



MINUTES OF THE SIXTY-SEVENTH ANNUAL MEETING OF THE  
OLD MT. ZION ASSOCIATION

HELD WITH OLD MT. ZION CHURCH, OCT. 9 & 10, 1908



**FREEWILL BAPTISTS**



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HELD WITH PILGRIM REST CHURCH, SEPT. 18 & 19, 1908



## MINUTES OF THE SIXTY-SEVENTH ANNUAL ASSOCIATION OF THE OLD MT. ZION FREEWILL BAPTISTS.

The Association met pursuant to adjournment with Old Mt. Zion church, Friday, October 9th, 1908, at 11 o'clock with A. B. Carlock, Moderator and Ed Lawson, clerk.

Introductory sermon preached by W. C. Johnson from Luke 2:49.

Letters were called for from the various churches and their messengers invited to seats.

Letters were called for from newly constituted churches; received one.

Officers were elected for the ensuing year as follows: Elder G. C. Bland, Moderator, Larue, Ark; Clerk, Ed Lawson, Spring Valley, Ark.

The Rules of Order were read by the Moderator after which a committee on Bill of Arrangements was appointed as follows: Eld. W. R. Burnett, Eld. David McCullough, Eld. A. B. Carlock with Moderator and clerk. Committee on Divine Services—A. H. Morriss, S. M. Puryear, Joseph Ruddick.

Committee appointed A. B. Carlock and J. C. Wilson to preach at 7:30 Friday night; text John 3:15. Adjourned until Saturday morning at 8:30 a. m.

Oct. 10: Association called to order by Moderator. Singing and prayer by David Mason.

By motion the Association elected W. M. J. Todd and J. W. Conduff delegates from Christian Union church, J. H. Goodman a delegate from Macedonia church, and A. B. Carlock, a corresponding delegate from Union Association, the Moderator extending the right hand of fellowship.

Bill of Arrangements read and received and committee discharged.

Resolved: That the Association have her minutes printed with New Mt. Zion Association, and have 500 copies printed, and reserve 50 copies for Union Association.

Resolved: That the Clerk superintend the printing and distribution of the same.

Resolved: That we keep up correspondence with our sister Associations.

Resolved: Elder W. J. Webb, Elder W. S. Capland, J. S. Turner, M. P. Capps, in case of failure, write the corresponding letter to New Mt. Zion Association, to be held with Pleasant Ridge church, in Newton county, commencing Friday at 11 o'clock a. m., before the third Sunday in September, 1909.

Resolved: That Elder J. G. Wilson, S. G. Moss, W. M. Dodd, K. A. Mosès, in case of failure, write the corresponding letter to Union Association to be held with Pleasant Valley church, Carroll county, Ark., commencing on Friday at 11 o'clock a. m., before the fourth Sunday in September, 1909.

Resolved: That we represent with the State Association by letter.

Resolved: That we keep up the Memorial of our Dead.

Resolved: That our next Association be held with Christian Union church in Washington county, Ark., commencing Friday at 11 o'clock a. m., before the second Sunday in October, 1909.

Resolved: That Elder G. C. Bland preach the introductory sermon; and W. T. Webb be his alternate.

Resolved: That J. W. Conduff and J. H. Goodman fill the stand Saturday at 11 o'clock; text John 14:15.

Resolved: That Association erase Ed Babcock's name from minutes.

Resolved: That the Association vote a bill of thanks to the people of this vicinity for the kindness shown us during this Association.

Singing and prayer by M. P. Capps. On motion Association adjourned to meet with Christian Union church.

G. C. BLAND, Moderator,  
Larue, Ark.

ED LAWSON, Clerk,  
Spring Valley, Ark.

## Collection for Printing and Distribution of the Minutes

Mt Zion.....	\$2.45	Christian Home.....	\$0.80
New Hope.....	2.00	Sugar Creek ..	1.40
Hickory Grove. . .	1.00	Christian Union.....	2.00
Union Gap.....	.55	Macedonia. ....	1.50
Clifty.....	.50	Cold Gap .....	1.00

## LIST OF MINISTERS

Name	Age	Post Office
David Mason.....	67 yrs...	Canuck, Benton county, Ark
J. R. Guinn.....	75 yrs..	Huntsville, Madison county, Ark
J. G. Wilson.....	68 yrs...	
G. W. Lynch.....	61 yrs.....	Hindsville, Madison county, Ark
S. G. Moses.....	60 yrs.....	Drake's Creek, Madison county, Ark
W. T. Webb.....	36 yrs.....	Johnson, Washington, Ark
W. O. Johnson.....	65 yrs.....	Sydenham, Ark
G. M. Copland.....	34 yrs.....	Fayetteville, Washington county, Ark
K. A. Moses.....	66 yrs.....	Huntsville, Madison county, Ark
W. M. T. Dodd.....	46 yrs.....	
J. J. Rider.....	75 yrs.....	
M. P. Capps.....	61 yrs.....	Mundell, Carroll county, Ark
W. T. Tibbert.....	51 yrs.....	
John Garvin.....	60 yrs.....	Spring Valley, Washington county, Ark
G. C. Bland.....	51 yrs.....	Larue, Benton county, Ark
J. W. Conduff.....	— yrs.....	Fayetteville, Washington county, Ark
J. T. Goodman.....	— yrs.....	

## LICENSED MINISTERS

Robert Henson.....	72 yrs.....	Glade, Benton county, Ark
J. S. Turney...	55 yrs.....	Larue, Benton county, Ark

Churches	Names of Delegates	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
Mt. Zion	J. W. Blackburn, Jesse Roles, Jesse Vaughn	3	0	4	0	0	1	81
New Hope	J. D. Baker, Calvin Knox, J. W. Allred...	4	0	0	3	0	1	88
Hickory Grove	G. W. Lynch, James White, Alvin C. Kook	0	0	0	0	0	0	46
Clifty	M. P. Capps, A. M. Beach.....	7	0	0	0	0	0	20
Union Gap	J. G. Wilson, S. G. Moses, K. A. Moses...	0	0	0	0	0	0	18
Christian Home	H. K. Ellis, J. W. Lynch, Bud Lee.....	0	0	0	1	0	0	30
Sugar Creek	Joseph Rudick, M. C. Carter.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	32
Christian Union	W. T. Webb, W. M. J. Dodd, J. W. Condiff	45	0	2	0	1	1	85
Macedonia	W. S. Capboard, G. W. Copland, J. H. Goodman	12	0	0	0	2	0	31
Cold Gap	J. S. Turney.....	1	0	0	0	0	0	10

1—Received by Experience; 2—Recommendation; 3—Received by Letter;  
4—Dismissed by Letter; 5—Excluded; 6—Died; 7—Total.

## CORRESPONDING DELEGATES

New Mt. Zion—David McCullough, W. R. Burnett, L. M. McMillion  
Union—A. B. Carlock

## CONSTITUTION

From a long series of experience, the church of Jesus Christ, being regularly baptised upon the profession of our faith in Christ, are convinced of the necessity of a combination of churches to perpetuate Union and communion amongst us and to preserve and maintain a correspondence with each other. We therefore propose to keep order and rules of our Association, according to the following plan or form of government.

I. The Association shall be composed of members chosen by the different churches in our Union, not exceeding three messengers from each church, and producing letters they shall be entitled to seats.

II. Letters from different churches are to express their number of fellowship, the number received by experience, letter or recommendation, dismissed, excluded, restored, and those who have died since the last Association.

III. The members thus chosen and convinced to be denominated the "Old Mt. Zion Association of Freewill Baptists," to be composed of sundry churches in the state of Arkansas; the Association to have no power to lord it over God's heritage, nor to have ecclesiastical power over churches, reserving the right of withdrawing from any church acting disorderly.

IV. The Association to have a Moderator and a Clerk, who are to be chosen by the suffrage of the members present.

V. New churches to be admitted into the Association are to petition by letter and delegates, and if, on examination, they are found to be orthodox and orderly, they may be received by the Association, the moderator giving the right hand of membership.

VI. No question presented by the delegates of any church shall be discussed in the Association unless it has been thoroughly discussed in their own church.

VII. Every motion made and seconded shall come under the consideration of the Association unless it be withdrawn by the member who made it.

VIII. The Association is to endeavor to furnish the churches with minutes of the Association in proportion to the members in each church, the contributions being at the direction of the Association.

IX. It shall be the duty of the Clerk to keep a regular file of the minutes.

X. The minutes of the Association shall be read and corrected, if needed, and signed by the Moderator and Clerk before the Association closes.

XI. Amendments to this plan of government may be made at any time when a majority of the members may deem it necessary.

XII. The Association, in case of failure of any church to attend, may enquire into the case.

## RULES OF ORDER

I. At every sitting, business shall be opened or concluded by prayer by the Moderator or whoever he may require.

II. Ministers present invited to seats with us may debate on all questions but vote on none.

III. Those who speak shall rise and address the Moderator, and personal reflections shall be avoided in all debates.

IV. No motion shall be discussed without being seconded.

V. If, when a motion has been made and seconded and a member opposes its discussion, the moderator shall put the question: "Shall this question be discussed?" Which, if negatived, shall be dismissed.

VI. If any proposition or motion under debate contains two or more points it shall be divided at the request of a member and the vote taken separately.

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

IX. All questions shall be decided by a majority of the members present.

X. No member shall absent himself without leave from the Moderator; if so, his name shall be left on the minutes.

XI. The minutes shall be leisurely read and corrected before the rising of the Association.

XII. That in the future sessions of this Association, arrangement be made so as to insure two sermons or other devotional exercises which will be equivalent thereto, during each day of the session.

XIII. The Rules of Order shall be distinctly read from the chair immediately after the organization of the Association.

XIV. Alterations may be made in these rules at any regular session of the Association.

### ARTICLES OF FAITH

1. We believe in only one true and living God and Father, the Word and the Holy Ghost. Isaiah 45:5; 1st Corinthians 8:6; 1st John 5:7.

2. We believe that the scriptures of the Old and New Testaments are the word of God, and by Jesus Christ, the only rule of faith and practice. 2nd Peter 1:21; 2nd Timothy 3:16.

3. We believe in the fall of Adam, and that by his transgression all his posterity fell and were made sinners. Genesis 3:6; Romans 3:19.

4. We believe in the corruptness of human nature and the inability of man to recover himself by his own free will and ability. Romans 5:12; St. John 6:4.

5. We believe that Jesus Christ by the Grace of God tasted death for every man and through His mediatorial death the way of salvation is made possible for God to have mercy upon all that come to Him on gospel terms. Heb. 2:6; St. John 3:36.

6. We believe that sinners are justified in the sight of God by the righteousness of Christ imputed to them, and the good works are the fruits of faith and follow after justification. Eph. 2:5-8; Romans 6:22.

7. We believe that saints may preserve in grace and not one be lost. Matt. 11:28; Rev. 22:14; 2:10.

8. We believe there will be a resurrection of the dead and a general judgment, and the happiness of the righteous and the punishment of the wicked will be eternal. Matt. 25:32; 1st Cor. 13, 14, 15.

9. We believe the visible church of Christ is a congregation of faithful men and women who have obtained fellowship with each other and given themselves to the Lord and one another. Matt. 16, 17, 18.

10. We believe that Jesus Christ is the great head of the church and that the government thereof is with the body. St. John 20:11; Cor. 1:18.

11. We believe that Baptism and the Lord's Supper and the washing of feet are ordinances of the gospel of Jesus Christ, and to be continued until the second coming. Matt. 28:19; St. John 13:5-10; 14:16.

12. We believe that true believers are the only fit subjects of Baptism, and that immersion is the only true gospel mode. St. Mark 16:19; St. Matt. 3:16; Act 8:36.

13. We believe that none but true believers are fit subjects to commune at the Lord's Table. 1st Cor. 11:28-29.

14. We believe that the Lord's day ought to be observed and set apart for worship of God and that no work or worldly business ought to be transacted thereon; work of piety, mercy and necessity excepted. Exodus 20:8-9.

### OUR DEAD

Sister Elizabeth Neely, having been a member of the New Hope church since 1893, was called from this earth December 27th, 1907, having lived a devoted Christian until death.

Dave Carnelison, son of Mr. and Mrs. Garrett Carnelison, was born March 12, 1888; professed a hope in Christ August 13, 1908; was baptised into the Freewill Baptist church by Rev. W. T. Webb, Sept. 6, 1908; deserted this life Sept. 11, 1908. During his short stay with us he lived a devoted Christian life. He leaves a father, mother, four sisters, four brothers and many friends to mourn his loss.

## MINUTES OF THE FIFTEENTH ANNUAL ASSOCIATION OF THE NEW MT. ZION FREEWILL BAPTISTS

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The Association met pursuant to adjournment with Pilgrim Rest church at 1 o'clock a. m., before the third Sunday in September, 1908.

The introductory sermon was preached by Elder W. R. Burnett from Heb. 4:11.

The Association was called to order by the moderator. In the absence of the clerk, the moderator appointed Ed Lawson clerk pro tem.

Letters were called for from the different churches and their members invited to seats.

Letters were called for from newly constituted churches; received none.

Letters were called for from different sister Associations; received one from Old Mt. Zion Association by Elder W. T. Webb and Ed Lawson. Letter read and received, moderator extending the right hand of fellowship.

Officers were elected for the incoming year as follows: moderator, David McCullough, Dinsmore, Ark; clerk, Ed Lawson, Spring Valley, Ark.

Rules of Order were read by moderator after which a committee was appointed on Bill of Arrangments—Elder W. B. Burnett, Elder W. T. Webb, Elder J. W. Berden with the moderator and clerk; committee on committee on Divine Services—S. M. McMillion, Calvin Cunuck, Jake Kelley. Committee appointed W. T. Webb and J. W. Berden to fill the stand Friday night at 7:30.

Adjourned until Friday evening 4 p. m. Singing and prayer by Elder Allred.

Friday evening—meeting called to order by moderator; prayer by Elder Allred.

Bill of Arrangements read and received and committee discharged.

Resolved: That we have our minutes printed with Old Mt. Zion Association.

Resolved: That we have 400 copies of our minutes printed.

Resolved: That we keep up correspondence with our sister associations.

Resolved: That Elder W. R. Burnett, David McCullough, S. M. McMillion write the corresponding letter to Old Mt. Zion Association, to be held with Old Mt. Zion church in Washington county, Ark., commencing on Friday at 11 o'clock a. m. before the second Sunday in October, 1908.

Saturday morning—Association called to order by moderator, prayer by David McCullough.

Resolved: That we keep up a memorial of our dead.

Resolved: That our next meeting be held with Pleasant Ridge church.

Resolved: That Elder J. A. Kesner preach the introductory sermon, W. T. Webb to be his alternate.

Resolved: That we send letter and delegate to the State Association, Elder W. R. Burnett, J. C. Pollard.

Resolved: That the Association vote a bill of thanks to the people of this vicinity for the kindness they have shown us during this Association.

David McCullough travelled 1306 miles, preached 77 sermons, baptized two, received \$5.00.

Minutes read and received and on motion the Association adjourned to meet with Pleasant Ridge church Friday at 11 o'clock a. m. before the third Sunday in September, 1909.

Elder David McCullough, Moderator,  
Dinsmore, Ark.

ED LAWSON, Clerk,  
Spring Valley, Ark.

## LIST OF MINISTERS

Name	Age	Post Office
David McCullough.....	66 yrs.....	Dinsmore
J. A. Kesner.....	55 yrs .	Kingston
J. W. Bearden.....	— yrs.....	Osage
W. R. Burnett.....	51 yrs .....	Hilltop
Tilton Woodworth.....	32 yrs.....	Osage
John Harrington.....	45 yrs.....	Osage

Churches	Names of Delegates	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
Center Point	Delegates by letter .....	0	0	0	0	0	0	16
Shady Grove	Tilton Woodworth, T. F. Sisco.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	12
Pleasant Ridge	L. M. McMillion, Mrs. W. R. Burnett, Miss R. L. Armer.....	7	6	9	1	0	0	47
Liberty	David McCullough, W. T. Eoff .....	0	1	0	0	0	0	24
New Salem	By letter .....	0	0	0	0	0	0	12
Pilgrim's Rest	Calvin Curnett, Jake Kelly, James Poirsack	1	0	0	0	0	0	40
Short Cove	J. A. Kessner .....	0	0	0	0	0	0	15
Mountain Ridge	John Harrington, E. P. Lowry, L. L. Allred	2	0	0	0	0	1	0
Gaither	J. C. Pollard .....	0	0	0	0	0	0	21

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