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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 Clerk.
- 9. Appointment of the following committees: (a) Resolutions, (b) Finance, (c) Arrangements for preaching, (d) Temperance, (e) Sunday Schools, (f) Obituary (g) Condition of non-represented churches, (h) Union of churches.
- 10. Reports of committees appointed at last Assocation and other unfinished business.
 - 11. Reports 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.

PROCEEDINGS

Minutes of the Ninety-Sixth Annual Session of the Old Mount Zion Association of Free Will Baptist, held with Antioch Church, August 6th, 7th, 1937.

FRIDAY MORNING SESSION

Association was called to order by the Moderator, Eld. W. E. Bland.

Scripture reading, Psalm 30.

Prayer by Eld. J. W. Allred.

Introductory sermon was delivered by Eld. Sammie Lane. Lesson Matt. 16:13-19. Concluded by Elder J. W. Watson.

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

Mt. Zion—Harlan Phillips, Fred Archer, Robt. Puryear. New Hope—Dave Butler.

Hickory Grove—Geo. Lynch, Kenneth Bland, and Elba Bland.

Christian Home—Hugh Becker, Luther Lane.

Clifty-Larence Capps, Elsie Capps, Florence Capps.

Antioch-Mary Foster, Sid Smith, Emery Williams.

Pilgrim Rest—Glenn Barners, W. H. Reynolds, Edna Reynolds.

Clear Creek—Quinton Todd.

Letters from sister associations were called and the following represented by letter and delegates:

Old Union—Bro. and Sister W. A. Bradshaw and Eld. Loyd Talley.

Cherokee Home—Eld. J. B. Johnson.

Motion carried to seat Shady Grove church as a newly born church into the Association. Delegates representing: Loy Bland, Bertha Forrister and Mittie Folk.

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

Election of Officers

Moderator Eld. W. E. Bland Clerk Isaac T. Lynch Constitution and Rules of Order read by Moderator.

Appointment of Committees

Divine Service—J. W. Watson, Loy Archer, Dave Butler Resolution—Elders Geo. Been, J. W. Allred, and J. B. Johnson.

Finance—Geo. Lynch, Robt. Puryear, Quinton Todd. Temperance—Horace Knox, R. A. Smith, T. B. Smith.

Sunday School—Bertha Forrister, Elsie Capps, and Sammy Lane.

Obituary—Elmer Lawson, Cecil O. Garrison, and Roy Blackburn.

Non-Represented Churches—T. S. Smith, Harlan Phillips, and Hugh Becker.

Union of Churches—Glenn Barnes, W. H. Reynolds

and Lawerence Capps.

Committee on Divine Service announced that Elders W. E. Bland and J. B. Johnson would fill the stand at the Friday night service.

Concluded Friday night service with the Lord's Supper,

with forty washing feet.

Motion carried to adjourn till 3:00 o'clock p. m.

Dismissed with prayer by Eld. Geo. Been.

FRIDAY AFTERNOON SESSION

Association was called to order by the Moderator.

Scripture reading, Psalm one.

Prayer by Bro. John Forrister.

Eld. Geo. Been was elected a member of the Executive Board for a term of three years.

Eld. Cecil O. Garrison was elected a member of the Executive Board for a term of one year.

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

Motion carried to receive report of Committee on Non-Represented Churches and discharge the committee.

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

Motion carried to receive report of Committee on Tem-

perance and discharge the committee.

Committee on Divine Service announced Elders Horace Knox and Geo. Been to fill the stand Sat. at 11:00 o'clock.

Motion carried to adjourn till 8:30 a. m. Saturday.

Dismissed with prayer by Eld. Horace Knox.

SATURDAY MORNING SESSION

Association called to order by the Moderator.

Scripture lesson, St. John 12:44-50.

Prayer by the Moderator, Eld. W. E. Bland.

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

Motion carried to receive a partial report of Committee on Resolution and discharge the committee.

Resolutions Adopted

Be it Resolved, That our Executive Board of this Association hold quarterly meetings in connection with our fifth Sunday meeting.

Be it Resolved, That we recommend a greater co-operation between our pastors and deacons, so as to insure a better unity between them, and in leading the church in their duty they owe to God and the church, and to their fellow man.

Be it Resolved, That this Association endorse Eld. Cecil O. Garrison as our district evangelist, giving him evangelistical credentials, and that we vote ten dollars of our old Home Mission fund to him, asking our churches to help him prayerfully and financially.

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

Paid out of treasury to Eld. Cecil O. Garrison for evangelistic work \$5.00.

Elders Sammy Lane and W. A. Bradshaw to preach Saturday night.

Recessed until 3:00 o'clock p. m.

SATURDAY AFTERNOON SESSION

Association called together by the Moderator.

Scripture lesson, Isaiah 60:1-5.

Prayer by Eld. R. A. Smith.

Motion carried that we represent in the State Association, and that Elders Horace Knox and Geo. Been and Bro. Roy Blackburn write and bear the corresponding letter.

Motion carried that we represent in Old Union Association, and that J. W. Watson and R. A. Smith write and bear the corresponding letter.

Motion carried that we have our minutes printed, the clerk reserving enough for mailing purposes.

Motion carried that we reserve 50 minutes for each sister association representing with us.

Resolved, That the next session of Old Mt. Zion Association be held with Shady Grove church, and that Eld. G. C. Bland preach the Introductory sermon, and that Eld. Cecil O. Garrison be his alternate.

Be it Resolved, That we extend our heartfelt thanks to Antioch church and community for their kindness.

Motion carried to adjourn until 10:00 o'clock a.m. Friday before the second Sunday in August, 1938.

Dismissed with prayer by Eld. W. E. Bland. Eld. W. E. Bland, Moderator, Isaac Lynch, Clerk.

ENROLLMENT OF MINISTERS

Name	$Ag\epsilon$	Name	\mathbf{Age}
G. C. Bland	79	J. W. Watson	-56
George Been	56	Horace Knox	31
J. H. Roberts	67	Willie Capps	30
Elmer Lawson	56	Thomas Ingmire	43
Calvin Knox	64	J. W. Allred	67
W. E. Bland	35	R. A. Smith	
Claud Lynch	44	Cecil O. Garrison	29
Sammie Lane	29	Bruce Phillips	35

COMMITTEE REPORTS

· Temperance—We, your Committee on Temperance, submit the following:

We find that intemperance is on all sides, and we earnestly plead that all God's children pray earnestly for the faith once delivered to the saints, that we may defeat the Devil and our adversaries, and ask that all Christians be temperate in all things.

 $\begin{array}{l} \textbf{Eld. Harace Knox} \\ \textbf{T. B. Smith} \\ \textbf{R. A. Smith} \end{array}$

Oblituary—We, your Committee on Obituary, find that three of our sisters have passed from labor to reward, as follows:

Sisters Hannah Hawthorne, Maud Lawson and Nancy

Overton.

Elmer Lawson, Committee {Cecil O. Garrison, Roy Blackburn.

OB_TUARIES

Lawson—Maud Lawson was born in Kansas July 22, 1880, and came to Benton County, Arkansas with her parents when a child. She was the oldest child of T. P. and M. C. Rogers of Best, Arkansas.

She was united in marriage to S. H. Lawson January

15, 1898, by J. W. Blackburn.

To this union was born two girls and three boys. The girls died in infancy, the boys were all at her bedside when she passed out of this life into the Great Beyond, to her home not made with hands, but eternally in the heavens.

She took her bed in December, 1936, and bore her sickness with patience. She requested Rev. Clyde Clark to talk over body when she passed away. Rev. Clyde and his wife were at her bedside during her last hours, and she asked him to pray that she might have breath to talk to the three boys, and she talked as plain as she ever did, calling each by name, telling them to be good boys and meet her in her home. The end came at 2:15 p. m. September 3, 1936.

She professed a hope in Christ at 17 years of age, and joined the Free Will Baptist church where she lived a

faithful member until death.

She leaves her husband and three boys, her mother, four sisters and one brother to mourn their loss. May all of God's people pray for the boys, that they may meet their mother in her home. May the Lord's richest blessings be with all that helped us in any way.

—S. H. Lawson and three boys.

Overton—Nancy Johnson was born January 7, 1847, in Washington County, Arkansas.

She was married to Thomas Overton April 11, 187b, by John A. Neel. To this union was born six children, five boys and one girl. Two boys preceded her in death.

Three boys, Ed and Jake Overton and J. F. Garret were by her when she passed away. Her daughter, Minnie Mayo, came after her death.

She was converted in 1880 and joined the Baptist church in 1881, and lived a devoted Christian life till death. She lived in the church 56 years.

She leaves three boys, one girl, 28 grandchildren and a host of friends to mourn her loss. Our loss is her gain. In her last days she said she wanted God to take her home. She was 90 years, five months and 19 days old.

We miss mother, but God takes care of her.

We will meet you Mother, where no sorrow comes.

Hawthorn—Hannah M. Huff Hawthorn was born Dec. 31, 1846, and died June 19, 1937, at the age of 90 years, five months and 18 days. Grandma Hawthorn, as she was generally known by her friends and neighbors, had been very feeble for the last eighteen months.

She united with the Free Will Baptist church at Willow Springs, Arkansas in the year of 1889, and later moved her membership to New Hope church where she lived faithful until death.

She leaves two sons and two daughters and a host of friends and relatives to mourn her departure.

Mother is gone, but not forgotten.

Finance-We, your Committee on Finance, subn	it the
following:	
Mt. Zion Church	\$3.50
Clear Creek Church	
Christian Home Church	
Antioch Church	
Pilgrim Rest Church	1.50
New Hope Church	1.25
Clifty Church	1.75
Shady Grove Church	$\frac{1}{2.00}$
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Total	\$17.65
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Union of Churches—We your committee on Union of Churches, submit the following:

There seems to be a union among the churches of this association. We feel there should be a united effort on the part of all God's people for the advancement of the Gospel. They should co-operate and work together in unity of purpose for the salvation of souls. We believe this is what Paul meant in Eph. 4:3.

We recommend correspondence by messengers and otherwise between this Association and other religious bodies not only of the Free Will Baptist, but of other denominations as well.

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Sunday School—As we believe our greatest opportunity to teach the Bible is through the Sunday School; There fore we recommend that each church maintain a Sunday School, and that parents take their children and also urge their neighbors to take their children, and take more interest in Sunday School themselves, for we realize that we shall be held responsible for the way we bring up our children.

We futhermore recommend that the pastor of each church preach one sermon each year on Sunday School. We believe our Savior laid the foundation for our first Sunday School, while he walked and talked among men, you always found him teaching in the Synagogue or by the sea shore each Sabbath. Our Savior taught redemption of all mankind.

Committee {Bertha Forrister Elsie Capps (Sammie Lane

Non-Represented Churches—We, your Committee on Non-Represented Churches, find that Rose Hill is in an unprogressive condition, and think it useless to carry it any longer.

Committee {T. S. Smith, Hugh Becker.

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, rose from the dead the third day, completed 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 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 them the hope of salvation through the coming CHRIST.—Gen. 1:27; 2:16-17; Romans 11:11-35; Psalms 37:23-14; 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 15:22.
- 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 FEET WASHING. 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.
- 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 irresistable 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 aggragate, is the family of God, is composed of all true Christians of every con-

- gregation 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 Thess. 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 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 Thess. 2:13; Heb. 12:14; Phil. 3:21; 2 Thess. 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; 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 Thess. 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.

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 perperuate a union among us, and to preserve and maintain correspondence with each other, do therefore ordain this Constitution for our better Church 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. Churches, in sending their letters, may send obituaries of any who died during the year, that we may keep up the memorial of our dead.
- Art. 4. OFFICERS. 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 letter 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 considered 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 amount paid by 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 regular 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 at any regular session.
- 12. NON-ATTENDANCE. The Association in case of the failure of any church to attend, shall enquire into the case.

RULES OF GRDER

- 1. At every sitting of the Association, business shall be opened and concluded by prayer by the Moderator or whom-soever he may request.
- 2. Ministers and deacons 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, the moderator shall ask, "Any discussion or remarks?" If none, the question shall be disposed of as usual.
- 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.

STATISTICAL TABLE OF THE ASSOCIATION

CHURCH	 Organ ized	Retir'g Pastor	Pastor Elect	Church Clerk	Post Office	1	2	3 4	 5 	6	7
Mt. Zion	1866	J. W. Allred	J. W. Allred	Berry Puryear	Spring Val., Ark.	8	0	0 0	0 0	0 10) 8
New Hope	1886	Horace Knox	W. E. Bland	E. P. McGinnis	La Rue, Ark.	7	0	0 1	. 0	1 5	4
Hickory Grove	1886	Willie Capps	W. E. Bland	Geo. Lynch	Clifty, Ark.	0	0	0 0	0	0 j 8	30]
Christian Home	1892	Sammie Lane	Elmer Lawson	Mary Gosvener	Hindsville, Ark.	1	0	0 0	0	0 2	26]
Clifty	1892	Horace Knox	W. E. Bland	Geo. Vanhook	Mundell, Ark.	4	0	0]	0 0	0] 7	14
Antioch	1910	J. W. Watson	J. W. Watson	J. A. Smith	Marble, Ark.	0	0	1 1	L 0	$\begin{bmatrix} 0 \end{bmatrix}$ 4	16
Pilgrim Rest	1911	Geo. Been	J.B. Johnson	Edith Barnes	Spring Val., Ark.	0	0 j	0 0	0	1 23	33 į
Clear Creek	Ì	W. E. Bland	W. E. Bland	Thomas Ingmire	Clifty, Ark.	1	0	0 0	0	0 1	16
Shady Grove		Horace Knox	Horace Knox	Edna Blackburn	Sedalia, Ark.	0	0	0 0) oj	0 1	2
Rose Hill		No Report					ĺ		1	İ	j
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1. Experience and Baptism 21 4. Dismissed by Letter 2											
2. Recommendation 0 5. Excluded 0											
3. Received by Letter 1 6. Died 2											
7. Total Membership 689											