as never was since there was a nation even to that same time: and at that time thy people shall be delivered, every one that shall be found written in the book."

2: "And many of them that sleep in the dust of the earth shall awake, some to everlasting life, and some to shame and everlasting contempt."

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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.

We promise, by His grace, to love and obey Him in all things, to avoid all appearance of evil, to abstain from all sinful amusements and unholy conformity to the world, from all sanction of the use and sale of intoxiciating beverages, and to "provide things honest in the sight of all men."

We agree faithfully to discharge our obligations in reference to the study of the Scriptures, secret prayer, family devotions, and social worship; and by self-denial, faith, and good works endeaver to "grow in grace and the knowledge of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ."

We will not forsake the assembling of ourselves together for church conferences, public worship, and the observance of the ordinances of the Gospel; nor fail to pay according to our ability for the support of the church, of its poor, and all its benevelent work.

We Agree to accept Christian admonition and reproof with meekness, and to watch over one another in love, endeavoring to "leep 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.

We will every where hold Christian principle sacred and Christian obligations and enterprises supreme; counting it our chief business in life to extend the influence of Christ in society, constantly praying and toiling that the Kingdom of God may come, and His will be done on earth as it is in heaven.

To this end we agree to labor for the promotion of educational and denominational enterprises, 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 upto the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ.