

Concord

MINUTES

of the
ONE HUNDRED AND TWENTY-THIRD
ANNUAL SESSION

of the
**Red River - Bowie Missionary
Baptist Association**

Held With
**WEST SIDE MISSIONARY BAPTIST
CHURCH**

New Boston, Texas
On September 22, 1966

Moderator Eld. Augustus Downing
Clerk Eld. H. L. Johnston

OFFICERS OF THE ASSOCIATION FOR THE NEW YEAR 1967

Eld. Ceell Purcell Moderator
Rt. 9, DeKalb, Texas
Eld. Loyd Roper Asst. Moderator
705 E. Comanche Street, Clarksville, Texas
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Rt. 1, Clarksville, Texas
Eld. Jerry Coffman Treasurer
2525 Cherry Street, Paris, Texas
Eld. H. L. Johnston Clerk
Rt. 6, Clarksville, Texas

This Association will meet in 1967 on September 21st
10:00 a. m.
With the Pinkham Memorial Missionary Baptist Church
DeKalb, Texas
Eld. Loyd Roper was elected to bring the Annual
Message
Eld. Augustus Downing was elected Alternate

ORDER OF BUSINESS

1. Introductory Sermon.
2. Reading Letters, Enrolling Messengers.
3. Election of Officers.
4. Petitionary Letters.
5. Miscellaneous Business.
6. Special Order of Business.
7. Associational Missions.
8. State Missions.
9. Interstate and Foreign Missions.
10. Christian Education.
11. Denominational Literature.
12. Temperance.
13. Orphan's Home.
14. Old Minister's Relief.
15. Special Reports.
16. Treasurer's Report.
17. Financial Report.
18. Resolution of Thanks.
19. Thursday Night Youth Program.

THE RED RIVER - BOWIE MISSIONARY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

Messenger Meeting September 22, 1966

West Side Missionary Baptist Church, New Boston, Texas

At 10:00 A. M. the meeting was opened with the singing of "Marching to Zion" led by Bro. Clyde Tidwell, Mrs. Bonnie Shipp at the piano. Prayer led by Eld. Lloyd Goodman, pastor of the host church.

Song, "Tell It to Jesus."

Eld. Lynn McBride, pastor of the Unity Baptist of Texarkana, brought the devotional from II Tim. 10:11.

The moderator had the messengers to stand and declared the One Hundred and Twenty-third Association in order and ready for business.

The moderator asked the new pastors of the Association to stand and be introduced. They were as follows: Eld. Lloyd Goodman, pastor of the West Side Missionary Baptist, New Boston; Eld. John Stanley, pastor of the Post Oak Missionary Baptist Church at Blossom, Texas; Eld. Calvin W. Permenter, pastor of the Johnstown Missionary Baptist, Johnstown, Texas; and Eld. John Henderson, pastor of the Hubbard Chapel Missionary Baptist Church, DeKalb, Texas.

Visiting ministers were: Eld. A. L. Patterson, Eld. A. J. Finley, Eld. Lynn McBride, Eld. Billy Daniels, Eld. W. H. Hitt and Eld. Elvin Crocker. Eld. Lloyd Goodman, pastor of the host church, gave a welcoming address.

Song, "Amazing Grace," led by Bro. Clyde Tidwell.

The annual sermon was brought by Eld. Jerry Coffman from II Kings 6:1-7 and Titus 2:11-15. The title of the message was, "Missionary Baptist and This Present World."

The hand of appreciation was given to Elder Coffman and Eld. McBride by Eld. J. B. Watson for the message and devotional.

The moderator appointed Eld. Willbourn Lee, Eld. Loyd Roper and Eld. Calvin Permenter as reading clerks.

The moderator appointed a committee on Temperance. They were as follows: Eld. A. B. Kellam, Eld. John Stanley and Eld. A. I. Bond.

The letters were read and a motion was made and carried to adopt the letters as read, seat the messengers and invite the visitors to sit with us in deliberation and counsel.

The moderator appointed Eld. Jerry Coffman, Eld. Cecil Hill and Bro. Robert Tull as Finance Committee.

A motion was made and carried to dismiss for lunch to meet back at 1:30 p. m. Bro. Ross Mitchell led in the dismissal prayer.

THURSDAY AFTERNOON

1:30 p. m. Two songs were led by Eld. John Henderson, "Trust and Obey" and "On Jordan's Stormy Banks I Stand," Miss Linda Tidwell at the organ.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS

Moderator	Eld. Cecil Purcell
Assistant Moderator	Eld. Loyd Roper
Clerk	Eld. H. L. Johnston
Treasurer	Eld. Jerry Coffman
Moderator Emeritus	Eld. J. B. Watson

The moderator called for the report on Local Missions.

The report was given by the Hillcrest Church of Paris.

A motion was made to accept the report. It was spoken to by Eld. Jerry Coffman, Eld. Billy Daniels, Eld. Augustus Downing and Eld. Elvin Crocker; the motion carried.

The moderator called for the report on State Missions.

The report was given by the Pinkham Memorial Church of DeKalb.

A motion to accept the report and it was spoken to by Eld. W. H. Hitt. The motion carried.

The moderator called for the report on Interstate Missions.

The report was given a committee appointed by the moderator.

A motion was made to accept the report. It was spoken to by Eld. A. L. Patterson. The motion carried.

The moderator called for the report on Christian Education.

The report was given by the Post Oak Church of Blossom.

A motion was made to accept the report. It was spoken to by Eld. Elvin Crocker. The motion carried.

The moderator called for the report on Denominational Literature.

The report was given by the Friendship Church of Clarksville.

A motion was made to accept the report. It carried. The moderator called for the report on Temperance.

The report was given by a committee appointed by the moderator.

A motion was made to accept the report. The motion carried.

The moderator called for the report on the Orphan's Home.

The report was given by the Austin Chapel Church of DeKalb.

A motion was made to accept the report. It was spoken to by Eld. A. L. Patterson. The motion carried.

The moderator called for the report on Old Ministers Relief.

The report was given by the Mt. Pleasant Church of Negley.

A motion was made to accept the report. It was spoken to by Eld. A. J. Finley. The motion carried.

The moderator called for the report on Obituaries.

The report was given by the New Haven Church of Dimple.

A motion was made to accept the report. The motion carried.

The moderator called for the report on Ladies Auxiliaries.

The report was given by the West Side Church of New Boston.

A motion was made to accept the report. It was spoken to by Eld. Lloyd Goodman. The motion carried.

The moderator called for the Treasurer's report.

The report was given by Eld. Jerry Coffman. A motion was made to accept the report. The motion carried.

The Treasurer reported a surplus of fifteen dollars and eighty-four cents. (\$15.84).

A motion was made to divide the surplus money between Local Missions, State Missions, Interstate and Foreign Missions. The motion carried.

A resolution of thanks was given and the congregation gave a rising vote of thanks to the West Side Church for her hospitality and to the ladies of the church for the delicious meal served.

The moderator called for the nomination to preach the annual sermon for 1967. Eld. Loyd Roper was elected. Eld. Augustus was elected as Alternate.

The moderator called for the names of the churches asking for the 1967 session of the Red River-Bowie Missionary Baptist Association.

The Pinkham Memorial Church of DeKalb asked for the Association in 1967 and a motion was made and carried to hold the 1967 meeting there.

The moderator appointed Eld. John Henderson and Eld. Billy Pearson to prepare the youth program for 1967.

A motion was made to adjourn until 7:30 p. m. The motion carried.

THURSDAY NIGHT

7:30 P. M. The evening service was opened by "Crown Him Lord of All," led by Bro. Clyde Tidwell.

Alkins Grove's letter was presented, read and a motion was made and carried to accept the letter.

The moderator turned the service to the moderator of the Red River-Bowie Youth Fellowship for the youth program.

A count of those present from each church was taken and also of those visiting, and the number was, one hundred and seventy-one. (171).

Song, "Are You Washed in the Blood?" was led by the song leader of the youth meeting.

An offering was taken for the Boggs Springs Youth Camp.

A special song was rendered by Johntown, and two were rendered by Post Oak.

The program was presented by the West Side Church, titled, "The Challenge of the Cross."

At the close of the program there were several rededications made.

A motion was made and carried to change the youth meeting back to the regular Monday night. The motion carried.

A motion was made to adjourn until September 21, 1967. The motion carried.

Benediction by Eld. Augustus Downing.

ASSOCIATIONAL MISSIONS

Believing that the Scriptures teach and commission the local churches to support local, associational mission work, we the Hillcrest Missionary Baptist Church, Paris, Texas, submit the following report:

For three and one-half years the churches of the Red River-Bowie Association, in cooperation with the churches of the Salem and Hopewell Associations, supported the local mission work at Paris. The work grew from 6 in 1962, to a record attendance of 164 in 1966.

Now the challenge before us is the local mission work at Sulphur Springs, Texas, with the missionary pastor, Bro. Billy Daniels. We believe both the work and the worker are worthy of our support.

We recommend, therefore, that the churches of the Red River-Bowie Association continue to work with the churches composing the Northeast Texas Mission Council in the support of the Sulphur Springs mission project and the missionary.

We further recommend that churches in our Association who are not supporting the Local Mission project be urged and encouraged to take part in this great work for the Lord.

Respectfully submitted,
Hillcrest Baptist Church
Jerry Coffman, Pastor
Mrs. E. K. Horton, Clerk

REPORT ON STATE MISSIONS

As the world's population increases and as Satan intensifies his efforts to hinder God's work, the need for an increased mission program pushes into the forefront of true Missionary Baptist Churches.

We believe that our Mission Program is a Scriptural one. By full cooperation among Missionary Baptist Churches we can pay our State Missionaries in full and send more Missionaries into the fields that are already white unto harvest.

- We, therefore, recommend the following to our sister churches:
- 1. That each pastor preach and teach all phases of our Mission Work.
- 2. That each church adopt a consistent Mission program.
- 3. That our young people be taught the importance of giving to the support of our Missionaries.
- 4. That we support the Missionaries with our prayers and encouragement.

Respectfully submitted,
Pinkham Memorial Baptist Church
Billy Pearson, Pastor

INTERSTATE AND FOREIGN MISSIONS

We, as a committee, submit the following:

Matt. 28:19—"Go ye therefore, and teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and the Holy Ghost."

Act 1:8b—"Ye shall be witnesses unto me in Jerusalem, Judea, Samaria, and unto the uttermost part of the earth."

Mission work is a direct command from Christ to His church. It is our responsibility as churches to carry the gospel to the uttermost parts of the earth. A good mission program is a necessity to a church if they are endeavoring to serve Christ in keeping with New Testament teachings. We recommend that each church support our Interstate and Foreign Missionaries.

The recommended budget from the messengers to the churches is an additional \$45,000 due to the addition of ten more Missionaries. If this budget is to be met, it is necessary that the churches put forth a special effort.

We encourage you to send regular offerings to the American Baptist Association, Box 1050, Texarkana, Ark.-Tex.

Respectfully submitted,
A. L. Patterson
John C. Henderson
Lloyd Goodman

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

We, the Post Oak Missionary Baptist Church, submit the following report and recommendations concerning Christian Education.

Christian Education is that endeavor of training in the service for Christ, and all saved people need to be trained before they can serve their Master well. We believe that this training is to begin in the home with the parents training their children (Eph. 6:4), and is to be carried on through the church. (Matt. 28:20).

We are pleased to report that most of our churches have improved their methods of training. Most have Sunday School, Baptist Training Courses, and other auxiliaries for the purpose of training children of God. We also recognize the fact that there is a growing concern among the churches to further improve their means of training.

We recommend that each Church study their training services and make the improvements they can. The Graded Record System, Teacher and Officer Training Courses, the organizing of men, women and youth auxiliaries, are all proven means of improving the educational facilities of the local church.

We further recommend that our churches consider the possibility of a Sunday School Conference to help our teachers and workers to be better qualified.

We recognize that Preachers and other such workers also need special training. And we are happy to report the continuous growth and prosperity of the Texas Baptist Institute and Seminary in Henderson. For the past 18 years this School has successfully been in operation training Ministers and other workers, and its influence has been noted throughout the work of the American Baptist Association.

We recommend that any young man in our Association that has surrendered to the work of the Ministry, attend this school.

We also recommend that each church regularly (monthly) send liberal offerings to the support of the School, as this is the only way that it can remain in operation.

We further recommend that each Church send offerings of food and money to the "Store Room" as a means of assisting those students in need, and that each Church consider sending regular financial support to a worthy student, to help him stay in school.

Respectfully submitted,
Post Oak Missionary Baptist Church
Johnny T. Standley, Moderator
Miss Anna Tyler, Clerk

DENOMINATIONAL LITERATURE

We, your Committee on Denominational Literature, submit the following report:

"All Scripture is given by inspiration of God, and is profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness": (II Tim. 3:16).

Since the Bible, and the New Testament in particular, is our all sufficient rule of Faith and Practice, we recommend that our people study it daily and put into practice its contents. It should be the final authority on all religious questions and doctrines.

This world will one day pass away but God's Word will always stand. (Matt. 24:35).

We are commanded by our Lord Jesus Christ to make disciples, baptize, and teach. The literature of the A. B. A. is vitally important in carrying out this great commission. Its writers have spent many years in Bible study and certainly should be considered as being capable to stand true to the Faith.

We recommend the use of this literature in all phases of our work.

Respectfully submitted,
Friendship Missionary Baptist Church
Lloyd Roper, Pastor
Mrs. Charles Adair, Clerk

REPORT ON TEMPERANCE

We of the Hopewell Missionary Baptist Church, submit this report on Temperance to the Red River-Bowie Missionary Baptist Association, our Scripture Text I Cor. 9:24-27.

As the world strives for mastery is temperate, trying to obtain victory, they do so for a corruptable prize which fadeth away. II Peter 1:6 tells us to add Temperance to our faith so that as we run the race of life for an incorruptable crown, we be not as one that beareth the air, keeping ourselves in subjection so that we should not be cast away.

We beseech you, Brother, by the mercies of God that you present your bodies a living sacrifice, holy and acceptable to God as a reasonable service.

Respectfully submitted,
Eld. A. B. Kellan
Eld. A. I. Bond
Eld Johnny Stanley

WEST SIDE MISSIONARY BAPTIST CHURCH

New Boston, Texas

Women's Work

Women have made great contributions to the cause of Christ. The Lord has given them a very important place in His work. Prior to the coming of Christ faithful women occupied a vital position in the Christian faith, but it was not until after woman was exalted to her rightful place by Christ that her full potential was realized. It was Christ that crowned womanhood with glory and honor and pronounced the highest benediction upon virtuous women.

The home is the basic foundation of Christianity. Women can serve in no greater capacity than to be a devoted wife and mother, teaching her children the value of faith in Jesus Christ. Godly influence is a tremendous testimony in the home for the cause of righteousness.

The Church is another place that women can glorify God in Christian service. The Scriptures teach that women are not called to preach, but they can be a mighty power in the teaching ministry of the church. The Ladies Auxiliary affords an excellent opportunity to teach. In addition to the many services rendered by this group, the study of the Scriptures makes it invaluable to those who participate. The history of the church would not be complete without a record of the tireless, sacrificial work of women in both the Sunday School and Baptist Training Course. The Ladies Auxiliaries and the work they do stand as a memorial to Christ in the churches composing the American Baptist Association.

The Auxiliaries have proven themselves in propagating the gospel through the distribution of tracts as well as personal witnessing. Every church and pastor have reason to appreciate the fine work being done by devoted women. Solomon wrote in Proverbs 31:30, "Favor is deceitful and beauty is vain, but a good woman that feareth the Lord, she shall be praised."

Therefore, we recommend that churches who do not have an active women's work give serious thought to the matter, and those that have a work do everything possible to strengthen it in every way possible for the glory of Christ.

Done by order of the church in conference September 11, 1966.

Respectfully submitted,
Lloyd Goodman, Pastor
Mrs. Ozell Thompson, Clerk

ORPHAN'S HOME

Having been assigned the report on the Orphan's Home, we submit the following:

The Bible makes clear our responsibility as the Lord's people to care for our orphans. Because of this, we recommend that our churches continue to support the Orphanage at Texarkana with prayer—offerings—and personal visits. A good work is being done in leading and caring for those children at the Home. May we remember that they are dependent upon

us for support, that this work may go on.

Respectfully submitted,
Austin Chapel Missionary Baptist Church

Done in regular conference, Sept. 11, 1966.

Eld. Cecil M. Purcell, Moderator
Sis. Cledyth White, Church Clerk

OLD MINISTERS' RELIEF

Since there is no fund set up in this Association for the relief of aged Ministers and their Widows, we recommend to the churches that we financially aid those Ministers and Widows who are found worthy and need our assistance.

Respectfully submitted,
Mt. Pleasant Missionary Baptist Church

Moderator, Wilbourne Lee
Clerk, Mrs. Doris Carey

REPORT ON OBITUARIES

We, the New Haven Missionary Baptist Church, submit the following: The Associational letters reveal that twenty of our brethren and sisters have departed this life to go on to be with the Lord.

They are as follows:

AUSTIN CHAPEL:

Mrs. Maud Hutchinson
Mr. J. C. White

AVERY:

Mr. George Nicks
Mrs. Nina Burket
Mrs. Henrietta Rhea
Mrs. W. F. Brooks

CONCORD:

Mrs. Nellie Ponder

FRIENDSHIP:

Mrs. Jim Watson

HODGSON:

Mr. Berry Tidwell

JOHNTOWN:

Mrs. C. H. Mayfield
Mrs. Bell Cavender

Mrs. Alma Black

MT. PLEASANT:

Mr. A. H. McDonald

NEW HAVEN:

Miss Winnie Guttery

PINKHAM MEMORIAL:

Mr. Willie Gibson

Mrs. Ailie Shelton

POST OAK:

Mrs. Fannie Ford

HUBBARD CHAPEL:

Mr. Robert Vickers

Mr. Clyde Miller

Mr. Brooks Owens

Done by the order of the church, September 21, 1966.

H. L. Johnston, Mod.
Mrs. B. J. Mitchell, C. C.

RED RIVER - BOWIE MISSIONARY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION**TREASURER'S REPORT**

For Minute Fund and Clerk Hire

Alkin Grove \$ 7.00
Austin Chapel 5.00

	Additions	Losses	Total Membership	Pastors Salary	Visiting Ministers	Association Missions	State Missions	Interstate Missions	Foreign Missions	Total of All Missions	Christian Education	Orphan's Home	Building & Repair	General Benevolence	Incidental Expense	Sunday School and B.T.C. Literature	Ladies Aux. Literature	Minute & Clerk Hire	Raised by Ladies Aux.
AIRKIN GROVE	3	0	82	728.71	106.50	0	14.90	14.90	0	28.80	14.90	33.97	0	30.91	91.00	39.10	0	7.50	0
AUSTIN CHAPEL	15	10	261	4,020.00	150.00	0	158.05	158.05	158.05	474.15	158.27	158.05	192.13	48.06	2,014.37	209.75	0	25.00	141.49
AVERY	20	15	331	4,436.14	330.00	346.00	330.89	330.89	330.89	1,338.67	335.89	365.96	4,436.14	245.00	2,589.56	427.56	0	29.00	711.84
CONCORD	0	1	18	795.00	30.00	20.00	60.00	0	0	80.00	0	0	0	47.91	164.74	20.68	0	0	0
FRIENDSHIP	38	13	180	4,255.00	375.00	208.42	120.00	120.00	148.00	596.42	120.00	61.17	1,257.70	50.80	1,053.74	192.25	18.00	28.00	181.68
HILLCREST	40	12	179	3,725.00	160.00	288.84	288.84	144.42	144.42	866.92	288.84	0	3,954.11	47.44	698.05	381.05	0	15.00	275.00
HODGSON	0	2	40	415.00	75.00	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	27.31	38.18	27.40	56.55	0	5.00	0
HOPENELL	9	4	179	888.82	150.00	0	25.00	0	0	25.00	0	0	1,412.17	457.00	0	73.28	0	5.00	0
HUBBARD CHAPEL	8	4	157	3,132.06	165.00	0	57.32	57.32	114.64	229.28	57.32	57.32	154.61	154.61	327.85	84.37	0	20.00	0
JOHNTOWN	28	7	91	2,775.00	180.00	73.06	250.68	0	210.57	534.31	38.06	15.00	1,605.44	74.79	293.69	111.29	0	30.00	14.13
LIBERTY	2	2	29	980.00	0	0	35.30	0	0	35.30	0	157.01	3.00	5.00	52.00	9.50	0	10.00	0
MT. PLEASANT	4	2	72	1,020.00	60.00	20.00	60.00	0	80.00	160.00	0	40.00	0	7.43	55.54	51.27	0	10.00	0
NEW HAVEN	4	6	183	2,904.00	140.00	0	281.50	51.28	46.27	379.05	50.00	0	207.94	18.45	473.87	101.45	0	29.50	816.56
NEW HOPE	2	1	58	1,321.00	66.00	0	30.00	30.00	30.00	90.00	13.60	0	0	174.12	168.32	29.68	0	8.00	0
PINKHAM MEMORIAL	14	2	67	1,500.00	210.00	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	793.59	142.44	343.08	89.98	10.00	10.00	146.00
POST OAK	5	8	89	2,705.00	376.43	12.00	110.00	0	55.00	177.00	25.00	110.00	283.19	362.90	247.05	85.28	0	50.00	0
WEST SIDE	18	19	247	3,775.00	340.00	471.57	260.29	118.85	406.14	1,256.85	306.54	61.12	1,803.05	5.00	1,538.90	252.32	0	44.00	452.11
TOTAL	210	108	2,263	39,375.73	3,913.93	1,439.89	2,082.77	1,025.71	1,723.98	6272.75	1,408.42	1,059.60	16,130.38	1,910.04	10,139.16	2,215.36	28.00	326.00	2,738.81

SEND OFFERINGS FOR:

1. Local Missions to: Eld. Augustus Downing, Box 41, Avery, Texas.
2. State Missions to: Eld. W. H. Hitt, Route 2, Daingerfield, Texas.
3. Texas Baptist Institute to: P. O. Box 591, Henderson, Texas.
4. Interstate and Foreign Missions to: American Baptist Association, P. Box 1050, Texarkana, Ark.-Tex.
5. Orphan's Home to: Texarkana Baptist Orphanage, P. O. Box 611, Texarkana, Ark.

Avery	15.00
Concord	5.00
Friendship	8.00
Gravel Hill	5.00
Hillcrest	8.50
Hodgeson	7.00
Hopewell	5.00
Hubbard Chapel	5.00
Johnstown	5.00
Liberty	10.00
Mt. Pleasant	10.00
New Haven	10.00
New Hope	8.00
Pinkham Memorial	5.00
Post Oak	15.00
West Side	20.00
TOTAL	\$153.50

For Texas Baptist Institute Storeroom

Avery	\$13.00
Concord	5.00
New Hope	13.60
TOTAL	\$31.60

For Orphan's Home

Mt. Pleasant	\$15.00
TOTAL	\$15.00

For Missions

Concord — State Missions	\$10.00
Concord — Foreign Missions	5.00
TOTAL	\$15.00

Monies Received At The Association

Minute Fund and Clerk Hire	\$153.50
Texas Baptist Institute Storeroom	31.60
Orphan's Home	15.00
State Missions	10.00
Foreign Missions	5.00
TOTAL	\$215.10

Received special offering for minutes	32.17
Individual offering	5.00
TOTAL	\$252.27

Disbursements

Total received at Association	\$252.27
Check made out to Storeroom	5.00
Balance	\$247.27
Deposited in First National Bank, Paris, (9-24-65)	\$247.27
Paid deficit to H. L. Johnston (9-28-65)	24.83
Balance	\$222.44
Paid to Institute Storeroom(9-28-65)	26.60
Balance	\$195.84
Paid to Orphan's Home	15.00
Balance	\$180.84
Paid to State Missions	\$10.00
Balance	\$170.84
Paid to Foreign Missions	5.00
Balance	\$165.84
Paid to H. L. Johnston for Minutes	\$165.84
Balance	000.00
Returned by Bro. Johnston: \$16.00 (15.84)	
Balance	\$ 15.84

Jerry Coffman
Treasurer

DESIGNATION REPORTS

(Clerk Note: Please type and double space your report, check and correct errors).

The following churches were assigned designated reports:
 Associational Missions, WEST SIDE; State Missions, FRIENDSHIP
 Interstate and Foreign Missions, JOHNTOWN; Christian Education, NEW
 HAVEN; Denominational Literature, AUSTIN CHAPEL; Temperance
 HUBBARD CHAPEL; Orphan's Home, AIKIN GROVE; Old Ministers
 Relief, NEW HOPE; Obituary, PINKHAM MEMORIAL; Ladies Auxiliary
 AVERY.

CHURCHES . PASTORS . CLERKS

AND SUNDAY SCHOOL SUPERINTENDENTS

AIKINS GROVE: Pastor, Eld. Cecil Hill, Clarksville, Texas; Clerk, M.
 Charley Wolfe, Rt. 4, Clarksville, Texas; Superintendent, W. H. Ham
 mer, Rt. 4, Clarksville, Texas.
 AUSTIN CHAPEL: Pastor, Eld. Cecil Purcell, Rt. 3, DeKalb, Texas
 Clerk, Mrs. Cedyth White, Rt. 3, DeKalb, Texas; Superintendent, Mr.
 Herbert Hanna.

- AVERY: Pastor, Eld. Augustus Downing, Box 41, Avery, Texas; Clerk, Mrs. Charley Webb, Rt. 2, Avery, Texas; Superintendent, Mr. Elton Roseberry, Avery, Texas.
- CONCORD: Pastor, Eld. J. B. Watson, Rt. 1, Clarksville, Texas; Clerk, Mrs. Melvin Hooser; Superintendent, Mr. Bobby Brown, Rt. 1, Clarksville, Texas.
- FRIENDSHIP: Pastor, Eld. Loyd Roper, 705 E. Comanche St., Clarksville, Texas; Clerk, Mrs. Charles Adair, 205 W. Burks St., Clarksville, Texas; Superintendent, Mr. Buddy Pope, West Broadway, Clarksville, Texas.
- HILLCREST: Pastor, Eld. Jerry Coffman, 2525 E. Cherry Street, Paris, Texas; Clerk, Mrs. E. K. Horton, Rt. 2, Paris, Texas; Superintendent, Mr. Raymond Parker, 828 N.E. 12th Street, Paris, Texas.
- HODGSON: Pastor, None. Clerk, Mrs. Anna Kennedy, Rt. 2, DeKalb, Texas; Superintendent, Pat Kennedy, Rt. 2, DeKalb, Texas.
- HOPEWELL: Pastor, Eld. A. B. Kellam, Rt. 6, Clarksville, Texas; Clerk, Mrs. Jean Bell, Rt. 6, Clarksville, Texas; Superintendent, Charles McKinney, Annona, Texas.
- HUBBARD CHAPEL: Pastor, Eld. John Henderson, Rt. 1, DeKalb, Texas; Clerk, not given; Superintendent, Herbert Kennedy, Rt. 1, DeKalb, Texas.
- JOHNTOWN: Pastor, Eld. Calvin Permenter, Rt. 1, Bogata, Texas; Clerk, H. Drue Purdie, 1106 Webster St., Longview, Texas; Superintendent, Mr. Earl Hawkins, Rt. 1, Bogata, Texas.
- LIBERTY: Pastor, Eld. Cecil Hill, Rt. 2, Detroit, Texas; Clerk, Mr. Bert Adams, Detroit, Texas; Rt. 1; Superintendent, Mr. Larkin Gooch, Rt. 1, Detroit, Texas.
- MT. PLEASANT: Pastor, Eld. Wilbourn Lee, Rt. 1, Detroit, Texas; Clerk, Doris Carey, Bagwell, Texas; Superintendent, Mr. Jim Hays, Rt. 1, Bagwell, Texas.
- NEW HAVEN: Pastor, Eld. H. L. Johnston, Rt. 6, Clarksville, Texas; Clerk, Mrs. Boyce Tull, Rt. 6, Clarksville, Texas; Superintendent, Jimmy D. Vickers, Rt. 6, Clarksville, Texas.
- NEW HOPE: Pastor, None; Clerk, Mrs. Dewey Murphy, Rt. 2, DeKalb, Texas; Superintendent, Mr. Dewey Murphy, Rt. 2, DeKalb, Texas.
- PINKHAM MEMORIAL: Pastor, Eld. Billy Pearson, DeKalb, Texas; Clerk, Mrs. Pauline Shumake, Box 653, DeKalb, Texas; Superintendent, Mr. Jay Shumake, Box 653, DeKalb, Texas.
- POST OAK: Pastor, Eld. John Stanley, Blossom, Texas; Clerk, Miss Anna Tyler, Rt. 1, Blossom, Texas; Superintendent, Mr. O. H. Turner, Rt. 2, Blossom, Texas.
- WEST SIDE: Pastor, Eld. Lloyd Goodman, Box 21, New Boston, Texas; Clerk, Mrs. J. R. Thompson, Rt. 2, New Boston, Texas; Superintendent, Mr. R. E. Bailey, New Boston, Texas.

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 or 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 10 minutes on any one subject unless granted an extension of time by the body.

CONSTITUTION

Of The Red River-Bowie Missionary Baptist Association

ARTICLE I—NAME

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

ARTICLE II—OBJECT

The object of this Association shall be to awaken a deeper interest in the welfare of the denomination, to cultivate a closer union between the churches, to produce and perpetuate the greatest activity as to missionary and educational enterprises, and to widen the scope of denominational benevolence.

ARTICLE III—MEMBERSHIP

Section 1: This Association shall be composed of such regular Baptist churches as may agree to co-operate by means of messengers, to carry out the object as set forth in Article II of this Constitution; such messengers to present letters of petition for admission from their respective churches.

Section 2: The messengers to the annual session of this Association shall be chosen by their respective churches, such action being certified by the churches in their letters to the Association.

Section 3: Each church composing this Association shall be entitled to three messengers to the annual messenger assembly.

Section 4: Each church shall be the sole judge of her messengers.

ARTICLE IV—NATURE

Section 1: This Association shall be in nature a joint auxiliary to the churches composing it. It is not formed for any ecclesiastical end, but merely for benevolent purposes; but it reserves the right to withdraw from any church which becomes heterodox in faith or disorderly in practice.

Section 2: The Association shall recognize freedom of speech as essential to the highest achievement of its work.

ARTICLE V—OFFICERS

Section 1: The officers of this Association shall be a Moderator, an Assistant Moderator, a Clerk, and a Treasurer, who shall be chosen by the messengers meeting in annual session, and shall hold office for one year, or until their successors are chosen.

Section 2: It shall be the duty of the Moderator to preside over the messenger assembly, to keep order, and to discharge such other duties as are incumbent upon this office.

Section 3: It shall be the duty of the Clerk to keep a correct record of each session of the messenger assembly, and to have the same published and distributed to the churches as the report of the Association.

Section 4: It shall be the duty of the Treasurer to keep a correct record of all monies received and disbursed, and to make a report of the same to the Association during its annual session.

ARTICLE VI—EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

This Association may have an Executive Committee composed of one member from each church in the Association. Five members of said Committee shall constitute a quorum, the Moderator of the Committee is to provide leadership and counsel in carrying out the work outlined in the annual messenger assembly of the Association.

ARTICLE VII—AMENDMENTS

Two-thirds of the churches of this Association must approve any change or amendment of this Constitution. The following procedure shall be followed in order to change or amend the Constitution: Any proposed amendment shall be presented for discussion in open session of the Messenger Assembly. After discussion, the proposed amendment may be withdrawn only by consent of a simple majority of the messengers voting. Otherwise it must be referred to the churches of the Association. Each church may then vote for or against the proposed amendment, expressing said vote for or against in the associational letter to the next annual session of the messengers. In this matter, each church is entitled to one vote.

HISTORICAL ROLL OF RED RIVER-BOWIE ASSOCIATION—ORGANIZED IN 1843

Year—Meeting Place	Intro. Sermon	Moderator	Clerk	Treasurer
1897—Salem Baptist	J. E. Horner	N. B. Terry	W. W. Lawson	W. B. Terry
1898—Liberty	W. T. Compere	H. C. Hill	Thos. C. Holt	W. B. Terry
1899—Clairmount	J. B. Riddle	Geo. B. Dean	W. W. Lawson	I. H. Lawson
1900—Boata	J. T. Durham	C. A. Worley	W. W. Lawson	I. H. Lawson
1901—Lydia	J. H. Crain	G. B. Dean	W. W. Lawson	I. H. Lawson
1902—Hopewell No. 1	J. H. Taylor	G. B. Dean	W. W. Lawson	T. H. Bolt
1903—Pilgrim's Rest	G. E. Pinkham	G. B. Dean	W. W. Lawson	T. H. Bolt
1905—Rehoboth	Geo. B. Dean	G. B. Dean	W. W. Lawson	T. H. Bolt
1906—Detroit	J. S. Hubbard	G. B. Dean	W. W. Lawson	T. H. Bolt
1907—Lydia	P. H. Swinney	G. B. Dean	W. W. Lawson	T. H. Bolt
1908—Bethlehem	J. E. Pinkham	H. E. Duffee	D. J. Stamphill	B. J. Devinney
1909—Collier Springs	G. E. Pinkham	H. E. Duffee	D. J. Stamphill	B. J. Devinney
1910—Annona	B. J. Devinney	S. T. Bailey	A. S. Crow	B. J. Devinney
1911—Avery	J. A. Moore	S. T. Bailey	A. S. Crow	B. J. Devinney
1912—Liberty	B. T. Richardson	G. B. Dean	D. J. Stamphill	B. J. Devinney
1913—Concord	P. H. Swinney	G. B. Dean	W. F. Brooks	L. H. Basset
1914—White Oak	J. B. Watson	G. A. Lyon	A. S. Crow	Geo. Taylor
1915—Collier Springs	P. H. Swinney	G. A. Lyon	A. S. Crow	Geo. Taylor
1916—Bethlehem No. 1	J. V. Vermillion	G. A. Lyon	James Whitecotton	B. J. Devinney
1917—Bethlehem No. 1	J. V. Vermillion	G. A. Lyon	J. Whitecotton	B. J. Devinney
1918—Avery	Morris A. Roberts	G. A. Lyon	J. Whitecotton	B. J. Devinney
1919—Hopewell No. 1	W. F. Brooks	W. R. Davis	W. F. Brooks	Z. C. Humphrey
1920—Davis Chapel	J. B. Watson	W. R. Davis	J. Whitecotton	D. B. Stewart
1921—Aikin Grove	W. R. Davis	W. R. Davis	J. C. Powell	A. S. Crow
1922—Pleasant Valley	W. F. Brooks	W. R. Davis	J. C. Powell	A. S. Crow
1923—Liberty	J. E. Watson	W. F. Brooks	A. S. Crow	W. M. Thrasher
1924—Maple Creek		W. F. Brooks	A. S. Crow	W. M. Thrasher
1925—Avery	W. M. Thrasher	W. F. Brooks	L. E. Walker	W. M. Thrasher
1926—Lone Pine	W. F. Brooks	W. F. Brooks	L. E. Walker	W. M. Thrasher
1927—Downing	J. E. Watson	W. M. Thrasher	W. F. Brooks	J. T. McNabb

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1928—Lydia	W. F. Brooks	W. M. Thrasher	W. F. Brooks	J. T. McNabb
1931—Pleasant Valley	W. F. Brooks	D. D. Miller	A. I. Bond	O. H. Pinkham
1932—Avery	Deckert Anderson	W. F. Brooks	A. I. Bond	O. H. Pinkham
1933—Maple Creek	J. W. Harper	W. F. Brooks	L. H. Patterson	A. S. Crow
1934—Hopewell	J. B. Watson	J. B. Watson	L. H. Patterson	A. I. Bond
1935—New Haven	L. A. Stidham	J. B. Watson	L. H. Patterson	A. I. Bond
1938—Hopewell	L. E. Walker	W. M. Thrasher	L. H. Patterson	A. I. Bond
1939—Rehoboth	A. I. Bond	J. B. Watson	L. H. Patterson	A. I. Bond
1940—Avery	J. B. Watson	J. B. Watson	Gaynell Bramlett	A. I. Bond
1941—Malta	G. E. Pinkham	W. R. Davis	Gaynell Bramlett	J. B. Watson
1942—New Haven	W. R. Davis	W. R. Davis	A. I. Bond	J. B. Watson
1943—Concord	J. B. Watson	L. H. Patterson	A. I. Bond	Z. C. Humphrey
1944—Maple Creek	L. H. Patterson	L. H. Patterson	Jim Dodson	H. Humphrey
1945—Hopewell	Hassell Johnston	D. D. Miller	Jim Dodson	J. A. Bramlett
1946—Austin Chapel	W. O. McClung	J. B. Watson	Jim Dodson	A. H. Hodgson
1947—Hodgson	J. B. Watson	J. B. Watson	Jim Dodson	Sam Kennedy
1948—Mt. Pleasant	A. I. Bond	J. B. Watson	Jim Dodson	E. L. Duren
1949—Avery	J. B. Watson	J. B. Watson	Jim Dodson	E. L. Duren
1950—New Haven	A. I. Bond	Hassell Johnston	Jim Dodson	E. L. Duren
1951—New Hope	R. T. Stevens	H. L. Johnston	G. F. Crumley	R. T. Stevens
1952—Avery	G. F. Crumley	R. T. Stevens	G. F. Crumley	R. F. Tull
1953—New Haven	H. L. Johnston	R. T. Stevens	A. I. Bond	R. F. Tull
1954—Hodgson	Cecil Hill	H. L. Johnston	R. E. Deem	E. L. Merrill
1955—Lydia	R. E. Deem	R. T. Stevens	R. E. Deem	E. L. Merrill
1956—Friendship	Melvin Finley	R. T. Stevens	Jim Taylor	E. L. Merrill
1957—West Side	E. C. Mooney	Augustus Downing	Veo Glover	E. L. Merrill
1958—Avery	G. F. Crumley	Augustus Downing	Veo Glover	Geo. E. White
1959—New Haven	J. H. Kesner	J. H. Kesner	Veo Glover	Geo. E. White
1960—Hodgson	H. L. Johnston	R. C. Burt	Veo Glover	Billy Pearson
1961—Avery	G. F. Crumley	R. C. Burt	J. H. Kesner	Lynn McBryde
1962—Mt. Pleasant	J. H. Kesner	R. C. Burt	Geo. E. White	Lynn McBryde
1963—Austin Chapel	J. B. Watson	J. T. McNabb	Geo. E. White	Lynn McBryde
1964—Avery	Cecil Purcell	Augustus Downing	H. L. Johnston	Jerry Coffman
1965—New Haven	J. B. Watson	Augustus Downing	H. L. Johnston	Jerry Coffman
1966—West Side	Jerry Coffman	Augustus Downing	H. L. Johnston	Jerry Coffman