

**MINUTES**  
of the  
**ONE HUNDRED AND TWELFTH ANNUAL SESSION**

**Red River-Bowle**  
**Missionary Baptist Association**

Held with the  
**LYDIA MISSIONARY BAPTIST CHURCH**

**August 31 & September 1, 1955**

**OFFICERS**

- MODERATOR** ..... Eld. R. T. Stevens  
Rt. 6, Clarksville, Texas
- CLERK** ..... Eld. R. E. Deem  
DeKalb, Texas
- TREASURER** ..... Eld. Evan L. Merrill  
DeKalb, Texas

The next session will be held with the Friendship  
Missionary Baptist Church, Clarksville, Texas, beginning  
Wednesday night before the first Sunday in September of  
1956.  
Introductory sermon by Eld. Melvin Finley. Alternate,  
Eld. Jim Taylor.

### ORDER OF BUSINESS

1. INTRODUCTORY SERMON
2. READING LETTERS AND ENROLLING MESSENGERS
3. ELECTION OF OFFICERS
4. PETITIONARY LETTERS
5. MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS
6. APPOINTMENT OF COMMITTEE ON DIVINE SERVICE
7. SPECIAL ORDER OF BUSINESS
8. ASSOCIATIONAL MISSIONS
9. STATE MISSIONS
10. FOREIGN AND INTERSTATE MISSIONS
11. SUNDAY SCHOOL
12. CHRISTIAN EDUCATION
13. DENOMINATIONAL LITERATURE
14. TEMPERANCE
15. ORPHANS HOME
16. OLD MINISTERS' RELIEF
17. SPECIAL REPORTS
18. TREASURER'S REPORT
19. FINANCIAL REPORT
20. COUNTY MISSIONARY'S REPORT
21. RESOLUTION OF THANKS

## PROCEEDINGS

of the  
One Hundred and Twelfth Annual Session of the  
Messengers of the Churches

### RED RIVER-BOWIE MISSIONARY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

Held with the  
Lydia Missionary Baptist Church

#### Wednesday Night

At 7:30 the evening service began with Eld. Arvis Merrill leading the congregation singing "A Soul Winner for Jesus" and "When I See the Blood." The Congregation stood on the last stanza and the Moderator, Eld. Hassell Johnston, asked Eld. O. G. Griffith to lead us in prayer. Following this prayer Eld. Arvis Merrill again led the Congregation in singing, "Rescue the Perishing."

Moderator introduced the Introductory speaker Eld. R. E. Deem who then brought us a message entitled "The Six Necessary Pillars of a New Testament Church." He used for a text Matthew 28:16-20. The Message was enjoyed by all.

The Moderator then Introduced some preacher brethren from Texarkana and other places to the Congregation and asked them if any would like to say a word or two. Eld. A. L. Patterson from the Mission Office in Texarkana spoke briefly on local mission work at DeKalb, and about Interstate and Foreign Missions.

Eld. R. E. Deem made an announcement concerning the church in DeKalb trying to pay off their building note and asked for contributions toward this from all who would care to help them and received \$22.50 on this.

Moderator asked Eld. J. A. Blalock to dismiss us by leading in prayer. Congregation to meet back Thursday morning at 10:00.

#### THURSDAY MORNING

10:00 A. M.

Eld. Arvis Merrill led the Congregation in "Glory to His Name," and "I Need Thee Every Hour." Eld. R. T. Stevens acted as Moderator because the Moderator, Eld. Hassell Johnston was

called to conduct a funeral service and could not attend at the opening hour. Eld. Stevens called upon Eld. Yannie Odom to lead in prayer. Eld. Stevens officially opened the One Hundred and Twelfth Annual Session of the Messengers of the Red River-Bowie Association of Missionary Baptist Churches as they convened with the Lydia Missionary Baptist Church meeting at Lydia, Texas.

Moderator appointed Eld. H. E. Rhodes and Eld. J. C. Askew as reading clerks for the reading of the minutes. Several letters were read and, as it was approaching the time for the morning message, Eld. Evan Merrill made a motion to set aside the regular order of business and enter into the morning worship service with the one to be elected bringing a message at the 11:00 o'clock hour. The motion with its second carried.

The Moderator then asked that the visitors stand for an introduction to the Congregation, as well as the Local preacher brethren. After the Introduction of the Preachers present was made the Assembly nominated Eld. Albert Garner and Eld. R. E. Rodgers for the morning message. Eld. Albert Garner received the majority of votes and prepared to bring the message.

Since there was a few minutes remaining until the eleven o'clock when the message was to be brought the regular order of business was resumed with a few more letters being read.

Following the reading of the letters the Moderator called upon the Pastor of the Host Church, Eld. Melvin Finley to say a few words. He brought a welcome address and made some announcements pertaining to the preparations of the church for the Messenger Body's entertainment and lunch, etc.

At the close of the welcome address Eld. Evan Merrill led the congregation in singing "Kneel At The Cross."

Moderator Eld. R. T. Stevens then called upon Eld. Hassell Johnston the Moderator to come around and take charge. He called upon Eld. J. C. Askew to lead us in prayer. At the close of the prayer the Moderator introduced Dr. Garner the elected speaker for the morning message, and turned the service over to him.

Dr. Garner spoke about "The Fourfold Activity of the Holy Spirit in Personal Redemption" using for his text Prov. 1:22-31. The message was well received by the congregation even though

Dr. Garner's voice was at times almost indistinguishable due to a throat ailment. He turned the service over to the Moderator when he had finished his message.

The Moderator called for announcements if there was any to be made by anyone. Dr. Garner announced that he was taking pre-publication pledges from all who wanted some books that he was preparing, and that he would take them after the services were recessed.

The Moderator then called upon Eld. R. E. Rodgers to dismiss us for the lunch hour with a prayer.

The Lunch and the fellowship with all the messengers during the lunch recess was enjoyed immensely by all present.

#### THURSDAY AFTERNOON

Eld. Arvis Merrill began leading the congregation in a song service with "Tell Me The Story of Jesus," and "There Shall Be Showers of Blessing." Moderator called upon Eld. Jim Taylor to lead in prayer. Following the prayer the Moderator read the Rules of Decorum.

Moderator then called upon the reading clerks to resume the reading of the Church Letters. At the close of the letter reading Eld. R. T. Stevens made a motion to adopt the letters, seat the messengers and invite the visiting brethren to sit in counsel with us. Motion was seconded and carried.

Moderator then called for Nominations for Moderator. Eld. R. T. Stevens and Eld. Eyan Merrill were nominated with Eld. R. T. Stevens getting the position.

The Moderator then called for Nominations for Clerk. Eld. R. E. Deem being nominated and elected.

Next the Moderator asked for Nominations for Treasurer. Eld. Eyan Merrill and Eld. Jim Taylor were nominated with Eld. Eyan Merrill receiving the majority vote and retaining the position of Treasurer for another year.

Miscellaneous Business was considered following the election of Officers and the turning of those offices over to the newly elected ones. This miscellaneous business amounted to:

Friendship Missionary Baptist Church being elected as the place for the meeting next year of the Messengers.

Moderator next appointed the Divine Service Committee. Following the Divine Service Committee the Moderator asked for Petitionary Letters and as there was none he then asked for any Special Order of Business if there was any to be considered. There being no Special business the Moderator appointed the several committees that were to be heard as soon as they readied their reports and could get them presented to the Messengers for their hearing, consideration, and disposition of same.

#### REPORTS of Appointed Committees

INTERSTATE AND FOREIGN MISSIONS read and motion and second made. Spoken to by: Eld. H. I. Johnston and Eld. J. C. Askew. Adopted.

DENOMINATIONAL LITERATURE read and motion and second to adopt. Spoken to by: Eld. Sidney McLeod and then adopted.

TEMPERANCE read and motion and second to adopt. Spoken to by: Eld. Arvis Merrill, and Eld. J. C. Askew. Motion and second to adopt prevailed.

DIVINE SERVICE COMMITTEE reported that Eld. R. E. Rodgers would bring the evening message.

STATE MISSIONS report read and a motion and second to adopt was made. It was spoken to by: Eld. R. E. Rodgers, and Dr. Albert Garner. Motion and second prevailed.

SUNDAY SCHOOL COMMITTEE read report and there was a motion and second to adopt. Report was spoken to by: Eld. Yannie Odum, and Dr. Albert Garner. Motion and second carried. ORPHANS HOME read and motion and second to adopt made. Spoken to by Dr. Garner. Adopted.

Motion and second to take collection for State Missions and to divide the fund between the two, Eld. H. E. Rhodes and Eld. R. E. Rodgers. The amount received and divided was \$31.08.

Motion and second to adjourn until tonight at the evening service, with the business was made and prevailed.

Another motion was introduced at this time, with a second, to let the Clerk of the Association assign to the churches the var-

ious reports to be ready and presented during the following annual session. Motion and second to table until the night session carried. There was a special committee elected to evaluate the motion tabled and report at the night session.

Another motion and second to dismiss until 7:00 P. M. prevailed.

#### THURSDAY EVENING

at

7:00

Eld. Arvis Merrill led the song service which was followed by the congregation standing and being led in prayer by Eld. Johnny Paul Jones.

The Moderator then called upon the Special Committee to evaluate the method of having the Clerk assign the various reports to the churches of the Association to be brought in during the next annual session of the Messengers. The said Committee recommended that it be done as it had been in the past. Spoken to by Eld. R. E. Rodgers, Dr. Albert Garner, and Eld. J. B. Watson. A motion to substitute the motion and second to do the reports in a different way was made, seconded and carried.

Report on Christian Education was given and a motion and second to adopt was made. Motion was spoken to by Dr. Albert Garner and Adopted. An offering was taken amounting to \$18.45 and given to Dr. Garner for the Henderson, Texas Baptist Institute.

ASSOCIATIONAL MISSIONS report was made and a motion and second to adopt. It was spoken to by Eld. H. L. Johnston, Eld. R. Hill, and Eld. Sidney McLeod. Motion prevailed.

A question was put to the chair regarding as to what the body wished to do in regards to the business at hand, either put it off until tomorrow or else finish. A motion and second to close out the session with the night service and go home omitting the usual Thursday services prevailed.

Nominations for the Annual Sermon were made and Eld. Melvin Finley was elected to bring the message with Eld. Jim Taylor as the Alternate speaker, as the motion and second to let him be carried.

Report on OLD MINISTERS RELIEF was given and a motion and second to adopt was made. Report was spoken to by Eld. R. Hill and Eld. R. Deern. This motion and second was amended by a motion and second to amend the report to the effect that the churches having the Old Ministers or their wives belonging to their respective memberships notify the other churches of their needs. This Amendment to the report carried.

The Young People's work was mentioned and several comments made.

The TREASURER'S REPORT was not given as he was not present and could not make one.

#### ANNOUNCEMENTS

were made concerning:  
Revival with the Pinkham Memorial Missionary Baptist Church of DeKalb, Texas Sept. 4th.-11th.

Revival with the West Side Missionary Baptist Church of New Boston, Texas Sept. 11th.-18th.

The Baptist Monitor by Dr. Garner.

The Books that he was writing and hoped to have published before too long by Dr. Garner.

South Texas Association to meet at Goodrich, Texas Oct. 18th and the State Association of Texas to meet at Texas City, Texas in Nov. was made by Eld. H. E. Rhodes.

Eld. Sidney McLeod spoke in appreciation of the visit with the Association and Lydia Church.

Home Coming day to be Sunday at New Haven Church made by Eld. R. T. Stevens.

Fifth Sunday Meeting with the Avery Church by Eld. Hassell Johnston and the Assembly was urged to be there by one of the men from the Avery Church.

Worker's Meeting at Austin Chapel Church announcement was made by Eld. A. Merrill.

Young People's Meeting with the New Haven Church was announced.

A Deacon's ordination was to be held with the Negley Church having them ordained. To be Sunday afternoon at 2:30.

FINANCIAL REPORT was read and a motion and second to adopt carried.

RESOLUTION OF THANKS was read and a motion and second was made. Eld. Arvis Merrill spoke briefly in appreciation of the hospitality and asked that a rising vote of appreciation be used in voting on the motion to adopt. This carried unanimously.

At this time a motion and second was introduced to adjourn after the message until the meeting in 1956 with the Friendship Church. This motion carried.

Eld. Arvis Merrill led song "Where the Soul Never Dies." This was followed by Eld. Sidney McLeod leading in prayer.

Moderator then introduced the speaker Eld. R. E. Rodgers, one of the State Missionaries of Texas. Eld. R. E. Rodgers then brought us a timely and beneficial message about his text Isa. 38:1-5 especially using vs. 16, "By These Things Men Live." His message was enjoyed and greatly appreciated as it was the one closing thought which was certainly carried home by one and all having lifted us to heavenly places in Christ Jesus.

The Host Pastor, Eld. Melvin Finley asked Eld. J. B. Watson to dismiss the One Hundred and Twelfth Annual Messenger Body Association of Missionary Baptist Churches of the Red River-Bowie Association.

#### VISITORS IN ATTENDANCE

Eld. George Knickerbocker, Magnolia, Ark. Calvary M. B. C.  
Eld. Sidney McLeod, Magnolia, Ark. Calvary M. B. C.  
Dr. Albert Garner, Jacksonville, Texas  
Eld. R. E. Rodgers, State Missionary, Lufkin, Texas  
Eld. H. E. Rhodes, State Missionary, Orange, Texas, Antioch M. B. C.  
Eld. Vannie Odom, Timpson, Texas  
Eld. Johnny Paul Jones, Henderson, Texas  
Eld. J. C. Askeew, Lone Star, Texas, 1st Baptist  
Eld. A. J. Findley, Wards Creek M. B. C., Omaha, Texas  
Eld. Sharpe, Daingerfield, Texas

#### COMMITTEE REPORTS

##### Associational Missions

We your Committee on Associational Missions submit the following recommendations: That each church support local missions, and since we do not have a local missionary, that we support the Pinkham Memorial Church of DeKalb, Texas, until she is considered no longer a mission point. Eld. H. I. Johnston, Eld. Cecil Hill.

##### Old Minister's Relief

We your Committee on Old Minister's Relief, make the following report, we do have old ministers, and old ministers' wives that we ought to help. We also recommend that we keep in touch with them to know their needs, that we may help. Eld. Cecil Hill, Bro. Earnest Carrey, Bro. Jesse Humphrey. This motion was amended: that each church having an old minister or minister's wife notify the churches of their needs.

##### Denominational Literature

We your Committee on Denominational Sunday School Literature hereby recommend that our churches use literature in their Sunday School published by the Sunday School Committee of the A. B. A. which is published in Texarkana, Ark. Eld. E. I. Merrill, Eld. V. B. Odom, Bro. Alford York.

##### Orphans Home

We your Committee on Orphans report as follows: whereas the Bible teaches that "pure and undefiled religion" requires Christian care for Orphans, and whereas there is a volunteer cooperative effort on the part of the churches of this area to care for orphans placed in the Texarkana Baptist Orphanage, and whereas there is also a similarly supported orphanage at Ada, Oklahoma which cares for the Orphans of our Missionary Baptist people, be it therefore resolved that we recommend as worthy of support both of these orphanages. Respectively submitted, Dr.

Albert Garner, Bro. Raymond Jeffers, Eld. John P. Jones.

### **Temperance**

We recommend that all Christians and especially church members of our churches, abstain from any evil, such as liquor, and worldly pleasures, as well as not supporting them in order that their lives might be an example to others. Eld. A. R. Merrill, Bro. W. M. Horton, Eld. R. E. Deem

### **Publications**

We your Committee on Publications submit the following report. We recommend the Bible first, then good books relating to the Bible recommended by the Baptist Book Store, Texarkana, Ark.-Tex. We also recommend that our people read the Baptist Monitor, The Searchlight, Soul-Winner, Louisiana Baptist, and Baptist Herald also recommend that our churches use the Sunday School Literature published by the Sunday School Committee of A. B. A. Eld. Jim Taylor, Eld. Sidney McLeod, Bro. Tobe Dennis.

### **Interstate and Foreign Missions**

The Lord's Commission to His Church requires that she go into all the world and preach the gospel to every creature. The Interstate and Foreign Missionaries of the American Baptist Association are sent out by the churches where they hold membership at the time they are sent out and are recommended to all the churches of the American Baptist Association as being worthy of their support. We your Committee urge that the Messengers remind their churches frequently to remember these missionaries in sincere prayer and with regular and liberal offerings. Offerings should be sent to Baptist Sunday School Committee, Texarkana, Ark.-Tex. or they may send directly to any missionary the church wishes to support. Your Committee, Eld. H. L. Johnston, Eld. J. C. Askew, Bro. Ross Mitchell

### **State Missions**

We your Committee on State Missions make the following re-

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port. We now have three full time state missionaries on the field, Eld. A. W. Smith, Abilene, Texas; Eld. Ed Rhodes, Orange, Texas; Eld. R. E. Rodgers, Henderson, Texas and their work is being blessed greatly. A new church has been established in Lufkin, Texas by R. E. Rodgers on April 1st and a new church just established in Abilene, Texas August 19th by Bro. A. W. Smith. Bro. Rhodes has built a great church at Orange, Texas and is now ready to move to a new field. And everywhere our work is growing and being blessed of God in a great way.

The need of this hour is to pray the Lord to send more labourers into His vineyard. And every church support our missionaries with your prayers and regular offerings that they may do a greater work for our Lord.

Our Prayer is that God will bless all our churches and that they will do a great work for the Lord.

Respectfully submitted, your committee, Eld. R. E. Rodgers, Bro. Morris Downs, Bro. W. T. Mitchell

### **Christian Education**

We your Committee on Christian Education report as follows:

We understand Christian Education to mean the training of a person in the teachings of Christ.

Christian education, therefore, should begin in the home, be enlarged through the Sunday School and training service of the church, in teaching all things commanded of the Lord.

We recommend that all church elected teachers pursue a diligent, prayerful study of God's Word, the better to equip themselves in rightly dividing the Word of Truth.

We further recommend that our churches encourage, by prayer and financial support, the training of young ministers for more efficient work in the Gospel ministry.

Be it finally resolved that we recommend, as sound in the faith and worthy of attendance, the following schools of this area among Missionary Baptists: (1) The Texas Baptist Institute, Henderson, Texas; (2) The Louisiana Baptist Institute, Minden, La.; (3) The Oklahoma Baptist Institute, Turley, Okla.; (4) The Missionary Baptist Seminary, Little Rock, Ark. Respectfully submitted, Dr. Albert Garner

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### Resolution of Thanks

We your Committee submit the following: We resolve that the Messengers and visitors and Preacher brethren extend to the Lydia Missionary Baptist Church and her pastor our sincere thanks and deep appreciation for their hospitality and kindness extended to us in this One Hundred and Twelfth session of the Association. A. L. Merrill, Jim Taylor, A. M. Carrey

### PASTORS, CLERKS, AND SUNDAY SCHOOL SUPERINTENDENTS

AIKIN GROVE: Pastor, Jim Taylor, Henderson, Tex.; Clerk, Uious Humphrey, Clarksville, Rt. 6, Tex.; Supt., Charley Wolf, Clarksville, Tex.

AUSTIN CHAPEL: Pastor, E. L. Merrill, DeKalb, Tex.; Clerk, Cleadith White, DeKalb, Tex.; Supt., Raymond Tidwell, DeKalb, Tex.

AVERY: Pastor, H. L. Johnston (Temporarily) Box 41, Avery, Tex.; Clerk, Mrs. A. M. Carrey, P. O. Box 242, Avery, Tex.; Supt., Elton Roseberry, Avery, Tex.

BETHLEHEM: Pastor, Alvin Blalock, Talco, Rt. 2, Tex. Clerk, Drew Pirtle, Box 4, Johnstown, Tex.; Supt., Earl Hawkins, Johnstown, Tex.

CONCORD: Pastor, Cecil Hill, Rt. 6, Clarksville, Tex.; Clerk, Mrs. Opal Davis, 124 17th St. S. E., Paris, Tex.; Supt., Jim Watson, Rt. 4, Clarksville, Tex.

FRIENDSHIP: Pastor, Arvis L. Merrill, 303 Short St., Clarksville, Tex.; Clerk, Mrs. Walter Hill, Clarksville, Rt. 1, Tex.; Supt., Jack Shirley, Clarksville, Tex.

HODGSON: Pastor, None; Clerk, Mrs. Graty Kennedy, DeKalb, Tex.; Supt., Mrs. B. T. Warren, Rt. 2, DeKalb, Tex.

HOPEWELL: Pastor, Cecil Hill, Rt. 6, Clarksville, Tex.; Clerk, Harvey Fryor, Rt. 1, Negley, Tex.; Supt., Leonard Johnson, Clarksville, Tex.

LYDIA: Pastor, Melvin Finley, Hughes Springs, Tex.; Clerk, Truman Bishop, Avery, Tex.; Supt., Alvin Peacock, Avery, Tex. MAPLE CREEK: Pastor, J. B. Watson, Clarksville, Rt. 1, Tex.; Clerk, J. D. Siddens, Rt. 2, Clarksville, Tex.; Supt., Melvin Ste-

wart, Rt. 2, Clarksville, Tex.

MT. PLEASANT: Pastor, Cecil Hill, Rt. 6, Clarksville, Tex.; Clerk, Mrs. Fannie McDonald, Rt. 1, Bagwell, Tex.; Supt., Oscar Childress, Rt. 1, Bagwell, Tex.

NEW HAVEN: Pastor, R. T. Stevens, Rt. 6, Clarksville, Tex.; Clerk, Mrs. Ross Mitchell, Rt. 6, Clarksville, Tex.; Supt., Jimmy D. Vickers, Rt. 6, Clarksville, Tex.

NEW HOPE: Pastor, Melvin Finley, Hughes Springs, Tex.; Clerk, Mrs. Hiram McMillan, Rt. 2, DeKalb, Tex.; Supt., H. F. Nelly, Rt. 2, DeKalb, Tex.

PINKHAM MEMORIAL: Pastor, R. E. Deem, Box 1002, DeKalb, Tex.; Clerk, Mrs. J. A. Cunningham, Box 845, DeKalb, Tex.; Supt., J. A. Cunningham, Box 845, DeKalb, Tex.

POST OAK: Pastor, A. I. Bond, Bogota, Tex.; Clerk, Nancy Lenoir, Rt. 2, Blossom, Tex.; Supt., not named in report of letter.

WEST SIDE: Pastor, Oley Rivers, 719 Zang, Dallas, Tex.; Clerk, Willie Stewart, Rt. 2, New Boston, Tex.; Supt., Dalton Bookout, New Boston, Tex.

### RULES OF DECORUM

1. This body shall be opened by song and prayer.
2. Any member wishing to speak shall arise and address the moderator and await his recognition.
3. When a member has been recognized by the moderator he shall not be interrupted while speaking unless he departs from the subjects, or uses personal indecorous language.
4. No member shall be allowed to speak more than twice on any subject.
5. No one shall be allowed to speak more than ten minutes on any one subject unless granted an extension of time by the body.

### CONSTITUTION

Article 1. This body shall be known as the Red River-Bowie Missionary Baptist Association.

Article 2. The object of this body shall be to awaken a deep-



er interest in the welfare of the denomination, to cultivate a closer union between the churches and to produce and perpetuate the very greatest activity as to missionary and educational enterprises, and to widen the scope of denominational benevolence.

Article 3. This body shall be composed of such regular Baptist Churches as may agree to unite with this Association by means of Messengers to carry out the object set forth in Article 2 of this Constitution: such messengers to present letters of petition for administration from their respective churches.

Article 4. The Messengers holding the annual session of this body shall be chosen by their respective churches, such action being certified by the churches in their letters to the Association.

Article 5. Each church composing this body shall be entitled to three Messengers.

Article 6. This Association shall be in nature a joint auxiliary to the churches composing it. It is not formed by any ecclesiastical end, but merely for benevolent purposes, but reserves the right to withdraw from any church which becomes heterodox in faith or disorderly in practice.

Article 7. Each church shall be the sole judge of her Messengers.

Article 8. The Association shall recognize freedom of speech as essential to the highest achievement of its work.

Article 9. The officers of this Association shall be a moderator, a clerk, and a treasurer, who shall be chosen annually by show of hands from the Messengers composing the body and shall hold office for one year or until their successors are chosen.

Article 10. It shall be the duty of the Moderator to preside over the body, to keep order, and to discharge such other duties as belong to this office.

Article 11. It shall be the duty of the Clerk to keep a correct record of each session of this body and to have same published and distributed to the churches as the report of the Association.

Article 12. It shall be the duty of the Treasurer to keep a correct account of all money received and disbursed, and he shall make a report of the same to the Association during its annual session.

Article 13. This Association shall have an Executive Committee composed of one member from each church in this Association

to be chosen by their respective churches at the time the church elects its messengers to the annual meeting of the Association, to report at the next annual session of the Association. Five members of said Committee shall compose a quorum; the Moderator to be the Chairman of said Committee, to have charge of the work outlined by the Messengers to the annual meeting of the body.

Article 14. In order to change or amend this Constitution, the amendment or amendments must be offered in writing and be presented in open session on the first day of the session and said amendment or amendments must lie over until the second day meeting, and then it shall take a two thirds vote of the Messengers present to change or amend the Constitution.

Article 15. This Constitution shall be effective and in full force from and after its adoption.

**ASSOCIATIONAL STATISTICS**

	Additions		Losses	Total Membership	Pastor's Salary	Evangelistic	Interstate Missions	Local Missions	State Missions	Foreign Missions	Orphans Home	All Phases Missions	Building & Repairs	General Benevolence	Incidental Expenses	Sunday School Literature	B. T. C. Literature	Women's Auxil. Literature	Minutes & Clerk Hire	Radio Programs	Christian Education	Total Paid Out During Year
ve .....	4	3	91	668.90	124.55	21.00			16.50	7.00	10.00	44.50		66.95	69.47	33.22			6.00	118.40		1,141.99
Chapel .....	7	6	229	3100.00	240.00	99.40	88.56					187.96	401.58		173.32	100.40	73.00	7.00	3.00		30.00	4,316.26
.....	11	10	193	2200.00	187.54						9.00	158.45	1058.40		424.89	109.87			5.00	66.70	25.00	4,244.85
.....	6	9	125	855.00	165.00	56.98		49.20			68.30	106.18	319.68	31.58	116.73	60.73			5.00			1,727.79
.....	12	3	38	126.10	16.00								49.03		6.10	7.54			3.41			208.18
.....	62	17	119	1608.71	214.87	20.85	19.00	40.00	20.00	50.01	99.85	7364.30	38.50	86.65	55.98	25.00			5.00	59.20	21.16	4,124.86
.....	2		96	512.50	54.00	18.66	18.66	18.66	18.66	52.10	74.64	150.00	32.50	55.00	31.25	30.00			5.00			872.37
.....	8	6	84	943.16	106.58						86.07		793.25	47.29	37.26	55.69			4.00			2,073.50
.....	5	4	87	716.00			9.95			6.60	9.95	275.00		61.53	54.26	28.00			5.00			1,156.34
.....	4	2	65	313.23	50.00					8.24		20.00	100.00		94.70				5.14			644.31
.....	1	5	72	523.52		9.00		38.00		17.00	47.00			37.20	52.94				5.00			682.67
.....	7	7	172	1916.00	160.00	47.47	32.10	47.45	60.00	25.00	187.02	325.05	18.12	157.38	85.16				7.50	118.40	27.09	3,026.73
.....		7	64	547.50	74.50	19.63	17.59			26.19	37.22	294.79		70.00	27.50				5.00			1,085.00
.....	11	2	27	337.00	141.53	8.73	8.95	14.36	8.72	47.61	40.76	500.73	72.47	41.69	33.56				6.00		21.56	1,242.91
.....	1	3	84	921.50	108.50					17.85	17.00	17.85							5.00			1,068.85
.....	18	5	91	1752.01	15.00	20.74		46.90	20.74		88.38	141.64		1524.25	51.08	21.71			5.00			3,594.07
.....	149	89	1637	17041.13	1653.08	322.46	194.81	271.07	152.97	423.82	1099.76	5693.45	407.41	2841.48	853.88	177.71	7.00	82.05	360.70	124.81	31,210.68	