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FIRST DAY—MORNING SESSION

THE NORTHEAST MISSISSIPPI ASSOCIATION OF FREE WILL BAPTIST met in the tenth annual session with the Pleasant Grove Church on Thursday morning, September 21, 1944.

The Association was opened by singing, led by G. C. Lee, and prayer by Rev. Lee, and Rev. Elton Coleman read from the Prov. Rev. J. M. Haas read from 1st Cor. and the 13th Chapter.

The Moderator, Rev. Haas, took charge and proceeded to perfect organization.

Brother E. K. Brown and Sister Pauline Murphy were selected to assist the Clerk as reading clerks. Church letters were called for and the following churches were represented by letter and delegation: Beech Springs, Antioch, Bethlehem, Columbus, Depriest, Damascus, East Tupelo, Fawn Grove, Gauley, Pearce Chapel, Pleasant Grove, Priceville, Springdale, Stetson Chapel, Union Hill, New Life, and a new church was reported by Rev. M. I. Hollis, having been organized at Amory, Miss.

There was a call made at this time for visitors and corresponding delegates, and we had with us Eld. N. P. Gates and son, of Hazel Park, Mich., who were given seats with us and welcomed in our Association.

A song at this time and a recess for service from the stand. After the recess we were called into the service by singing, and Rev. M. L. Hollis filled the stand and used the text, Phil. 3-13 and Ex. 14-15. "Speak to the children of Isreal that they go forward."

Adjourned for lunch.

FIRST DAY—AFTERNOON SESSION

Called together by singing and Rev. Ervin Brown conducted the devotional by reading from God's Word and prayer.

The following preachers made their annual reports to the body: D. M. Smitherman, E. A. Lewis, Elton Coleman, Grover Price, M. L. Hollis, J. M. Haas, Geo. C. Lee, W. H. Fondren, O. A. Wages, whose reports will be given later in this minute.

The Moderator, Rev. J. M. Haas, and the Clerk, Rev. Geo. C. Lee, being called from the Association at this time for a funeral at Tupelo, Brother M. L. Hollis was given the Moderator's seat,

and Brother L. E. Duncan in the Clerk's seat for the time.

The appointment of the various committees was made at this time, as follows:

League Committee—Ervin Brown, Mrs. W. H. Fondren, Mrs. Lee Evans, Miss Inez Robertson, Pauline Murphy.

Ladies' Aid—Mildred Christian, Lucille Johnson, Mrs. J. R. Strube, Mrs. E. K. Brown, Mrs. Geo. C. Lee.

Obituary—E. F. Harris, Tille Bell Collins, Rev. E. A. Lewis, Rev. D. M. Smitherman, Edward York.

Temperance—C. L. Duncan, Mrs. Litcher Fields, Mrs. E. A. Tatum, W. H. Fondren, Lucille Winders.

Literature—L. E. Duncan, Mrs. E. K. Brown, Mrs. Pauline Murphy, Rev. N. P. Gates, J. T. Alexander.

Resolution—J. F. Parker, L. E. Duncan, W. F. Bevill, Chas. Ard, O. A. Wages.

Sunday School—C. R. Hollis, Elton Coleman, Mrs. C. L. Duncan, E. K. Brown, Mrs. Tennie Andrews.

PREACHERS' REPORTS

Greetings to Northeast Mississippi Association of Free Will Baptist when convened with Pleasant Grove Church, 1944: I have preached 40 sermons and worked in three revivals, prayed many prayers, visited many sick, and received for my work \$50.00. My address is Houlka, Miss., Route 3.—A. O. Wages.

Greetings to the Northeast Mississippi Association of Free Will Baptist, when convened with the Pleasant Grove Church, Sept. 21, 1944: It is with true thankfulness of heart that I make this report to the Association; I have preached 538 sermons, prayed many prayers, visited many sick people, baptized 91 converts, received 126 people into church, helped ordain two deacons, licensed one minister, preached three commencement sermons, preached one memorial sermon, pastored 7 churches, conducted 64 funerals, received from churches pastored, \$2,342.00; received from revivals and evangelistic work, \$693.00; total received, \$3,005.00. I have traveled 18,000 miles, organized 3 churches. My address is Columbus, Miss.—M. L. Hollis.

Greetings to the Northeast Mississippi Association of the Free Will Baptist of Mississippi, when convened with the Pleasant Grove Church, Sept. 21, 1944: It is with true thankfulness of heart that I make the following report of my work for the year 1944: I have preached 69 sermons, prayed many prayers, visited several sick, baptized 24 converts, received 24 into church, helped ordain one minister, preached one memorial sermon, pastored one

church, conducted 9 funerals, received for my services as pastor, \$478.00; received for revival work, \$204.04; total received, \$682.06. My address is Tupelo, Miss., R.F.D.—J. M. Haas.

Greetings to the Tenth Annual Session of the Northeast Mississippi Association of Free Will Baptist, when convened with the Pleasant Grove Church on Sept. 21, 1944: It is with true thankfulness of heart that I make this report of my work to 20th day of September, 1944. I have preached 10 times, prayed many prayers, visited many sick, baptized one convert, helped ordain one deacon, married 3 couples. My address is Denmark, Miss., R.F.D.—W. H. Fondren.

Greetings to the Northeast Mississippi Association of Free Will Baptist, when convened with the Pleasant Grove Church on Sept. 21, 1944: It is with true thankfulness of heart that I make this my yearly report to the Association. I have preached 58 sermons, prayed many prayers, visited several sick ones, received one into the church, licensed one preacher, held 4 funerals, received for pastoral work, \$70.35; total received, \$93.20. I have traveled 1,450 miles. My address is Toccopola, Miss.—D. M. Smitherman.

Greetings to the Northeast Mississippi Association, when convened with the Pleasant Grove Church on Sept. 21, 1944: It is with true thankfulness of heart that I make this my report to the Association for the year closing Sept. 21, 1944. I have preached 54 sermons, prayed many prayers, visited many sick, received 6 into church, helped ordain one minister and two deacons, licensed one preacher, preached two memorial sermons, conducted one funeral, received for services, \$58.00; traveled 1,250 miles. My address is Denmark, Miss., R.F.D.—E. A. Lewis.

Greetings to the Tenth Annual Session of the Northeast Mississippi Association, when convened with the Pleasant Grove Church on the 21st day of September, 1944: It is with true thankfulness of heart that I make this my annual report to this body. I have preached 149 sermons, prayed hundreds of prayers, visited many sick ones, baptized 14 converts, received 21 into church, helped ordain one preacher, helped ordain one deacon, licensed two preachers, held and helped in 10 meetings, preached two memorial sermons, pastored 6 churches, also one fifth Sunday regular appointment, conducted 7 funerals, received for my pastoral work, \$855.37; received for evangelistic work, \$328.84; total help for year, \$1,184.21; traveled 5,575 miles. My address is Calhoun City, Miss., P. O. Box 175.—Geor. C. Lee.

LICENSED MINISTERS' REPORT

Greetings to the Northeast Mississippi Association of Free Will Baptist, when convened with the Pleasant Grove Church on the 21st day of September, 1944: It is with true thankfulness of heart that I make this my first annual report to this body. I have traveled 1,144 miles, preached 53 sermons, received from churches, \$161.20. May God's blessings be on each member of this body the coming year. My address is Pontotoc, Miss.—Grover C. Price.

Greetings to the Northeast Mississippi Association of the Free Will Baptist, when convened with the Pleasant Grove Church: It is with true thankfulness of heart that I make this my annual report to this Association. I have preached 12 sermons, helped to organize one outpost Sunday School, prayed many prayers, visited many sick, traveled 227 miles, received for services, \$26.70. May God help me to do more the coming year. My address is Tocco-pola, Miss.—Elton Coleman.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Resolution Committee Report—Resolved, 1st. That meeting date of this Association be changed to meet Thursday and Friday before the first Sunday in October each year, instead of the time set forth in the present constitution. This part of this resolution was placed on the table the first day of the session to lay over till Friday and was never called up, therefore, is not a part of the constitution as yet, as it was overlooked, and the meeting date for the next session remains the same.

2nd. Resolved that we extend to the Pleasant Grove Church and community our heartfelt thanks for their kindness and hospitality shown us while in their midst. May God's richest blessings ever be theirs to enjoy. The next session of this Association was voted to the Deprist Church, near Gattman, Miss.

Ladies' Aid Committee Report—We beg leave to make the following report: We find some of the churches do not have Ladies' Aids, and knowing the important work that the Ladies' Aid is able to accomplish as we do, we urge that greater efforts be put forth to organize Ladies' Aids in all churches. Signed by the Committee.

Report of the Ladies' Aid of Pearce Chapel Church follows: September, 1944. We, the Ladies' Aid of Pearce Chapel, send the following report: Number enrolled, 6; meetings once a month; the money collected, dues each month, 10c; collected as follows, dues, work and donations are to the Red Cross, \$3.00; to war relief, \$5.00; paid on painting church, \$90.00; to missions, \$17.45;

total paid for different causes, \$115.45; balance in our treasury, \$8.13.—Mrs. A. W. Holiway, Secretary.

We, your Resolution Committee, make further report: We offer the following resolution, that the following be added to the constitution:

That a Presbytery of three or five member board be elected, of competent and qualified ministers and deacons for the purpose of examining all ministers coming to this Association, on doctrine and other qualifications before ordaining. Signed by Committee.

Report of Christian Education—We, your Committee on Christian Education, beg leave to submit the following report: Whereas, there is a growing demand among all of our churches for a better educated ministry so as to more efficiently lead our people in every phase of our work in the church. We, therefore, recommend that our churches be very careful in their recommendations of those who are to be ordained into the gospel ministry.

We also urge our young preachers to apply themselves by attending our Bible College, located in Nashville, Tenn. And those who cannot attend the Bible College make an effort to attend the different institutes that are being sponsored by our churches, and good books. We further recommend the setting up of a Christian library that is to be supervised by someone selected, or a board appointed by this Association, for the purpose of selecting and holding the books that constitute the said library. This library is to be maintained for the good of our young ministers and Christian workers who lack funds for the purchase of such books as they might need to study. Said library to be sponsored by the Northeast Mississippi Association of Free Will Baptist, and its service offered free to its members who might want to take advantage of these benefits. Respectfully submitted, Ruth House, Chairman.

This report was read and adopted and the Amory Church was selected as the church for the heading up of this library, and the following were elected by the Association as ones to have supervision and to pass on the kind of books that would go into this library: Rev. M. L. Hollis, chairman; Rev. Geo. C. Lee, associate, and Brother Charley Hollis as custodian of the library.

At this time there was a call made for Amory Church as there was a need for more funds to complete their church, and there was a collection taken and there was raised Sixty Dollars, and then the Association gave a gift of Forty-five Dollars, making One Hundred and Five Dollars (\$105.00).

We, the Committee on Sunday School, recommend that all F.

W. B. Sunday Schools use our F. W. B. literature. This can be had from the Ayden Press, of Ayden, N. C., or the Gem, of Monett, Mo., and encourage all our people to use literature with the scripture text taken from the King James version or translation of the Bible. And by all means, refrain from the use of other recognized American standard versions. We further recommend that our people select as their officers from the very best and most spiritual talent of their church. This does not restrict the use of members of other denominations who are qualified as such officers; realizing that each church who maintains a Sunday School has accomplished far greater success for the cause of Christ and the people of their community as well as greater strength to our beloved denomination through their faithful work. We recommend that each church that is now functioning without a Sunday School shall organize same at once. We recommend that our people be on the alert to any opportunity that might be open in the community for organizing Sunday Schools, prayer meetings, or religious meetings. We feel that this effort should lead to the organization of additional F. W. B. churches. Signed by Committee.

League Report—We, your Committee on League work, make the following report: We urge that each church which has no League, organize as soon as possible. We believe that by making our League programs more attractive we can draw more of our youth to our churches. We urge each League to invite all the youth of the community, and by each member being a personal soul-winner will lead them to the Lord Jesus Christ. Then we can invite them into the church to become workers for His kingdom. We would like to suggest this verse for our motto: 1st Tim. 4-12: "Let no man despise thy youth; but be thou an example of the believers, in word, in courage, in spirit, in faith, in purity." Signed by Committee.

At this time Rev. N. P. Gates led No. 139, favorite songs and hymns. Homes were assigned.

Temperance Report—We, your Committee on Temperance, recommend that all churches fight against all things pertaining to intemperance. First, we would suggest as James, "Be ye temperate in all things." This doesn't always mean liquor as one might think, although it is one of our biggest enemies to guard against. We should be careful in selecting our officers and leaders that they should be Christian men and women. Another thing would be our tongue. James 3-6: "And the tongue is a fire, a world of iniquity, so is the tongue among our members. That it defileth the whole body, and setteth on fire the course of nature and it is sit on fire of hell." Committee.

Adojurned to meet Friday, 9:00 A.M.

The night service was a glorious meeting. Rev. N. P. Gates took the stand after a good song service and preached a wonderful sermon from the Word of God, on the subject of the Lord's Supper and the washing of the Saints' feet. And after the message there was a great number who took of the emblems and then washed one another's feet. It was a great meeting and scores of souls enjoyed the fellowship with their Lord and also the wonderful love shown for each other, in answering the Master in His saying of "If ye know these things happy are ye if ye do them."

FRIDAY MORNING—SECOND DAY

Devotion led by E. K. Brown, reading from Prov. Subject: "Child Training." Prayer by L. E. Duncan.

Brother Prude sang No. 107 in favorite songs and hymns.

Literature Committee appointed as follows: L. E. Duncan, Mrs. E. K. Brown, Mrs. Ruby Murphy, J. F. Alexander, and Rev. Gates.

This committee retired and made up the following report and turned it in to the body for consideration, after discussing various phases of our work and literature available for same: We beg leave to recommend that we support our publishing houses to as great an extent as possible, thus helping these publishers furnish us better and more adequate literature for our auxillary work; such as Sunday Schools, Leagues, and ladies' auxiliary work. We also recommend that each home read only that kind of literature that is wholesome, and that we teach our children to read from the Bible each day.

We also recommend that our people support our denominational papers; such as the Free Will Baptist Weekly, Free Will Baptist Gem, F. W. B. Land Mark, The Free Will Baptist Evangel and the Messenger. Signed by Committee.

Recessed for ten minutes.

The people were called together by singing, led by Rev. Gates, and after a song Rev. Geo. Lee filled the stand, and read from the story of the prodigal son and used as subject, "Wasting Our Substance." Adjourned for lunch.

SECOND DAY—AFTERNOON SESSION

Called together by singing, led by Rev. N. P. Gates, and the devotion led by Brother Fondren, reading from the 133rd Psalm.

Prayer by W. A. Prude.

At this time the ordination of Brother Grover Price and Brother Elton Coleman took place, with the ordination council, elected for this work by the body, Rev. M. L. Hollis, Chairman, Rev. J. M. Haas, Rev. Geo. C. Lee, and Deacons E. K. Brown and L. E. Duncan. Brother Knight, of Columbus Church, was also ordained as Deacon of the Columbus Church.

There was at this time a memorial to the memory of deceased ones, and prayer. Report of Obituary Committee.

The election of officers was gone into and resulted in the retention of all the old officers for the next associational year: Rev. Haas, Moderator; Rev. Geo. Lee, Clerk, and W. A. Prude, Treasurer.

Corresponding delegates were appointed to the different sister associations and they were as follows: To the Vernon, which meets on Saturday before the third Sunday in October, near Vernon, Ala., Brother Chas. Hollis, Brother Knight, and Brother E. K. Brown; to the Jasper, which meets Saturday before the first Sunday in October, Charley Hollis, D. M. Smitherman, and J. M. Haas; Zion Rest Association, Rev. Haas, W. G. Prude, and L. E. Duncan.

Thus closed another good and harmonious session of the Association, and there was a move to close this session to meet with the Deprist Church, in Nineteen Hundred and Forty-five.

We, your Obituary Committee, make our report: As the good Lord in His infinite mercy has seen fit to call from our midst the following dear Brothers and Sisters, from Damascus Church, three members, Sister Elzey Johnson, Sgt. Ervin R. Gibson, Brother Field Smith; from Deprist Church, one, Mrs. Ludie Mae McCormack; from Pierce Chapel Church, two, Mrs. Nora Sanders and Mr. Troy Stevens; from Fawn Grove, two, Roy Comer, Sister Yielding; from East Tupelo, one, Mrs. G. A. Cook; from Priceville, Brother G. M. Shirley; Springdale, one, Brother T. F. McCord; from Columbus, one, Woodrow Rickman; Beech Springs, one, Mrs. M. C. Stimbridge. Signed by Committee.

REV. J. M. HAAS, Moderator,

REV. GEO. C. LEE, Clerk,

W. G. PRUDE, Treasurer.

The Association elected a standing Presbytery for the purpose of examining and questioning candidates for ordination to the ministry and recommendations made by said board to the Association for such ordinations. The following ministers with lay members were elected by the Association: Rev. M. L. Hollis, Rev. Geo. C. Lee, Rev. J. M. Haas, and Deacons E. K. Brown, and L. E. Duncan. This is to be a standing board and to function until a change made by the Association.

MINISTER'S YEARLY REPORT

GREETINGS: To Northeast Mississippi Association of Free Will Baptist, when convened with the.....Church on the.....day of....., 194..... It is with true thankfulness of heart to God that I am able to make the following report of my year's work, ending on the.....day of....., 194..... I have preached.....sermons; Prayed.....Prayers; visited.....sick people; Baptized.....Converts; Received.....people into church; Helped ordain.....Ministers and.....Deacons; Licensed.....Ministers; Preached.....Commencement sermons and.....Memorial sermons; Pastored.....Churches; Conducted.....funerals. Received from churches pastored \$.....; Received \$..... for revival work; Total received for year \$.....; Traveled.....miles.

Respectfully submitted,

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CONSTITUTION

Section 1.—This organization shall be known as the North-East Mississippi Association of Free Will Baptist and shall be composed of ministers, deacons, clerks, and delegates of the various churches of this Association.

Section 2.—The purpose of the Association shall be to bring together our churches throughout North Mississippi for a closer union among our people and the establishment of new churches in our state.

Section 3.—This Association shall be composed of churches of the above named territory together with like bodies of same Faith and Practice which may be hereafter admitted.

Section 4.—Each church shall be allowed three delegated representatives and they must be duly appointed by their church while in conference and bear credentials from the same to this body.

Section 5.—Visiting ministers and delegates may be seated as

advisory members in this body.

Section 6.—It shall not be the purpose of this Association to usurp authority over the churches but to recommend such measures as would promote unity of action among the churches, to harmonize the efforts of individual churches to one another in their efforts to accomplish good, and make each other more proficient in their undertakings for good.

Section 7.—This constitution may be altered or amended by a vote of the yearly meeting at any session, notice of such intended alterations having been given in writing and recorded at the next previous session.

Section 8.—There shall be an ordaining council, elected by the Association, to inquire into, and examine each applicant for ordination to preach the Gospel of the Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, and make recommendations to the Association for the ordination of said applicant. This council shall be composed of three ministers and two laymen.

RULES OF DECORUM

Section 1.—The officers of this Association shall consist of a Moderator, Clerk and Treasurer, who shall be elected at the close of each session by a majority of the delegates present.

Section 2.—This Association shall hold its session annually beginning on Thursday and continue through Friday before the fourth Sunday in September.

Section 3.—The Moderator shall have the right to appoint all committees.

Section 4.—The Clerk shall have the right to supervise the printing of the minutes and shall be allowed \$10.00 for his service; Treasurer, \$5.00; and Moderator, \$5.00, for their services.

Section 5.—No member shall absent himself from the body without leave of the Moderator.

Section 6.—All members desiring to speak shall arise, address the Moderator, and personal reflection shall be avoided.

Section 7.—All motions made and seconded shall be open for discussion, but debate may be shut off at any time by a majority of the members of the Association.

Section 8.—If any proposition or motion under debate contain two or more points, it shall be divided at the request of any member and the vote taken separately.

Section 9.—Motions made and lost shall not be recorded on the minutes unless so ordered at the time.

Section 10.—No one shall be allowed to speak more than twice on the same subject, and not more than ten minutes at a time; without special leave from the body.

Section 11.—All questions shall be decided by a majority of the members present.

ARTICLES OF FAITH

Article 1.—THE BIBLE—The Scriptures of the Old and New Testaments were given by inspiration of God and the Scriptures of the New Testament are our infallible rule of Faith and Practice.

Article 2.—GOD—There is one living and true God, revealed in nature as the Creator, Preserver, and Righteous Governor of the universe, and in the Scriptures as Father, Son and Holy Spirit, yet as one God, infinitely wise and good, whom all intelligent creatures are to love, adore, and obey.

Article 3.—CHRIST—Is God manifest in the flesh; in His divine nature truly God, in His human nature truly man. The mediator between God and man, once crucified, He is now risen and glorified and is our ever present Saviour and Lord.

Article 4.—THE HOLY SPIRIT—The Scripture assigns to the Holy Spirit all attributes of God. He is the reprover, comforter, guide and sanctifier of men.

Article 5.—THE GOVERNMENT OF GOD—God exercises a wise and benevolent providence over all beings and all things by maintaining the constitution and the laws of nature. He also performs special acts of grace, not otherwise provided for, as the highest welfare of man requires.

Article 6.—THE SINFULNESS OF MAN—Man was created innocent but by disobedience fell into a state of sin and condemnation. His posterity therefore inherit a fallen nature of such tendencies that all who come to years of accountability sin, and become guilty before God.

Article 7.—THE WORK OF CHRIST—The Son of God by His incarnation, life, suffering, death and resurrection affected for all a redemption from sin that is full and free and is the ground of salvation by faith.

Article 8.—THE TERMS OF SALVATION—The conditions of salvation are: 1. Repentance or sincere sorrow for sin and hearty renunciation of it. 2. Faith or the unreserved committal of one's self to Christ as Saviour and Lord with purpose to live and obey Him in all things. In the exercise of saving faith the soul is renewed by the Holy Spirit, freed from the domination of sin and be-

comes a child of God. 3. Continuance in faith and obedience until death.

Article 9.—ELECTION—God determined from the beginning to save all who should comply with the condition of salvation. Hence by faith in Christ men become His elect.

Article 10.—FREEDOM OF THE WILL—The human will is free and self-controlled, having power to yield to the influence of the truth and the spirit, or to resist them and perish.

Article 11.—SALVATION FREE—God desires the salvation of all, the Gospel invites all, the Holy Spirit strives with all, and whosoever will come and take the water of life freely.

Article 12.—PERSEVERENCE—All believers in Christ, who through grace persevere in holiness to the end of life, have promise of eternal salvation.

Article 13.—GOSPEL ORDINANCES—Baptism, or the immersion of believers in water, and the Lord's Supper, are ordinances to be perpetuated under the Gospel. Feet washing, an ordinance teaching humility, of universal obligation, and to be administered to all true believers.

Article 14.—THE CHRISTIAN SABBATH—The divine law requires that one day in seven be set apart from peculiar employments and amusements, for rest, worship, holy works and activities, and for personal communion with God.

Article 15.—RESURRECTION, JUDGMENT AND FINAL RETRIBUTION—The Scriptures teach 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 ill unto the resurrection of punishment, but the righteous into eternal life.

FINANCE TO 1944 SESSION

	Minutes.....	H. Mission....	F. W. B. C.	Sup.....	F. Miss.....	TOTAL.....
Antioch	\$ 4.00	\$ 8.00	\$ 1.00	\$ 2.00		\$ 15.00
Beech Springs	3.00					3.00
Bethlehem	4.11	6.50	2.00	3.00	2.00	17.76
Columbus	5.00	3.00	1.00	2.00	1.00	12.00
Damascus	3.00		5.00	5.00	2.50	15.50
Deprist	4.00	10.00		10.00	10.00	34.00
East Tupelo	3.00	5.00		5.00	5.00	18.00
Fawn Grove	2.50			2.50		5.00
Gauley	4.00	4.00		2.00		10.00
New Life	3.00					3.00
Pearce Chapel	4.50	1.50	2.00	2.00	2.00	12.00
Pleasant Grove	3.00					3.00
Priceville	3.00	10.00	10.00	6.00	10.00	39.00
Springdale	4.25					4.25
Stetson Chapel	3.00					3.00
Union Hill	5.42	5.00				10.42
Offerings		55.00				55.00
TOTALS.....	\$58.78	\$108.00	\$21.00	\$39.50	\$32.50	\$259.78

Brought Forward\$ 95.67

TOTAL.....\$355.45

DISBURSEMENTS—SEPT. 22, 1944

For Amory Church.....\$100.00
 J. M. Haas, Moderator.....\$ 5.00
 Geo. Lee, Clerk.....\$ 10.00
 W. A. Prude, Treasurer.....\$ 5.00

TOTAL PAID.....\$120.00

\$355.45

\$120.00

Balance on Hand.....\$235.45

FINANCIAL AND STATISTICAL TABLE

CHURCHES	Incidentals.....	Mome Missions.....	Foreign Missions.....	Christian Education...	League Enrollment...	S. S. Enrollment.....	Benevolence.....	Bible School.....	Value of Church Property.....	Paid Superannuation....	Minutes.....	Total Expense.....
Antioch.....		8.00				40		1.00	1,000.00	30.00	4.00	323.78
Beech Springs.....						65	30.00		1,500.00		3.00	502.35
Bethlehem.....		4.00	2.00	2.00				2.00	3,000.00		4.11	421.90
Columbus.....	75.00	103.00	11.00	90.00	50	59	100.00	1.00	7,000.00	2.00	5.00	1,495.00
Damascus.....	25.00	165.00	5.00	5.00		16			800.00	5.00	3.00	767.53
Depriest.....	113.50	706.60	15.00	155.00	40	60	30.92		1,500.00	5.00	4.00	1,398.28
East Tupelo.....	107.08	283.40	10.00	190.86	27	69	114.07	60.00	5,000.00	10.00	3.00	2,477.60
Fawn Grove.....		42.00			50	75	32.00		2,000.00	2.50	2.50	431.00
Gauley.....	163.15	4.00							1,000.00	2.00	4.00	496.72
New Life.....									500.00		3.00	
Pearce's Chapel.....	42.05	237.95	10.00	35.58	65	85	39.17	2.00	3,000.00	2.00	4.50	1,654.96
Pleasant Grove.....	36.15			16.72		50			750.00		3.00	140.12
Priceville.....	51.20	10.00	10.00	40.00	60	60	12.00	10.00	2,000.00	6.00	3.00	615.97
Springdale.....	43.20	18.25				40			1,500.00		3.55	397.43
Union Hill.....	71.99	5.00				47			1,000.00		5.42	345.27
Amory.....												
Stetson Chapel.....									1,000.00		3.00	
TOTAL.....	\$ 733.32	\$1587.20	\$ 63.00	\$ 535.16	292	666	\$358.27	\$166.00	\$32,550.00	\$64.50	\$58.08	\$11,465.86

FINANCIAL AND STATISTICAL TABLE

CHURCHES	Members.....	Active.....	Inactive.....	Received by Baptism.....	Received by Letter.....	Dismissed.....	Deceased.....	Paid Pastor.....	Paid Evangelist.....	Paid on Building or Repairs.....
Antioch.....	109	48	61		3			183.66	109.62	
Beech Springs.....	132	45	87	3		1	1	340.60	116.75	15.00
Bethlehem.....	109	40	65	2	2	2		206.02	30.00	185.88
Columbus.....	160	50	110	4	2		1	900.00	135.00	75.00
Damascus.....	90	44	46	4			3	478.02	62.00	
Depriest.....	60	20	40	13	1		1	240.00	30.00	112.26
East Tupelo.....	194	74	120	1	5	2	1	720.00	125.00	850.94
Fawn Grove.....	195	75	120	3		1	2	210.00	100.00	42.00
Gauley.....	120	60	60	10	2	1		244.77	86.80	
New Life.....	50	20	30					15.50		
Pearce's Chapel..	467	233	234	20	1	2	2	735.45	219.84	292.92
Pleasant Grove...	105	35	70		1			58.75	28.50	3.50
Priceville.....	75	63	25	16	3	2	1	293.67		176.50
Springdale.....	183			1			1	179.04	106.94	
Union Hill.....	105	45	60	4				272.78		
Amory.....										
Stetson Chapel....	75	25	75			4		19.00	10.00	100.00
TOTAL.....	2229	877	1203	81	20	15	13	\$5097.26	\$1160.45	\$1854.00

CHURCHES	PREACHING DAYS	DEACONS
Damascus.....	3rd Sat. & Sunday.....	J. E. Smith, M. C. Johnson, J. R. Kinard
Antioch.....	3rd Sat. & Sunday.....	M. L. Morris, Bud Tutor, Roy Morris
Beech Springs.....	2nd & 4th Sundays.....	Bilbo McCullough, L. B. Hill, Norman Creeley, D. E. Brooks, Ezell Heatherly
Bethlehem.....	1st Sat. & Sunday.....	B. E. Sugg, S. W. Tucker C. J. Ard
Columbus.....	1st & 3rd Sundays.....	E. K. Brown, Fletcher Fields, Tom Smith
Depriest.....	1st Sat. Night & Sun.....	C. R. Hollis, J. T. Cox, Albert Williams, L. T. Lee, Clayton Knight
East Tupelo.....	Full Time.....	Preston Marcy, R. L. Winders, C. C. Davidson, L. E. Duncan
Fawn Grove.....	2nd & 4th Sundays.....	Marvin Franks, Preston Yelding, Roy Brown, John Brown
Gauley.....	4th Sunday.....	W. A. Calder, J. H. Calder E. H. Keenum
New Life.....	4th Sunday.....	J. M. Corder, Jess Morphis, Tom Hancock, Egbert Roberts
Pearce's Chapel.....	2nd & 4th Sundays and Sat. Night Before.....	S. L. Cowley, F. R. Brooks, H. L. Francis, W. W. Burrow, R. Reedy
Pleasant Grove.....	2nd Sunday.....	Jim Thomas, John Bennett, Elbert Stotnacker
Priceville.....	1st Sunday.....	J. T. Alexander, H. A. Roberts
Springdale.....	2nd Sunday & Sat. Afternoon & Night.....	M. C. Bowles, G. L. Dulin, Lon Cobb, Jodie Walker
Union Hill.....	4th Sunday & Sat. Night.....	J. M. Haas, D. B. Robbins, E. F. Harris, Herman Keith
Stetson Chapel.....	2nd Sunday.....	Martin May, Chester Swain, John Bramlett
Amory.....		

CHURCHES	DELEGATES	PASTORS	CLERKS
Damascus.....	M. C. Johnson, Cora Smith, Annie Gibson	M. L. Hollis Columbus, Miss.	Mrs. Covert McKee DeKalb, Miss., R.
Antioch.....	Ted Finley, J. R. Strube, Mrs. J. R. Strube	G. C. Lee Calhoun City, Miss.	W. F. Bevill Toccopola, Miss.
Beech Springs.....	A. W. Winders, H. M. Creeley, France Hill, Mrs. H. M. Creeley	M. L. Hollis Columbus, Miss.	Bilbo McCullough Saltillo, Miss.
Bethlehem.....	Mrs. Ola Wray, Mrs. Ruby Tatum, Mrs. Tennie Andrews	G. C. Lee Calhoun City, Miss.	O. A. Tatum Pontotoc, Miss., R.
Columbus.....	Mrs. E. K. Brown, Mrs. Fletcher Fields, Miss Ruth House	M. L. Hollis Columbus, Miss.	Mrs. Mildred Honnell Colmubus, Miss.
Depriest.....	Claudie Williams, Clayton Knight, Mrs. Lee Evans	M. L. Hollis Columbus, Miss.	C. R. Hollis Gattman, Miss.
East Tupelo.....	Lucile Winders, Mildred Christian, Nancy Post	L. C. Johnson Tupelo, Miss.	Mrs. Larue Marcy E. Tupelo, Miss., B. 61
Fawn Grove.....	Pauline Murphy, Vana Morgan	M. L. Hollis Columbus, Miss.	Mrs. Nevell Franks Dorsey, Miss.
Gauley.....	J. F. Parker, Tellie Bell Collins, Estelle Lee	G. C. Lee Calhoun City, Miss.	Mrs. Clyde Goodson Calhoun City, Miss.
New Life.....	Mrs. J. B. Oliver, Mrs. R. W. Hill, Bill Corder	O. A. Wages Houlka, Miss., R. 3	R. W. Hill Houlka, Miss., R. 3
Pearce's Chapel.....	Mrs. Nabors, Mrs. C. L. Duncan, Mrs. Bert Nabors, Miss Robinson	M. L. Hollis Columbus, Miss.	C. L. Duncan Smithville, Miss.
Pleasant Grove.....	Wilburn Warren, Charley Russell, Ellis Voiles	D. M. Smitherman Toccopola, Miss.	Jim Thomas Thaxton, Miss.
Priceville.....	Mrs. Dave Bishop, Wesley Milwood, Mrs. Gladys Young	L. Q. Larwood Fayette, Ala.	Mrs. J. M. Haas Tupelo, Miss., R. 2
Springdale.....	Sister Fondren, Ed York	G. C. Lee Calhoun City, Miss.	W. H. Fondren Denmark, Miss., R.
Union Hill.....	Cregg Poteet, Arlice Price, Leo Bridges	J. S. Fredrick Hackleburg, Ala., R.	E. F. Hollis Baldwn, Miss., R. 3
Stetson Chapel.....	Jim Frezell, Henry May, Mrs. Henry May	Grover L. Price Pontotoc, Miss., R.	John Bramlett Sarepta, Miss.
Amory.....			