

MINUTES

ANNUAL SESSION

1921

MIDWAY UNITED FREE WILL BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

Held at

White Plains, Fairbairn County, Minn.

November 1921

PROCEEDINGS.

Minutes of the Twenty-Third Session of the Midway United Free Will Baptist Association, held with White Plain Free Will Baptist church, Early county, Ga., November 2 and 3, 1921. The introductory sermon was preached by Rev. W. T. Wiley. After which the body adjourned for dinner.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

At one o'clock the body was called to order by the moderator, Rev. W. A. McDonald. Sang a song. Moderator read lesson from the 90th Psalm. Made a few remarks. Called upon Rev. E. C. Williams for prayer. The moderator announced the house was ready for business.

1. Called for corresponding letters. J. G. Harris and W. T. Wiley were appointed to read letters.

Churches and delegates were enrolled as follows:

Pleasant Grove:—W. S. Hadden, J. E. Leslie, Jas. Leslie.

Enterprise:—P. C. Harrell, Tomie Jenkins, Willie Sullivan.

Macedonia:—W. P. Richardson, F. E. Richardson, B. F. Jordan, E. T. Mims, Jas. Cheshire.

White Plain:—A. J. White, Wilk Houston. Brink Hoover, Clifton Harris, C. P. Houston.

New Light:—J. M. Avery, W. H. Drinkwaters.

Pine View:—J. A. Stephens, T. W. Stephens, W. J. Newbray.

New Enterprise:—C. O. Fivash, C. E. Waddell, Steve Miller.

White Pond:—J. B. Widner, C. C. Willis, T. M. McDowell.

Live Oak:—D. F. Walker, T. N. Tucker.

Damascus:—Willie Wiley, J. J. Holder.

Open Pond:—T. G. Harvey, T. F. Hudson.

Oak Grove:—W. R. Houston, J. E. Glass, J. B. Joiner.

Cedar Springs:—R. B. Pyle, G. E. Pyle.

Zion:—J. B. Chambers, J. O. Lane, J. S. Anderson.

Bethlehem:—H. J. Barfield, (came in later).

Traveler's Rest:—Letter was sent to clerk.

Called for petitionary letters. Patmos church from the Northern Association came with a letter and was received borne by J. E. Griffin.

Next appointed committees as follows:

Committee on Devotion:—W. T. Wiley, H. J. Cosby, W. W. Houston, L. J. White, J. L. Houston.

On Suggestions:—T. G. Harvey, R. B. Pyle, Willie Wiley, J. M. Avery, D. F. Walker, W. P. Richardson, W. S. Hadden.

On Temperance:—E. C. Williams, J. A. Stephens, W. H. Drinkwaters.

State of Churches and Character of Ministers:—T. N. Tucker, P. C. Harrell, Steve Miller.

On Nominations:—J. B. Chambers, T. M. McDowell, Wilkes Houston.

On Finance:—W. R. Houston, F. E. Richardson, B. F. Jordan.

On Sabbath Schools:—C. C. White, J. W. Newberry, W. T. Hudson.

Heard report of committee on devotion.

We recommend that Bro. Roy Roberts preach tonight, G. W. Cherry tomorrow at 11 o'clock, and S. Ely at 2 P. M.

W. T. Wiley, Ch'm.

There was a motion to receive the report and to release the committee. Motion that preaching be at 8 o'clock tonight.

Called for Correspondents from sister Associations.

Bro. Roy Roberts from the Martin Association presented himself and was rejected for the reason that their association did receive two churches that were expelled from the Liberty Association.

Motion to adjourn till 8:30 A. M., Thursday. The church provided homes for delegates. Sang hymn and prayer by W. A. McDonald. Dismissed by moderator. At 8 p. m., Bro. Roy Roberts not being present, Bro. Joe Whitaker preached.

THURSDAY MORNING SESSION.

Met per adjournment. The body was called to order by the moderator.

1. Called the names of delegates and perfected the same. The doxology was read by the moderator. Called again for correspondents from sister associations.

State Line of Alabama:—Reys. G. W. Cherry, Joe Whitaker were received.

Next appointing delegates to sister associations.

To State Line of Alabama:—J. G. Harris, E. C. Williams.

Chattahoochee:—C. C. White.

Little River:—W. T. Wiley, Jas. Cheshire.

Liberty of Georgia:—W. A. McDonald.

Georgia Union:—J. G. Harris, W. H. Drinkwater.

South Georgia:—S. Ely.

Next called for reports of committee.

Report of Committee on Sabbath Schools.

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

1. We urge the church members to become more interested in the work and not leave it up to the world.

2. Is the Sabbath School a help to the church and if so, why do not the older people go and help to carry the work on.

3. Is this a duty the churches owe to the Associations? If so, let every member of the church advocate the cause.

C. C. WHITE,
W. J. NEWBERRY,
W. T. HUDSON,

Committee.

On motion the report was received and the committee discharged.

On motion the moderator appoint delegates to the State Convention which is to convene with Ebenezer church, Tatnall county. Delegates appointed: T. G. Harvey, R. A. Hudson, and Jas. Cheshire.

Moved that the railroad expenses of the delegates be paid out of the money of the association.

Motion carried to adjourn for preaching until 1:30 p. m. At this hour the stand was occupied by Rev. G. W. Cherry.

THURSDAY EVENING SESSION.

Called to order by moderator as per adjournment. Prayer by S. Ely. Motion to excuse Bro. E. T. Mims.

Motion to receive letter and Bro. H. J. Barnfield from Bethlehem church. Called for committee reports.

Report of Committee on Temperance.

We recommend that each member of the several churches do all in their power to suppress this gigantic evil, for by so doing we can overcome this curse.

E. C. WILLIAMS, Ch'm.

On motion we receive the report of the committee adopt it and release the committee.

Report of Committee on Suggestions.

We send two of the best men we have to the Georgia State Convention and we pay their railroad expenses.

2. We recommend that the Mission Board employ an evangelist to work under the supervision of the Board.

3. We recommend that each pastor urge the Sunday School work in each church. Also to urge that the members of the church use the Free Will Baptist literature and subscribe for and read the paper.

4. We recommend that this body appoint a committee of three to revise the book of discipline and get it ready for next association.

5. We recommend that the clerk have the minutes printed and see that they are gotten out at once.

On motion the report be received and the committee released. The above report was adopted as a whole.

Report of the Committee on State of Churches and Character of the Ministers.

We find the churches in good standing and the ministers in good standing.

J. O. LANE, Chairman.

On motion the report was received and the committee released.

Report of Committee on Nominations.

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

That the next association convene with Damascus church and S. Ely preach the introductory on Wednesday at 11 o'clock A. M. before the first Sunday in November 1922.

J. B. CHAMBERS, Chairman.

On motion the report be adopted and the committee released.

On motion we strike out 20th section of duty of churches.

Report of Finance Committee.

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

Received for Missions ----- \$67.91

Received for Minutes 27.15

Total \$95.06

W. R. HOUSTON, Ch'm.

On motion the report was received and adopted.

Treasurer's Report.

Amount on hand at last Association 1920 for Missions	\$665.96
Received from Bethlehem church	10.25
Received from Cedar Springs church	3.00
Received from Pleasant Grove church	3.00
Received from Pine View church	1.50
Received from Traveler's Rest church	10.00

Paid to J. G. Harris	\$26.64
Paid to A. R. Flowers	15.00
Paid to State Convention	50.00
Paid to G. A. Plymail	13.14
Paid for Book of Record	.50
Received on interest	32.00
Received from Finance Committee	67.91
Paid for postage	2.00

Balance on hand	\$107.28	\$793.62
	686.34	

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Amount on hand at last Association for minutes	\$14.18
Received from Bethlehem church	2.00
Received from Cedar Springs	3.00
Received from Pleasant Grove	1.00
Received from Pine View	1.00
Received from Travelers Rest	1.00
Paid for printing minutes	\$26.00
Paid for postage	1.00
Paid Clerk	15.00
Received from Finance Committee	27.45

Balance on hand	\$42.00	\$49.33
	7.33	

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JAS. CHESHIRE, Treas.

On motion we receive the report of the treasurer and re-elect him.

On motion we re-elect the same Executive and Mission Board, with R.

A. Hudson to fill the vacancy of M. A. Woodard.

Motion to donate \$14.80 to J. E. Eldrige.

Motion to pay the railroad fares of G. W. Cherry and Joe Whitaker.

On motion the clerk be paid \$15.00.

On motion W. A. McDonald, S. Eley, and Jas. Cheshire revise our discipline by the time of the next Association.

Motion to adjourn to meet with Damascus church on Wednesday before the first Sunday in November 1922, in Early county, Ga.

On motion we return our thanks to White Plain church and community for their kindness. Song: God be with you till we meet again. Took the parting hand. Prayer by J. G. Harris. Dismissed by S. Ely.

W. A. McDONALD, Moderator, Colquitt, Ga.
JAS. CHESHIRE, Clerk, Colquitt, Ga.

LIST OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE AND MISSION BOARD.

Jas. Cheshire, Colquitt, R. F. D. Ga.
W. R. Houston, Colquitt, R. F. D. Ga.
H. J. Cosby, Blakely, R. F. D. Ga.
T. G. Harvey, Jakin, Ga.
R. A. Hudson, Jakin, Ga.

LIST OF ORDAINED MINISTERS.

W. A. McDonald, Colquitt, R. F. D. Ga.
S. Eley, Brinson, R. F. D. Ga.
W. T. Wiley, Hilton, R. F. D. Ga.
J. G. Harris, Arlington, R. F. D. Ga.
E. C. White, Blakely, R. F. D. Ga.
M. A. Woodard, Davis, N. C.
E. S. Cheshire, DeLand, Fla.
LICENTATE.—J. L. Teddy, Webb, Ala.

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