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MINUTES

OF THE

TWENTY-FOURTH ANNUAL SESSION

OF THE

MIDWAY FREEWILL BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

HELD WITH

DAMASCUS CHURCH
Early County, Georgia.
November 1st, and 2nd, 1922.

OFFICERS

S. EALEY, Moderator, D. T. WALKER, Clerk
Brinson, Ga. Elm City, N. C.

JAMES CHESHER, Treasurer, N. C.

Next session will be held at Elm City, N. C.,
before the Sunday School, in November,
1923.

MINUTES

The Twnty-fourth Annual Session of the Midway United Freewill Baptist Association met with Damascus Church, Early County, Georgia, November 1st and 2nd, 1922.

The Introductory sermon was preached by S. Ealey at Eleven o'clock a. m.

Adjourned for dinner to meet at 1:30 o'clock p. m.

Called to order by Present Moderator. Song sung by the Choir. Prayer by C. C. White. The Moderator announced ready for business.

First called for corresponding letter and received 17. Bro. J. G. Harris and W. T. Wiley was appointed to read letters as follows:

Open Pond—T. G. Harvey, Collie Howard, W. T. Hudson and Dot Harvey.

Zion—J. B. Chambers and J. W. Davis.

Damascus—Willie Wiley, L. B. Perry and W. L. Pool.

New Light—W. H. Drinkwaters.

Cedar Springs—J. G. Fillmon, G. E. Pyles, J. H. McGlamary and Sibely Pyles.

Bethlehem—T. J. Barfield and J. H. Barfield.

Travelerst—T. J. Rhodes, C. Irvin and J. B. Edmond.

Pleasant Grove—Mrs. W. S. Hadden, and Miss Willie Jernegan.

White Pond—J. B. Widner and J. C. English.

White Plain—J. L. Houston, D. S. Sheffield, C. P. Houston and Brink Hoover.

Patmas—Albert Smith, Fred Smith and Jessie Griffin.

Live Oak—D. F. Walker, T. J. Sanders, F. C. Williford, W. E. Tucker and Ralph Phillips.

New Enterprise—C. E. Wardell.

Oak Grove—Callie Middleton, Daniel Allen, Clifford Houston and D. J. Allen.

Enterprise—Not Represented.

The View—R. D. Burton, C. E. Burton and T. W. Eason.

Muscedonia—W. P. Richardson, H. N. Middleton, B. F. Jordan and James Cheshire.

Next went in Permanent Organization by electing Moderator and Clerk. Organized by electing S. Ealey Moderator, and B. F. Walker Clerk.

Moved that the Moderator and Clerk be allowed to select from the body an assistant Moderator and Clerk and Bro. W. T. Wiley was chosen Assistant Moderator and James Cheshire Assistant Clerk.

Next invite brethren to seats with us.

Next called for Petitionary Letters. None received.

Next appointment of committees and the following committees were appointed:

Committee on Suggestions, W. T. Wiley, W. A. McDaniel, J. G. Harris, C. C. White and T. G. Harvey.

On Sabbath Schools, Willie Wiley, J. B. Edmond and W. H. Drinkwaters.

On Temperance, J. G. Harris, James Cheshire and C. E. Wordell.

On Finance, J. B. Edmond, L. B. Perry and T. J. Rhodes.

On nomination T. J. Barfield, T. J. Sanders, J. B. Widner.

On State of Churches and Care of Ministers, W. P. Richardson, J. C. English and W. L. Pool.

On Devotional Services, F. C. Williford, G. E. Pyrus, C. P. Houston.

Moved that calling the roll and reading of Decorum be postponed until Thursday morning.

Committee on Devotional services made their report that S. Ealey preach to-night at 7 o'clock and Bro. C. C. White preach tomorrow at 11 o'clock.

F. C. WILLIFORD, Chairman.

Moved to adjourn until 8:30 o'clock Thursday morning. Sing hymn No. 229 and prayer by Bro. W. A. McDonald.

Thursday Morning, November 2nd.

Called to order by the Moderator at 8:30 o'clock. Read 17th Chapter of Luke and song by Choir. Prayer by E. C. Williams.

Next was call the roll and corrected Decorum was read by the Moderator.

Next call for report of committees and committee on Sabbath school made their report which is as follows:

Report On Sabbath School.

We your committee on Sabbath schools beg leave to make the following report that we find seven of our churches without a Sunday School. We also find that all the churches that have a Sabbath School to be more prosperous than it has been for years past and we recommend that all churches that have no Sunday School strive to organize a Sunday School in every church at once as we find it one of the great helps to any church or community.

WILLIE WILEY, Chairman.

The above report received and adopted and a good talk on the above report by W. H. Drinkwaters and Bro. E. S. Cheshire.

Report of committee on State of Churches and character of ministers is as follows:

We your committee on State of Churches and Character of Ministers beg leave to make the following report:

We find all our ministers and churches in good standing.

W. P. RICHARDSON, Chairman.

The above report was adopted.

Next we adjourned for preaching.

Afternoon Session.

Met at 1:30 o'clock as per adjournment.

Song by Choir. Prayer by Bro. J. G. Harris.

Next called for report of committees, and Temperance Committee made their report.

Report Of Temperance Committee.

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

We find from the records of our courts that drunkenness prevails from most every community. We suggest that the preachers and deacons and superintendents of Sunday Schools advocate temperance.

J. G. HARRIS, Chairman.

The above report received and adopted.

Report Of Committee On Suggestions.

We your Committee on Suggestions make the following report:

1st. We adopt the Freewill Baptist Treaties presented by the Freewill Baptist Press, at Aden, N. C., of which all Freewill Baptists in North Carolina have adopted. It was opened by J. G. Harris.

2nd. We suggest some calenders be printed for each church showing the time when to take up collection for the different purposes, (for Education, Orphen Home and Missions.)

3rd. We request that all of the preachers attend the State Preachers Meeting at Ozon church on Tuesday before the Second Sunday in November 1922 for the purpose of meeting all churches and associations and business in one combined effort.

4th. We want the Mission Board to take an active move towards looking out for work and have it done and employ an Evangelist for the association to work when called on by the Board.

W. T. WILEY, Chairman.

The above report received and adopted.

Next moved that we request all our preachers to attend the State Convention which convenes at Ozon church, Adkerson, County, Georgia on Tuesday before the Second Sunday in November 1922.

Moved that we excuse Bro. W. A. McDonald from attending the State Convention.

Moved that the ministers and delegates go to the State Convention and that James Chesher and T. G. Harvey and D. F. Walker be delegates to the convention.

Next was report of Finance Committee.

Report Of Finance Committee.

We your Committee On Finance beg leave to make the following report.

Received for Minutes	\$30.60
Received for Missions	\$78.21

J. B. EDMONDS, Chairman.

The above report was received and adopted.

Next was a move to except the report of the Mission Board and that the Association pay the \$20.00 paid by the Board for an Evangelist for 1922.

Report of Treasurer.

The Treasurer begs leave to make the following report of amount on hand last association:

For Mission Purposes	\$686.34
Received from Bethlehem Church	4.00
Received from Traverless church	3.25
Paid J. G. Harris for J. E. Eldrige	\$ 14.80
Paid Bro. Cherry R. R. Fare	1.80

Paid Bro. Whilikers R. R. Fare	3.20
Paid State Convention	25.00

Received on Interest	\$ 99.21	32.00
Received at this Association		78.21

\$803.80

Paid Bro. Barmon, N. C.	\$ 20.00
	\$119.21

Amount on hand for Minutes last Association	\$ 7.37
Received from Bethlehem Church	1.50
Received from Traverless Church90

Paid Printing Minutes	\$ 18.00
Paid Postage	1.00
Paid Clerk for Service	15.00

\$ 34.00

Received at this Association	\$ 30.60
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\$ 40.33

To Balance on Hand	\$ 6.33
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\$ 40.33

JAMES CHESHER, Treasurer.

Next was the appointment of Correspondents to different Associations, and were appointed by the Moderator as follows:

Libert—W. A. McDonald.
Chattahoochee—C. C. White.
State line of Alabama—J. G. Harris.

Next Clerk was authorized to write a correspondent letter to all Liberal Baptists.

Next moved that the same Mission Board be elected and that we retain our present Treasurer.

Moved and carried that we send to our College, (the one that is now being built), \$50.00, and that we send \$50.00 to the Orphen Home in North Carolina.

Moved that the donation to the State Convention be left entirely with the delegates to the Convention.

Moved hat the Treasurer be instructed to buy Five Hundred Manuals and that the same be sold at cost to the members

and that the proceeds be placed back in the treasure and the same be sent to the Clerks of each church with instructions that the same be paid for.

Moved that we pay the Clerk \$15.00 for his services.

Next was the report of committee on Nomination. We beg leave to make the following report that the next session be held with Live Oak Church, Baker County, on Wednesday at 11 o'clock before the First Sunday in November, 1923, and that Bro. J. G. Harris preach the Introductory Sermon.

T. J. BARFIELD, Chairman.

The above report was received and adopted.

Moved that we extend our thanks to the good people of Damascus for their kindness shown us during our stay with them.

Moved to adjourn to meet with Live Oak Church on Wednesday before the First Sunday in November, 1923.

Moved to thank our Moderator and Clerk for their faithful services.

Moved to accept Damascus Church for the place for holding the next National Convention.

No other business song by the Choir and prayer by Bro. W. A. McDonald.

S. EALEY, Moderator.

D. F. WALKER, Clerk.

List of Executive Committee and Mission Board.

JAMES CHESHER, Colquitt, Georgia.

W. R. HOUSTON, Colquitt, Georgia.

H. J. COSBY, Blakely, Georgia.

T. G. HARVEY, Jakin, Georgia.

R. A. HUDSON, Jakin, Georgia.

List of Ordained Ministers.

W. A. McDONALD, Colquitt, Georgia.

S. EALEY, Brinson, Georgia.

W. T. WILEY, Hilton, Georgia.

J. G. HARRIS, Arlington, Georgia.

C. C. WHITE, Blakely, Georgia.

E. C. WILLIAMS, Iron City, Georgia.

E. S. CHESHER, Delan, Florida.

Letter of Correspondence From Midway Association.

To All Liberal Baptist Associations—GREETINGS:

Beloved Brethren our Association has just held its 24th Annual Session and was a pleasant one, brotherly love existed, peace and harmony prevailed and the Spirit of God seemed to rule and Reign Supremely in our hearts the cause of Christ is progressing. Brethren visit us when you can and let us get more in touch with one another and we will ever be ready to assist you at any time we get an opportunity to do so. We ask all Christians to pray for us in the good work. Oh that the Angel of Peace and the love of God may rest and abide with us all forever.

Your brother in Christ.

D. F. WALKER.

Sunday School Report.

Travelerst Number of Pupils 25—H. D. Parker, Supt.

Macedonia Number of Pupils 40—W. P. Richardson, Supt.

Live Oak Number of Pupils 50—F. C. Williford, Supt.

Zion Number of Pupils 40—J. A. Johnson, Supt.

Patmas Number of Pupils 48—J. F. Griffin, Supt.

White Plain Number of Pupils 52—J. L. Houston, Supt.

White Pond Number of Pupils 70—J. C. English, Supt.

Damascus Number of Pupils 80—L. W. Wiley, Supt.



STATISTICAL TABLE

CHURCH AND PASTOR	CLERKS AND POSTOFFICE	Received by letter	Received by profession	Restored	Baptised	Expelled	Dismissed by letter	Died	Total No. Members	Paid Pastors	Paid for Minutes	Paid for Missions
Bethlehem—W. T. Wiley	J. D. Kersey, Shellman, Ga.	5	5	5	2	1	65	\$200.00	\$2.00	\$11.00		
Oak Grove—E. C. Williams	E. M. Lewis, Colquitt, Ga.	2	5	1	5	1	111	58.35	1.00	2.50		
Pine View—C. C. White	L. W. Stephens, Donaldsonville, Ga.	2	5	1	5	1	111	82.90	1.25	1.25		
Open Pond—S. Ealey	M. M. Harvey, Jakin, Ga.	2	2	2	2	2	100	200.00	2.00	4.20		
Traveler's Rest—W. T. Wiley	H. D. Parker, Newton, Ga.	2	2	2	2	2	423	78.00	2.00	5.00		
Ceder Springs—E. C. Williams	R. B. Pyles, Jakin, Ga.	9	16	16	2	2	135	103.50	2.00			
New Enterprise—J. G. Harris	C. E. Waddell, Iron City, Ga.	2	1	3	4	2	51	80.68	2.00	5.25		
Macedonia—S. Ealey	F. C. Richardson, Colquitt, Ga.	2	1	1	4	5	186	131.13	5.00	10.00		
Enterprise—J. C. Ingram	P. C. Harrell, Blakely, Ga.	2	2	2	1	1	37	38.50	.50			
Live Oak—W. T. Wiley	H. R. Sanders, Milford, Ga.	2	2	2	1	3	155	150.50	2.10	6.00		
Zion—S. Ealey	W. E. Chambers, Hilton, Ga.	4	2	2	2	4	153	74.05	1.40	1.00		
Damascus—W. T. Wiley	L. W. Wiley, Damascus, Ga.	6	6	6	1	1	54	195.25	2.00	5.00		
Patmos—E. C. Williams	J. F. Griffin, Milford, Ga.	2	3	1	2	1	54	100.00	2.00	3.00		
White Plain—W. T. Wiley	W. W. Houston, Blakely, Ga.	1	1	2	1	10		120.00	2.10	6.00		
White Pond—C. C. White	J. B. Widener, Blakely, Ga.	3	4	3	1	1	76	130.91	1.75	3.00		
New Light—W. T. Wiley	Bennie Paul, Morgan, Ga.	6	1	6	2		132	135.00	1.00	10.00		
Pleasant Grove—J. G. Harris	M. C. Leslie, Shellman, Ga.	1	1	1	1	1	37	125.00	.50	5.00		