

## ORDER OF BUSINESS

1. Organize.
2. Call for letters from sister churches.
3. Read Moderator's report.
4. Receive visiting brethren.
5. Call for petitions.
6. Appoint committees.
7. Call for reports and decisions.
8. Appoint messengers to sister associations.
9. Call for reports from sister associations.
10. Call for reports of committees.
11. Announce time and place of holding the next conference.
12. Call for miscellaneous business.
13. Adjourn.

## ORDAINED MINISTERS

- Wm. Martin, Kithers, Randolph county, Ga.  
 W. A. McDonald, Colquitt, Miller county, Ga.  
 J. L. Hill, Cedar Springs, Early county, Ga.  
 A. T. Wiley, Cowhatch, Early county, Ga.  
 R. Ealey, Cowhatch, Early county, Ga.  
 J. W. Smith, Shiloh, Randolph county, Ga.  
 W. G. Shreve, Hartfield, Colquitt county, Ga.  
 J. E. Smith, Morgan, Colquitt county, Ga.  
 J. M. Smith, Mayhew, Miller county, Ga.  
 J. A. Smith, Early county, Ga.  
 J. H. Smith, Randolph county, Ga.

## MINUTES

## SIXTH ANNUAL SESSION

## MARTIN FREEWILL BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

Hartsfield church, Cowhatch county, Ga.  
 20th, 21st, 22nd and 23rd days of May, 1902.

## MINUTES.

The Sixth Annual Session of the MARTIN FREEWILL BAPTIST ASSOCIATION convened with Hartsfield church, Colquitt county, Ga. on Wednesday night, October 20th, 1892. The Introductory Sermon was preached by Rev. G. T. Wiley, on Thursday at 11, a. m., from John, xiii:15; followed by Rev. G. L. Chandlen, after which an intermission of one hour was taken.

The body met at 2 p. m., and was called to order by the former Moderator, C. C. Martin, and the former Clerk, Rev. W. G. Stovall. A full delegation being present the body proceeded to elect a Moderator and Clerk by ballot, which resulted in the election of Rev. C. C. Martin Moderator and W. T. McGuirt Clerk. Rev. W. G. Stovall was requested to act as assistant Moderator. The body called for Corresponding Letters from the different churches of the MARTIN ASSOCIATION, and read letters from 23 churches. The Moderator appointed brethren W. T. McGuirt, J. H. Cook and C. M. Burtis to read the same.

### LIST OF DELEGATES.

Macedonia—Jas. Cheshire.	Patmos—J. E. Griffin.
New Light—W. T. McGuirt.	Bethlehem—R. T. McDonald.
Travelers' Rest—John Gregory and R. M. Rhodes.	New Salem—By Pastor.
Live Oak—E. J. Sanders, T. J. Sanders and B. F. Walker.	Springfield—J. T. McMullin, B. Hayes.
Pine Hill—J. J. Shirley, J. C. Williams.	Pleasant Springs—J. T. Morris.
Cedar Springs—Represented by Letter.	Enterprise—By Letter.
Friendship—J. W. Hayes, T. M. Bowen, E. L. Jordan and W. J. Tines.	Pleasant Grove—W. S. Hadden, J. E. Leslie.
Belview—J. M. Addison, H. R. Willis.	Open Pond—B. C. Minton, Ellie Warren.
Friendship—John Chevis, Chas. Shirley, J. J. Strickland, J. W. Strickland, Jr., John Slandon, Thomas Curis, C. M. Burtis and Thos. Pope.	Corinth—By Pastor.
Magnolia—J. N. Jarrol, E. R. Jarrol, J. B. Jarrol.	Zion—O. H. Perry.
New Prospect—John Mills.	Hartsfield—J. H. Cook, T. M. Allgood, John Boatwright, W. M. Hampton, Allison Collins, W. J. Kelly.
White Pond—John Barton, G. W. Webb.	New Enterprise—By Pastor.
	Florida Church—Not Represented.
	Piney Grove—By Pastor.
	Pleasant Hill—By Pastor.

Invited visiting brethren and sisters of other Associations to seats with us; Rev. B. W. Nash, of the Union Baptist Association of North Carolina, was received and the right hand of fellowship was extended to him by the Moderator. Called for Corresponding Delegates from Sister Associations: Rev. D. J. Apperson, Rev. J. R. Brown, Rev. S. R. Little, J. T. Hambrich of the Chattahooche Association; Rev. G. L. Chandlen, of the State Line Association of Alabama, was received and the right hand of fellowship was extended them by the Moderator and followed by the body. Proceeded to appoint Committees on Preaching: W. J. Kelley, J. A. Collins, E. L. Jordan, T. J. Sanders, R. T. McDonald, Rev. W. G. Stovall. On State of Churches: J. I. Hill, O. H. Perry, W. T. Sellers, F. J. Boatwright, J. A. Rooks. On

Ashburn, Worth county, Ga., on the 4th and 5th days of November, 1892; Rev. W. G. Stovall and J. C. Williams volunteered as correspondents to said Convention. It was resolved to pay the Clerk \$15 for his services; and that he distribute the minutes to the churches according to the money sent for that purpose. It was then moved that we adjourn to meet with Traveler's Rest church, Baker county, Ga., on Wednesday night before the 4th Sunday in October, 1893. We took the parting hand and adjourned.

## ON PREACHING.

T. J. SANDERS, Chairman.

Respectfully submitted, G. T. EMBREY, Chairman.

J. W. MILLS, Chairman.

J. I. Hall, Chairman.

The body was called to order by the Moderator at 2 p. m., singing and prayer by Rev. C. M. Hall. A resolution of thanks to this church and community at large, for the kind hospitality extended us during our stay among them, was passed. It was resolved that the MARTIN ASSOCIATION send correspondents to the State Convention to convene at

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## REPORT ON FINANCE.

We, your committee on Finance, beg leave to make the following report:

We find that there was paid in by this body during the year 1891.....	\$35 05
By Amount Paid Clerk.....	15 00
Publishers for Minutes.....	22 60
Total.....	\$37 60
Balance on hand for 1890.....	\$ 5 50

Balance in Treasury for 1892.....	\$40 55
Received for Minutes for 1892.....	\$ 2 95
Received for Missions for 1892.....	25 40
	21 90

Total.....\$50 25

REV. SAMUEL EALEY, Chairman.

## ON MISSIONS.

Your committee on Missions beg leave to submit the following report: We find the work in some localities promising, while in others it is not so good. Owing to lack of means there has been no churches organized this year; there are four points now in contemplation of organization at an early date. We find there is a general interest manifested in the mission work as prosecuted by the Free-will Baptists. We get the following report from Bro. W. G. Stovall who is and has been engaged in mission work from Oct. 1st, 1891 up to October 1st, 1892, paying quarterly, beginning October 1st, 1891, twenty dollars per quarter for three quarters, and five dollars on the fourth quarter; balance due missionary \$15. We therefore recommend that Bro. W. G. Stovall be retained in the work as long as the funds in hands will justify. We furthermore recommend that each pastor make at least two collections each year for missions and turn the money over to the treasurer, Rev. W. A. McDonald, at Colquitt, Miller county, Ga. to be paid out by him for mission work in the bounds of the MARTIN ASSOCIATION. The Union Meeting of the first district will hold its next session with the Pleasant Hill Church, Randolph county, Ga., on Friday at 11 o'clock, before the fourth Sunday in August, 1893, Rev. W. A. McDonald to preach the introductory sermon; C. C. Martin alternate.

Respectfully submitted,

J. H. Cook, Chairman.

## RULES OF DECORUM.

ARTICLE 1. This Association shall be called to order by the former Moderator who presided at the last session if present, if not present, then by the Clerk, and if he is absent, then by some other brother.

ART. 2. This Association shall be opened and closed by prayer.

ART. 3. The Moderator and Clerk of the preceding session shall officiate until

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the body be organized by electing a Moderator and Clerk in any way the body may direct.

ART. 4. It shall be the duty of the Moderator to call the meeting to order, to see that order is preserved; receive and submit all questions to the body, and he shall have the privilege of speaking, but must call on some brother to preside in his place while speaking, but shall not have the right to vote unless the body be equally divided and he can give the casting vote.

ART. 5. The members present shall be enrolled and their names called as often as necessary.

ART. 6. The majority of the members present shall rule in all cases, except upon admission of new churches, which shall be a unanimous vote.

ART. 7. No member shall absent himself from the house without leave of the Moderator, and no member shall leave the Association without consent of the body.

ART. 8. All business shall be brought before the body by a move and second, and shall be disposed of according to good usage.

ART. 9. No person shall be allowed to speak more than three times on the same subject nor more than fifteen minutes each time without permission from the body.

ART. 10. No person shall be disturbed while speaking, unless he departs from the subject and it be necessary to call him to order.

ART. 11. Only one person will be allowed to speak at a time, and he must rise to his feet and address the Moderator, and must not use abusive language or personal reflection on any one without being subject to be called to order by the Moderator.

ART. 12. It shall be the duty of the Clerk to keep a minute of the proceedings and read the same when called upon to be corrected at the discretion of the body, and shall prepare the minute for publication, unless the Association appoints some person for that purpose; he shall keep all books and papers belonging to the Association and read the same when ordered, and shall have such compensation for his services as the association may prescribe.

ART. 13. It shall be the duty of the Corresponding Secretary to carry on correspondence by writing to persons belonging to other Associations of like faith in any way that would be likely to create any interest in this Association for its promotion and well being.

ART. 14. It shall be the duty of the Treasurer to keep all money committed to him by the Association and to keep an account of receipts and expenditures, make a report at every Association if called upon, pay out money when ordered to do so by the Association, and shall receive such compensation as the Association may prescribe.

ART. 15. These Rules of Decorum may be amended at the discretion of the Association.

Article 5 of the Constitution of the Chattahoochee Association says: This body shall be composed of delegates elected by the different churches, each church shall be entitled to two delegates; fifty members and not less than seventy-five members one additional delegate, and over 100 members one additional delegate for each fifty members.

NOTE.—The reason the obituaries were left out of the minutes was for lack of money to insert them. The reason the Church Covenant was not published is because I could not get it. I made all the inquiry I could.

CLERK.



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STATISTICAL TABLE.

CHURCHES. Pastors. Clerks. Post Offices.

			Paid for Minutes.	Received by Letter.	On Profession Faith.	Restored.	Baptized.	Excluded.	Dead.	Total.
Belview	W. B. Lane.	J. M. Addison *	\$1 00	14	4	10	8	1	120	
Bethlehem	J. W. Sauls.	J. W. Brown.	50	3	2	1	3	1	57	
New Light	J. W. Sauls.	S. N. McGuire	50	7	1	1	1	1	40	
New Salem	S. A. McClellan	W. J. Turner.	25	3	3	3	3	1	57	
Springfield	S. A. McClellan	A. J. McCormick	50	3	3	3	3	1	25	
Magnolia	W. T. Sellers.	J. S. Hall	1 00	8	8	8	1	1	36	
Enterprise	J. I. Hill	T. M. Bowen.	1 00	19	19	19	1	1	84	
Friendship	G. T. Wiley	F. M. Mosley.	1 00	8	8	8	1	1	64	
Cedar Sp'gs.	G. T. Wiley	J. E. Griffin.	2 00	122	22	22	1	1	1 128	
Patmos	G. T. Wiley	J. E. Griffin.	1 50	112	12	12	1	1	6 106	
Macedonia	W. A. McDonald	B. A. Phillips	1 15	1	1	1	1	1	58	
Trav'rs Rest	G. T. Embrey	J. D. Creech.	80	1	5	5	1	1	25	
Live Oak	W. A. McDonald	N. H. Sanders	2 00	122	15	15	1	1	91	
Pine Hill	W. T. Sellers.	W. T. Shirie.	50	9	9	9	1	1	29	
Friendship	W. G. Stovall	A. J. Howell.	2 50	2	5	5	1	1	51	
New Prospect	C. C. Martin.	John Mills.	1 50	19	6	6	1	1	89	
Pleasant Sp'gs	C. C. Martin.	W. T. Saxon.	1 50	19	6	6	1	1	89	
Pleasant Grove	G. T. Embrey	W. S. Hadden	1 00	1	1	1	1	1	1	
Open Pond	W. B. Lane.	J. A. Cannon.	1 00	1	1	1	1	1	1	
Corinth	S. A. McClellan	J. A. Cannon.	1 00	1	1	1	1	1	1	
Zion	S. Ealey	W. H. Hall	2 00	1	1	1	1	1	1	
Hartsfield	W. G. Stovall	Jeff Millen	50	1	1	1	1	1	1	
White Pond	W. A. McDonald	T. G. Williams	1 00	1	1	1	1	1	1	
New Enter	C. C. Martin	Jeff Jernigan	1 00	1	1	1	1	1	1	
Pine Grove	C. C. Martin	Jeff Jernigan	1 00	1	1	1	1	1	1	
Pleasant Hill	C. C. Martin	Jeff Jernigan	1 00	1	1	1	1	1	1	

\* Letters fail to state the names of Pastors and Clerks.