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PROCEEDINGS.

The Thirty-Eighth Annual Session of the South Georgia Association convened with Alabama Church, Pierce County, Georgia, October 23rd and 24th, 1914.

The Introductory Sermon was preached on Thursday night, October 22nd, 1914 by Rev. J. A. Fennell. Text

Friday Morning Session.

The body was called to order by singing No. 180 in Sunday School revival.

Prayer by Moderator, Rev. J. A. Blanton

In the absence of the clerk, W. H. DeLoach was appointed clerk pro tem

The decorum and constitution was read by the Moderator. Letters from the various churches called for

Brothers D. W. Zorn and S. A. Brewton were appointed to read the letters, which were as follows:

Ebenezer:—L. M. Purell and W. W. Baxter

Spring Grove:—T. A. Strickland

Satilla:—C. C. Quinn, G. W. Harrison, Levi Hand and I. J. Blanton, Jr.

Pine Level:—Randal Johnson, John A. Farmer, James M. Melton and B. N. Parker

Fishing Creek:—B. F. Bratcher, T. G. Crosby, T. H. Smith and B. M. Bratcher

Bethel:—J. K. Spell and R. N. Herrington

Corinth:—J. A. Smart, D. W. Crews and J. M. Moore

Alabama:—O. W. Noble, Willie Aspenwall, J. C. Brewton, C. B. Brewton and D. L. Sapp.

Storvy Hill:—C. C. Anderson

Knight's Chapel:—J. S. Chestnut and J. W. Sweat.

Piney Grove:—J. A. Tuten.

Carters Chapel:—J. A. Blanton, Jr.

New Hope:—W. M. Edenfield, W. G. Freeman and W. S. Mallard

Glennville:—W. H. DeLoach, J. E. Hagin and H. T. Bos-tick.

Mary's Chapel:—W. H. Gooze, A. R. Leggett, John B. Mullis, R. M. Carter and Jessie Watson

Philadelphia:—Newton Roddenberry, W. W. Davis and G. C. Davis

Marietta by letter.

Ochoopee by letter.

The names of ministers and delegates were enrolled.

By motion, the officers were elected by acclamation.

The body was permanently organized by electing, Rev. J. A. Blanton Moderator, and Rev. C. C. Butler, Assistant Moderator, W. H. DeLoach, Clerk and D. W. Zorn, Treasurer.

The Moderator appointed Brothers J. C. Brewton, C. C. Quinn and O. W. Nobles temporary committee on preaching

By motion, Brother D. W. Zorn was elected to fill the vacancy in the Superannuated committee.

Visiting preachers and brethren were invited to seats with us

Called for corresponding messengers.

Called for petitionary letters.

By motion, Brothers S. A. Brewton, J. D. DeLoach and J. N. Johnson were elected trustees for the South Georgia Association.

Brothers C. C. Butler, D. W. Zorn and J. O. Fennell were appointed to arrange the various committees which were as follows:

Character and usefulness of the Ministry.

Education.

Temperance.

Denominational literature.

State of churches.

Destitution.

Obituaries

Finance

Nominations.

Superannuated funds.

Preaching committee:—J. C. Brewton, O. W. Nobles, B. N. Parker and Jessie Watson

By request Brother J. S. Chestnut was excused for the remainder of the session

By motion the body adjourned until 2:30 p. m.

Prayers by Rev. E. Nobles.

Preaching at eleven o'clock by Rev. I. J. Blanton, Sr., Text, Hebrews 2:1.

Friday Afternoon Session.

The body was called to order at 1:30 o'clock by singing
No 180 Sunday School Revival

Prayer by Brother B. F. Bratcher,

By request Brother D. L. Sapp was excused until 8:30 o'clock Saturday morning.

By motion, Brothers G. R. Sanders and S. G. Smith's reports were received and their names entered on the ministerial roll.

By motion the body adjourned until 8:30 o'clock Saturday morning.

Prayer by Rev. D. W. Blanton

Preaching at 7 o'clock by Rev. E. B. Joyner, Text Mark

Saturday Morning Session.

The body was called to order at 8:30 o'clock by singing
No 72 in S. S. R. Prayer by Rev. C. Thomas

After roll call the body adjourned ten minutes to give the committees time to make their reports.

The body was called to order per adjournment.

Reports of committees called for:

Education—report received and adopted. See report.

Temperance—report received and adopted. See report.

Denominational literature—report received and adopted.
See report

Obituaries—report received and adopted. See report

Destitution—report received and adopted. See report.

Nominations—report received and adopted. See report.

Character and usefulness of the Ministry—report received and adopted. See report

REPORTS.

Reports on Education.

We, your committee on Education, beg leave to submit the following report:

1. As a means of spiritual education, we recommend that our people read God's Holy Word, our Constitution, Church covenant and religious papers. We recommend The Free Will Baptist, published at Ayden, N. C., and The Free Will Baptist Messenger, published at Baxter, Tenn.

2. As the Catholic Church is doing all it can do to abolish the reading of the bible in the public schools, also prayer, we recommend that our people take a stand for God's Holy Word and insist upon teachers reading a portion of God's Word each day upon the opening of Schools.

3. As a means of spiritual education we also recommend family prayer at least once daily.

E. B. Joyner, Chairman, L. M. Purcell,

T. G. Crosby, I. J. Blanton, Jr., C. C. Quinn.

On Character and Usefulness of the Ministry.

We, your committee submit this our report. We find the greater part of our ministry to be of good Christian Character and of much usefulness. We find that the Christian Character of Rev. W. H. Reins, is not very good and recommend that his name be dropped from the ministerial roll.

N. Roddenberry, chairman, B. F. Bratcher,

J. M. Melton, D. L. Sapp, E. Nobles.

Temperance.

We your committee beg leave to make this our report:

The curse of drink, it enters a humble home to strike the rose from a woman's cheek, and to-morrow it challenges this republic. To day it strikes a crust from the lips of a starving child; there is no cottage humble enough to escape it. No palace strong enough to shut it out, it defies the law. When it can't coerce suffrage it is flexible to cajole, but merciless in victory, it is the mortal enemy of peace and order, the despoiler of men, and terror of woman. The cloud that shadows the face of children, the demon that has dug more graves, and more sent souls unshrined to judgment, than all the pestilences that have wasted life since God sent the plagues to Egypt, and all the wars since Joshua stood beyond Jericho. It comes to ruin, and it shall profit mainly by the ruin of your sons and mine. It comes to mislead human souls, and to crush human hearts under its rumbling wheels. It comes to bring gray haired mothers down in shame and sorrow to their graves, it comes to change the wife's love into despair, and her pride into shame. It comes to still the laughter on the lips of children, it comes to stifle all the music of the home, and fill it with silence and desolation. It comes to ruin your body and mind, to

wreck your home. And knows it must measure its prosperity by the swiftness and certainty with which it wrecks this world.

Brethren quit it, and fight with all your might against it.

J. O. Fennell, Chairman, C. C. Butler,

J. A. Smart, D. W. Crews, W. M. Aspinwall

Denominational Literature.

We, your committee make this our report We find that there are a good many of our members who do not take our paper—The Free Will Baptist published at Ayden, N. C. We recommend that all take the paper, as far as possible, and also that our Sunday Schools use our literature, published Ayden, N. C., as much as possible By doing so the cost will be less.

We also recommend that our pastors write to our paper at least twice a year, thereby making it more interesting.

John A. Tanner, chairman, J. M. Moore,

J. K. Spell, O. W. Nobles.

State of Churches.

We your committee submit the following: We find some of our churches in good standing, others not so good. We recommend that all our churches pay their superannuated funds, and take up three collections a year for home missions. We find that some of our Churches fail to pay their pastors as they should, and we insist on them to be more prompt to their duty. We also recommend that their letters to the association show how many male members belonging to each church. Also that each pastor read the church discipline four times a year

W. W. Baxter, Chairmen, G. W. Harrison,

Levi Hand, G. W. Murray, T. A. Strickland

Destitution.

We, your committee find that all our churches represented have been and is supplied with pastors.

I. J. Blanton, Chairman, C. C. Anderson.

W. G. Freeman, J. W. Sweat.

Obituaries.

We, you committee beg leave to submit the following:

We find that God has seen fit to call away a few of our members in the past year We humbly trust to meet them in the sweet bye and bye, when the trials of life are over.

C. B. Brewton, Chairman, W. M. Edinfield,
W. S. Mallard, A. R. Leggett, C. Thomas.

Finance.

We, your committee, submit this our report from the various churches. We find sent in for

Association purposes		\$ 45 68
Superannuated fund, from last session	\$ 33 80	
" " " from this session	57 25	91.05
Home missions, from last session	\$ 40 66	
" " " This session, Satilla	1 73	
" " " " Mariana	1 10	
" " " " Ebenezer	4 86	
" " " " Glennville	10 82	
" " " " Berhel	1 15	
" " " " Mary Chapel	1 01	

Total - - - - - 61.33

C. C. Quinn, Chairman

Nominations.

We, your committee submit the following: We recommend that next session meet with Bethel Church Appling county, Georgia, commencing on Thursday night, before the Fourth Sunday in October, 1915. Elder E. B. Joyner to preach the Introductory sermon

Delegates will be met at Baxley, Georgia, on trains going north and south.

R. N. Herrington, Chairman, Randal Johnson,
J. E. Hagin, W. H. Googe, John B. Mullis

Superannuated Funds.

We, your committee on Superannuated funds, beg leave to submit this, our report:

We find in hand from last session	\$ 33 80
Received at this session from various churches	57 25
Total	\$91 05

DISBURSEMENTS.

Paid to Brother W. T. E. Butler,	\$25 00
Paid to Brother J. D. Heuderson,	20 00
Paid to Brother E. Nobles,	15.00

Respectfully submitted,
S. A. Brewton, Chairman, D. W. Zorn

Report of Home Mission Board.

We, your committee on Home Missions, beg leave to submit the following report:

From the last Association	\$ 40 66
Glennville Church	10.82
Ebenezer Church	4.86
Satilla Church	1.73
Bethel Church	1 15
Mary's Chapel	1.01
Mariana Church	1 10

Total \$61 33

J. D. DeLoach, Chairman.

By motion the body adjourned until 1:30 o'clock.

Prayer by Rev. C. C. Butler.

Preaching at 11 o'clock by Rev. J. O. Fennel. Text Hebrews 11-22

Saturday Afternoon Session.

The body was called to order at 1:30 o'clock.

Prayer by Brother D. W. Zorn.

Omitted calling the roll.

On motion the body received Brother W. F. Larisy an ordained minister as a member of the South Georgia Association and to have his name entered on the Ministerial Roll.

By motion, the body gave Brother D. W. Zorn an order to Brother M. S. Lewis for the balance of the superannuated funds on hand.

By motion the body took a ten minutes recess.

The body was called to order by the Moderator as per adjournment.

By motion the body adjourned at 3 o'clock for preaching.

Preaching by Elder E. B. Joyner. Text Romans, 8-8
The body was called to order by the Moderator, as per adjournment.

By motion, Brother C. B. Brewton was excused for the remainder of the session.

By motion the body voted to send Brother C. C. Butler to the Georgia Union Association as a corresponding delegate.

By motion the body gave to Marianna Church, at Alma, Ga., \$20.00. And to Bethel Church \$10 00 out of the Home Mission Fund to help pay off their indebtedness.

By motion, Brother H. T. Bostick's name was entered as a delegate from the Glennville Church.

By motion, voted to pay the Clerk \$10 00 for his services.

By motion, voted to pay the Clerk \$25.00 for the printing of the Minutes.

By motion, the body voted to give the Moderator \$10.00 out of the Association funds.

By motion the body voted to discontinue the rule of leaving off the roll Ministers, the names of those failing to attend, or sending a written excuse why they could not attend, to the Moderator before the session convenes.

By motion, Rev. E. Nobles was excused for the remainder of the session.

By motion the clerk was requested to write a card of thanks to the Alabama Church, and community at large for their kindness and hospitality and have it printed in the minutes.

By motion, and by his request, Brother J. D. DeLoach was relieved as a member of the Home Mission Board.

By motion, Brother G. W. Harrison, was elected as Treasurer of the Home Mission Board.

By motion, Brother L. M. Purcell was elected a member of the Home Mission Board.

By motion, body voted to give Brother G. W. Harrison an order to Brother J. D. DeLoach the present treasurer of the Home Mission Board for all monies now on hand belonging thereto.

By motion the body voted to have on the first Fifth Sunday in 1915, a Union meeting to be held with Mary's Chapel Church, Appling County, Georgia, beginning on the Thursday night before. Each Church is required to send a

delegation. The delegates going by rail will be met at Surrency, Georgia, on Thursday, trains going north and south.

By motion, the body adjourned to meet with Bethel Church, Appling county, Georgia, Thursday night, before the Fourth Sunday in October, 1915.

Resolution of Thanks.

We, the Ministers, Officers and Delegates, composing the South Georgia Association now in session with Alabama Church, do tender our sincere thanks to the church and community at large for the hospitality extended to us. And we pray God's richest blessings to be bestowed upon them, and that peace, harmony and prosperity may reign.

Done by order of the body.

W. H. DeLoach, Clerk

Ordaining Council.

The Ordaining Council examined and ordained Elder C. Thomas, Sunday before the 11 o'clock services, which was made very impressive.

Rev. C. C. Buller, Rev. J. O. Fennel,
Rev. I. J. Blanton, Rev. E. B. Joyner.
Ordaining Council

Report on Preaching.

Friday at 11 o'clock Rev. I. J. Blanton.

Friday at 7 o'clock, p. m., Rev. E. B. Joyner.

Saturday at 11 o'clock, a. m., Rev. J. O. Fennel.

Saturday at 7 o'clock, p. m., Rev. C. Thomas.

Sunday at 11 o'clock, a. m., Rev. J. A. Blanton.

Sunday at 3 o'clock, p. m., Rev. W. F. Laisy.

Home mission collection

Ministeral Roll.

J. A. Blanton, Surrency, Georgia.
I. J. Blanton, Surrency, Georgia.
E. Nobles, Blackshear, Georgia.
C. C. Butler, Alma, Georgia.
E. L. StClaire, Glennville, Georgia.

W. T. E. Butler, Alma, Georgia.
J. D. Henderson, Mt Pleasant, Georgia.
D. W. Blanton, Jesup, Georgia.
Peter McLean, Surrency, Georgia.
J. O. Fennel, Jesup, Georgia.
E. B. Joyner, Glennville, Georgia.
T. M. Sweat, Blackshear, Georgia.
W. F. Laisy, Waycross, Georgia.
T. M. Carter,
C. Thomas, Glennville, Georgia.
S. G. Smith, Hazlehurst, Georgia.
G. R. Sanders, Reidsville, Georgia.
C. C. Coursey, Lyons, Georgia.

LICENTIATES.

G. W. Murray

Treasurers Report.

Received from this Session	-	\$ 45.68
Paid for minutes	-	25.00
Paid Clerk	-	10.00
Paid Moderator	-	10.00

90 68

Resolutions.

1 The Superannuated Board shall consist of not less than three members, to be appointed by the Association annually.

2. This board shall control and dispense all money given for the maintenance of elders belonging to the South Georgia Association who have been superannuated by the body.

3 The board shall inquire into the visible means of the superannuated elders and give according to their necessities

4 That 25 per cent of the superannuated funds, be reserved as an emergency fund

5. Resolved, That the body no longer take up a collection to pay the preachers and delegates expenses, but that the Sunday collection go into the home mission treasury

Church Covenant.

Having given ourselves to God through Jesus Christ, and adopted the following articles as our confession of Faith, we now give ourselves to each other by the will of God, and agree to the following Church Covenant:

1. We solemnly covenant before God that we will strive by His assisting grace to exemplify our profession by a corresponding practice. We covenant and agree as members of the church and as Christians, to watch over each other in love, for mutual upbuilding in Gospel faith, endeavoring to keep the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace. To be careful of each other's reputation, to confess our faults one to another, to strengthen the feeble and kindly admonish the erring and to labor together for the building up of the church and the denomination and for the salvation of sinners.
2. We promise that we will faithfully and constantly maintain secret and family prayer and religiously instruct those under our care.
3. We will endeavor to uphold the public worship of Almighty God and ordinances of His Church, not to forsake the assembling of ourselves together; that we will cheerfully contribute of the means with which we are blessed for the support of our Pastor and other necessary expenses of the church. Any member failing to observe this covenant shall be dealt with by the Church.
4. We also promise that, unless Providentially hindered, we will attend upon public worship, the social meetings of the church and report ourselves regularly at the monthly conferences, and that we will walk in all ordinances of the Lord's House.
5. We covenant and agree that we will abstain from all vain amusements and sinful conformity to the world; that we will not traffic in the use nor furnish to others intoxicating drinks as a beverage, and that we will sustain the benevolent enterprises or our denomination and church, such as Missions, Education, Sabbath Schools, Moral Reform and all others which tend to the glory of God and to the welfare of men; and may the God of peace sanctify us wholly and preserve us blameless unto the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ, that we may join the glorified around the throne of God in ascribing blessings, honor, glory and power to Him that sitteth on the throne and unto the Lamb forever. Amen.

Constitution.

1. This Association shall be known as the South Georgia Free Will Baptist Association, whose duty it is to meet annually at such places as may be agreed upon at the previous session and not to adjourn finally until all business is settled and while there it shall be its duty to examine all questions of general interest to the Association and to use their best influence to promote all moral and benevolent means and institutions, such as Education, Sabbath Schools, Missionary Work, etc.
2. It shall be composed of the Ministers, both ordained and licensed, belonging thereto, and legal delegates from the churches composing the same.

3. Requirements of Churches: Each Church shall be required to send up an annual report to the Association in which they shall make a brief statement of the pastor, report the character and usefulness of the ministers whose membership is with them, Give name and post office of the Church Clerk, give the number baptised, received by letter, dismissed by letter, restored, excommunicated and died; also the number of members and the amount paid Associational purposes.

4. This Association shall be considered an ecclesiastical body, and shall control all the various churches composing the same so far as Gospel order extends. Also, no houses or lands shall be sold or disposed without her consent. Each male member shall be required to pay 25 cents annually as superannuated funds, any member failing to comply with this shall be noted by the church.

5. The officers of this Association shall be a Moderator, Assistant Moderator, Clerk and Treasurer, to be chosen by ballot.

6. Churches wishing to become members of this Association must adopt our Articles of Faith and conform to its usages.

7. Churches sending delegates to this Association shall be allowed one delegate for each ten members or fraction thereof.

8. This Constitution may be altered or amended at any session of this Association by a majority vote.

Articles of Faith.

1. We believe that there is but one living, true and eternal God, the Father of whom are all things, from everlasting to everlasting, glorious and immutable in all His attributes.—1 Cor. 8:6; Isa. 40:28.

2. We believe that there is but one Lord Jesus Christ, by whom are all things, the only begotten Son of God, born of the Virgin Mary, whom God freely sent into this world because of the great love wherewith he loved the world and Christ as freely gave himself a ransom for all, tasting death for every man who was buried and rose again the third day, and ascended into Heaven, from whence we look for him the second time in the clouds of Heaven at the last day to judge both the quick and the dead.—1 Tim. 2:5 6; Heb. 2:9; St John 3:16; Rev. 1:7; Acts 24:15; 1 John 2:2.

3. We believe that there is one Holy Ghost, the precious gift of the Father through his dear Son, unto the world, who quickeneth and draweth sinners home to God.—St. John 16: 7, 8; Acts 2:4; Eph. 2: 1; 4: 4, 5, 6.

4. We believe that in the beginning God made man upright and placed him in a state of Glory without the least mixture of misery from which we voluntary, by transgression, fell, and by that means brought on himself a miserable and mortal state, subject to death.—Gen. 2:17; 3:19.

5. We believe that God is not willing that any should perish, but that all should come to repentance and the knowledge of the truth, that they might be saved, for which end Christ hath commanded the gospel to be preached

among all nations, and to every creature.—Mark 16:16; Luke 24:47; John 3:15; 17:1 Tim. 2:4.

5. We believe that no man shall suffer in hell for want of a Christ who died for him; but as the scriptures had said for denying the Lord that bought them, because they believed not in the only begotten Son of God. Our belief, therefore being the cause why the just and righteous God of Heaven will condemn the children of men; it follows against all contradiction that all men at the time or other, are found in such a capacity as that through the grace of God they may be eternally saved.—Mark 16:16; Heb. 7:10; 1 John 1:10.

7. We believe that the whole scriptures are infallibly true, and that they are the only rules of faith and practice.—1 Tim 3:16, 17.

8. We believe in the doctrine of general provision made of God in Christ, for the benefit of all mankind, who repent and believe the gospel.—Luke 14:16-20; Matt. 28:19-20; Luke 13:3-5; 24:47; Acts 3:19; Mark 1:15.

9. We believe that sinners are drawn to God, the Father, by the Holy Ghost, through Christ His son, and that the Holy Ghost offers His divine aid to all the human family, so as they all might be happy, would they give place to His divine teaching; whereas, such who do not receive the divine impressions of His Holy Spirit shall at a future day own their condemnation just and charge themselves with their own damnation for wilfully rejecting the offers of a sovereign grace.—Matt. 11:27; St. John 6:44-65; Psal. 1:1; Tit. 5:11-13; Jer. 22:29.

10. We believe that men, not considered simply as ungodly men, were of old ordained to condemnation; considered such who turn the grace of God into lasciviousness, denying the Lord God and our Lord Jesus Christ who bought them, and therefore shall bring upon themselves swift destruction, but we observe that they are such the Apostle saith because they received not the love of the truth, that they might be saved, therefore the indignation and wrath of God is upon every soul of man that doeth evil, living and dying therein; for there is no respect of persons with God.—Judge 1:4; 11 Peter 2:1; 11 Theess 2:11-12; Rom. 2:9-11.

11. We believe that all children dying in infancy, having not actually transgressed against the law of God in their own person, are only subject to the first death, which was brought on them by the fall of Adam, and not that any one of them dying in that state shall suffer punishment in hell by the guilt of Adam's sin. Of such is the Kingdom of God. 1 Cor. 15:3; Matt. 1:3-5; Mark 9:36-37; Matt. 19:14.

12. We believe that good works are the fruits of saving faith, and that in the use of the means of grace and not out of the use of those means eternal life is promised to men.—Rev. 22:14-15; Isa. 1:19-20; Matt. 7:8; Jer. 13:34-35.

13. We believe that no man has any warrant in the Holy Scriptures for justification before God through his own work, power or ability which he has in and of himself, only as he by grace is made able to come to God, through Jesus Christ; believing the righteousness of Jesus Christ to be imputed to all believers for their eternal acceptance with God.—Rom. 4:24; Acts. 2:20-21.

14. We believe that all things are foreseen in the wisdom of God, so that God knoweth whatsoever can or cannot come to pass upon all supposed conditions; yet as not having decreed any person to everlasting death or everlasting life, out of respect of mere choice, rather than he hath appointed the godly unto life, and the ungodly who die in sin unto death.—Heb. 4:13; Prov. 8:22-31; Matt. 25:31-46.

15. We believe in teaching gospel ordinances, in believing's baptism, laying on the hands, receiving of the sacrament in bread and wine, Washing the saints feet, anointing the sick with oil in the name of the Lord, fasting, prayer, singing praise to God, and the public ministry of the Word, with every

institution of the Lord we shall find in the New Testament.—Mark 16:15 16; Acts 8:17; 19:6; Luke 22:19-20; John 13:5-17; James 5:14.

16. We believe the gospel mode of baptism is by immersion and the believers are the only subjects for the baptism.—Matt. 3:16; Mark 16:16, 17, Act 3:3, 4, Rom 6:4, Col. 2:12.

17. We believe in a general resurrection of the dead, and a final judgment at the last day.—John 5:28, 29; 11 Cor. 5:10.

18. We believe the happiness of the righteous is eternal, and the torment of the wicked are endless.—Matt. 25:46.

Decorum.

1. At the meeting of each session of the Association the officers of the preceding session shall preside until their successor shall be known.

2. At each session and previous to proceeding to business the names of the ministers and delegates shall be called.

3. At the close of each session the entire proceeding shall be read for correction and approval.

4. Any person wishing to speak shall rise and address the Moderator. He shall confine himself to the question under consideration and avoid personalities.

5. No person shall speak more than twice on any subject without permission of the body.

6. No motion shall be withdrawn after its discussion.

7. When a question is under discussion no motion or proposition shall be received except to adjourn, to lay on the table, to amend or postpone indefinitely which several motions shall be preferred in the order in which they are stated.

8. Nominations shall be made by the Moderator of the Association or whoever he may appoint.

9. After a motion has been decided, any member having voted in the affirmative may move a reconsideration.

10. No member shall absent himself during the session without permission of the presiding officer, and none will take final leave of absence without permission of the body.

11. The Association has a right to decide what matter shall be admitted to its consideration.

12. This Decorum may be amended at any session of the Association by a majority vote.

Order of Business.

1. The body shall be opened and closed with prayer.

2. Call for church letters and have them read and the names of the Ministers and Delegates enrolled.

3. Elect a Moderator, Assistant Moderator, Clerk and Treasurer, by ballot.

4. Call for petitionary letters.

5. Invite visiting brethren to seats with us.

6. Call for corresponding members.

7. Appointment of the several committees.

8. Unfinished business.

9. Reports of committees.

10. Miscellaneous business.

11. Adjournment.

Statistical Table.

Churches and Counties.	Pastors.	Clerks and Post Offices.	Baptised.	Received by Letter	Confession of Faith	Dismissed by Letter	Expelled.	Restored.	Died.	Number Members	Meeting Days.	Pastor's Salary	Value of Church Property.
Alabaha—Pierce,	C. C. Butler	C. B. Brewton, Blackshear	8	6	..	..	4	1	..	69	..	\$ 94 10	\$ 50
Bethel—Appling	"	Mary Jones, Baxley	4	5	..	..	..	..	..	36	1	40 00	..
Corinth—Pierce	"	J. A. Smart, Coffee	7	1	..	..	..	1	..	45	3	30 00	500
Carter's Chapel—Appling	I. J. Blanton	J. F. Andrews, Surrency	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	19	4	..	..
Ebenezer—Tattnall	J. A. Blanton	J. A. Baxter, Glennville	2	1	..	3	..	1	..	96	2	125 80	1 000
Fishing Creek—Pierce	I. J. Blanton	Thos. J. Boatright, Bristol	6	..	3	..	1	4	..	57	1	57 51	..
Glennville—Tattnall	E. L. StClaire	W. H. DeLoach, Glennville	6	6	..	7	2	1	1	107	1	225 00	1 000
Marietta—Toombs	C. C. Coursey	W. L. McLean, Lyons	3	..	3	..	13	1	..	3	3	2 00	..
Mary's Chapel—Appling	J. A. Blanton	W. H. Googe, Surrency	15	..	10	2	1	..	..	33	..	54 00	..
Knight's Chapel—Liberty	J. O. Fennell	N. G. Sharp, Ludowici	..	..	4	..	..	1	..	30	1	43 00	..
New Hope—Ware	C. Thomas	D. W. Blanton, Jesup, R1	31	1	..	1	..	7	..	72	2	..	..
Mariana—Bacon	C. C. Butler	W. J. Cathorn,	3	2	2	..	..	..	..	14	..	..	..
Ohoopee—Toombs	C. Thomas	R. A. Harrelson, Eliza	1	..	..	..	1	..	1	37	..	..	..
Pine Level—Bacon	J. A. Blanton	T. F. Johnson, Rockingham	..	..	..	1	..	..	1	65	..	37 50	..
Piney Grove—Appling	J. O. Fennell	C. K. Horne, Bristol	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	45	..	40 41	250
Philadelphia—Charlton	I. J. Blanton	N. Roddenberry, Folkston	3	..	2	..	1	..	..	30	..	75 52	1 000
Satilla—Appling	J. A. Blanton	C. C. Quinn, Hazlehurst	11	..	2	..	2	2	2	103	4	82 00	..
Spring Grove—Wayne	J. O. Fennell	Francis Harrison, Jesup	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	14	4	..	..
Stoney Hill—Tattnall	G. R. Sanders	Willie Rogers, Glennville	1	..	3	1	..	2	..	52	3	..	..