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PROCEEDINGS

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Association was called to order by moderator, Elder W. E. Bland. Scripture lesson Hosea 12. Prayer by Elder George Been.

Introductory sermon was delivered by Eld. G. C. Bland. Concluded by Elder Claud Lynch. Text, Matt. 16:18, "And upon this rock I will build my church.

Church letters were then called for and the following churches were represented by letter and delegates:

Mt. Zion—Harlin Phillips, Sam Morriss, Berry Puryear.

New Hope—Dave Butler, H. L. Keeling, Loyd Bland.

Hickory Grove—Alvin Cook, Geo. Lynch, Isaac Lynch.

Christian Home—Hugh Becker, Fleeta Gosvener and Oscar Donaghey.

Clifty—Clara Capps.

Antioch—Sam Miller.

Pilgrim Rest—Bill Galloway, Hulen Jones, Garland Barnes.

Cottage Hill—Hern Archer, Euel Miles, Bertie Roles.

Clear Creek—Thomas Ingmire.

Letters were called for from sister Associations and the following responded:

Indian Creek—Sisters Doris and Ernestine Turner, and Elders Noel Turner, Kenneth Turner, T. O. Hutchison and B. F. Brown.

The right hand of Christian fellowship was given and delegates invited to seats in council.

Letters were then called for from newly organized churches. None responded.

The body then elected Eld. W. E. Bland Moderator and Horace Knox Clerk for the ensuing year.

Appointment of Committees:

Divine Service—John Barnes, Dave Butler, Alvin Cook.

Resolutions—Geo. Been, B. F. Brown, I. T. Lynch.

Finance—Harlin Phillips, Hugh Becker, Euel Miles.

Temperance—Noel Turner, Loy Archer, Elmer Lawson.
Sunday School—J. W. Allred, Sam Miller Clara Capps.
Obituary—Willie Capps, Sammie Lane, Claude Lynch.
Union of Churches—Cecil Garrison, Geo. Lynch and Thomas Ingmire.

Committee on Divine Service announce B. F. Brown, Kenneth Turner and Cecil Garrison to fill the stand Friday night.

Motion carried that we recess until 3:00 o'clock p. m.
Dismissed with prayer by Elmer Lawson.

FRIDAY AFTERNOON SESSION

Association called to order by moderator. Scripture lesson Psalm 28. Prayer by J. S. Garrison. Special quartet by the Turner brothers and sisters.

Constitution and Rules of Order read by moderator.

Motion carried that the report of the retained committee on non-represented churches be received and the committee discharged.

Motion carried that we receive report of Committee on Union of Churches and discharge the committee.

New business called for. None brought forward.

Reports were given by the following ministers of their year's work: Elders W. E. Bland, G. C. Bland, Geo. Been, J. W. Allred, Elmer Lawson, Claude Lynch, Willie Capps, Sammie Lane and Cecil Garrison, ordained ministers, and Thomas Ingmire and Dave McCoy, licensed.

Reports of visiting ministers, Elders B. F. Brown, Noel Turner, Kenneth Turner, and T. O. Hutchison.

Motion carried to recess until 8 o'clock Saturday a. m.
Dismissed with prayer by Willie Capps.

SATURDAY MORNING SESSION

Association called to order by the moderator. Scripture lesson Rev. 21:1-8. Prayer by moderator.

Committee on Divine Service announce Elders Geo. Been, J. W. Allred and Elmer Lawson to fill the stand Saturday at eleven o'clock.

Motion carried to receive report of Temperance Committee and discharge the committee.

Report of Sunday School Committee received and the committee discharged.

Report of Finance Committee received and committee discharged.

Motion carried to recess until 10:45 for Memorial Services.

Dismissed with prayer by Kenneth Turner.

SATURDAY AFTERNOON SESSION

Association called to order by moderator. Scripture lesson John 1:1-12. Prayer by Cecil Garrison.

Motion carried to receive report of Committee on Obituary and discharge the committee.

Motion made and passed to receive the report of the Committee on Resolutions.

Motion carried to adopt the resolutions and discharge the committee.

Motion carried that we send Elder Geo. Been among the churches of Old Mt. Zion Association to organize Mission circles and Free Will Baptist Leagues.

Motion carried that we elect Horace Knox for three years, Elder Geo. Been for two years, and Elder Cecil Garrison for one year as members of the Executive Board. And hereafter one member shall be elected annually for a term of three years. The duty of this Executive Board shall be to execute associational business between sessions of the Association.

Motion made and passed that we have 200 minutes printed, the clerk to superintend the printing and the distribution of the same.

Motion made and passed that we represent in Indian Creek Association, and that Bro. and Sister McCoy and Sister Barnes bear the corresponding letter.

Motion made and passed that we represent in Old Union Association, and that C. W. Moppins, David McCoy and Mary Gladys Stafford write and bear the corresponding letter.

Motion made and passed that we represent in the State Association by letter, and by delegate, if possible.

The majority of the body then voted for the next session of this Association to meet with Mt. Zion church

on Friday before the second Sunday in August, 1934.
Elder Claude Lynch to preach the introductory sermon,
Elder Cecil Garrison to be alternate.

Be it Resolved, That we extend our heart felt thanks
to the Pilgrim Rest church and community for their
hospitality and kindness shown us during our stay among
them. May the Lord bless them.

Motion made and passed that we adjourn until Friday,
at ten o'clock, before the second Sunday in August, 1934.

Elder W. E. Bland, Moderator, Clifty, Ark.

Horace Knox, Clerk, La Rue, Ark.

Enrollment of Deacons

Loy Archer,
J. R. Wright,

J. S. Garrison,
J. R. Barnes.

Enrollment of Ordained Ministers

Name	Age	Name	Age
G. C. Bland	75	J. W. Allred	63
Geo. Been	52	Elmer Lawson	51
Claude Lynch	40	W. E. Bland	31
Willie Capps	26	Sammie Lane	25
Cecil Garrison	23	J. H. Roberts	
R. A. Smith		J. W. Watson	

Licensed Ministers

Horace Knox	27	Charlie Tyree
Calvin Knox	60	Thomas Ingmire

Visiting Ministers

B. F. Brown	T. O. Hutchison
Noel Turner	Kenneth Turner.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Temperance—We, your Committee on Temperance,
wish to submit the following report:

Realizing the evils and sinfulness brought about by
intemperance, and especially by strong drinks:

We feel it the duty of every child of God to stand
firm for temperance in every sense of the word, denoun-
cing intemperance on every hand, since the devil and his
servants have repealed the Eighteenth Amendment to
our Federal Constitution.

We realize that our only source of help is from God; as we read in God's Word, "Be sober, be vigilant, because your adversary the devil, as a roaring lion walketh about seeking whom he may devour" (1 Peter 5:8).

We urge our pastors, evangelists, teachers, and all religious leaders to set forth by precept and example, temperance in all things.

ELD. NOEL TURNER,
ELD. ELMER LAWSON
LOY ARCHER.

Sunday School—We believe it is the duty of every Christian father and mother to support the Sunday school, for it is through the training of young minds that our future religious workers come, and the Sunday school is one of the best training places for the young.

We urge every one to uphold and support the Sunday school wherever they go, whether at home or elsewhere.

We further believe that each pastor should take an interest in the Sunday school and lead the flock in the Sunday school work.

J. W. ALLRED,
SAM MILLER,
CLARA CAPPS.

Union of Churches—We, your Committee on Union of Churches, submit the following:

We find that there is a union among the churches of this Association, and,

Therefore feel that all ministers of the Gospel should work for a union among all of God's people, especially among the Free Will Baptist people; for Paul said, "Endeavor to keep the unity of the Spirit in the bonds of peace" (Eph. 4:3).

CECIL O. GARRISON,
THOS. D. INGMIRE,
GEORGE LYNCH.

Resolutions—No. 1. Be it Resolved, That we amend Art. 4 of our Constitution to include an Executive Board of three members.

Art. 4. Sec. 2. The Executive Board provided for

in Art. 4. shall be elected from the ministers, deacons or laity belonging to Old Mt. Zion Association: One for one year, one for two years, and one for three years, and after the first election, one shall be elected each year for a term of three years. This board shall have power and authority to transact any associational business which may arise between annual sessions of the Association, and shall report to the Association annually.

No. 2. Whereas some are administering the sacred ordinance of baptism who have no Bible right to do so, and

Whereas, this is leading to confusion in the local churches, therefore be it Resolved, That, this, the 92nd Annual Session of Old Mt. Zion Association go on record to receive, as scripturally legal, the baptism of only such ministers as are ordained and are in good standing with the denomination that called for their ordination, or who have transferred their membership to some other denomination of orthodox faith and practice and have had their credentials passed upon and endorsed by this denomination, and who are in good standing in said denomination.

GEO. BEEN,
B. F. BROWN,
I. T. LYNCH.

Finance—

New Hope	\$4.16
Clear Creek	1.00
Clifty	1.45
Antioch	1.22
Mt. Zion	3.40
Christian Home	2.30
Pilgrim Rest	2.20
Cottage Hill80
Hickory Grove	2.00

Total \$18.53

HARLAN PHILLIPS,
EUEL MILES,
HUGH BECKER.

Obituary—We, your Committee on Obituaries, find that death is still abroad in the land and has called from labor to reward our brothers and sisters as follows:

Sister Susan Sterman, Catharine Henson, Dora Foster, Lavina Sharp and Brothers William Nelson, Denton Speck, William Lyall, and Jacob Lynch.

We see death is still coming and we know it is sure coming to each of us some time, whether prepared or unprepared; so prepare to meet thy God.

ELD. WILLIE CAPPS,

ELD. W. C. LYNCH,

ELD. SAMMIE LANE.

OBITUARIES

Henson—Catharine Scarbrough was born July 15, 1846, in Kentucky.

She was united in marriage to Robert Henson January 15, 1865. To this union was born ten children, four of whom are still living.

She professed a hope in Christ in early married life and lived a devoted life until death. She was a member of New Hope church.

She leaves a number of relatives and a host of friends to mourn her death.

Foster—Dora Foster was born May 1, 1882.

She was united in marriage to Charles Foster in 1900. To this union was born seven children, one dying in infancy.

She professed a hope in Christ in 1910, and united with Antioch Free Will Baptist church in 1911.

She died February 16, 1933, leaving six children, two brothers, two sisters and an aged mother, and a host of friends to mourn her loss.

Gone, but not forgotten.

Sharp—Lavina Sharp was born April 29, 1878, and departed this life at Barnsdall, Oklahoma, February 8, 1933, at the age of 54 years, nine months and ten days.

She was united in marriage to John C. Sharp March 29, 1900. To this union was born four sons, two dying in infancy. Her husband and two sons survive her.

She united with the Christian Home church in 1915, and lived a devoted life until death.

Sterman—Susan Sterman was born July 20, 1837, and

died January 18, 1933, being 95 years, five months and 28 days old.

She professed a hope in Christ in early life and united with Mt. Zion church in 1883 and lived a devoted life until death.

She was married to Samuel Sterman while young. To this union was born one daughter.

A precious one from us has gone,
One whom we loved is stilled,
A vacant place is in our home,
Which never can be filled.

Lyall—William Wayne Lyall was born March 2, 1855, and departed this life April 15, 1933, at the age of 78 years, one month and thirteen days.

He united with Pilgrim Rest Free Will Baptist church on August 4, 1912, and was baptized September 12, 1912, by Elder J. H. Roberts.

He passed away at his home at Cassville, Mo., clapping his hands and shouting as he went.

Lynch—Jacob N. Lynch was born February 4, 1855, and departed this life in March, 1933.

He professed a hope in Christ while young and united with the Free Will Baptist church at Hickory Grove February, 1890. He departed this life rejoicing in a Savior's love.

He leaves to mourn his loss six children and a host of friends.

We feel that our loss is heaven's gain.

Nelson—William J. Nelson was born June 22, 1856, and departed this life at the age of 76 years, six months and seventeen days.

He professed a hope in Christ at the age of 54 years, and united with the Free Will Baptist church at Clifty. He was a faithful member until death, and the church feels that it has lost one of its good members.

Bro. Nelson was united in marriage to Miss Rebecca Jane Stinett in 1877. To this union was born two children, Ora E. Nelson and Hettie J. Nelson. His wife and children have all departed this life. He was left a widower in youth.

On September 1, 1881 he was married to Miss Nancy Alice Dennis. To this union was born fourteen children.

He leaves a wife and eleven children to mourn his loss, a number of grandchildren, a host of relatives and friends.

Funeral services were conducted by Elder Geo. Been, and the body was laid to rest in Beulah Union cemetery.

Speck—Denton Speck, a son of Mr. and Mrs. John Speck, was born December 5, 1891, at Springvalley, Ark. He served in the World War, in battery D. of the 320th Field Artillery. After returning home from the war Denton professed a hope in Christ in July, 1919, at Pilgrim Rest, and joined the Pilgrim Rest Free Will Baptist church where he remained a member until death, which came on February 27, 1933, at Fort Lyon Veterans' hospital in Colorado. He leaves to mourn his going a wife, Mary J. Speck, and a son and daughter, Billie and Margaret Lane, and a number of relatives and friends.

CONSTITUTION

From long experience, we, the members of the Church of God (denominated Free Will Baptist), being regularly baptized upon a profession of our faith in our Lord Jesus Christ, and being convinced of the necessity of a combination of churches to perpetuate a union among us, and to preserve and maintain correspondence with each other, do therefore ordain this Constitution for our better associational government.

Art. 1. MEMBERSHIP. This Association shall be composed of members chosen by the different churches of our union, not exceeding three messengers from each church, and upon producing letters, they shall be entitled to seats. All ordained ministers and deacons of said union shall be regular members, when present, by virtue of their office.

Art. 2. NAME. The members thus chosen and assembled with the ministers and deacons, to be denominated the Old Mount Zion Association of Free Will Baptist, being composed of the several churches of our union, the Association having no power to lord it over God's heritage, nor having any ecclesiastical power over the churches, reserving the right of withdrawing from any church becoming disorderly.

Art. 3. LETTERS. Letters from the different churches representing are to express their number in fellowship, including the names and addresses of ordained and licensed ministers, the number of members received upon profession of faith, by letter or recommendation, by restoration or denominational choice; the number dismissed by letter, excluded, and those having died since last Association. The churches in sending their letters, may send obituaries of any who have died during the year, that we may keep up the memorial of our dead.

Art. 4. OFFICERS. Sec. 1. The Association shall have a Moderator, a Clerk, a Treasurer, and an Executive Board of three members, who shall be elected at each annual session of the Association by the suffrage of the members present.

Sec. 2. The Executive Board provided for in Sec. 1 of Art. 4. shall be elected from the ministers, deacons or laity belonging to Old Mt. Zion Association: One for one year, one for two years, and one for three years, and after the first election, one shall be elected each year for a term of three years. This board shall have power and authority to transact any associational business which may arise between annual sessions of the Association, and shall report to the Association annually.

Art. 5. NEW CHURCHES. Newly constituted churches may be admitted to the Association, which are to petition by letters and delegates, and if upon examination, they are found to be orthodox and orderly, they may be received into the Association, the Moderator giving the right hand of fellowship.

Art. 6. QUESTIONS. No question from any church shall come under the consideration of the Association unless it has been first dicussed in its own church.

Art. 7. MOTIONS. Every motion made and seconded shall come under the consideration of the Association, except it be withdrawn by the member who made it.

Art. 8. MINUTES. The Association is to endeavor to furnish the churches with minutes of the Association in proportion to the number of members in each church, the distribution to be at the discretion of the Association.

Art. 9. CLERK. It shall be the duty of the Clerk to keep a regularr file of the minutes of the Association in a book to be kept by the Association for that purpose.

Art. 10. SIGNATURES. The minutes of the Association shall be read and corrected, if needed, and signed by the Moderator and Clerk, before the close of the Association.

Art. 11. AMENDMENTS. Amendments to this Constitution may be made, when necessary, by a two-thirds vote of the members present.

Art 12. NON-ATTENDANCE. The Association in case of failure of any church to attend, shall enquire into the case.

ARTICLES OF FAITH

1. GOD—We believe in one true and living, Triune God; composed of the Father, Son and Holy Spirit, equal in divine Essence, Purpose, Power and Glory.—St. John 1:1; 1 Cor. 8:6; St. John 10:30.

2. CHRIST—We believe that Jesus Christ is the divine Son of God. Was with the Father and the Holy Spirit at the time of the Creation, left the Courts of Heaven and came to this earth. Took upon Himself the form of humanity, sin excepted, by being born of the virgin Mary, manifested His power, was crucified, placed in Joseph's tomb, arose from the dead the third day, completing the great plan of salvation, walked and talked with His disciples, publicly ascended up to Heaven, and that He will descend again to gather His jewels home.—Isaiah 9:6; St. John 1:14; Luke 1:26-28; Matt. 14:13-21; Mark 16:9-19; Luke 24:50-53; Acts 1:9-12; Mark 15:22-41.

3. HOLY SPIRIT—We believe that the Holy Spirit has visited true believers in all ages, and especially since the ascension of the SON back to the Father, and His coming on the day of Pentecost. Has taken up His office work among all nations of people, as a Divine Reprover, Comforter and Guide.—Judges 6:34; 11:29; St. John 16:8-14; Isaiah 63:10-12; Ephesians 4:30; Acts 8:17-20.

4. THE BIBLE—We believe the Bible, which is composed of the Scriptures of the Old and New Testaments, was given by Inspiration of God, is our waybill from earth to heaven, and the only infallible rule of faith and practice.—2 Peter 1:19-21; 2 Tim. 3:14-17; Daniel 10:21; Acts 1:16-17; Matt. 21:42.

5. THE FALL OF MAN—We believe that GOD created man good, gave him a just law by which he should be governed; with promise of reward for faithfulness and with penalties of punishment for disobedience. Gave man power of free moral agency to choose the right and reject the wrong. But our first parents heeded the voice of the great enemy of souls, voluntarily transgressed the law of GOD, fell, with all their posterity, under the just penalty of the same, and were unable of their

own power to extricate or save themselves from the great dilemma into which they had fallen. God gave to them the hope of salvation through the coming CHRIST.—Gen. 1:27; 2:16-17; Romans 11:11-35; Psalms 37:23-24; 5:18.

6. REDEMPTION, SALVATION, ADOPTION—We believe that Jesus Christ by His birth, death, burial, resurrection and ascension paid the purchase price for the redemption of the whole human race, arranged a pardon for all who come upon Gospel terms; and a law of adoption into the Kingdom of Heaven, and an eternal inheritance into the glorified Kingdom above.—Heb. 9:12; Gal. 3:13; 4:4-5; Titus 2:14; Heb. 1:4; St. John 3:16; Isaiah 45:22.

7. CONDITIONS OF SALVATION—We believe that all persons dying in infancy and all idiots are saved by the atoning merits of the Son of God without any act on their part; that persons coming to the years of accountability, transgressing the law of God, must upon their part, exercise faith in Jesus Christ through repentance toward God, at the completion of which pardon takes place in the mind of the Father and by the Holy Spirit they pass through the ordeal of regeneration, are washed in the blood of the Lamb and are planted in the Kingdom of Christ.—John 3rd chapter; Matt. 19:13-22; 1 Cor. 7:10; Luke 18:16-17; St. John 4:11-16; Psalms 98:3.

8. SALVATION FREE—We believe that God desires the salvation of all; Christ died for all; the Gospel invites all; the Holy Spirit strives with all; and whosoever will may come and be saved upon the terms of the Gospel.—1 Peter 1:9-25; 2:9-25; Revelation 22:17.

9. BAPTISM—We believe that Christian baptism is the immersion of believers in water, in the name of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, in which are represented the burial and resurrection of Christ; also represents our death to sin, and only those who have come under the presbytery of the elders are qualified to administer the same.—Matt. 3:14-16; 3:5-6; 1 Peter 3:21; St. John 3:23; Acts 10:47; Matt. 28:19.

10. COMMUNION AND FEETWASHING—We believe that the Lord's Supper and the washing of the saints' feet are ordinances of the Gospel of Christ; the Lord's Supper was instituted by our Savior to commemorate His broken body and shed blood for the sins of the world, and to show our remembrance of Him till He comes. All Christians have a right to the Lord's Supper and should be invited; "Let a man examine himself and so let him eat."

The washing of feet was instituted by our Lord at the same time that the Supper was instituted as an act of humility to show our love for each other, and both ordinances should be perpetuated by all Christians until His second coming.—Luke 22:19-20; 1 Cor. 11:20-29; St. John 1:1-18; Matt. 26:26-29.

11. THE SABBATH—We believe that the Christian Sabbath should be observed as a day of rest and for the worship of God; that we should abstain from all sinful amusements and secular employments, works of mercy and piety excepted.—Exodus 20:11; 31:12-18; Deut. 5:12-15; Ezek. 20:12; Matt. 28:1; Luke 23:56; Acts 13:42-48; Mark 2:27.

12. CALL TO THE MINISTRY—We believe in a divine call of the ministry; that God in His goodness and power of grace, impresses His ministers with the burden of lost souls, to the extent that the call becomes irresistible with personal contentment; that when they yield to the call and exercise the native gifts according to the Scriptures, with a full reliance upon Him, He accompanies them in the person of the Holy Spirit to guide them in the way of truth and to bless their labors according to His purpose.—Jonah 1:1; Jer. 1:5; Mark 3:14; Acts 1:22-26; Matt. 28:19.

13. THE INVISIBLE CHURCH—We believe that the Invisible or Spiritual Church is the redeemed in the aggregate, is the family of God, is composed of all true Christians of every congregation from righteous Abel to the restitution of all things, from every kindred, nation, tongue and people.—Eph. 3:16-21; Heb. 12:22-23; 1 Pet. 2:5; Eph. 2:20-22; Acts 2:47; Matt. 16:18.

14. THE VISIBLE CHURCH—We believe that a visible church of Christ is a congregation of faithful men and women, having obtained fellowship with the Lord and with each other, agreeing to keep up a good discipline and doctrine according to the rules of the Gospel.—2 Thes. 1:1; Acts 16:5; 3 John 1-10; Matt. 18:17; Acts 20:28; Revelation 1:4-20.

15. PERSEVERANCE—We believe that all true believers in Christ should persevere in divine grace, and in the knowledge of the truth, and that God's grace is sufficient to help them to overcome all the obstacles of life, and that all the combined forces of the great enemy of souls on earth and in hell (or in his eternal abode) are not able to pluck them from His hand so long as they walk in the path of duty; but those who sidestep and wilfully refuse or neglect to perform their duty, they would backslide if persistently continued, would be eternally lost.—Sec. 1:12; 2 Cor. 9:10; 2 Peter 1:4-8; 2 Peter 2:2; Rom. 8:35-39; Apostasy: 2 Peter 1:8-9; 1 Cor. 10:1-13; Heb. 12:15-17;

1 John 5:16; Heb. 6:1-6; 1 Tim. 4:1-2; Heb. 3:12; St. John 15:1-7; Matt. 12:31-32.

16. CHRIST THE HEAD OF THE CHURCH—We believe that Christ is the great Head of the Church, and that the government of the local church is with the body.—Col. 1:18-19; Matt. 16:18; Heb. 12:23; Matt. 21:42; Eph. 1:22; Acts 16:4-5.

17. SANCTIFICATION—Sanctification is a work of God's grace, by which the soul is cleansed from all sin and wholly consecrated to Christ. It takes place in regeneration, and the Christian can and should abide in this state to the end of life, constantly growing in the grace and the knowledge of our Lord Jesus Christ.—1 Cor. 6:11; 2 Thes. 2:13; Heb. 12:14; Phil. 3:21; Sec. Thes. 5:19-23; St. John 17:17-19; 2 Tim. 2:20-21.

18. THE RESURRECTION—We believe in the resurrection of the dead, both of the righteous and the wicked. When the resurrection shall take place, the soul and body shall be united, the righteous shall be received into everlasting happiness to reign with God for ever: but the wicked shall go away into everlasting punishment.—Matt. 28:6; St. John 5:28-29; 1 Cor. 15:51-58.

19. THE SOUL—The soul is endless, hence does not die with the body, but immediately after death enters into a conscious state of happiness or misery, according to the spiritual character here possessed.—Phil. 1:23; Luke 23:43; Rev. 6:9; Luke 16:19-25; Matt. 10:28.

20. JUDGMENT—We believe that there will be a general universal judgment, when all men shall be judged according to their works, whether they be good or bad, and that immediately thereafter the wicked shall enter into everlasting punishment, and the righteous into eternal happiness.—2 Thes. 1:4-9; Rev. 14:9-13; Luke 16:23; Rev. 21:8; 2 Cor. 5:10; Matt. 12:36-37; Rev. 20:12-13; Acts 17:31.

RULES OF ORDER

1. At every sitting of the Association, business shall be opened and concluded by prayer by the Moderator or whomsoever he may request.

2. Ministers present are invited to seats, allowed to take part in debates on all subjects, and to vote.

3. Those who speak shall arise and address the Moderator. Personal reflections shall be avoided in all debates.

4. No Motion shall be discussed without a second.

5. When a motion has been made and seconded, and a member opposes its discussion, the Moderator shall put the question, "Shall it be discussed?" If negative, the question shall be dismissed.

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

7. Motions made and lost shall not be recorded.

8. No one shall speak more than twice on the same subject without special leave of the Moderator.

9. All questions shall be decided by a majority vote of all members present.

10. No member shall absent himself without special leave of the Moderator.

11. Minutes shall be leisurely read and corrected before the close of the Association, if necessary.

12. At all future sessions of the Association, arrangements shall be made to insure two sermons, or other devotional exercises equivalent thereto, during each day of the session, and the chair shall announce just before adjournment who shall fill the stand at the next meeting.

13. These Rules of Order shall be distinctly read from the chair immediately after organization of the Association.

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

ORDER OF BUSINESS

1. Association called to order by the Moderator, and in his absence, by the Clerk.
2. Introductory Sermon.
3. Letters from the churches composing the Association called for, read, and the messengers invited to seats.
4. Corresponding Associations.
5. Right hand of fellowship.
6. Call for letters from newly organized churches.
7. Election of permanent officers.
8. Reading the Constitution and Rules of Order by the Moderator or the Clerk.
9. Appointment of the following committees: (a) Resolutions, (b) Finance, (c) Arrangements for preaching, (d) Temperance, (e) Sunday School, (f) Obituary, (g) Condition of non-represented churches, (h) Union of churches.
10. Reports of committees appointed at last Association and other unfinished business.
11. Report of new committees.
12. New Business.
13. Choosing place for our next Association.
14. Who shall preach the Introductory Sermon?
15. Reading and adopting the minutes.
16. Adjournment.

Statistical Table of the Association

CHURCH	Organ- ized	Retiring Pastor	Pastor Elect	Church Clerk	Clerk's Postoffice	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
Mt. Zion.....	1886	J. W. Allred	J. W. Allred	Berry Puryear	Springvalley, Ark	0	0	0	0	0	1	58
New Hope.....	1886	W. E. Bland	W. E. Bland	Pearl Garrison	La Rue, Ark.	1	0	0	2	0	1	83
Hickory Grove..	1886	W. E. Bland	W. E. Bland	I. T. Lynch	Clifty, Ark.	8	3	2	0	0	1	86
Christian Home	1892	E. Lawson	Claude Lynch	Fleeta Gosvener	Hindsville, Ark.	0	0	0	3	0	0	77
Clifty.....	1896	J. W. Allred	J. W. Allred			0	0	0	0	0	1	70
Antioch.....	1910	J.W. Watson	J. W. Allred	Jane Foster	Hindsville, Ark.	3	0	3	3	0	1	55
Pilgrim Rest...	1911	Geo. Been		Edith Barnes	Springvalley, Ark	0	1	0	0	0	2	103
Cottage Hill...	1912	C. Lynch	Sammie Lane	Elsie Miles	Best, Ark.	0	0	0	0	0	0	35
Rose Hill.....												
Clear Creek....			Claude Lynch	T. D. Ingmire	Clifty, Ark., R1	1	0	0	0	0	0	17
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