

MINUTES
OF THE
Sixteenth Annual Session
OF THE
GRAND RIVER
ASSOCIATION

WHICH CONVENED WITH
OKTAHA CHURCH

Friday Night Before the
Third Sunday in
August, 1909



J. W. GRAHAM
Moderator

J. M. JACKSON
Assistant

The Next Annual Session will be Held with Coal Church
Ten Miles East of Pryor Creek, Beginning Fri-
day Night Before the Second Sunday
in September, 1910.

J. M. ROBERTS
Moderator

W. A. SHAHAN
Assistant

Motion and second that we tender our heartfelt thanks to the people of Oktaha and surrounding country for the kindness shown us while in their midst; motion carried. Motion to adjourn until next Association; motion carried. Prayer by Brother Lightfoot, followed with song, giving to each other the parting hand. After Association adjourned meeting continued about four days with ten additions to Oktaha church and about twenty reclaimed and converted.

CONCLUSION.

From observation we note that not only at this place but elsewhere we find a few individuals who try to ridicule those who shout at times and especially during a revival meeting; they call it excitement, etc. We know the world wants a quiet, unalarming religion—a religion that will not even alarm or awaken the lost. Yet God always had a people that would shout and always will have. There never was a genuine but what there was a counterfeit. While some trumpets may give an uncertain sound, yet the greater number we believe have the true sound and are not willing to quench the Spirit in order to satisfy the world and the devil. We have the Pharisees in this present day and age of the world as in ancient times. Listen how Jesus answers the Pharisees: "And some of the Pharisees from among the multitude said unto Him, Master, rebuke Thy disciples. And He answered and said unto them, I tell you that if these should hold their peace the stones would immediately cry out." Luke 19:39-40. No doubt Isaiah with a prophetic eye looking down through the ages, saw the need of these words: "I have set watchmen upon thy walls, O Jerusalem, which shall never hold their peace day nor night; ye that make mention of the Lord keep not silence." Isa. 62:6. To those who may think shouting unscriptural, please read the following scripture referred to: Num. 23:21; II Samuel 6:15; Ezra 3:11-13; Psalms 32:11; 47:1 and 5; 34:17; Luke 18:39; I Thess. 4:16; Heb. 5:7.

A. E. MOORE, Clerk.