

Yearbook

Red River-Bowie

Missionary Baptist Association

1971

*Minutes of the 1972 Session
of the
Avery Baptist Church*

MINUTES

of the

One Hundred and Twenty-Eighth
Annual Session

of the

RED RIVER-BOWIE MISSIONARY
BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

Held With

AVERY MISSIONARY
BAPTIST CHURCH

Avery, Texas

September 23, 1971

Moderator Eld. Augustus Downing
Clerk Eld. James R. Brown
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THIS ASSOCIATION WILL MEET IN 1972 ON
SEPTEMBER 21, 10:00 A. M.

with the

HILLCREAST MISSIONARY BAPTIST CHURCH, PARIS, TEXAS

Eld. B. A. Morris was elected to bring the Annual Message,

Eld. G. P. Allen was elected Alternate

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RED RIVER — BOWIE MISSIONARY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION MESSENGER MEETING — SEPTEMBER 23, 1971 Avery Missionary Baptist Church, Avery, Texas.

The messenger meeting began at 10:00 A. M. with the song "I Am Resolved", led by Bro. Dale Reed, with Sis. Ruth Ann Downs at the piano. Bro. H. L. Johnston, Assistant Moderator, was presiding in the absence of the Moderator, Bro. Augustus Downing.

The Moderator called on Bro. M. G. McNeil of Haworth, Okla., to lead the opening prayer while the congregation stood. Bro. Johnston called on Bro. James Brown, pastor of the Friendship Baptist Church of Clarksville, to extend the welcome and make the announcements in the absence of the host pastor.

Another song was called for with Bro. Reed leading and Sis. Downs at the piano. The congregation stood and sang "Stand Up For Jesus."

Bro. W. H. Hitt, Secretary-Treasurer of Missions for the State Association of Texas, was introduced to bring the morning devotion. Bro. Hitt read Psalms 126 and spoke on the subject of "Sowing Precious Seeds."

Bro. Hitt gave a most challenging devotion concerning mission work. He told of a new mission endeavor in Burnette, Texas, and also spoke concerning our new M. B. S. F. Missionary working on College campuses in Texas, Bro. Robert Myres. He also expressed the regrets of Bro. Vernon Barr, A. B. A. Mexican Baptist Institute and Bro. Elvin Crocker, Missionary in the Houston Area for not being able to be present in our meeting.

The Moderator then asked the people to stand while he declared the 128th. Annual Session of the Red River — Bowie Association in Session. Bro. A. L. Paterson led in prayer.

A motion was made by Bro. James Brown, second by Bro. G. P. Allen to defer the annual message until the 11 o'clock hour and take care of any business that time permits. Motion passed.

Reading clerks were then appointed to read the letters of

sixteen churches. The clerks were Bro. James Brown and Bro. G. P. Allen. A motion was made by Bro. Marvin Gardner, second by Bro. Allen to accept the letters as read, seat the messengers, and invite the visitors to sit in deliberation and council with us. Passed.

The new Pastors in the Association were then introduced. They were: Bro. James Garten, Hillcrest Church in Paris; Bro. G. P. Allen, Austin Chapel Church in De Kalb; Bro. R. E. Pound, Pinkham Memorial Church in De Kalb; Bro. B. A. Morris, Westside Church in New Boston.

The pastors who were visiting with us in the meeting were: Bro. Calvin Pimenter, Bro. Curtis Hall, Bro. Glenn Gary, Bro. M. G. McNeil, Bro. Harold Nickolson, Bro. B. T. Baugh, Bro. A. L. Patterson, Bro. H. F. Rhodes, Bro. Loyd Roper, Bro. Darrell Owens, Bro. Dale Reed, Bro. J. C. Askew, Bro. Bill Moran, Bro. Bill Hitt, and Bro. Robert Myres.

We then went into the election of officer for the following year. They were as follows:

Moderator: Bro. Augustus Dowling

Asst. Moderator: Bro. Marvin Gardner

Clerk: Bro. James R. Brown

Treasurer: Bro. G. P. Allen

Bro. H. L. Johnston then turned the chair over to Bro. Marvin Gardner, the newly elected Assistant Moderator to preside over the remainder of the meeting.

Bro. H. L. Johnston then addressed the chair to make a motion that the name of the association be changed to be, "Red River Missionary Baptist Association." Bro. Brown rose to a point of order. Bro. Brown then read Articles I and VII of the Constitution. The point of order was: Article I gave the name of the Association and Article set forth the procedure for changing or amending the Constitution. Article VIII called for referring any change to the Churches and bringing the vote back to the Association the next year.

A substitute motion was then made by Bro. James Brown, seconded by Bro. James Garten to table this motion until a written report with the proposed name change be given. The Substitute, motion passed.

There was much discussion from the floor concerning this name change. Those discussing were: Bro. H. L. Johnston, Bro. A. I. Bond, Bro. A. B. Kellem, Bro. H. Murry and Bro. G.

P. Allen. (Clerks Note: There was no further mention of this name change. There was no motion to bring this from the table.)

The Moderator pointed out that it was 11 o'clock and time for the morning message.

Bro. Dale Reed came back and lead the congregation in singing, "Follow On", while we all stood.

Bro. H. L. Johnston came and introduced Bro. Darrell Owens, Pastor of the Unity Baptist Church in Longview, Texas, for our morning message. Bro. Owens read Heb. 4:14-16 and spoke on the subject, "Christ, Our High Priest." Bro. Owens brought a very heart warming message that was enjoyed by all who heard him.

Bro. Anderson Morris came and extended the hand of appreciation to Bro. Owens on behalf of the congregation for his fine message.

Invitations for the meeting next year were extended by Hillcrest, Austin Chapel, and Westside. Hillcrest was chosen.

Bro. A. B. Kellem moved that the date for the next meeting be set for September 21, 1972. It was seconded by Bro. Brown and passed.

Nominations were made for someone to bring the annual message. Those nominated were Bro. Anderson Morris and Bro. G. P. Allen. Bro. Morris was elected with Bro. Allen as alternate, on motion by Bro. A. B. Kellem, second by Bro. Garten.

We then began to hear the reports that had been prepared by the Churches to be presented at this meeting.

New Heaven Baptist Church submitted the report on State Missions. The report was read by Bro. H. L. Johnston, Pastor. It was then spoken to by Bro. Robert Myres, State Missionary for M. B. S. F. work. He reported that six new M. B. S. F. organizations were now working across the state. (Clerks Note: M. B. S. F. stands for Missionary Baptist Student Fellowship. They are made up of Missionary Baptist College Students.)

Bro. J. C. Askew, State Missionary on designated funds now working in the Haltum City area of Ft. Worth, Texas, was recognized by the moderator to speak and give a report on his work.

A motion was then made by Bro. Johnston to adopt the

report. Passed.

Another motion was made by Bro. H. L. Johnston, seconded by Bro. James Brown to adjourn for lunch until 1:15 P. M. Passed.

The Moderator asked Bro. John C. Henderson, Pastor of the Hubbard Chapel Church to prepare some special music for the afternoon session.

Announcements were made by Bro. Brown and Bro. A. L. Patterson. Bro. Bill Moran dismissed in prayer and offered thanks for the noon meal.

(Clerks Note: A very delicious meal was prepared by the host church with more than 125 people who attended the morning session enjoying the lunch.)

AFTERNOON SESSION:

We were called to order at 1:15 P. M. by Bro. Marvin Gardner, Assistant Moderator again in the absence of the Moderator. Bro. John C. Henderson came and lead the congregation in singing, "My Names Written There." Sis. R. E. Pound played the piano.

Bro. A. I. Bond, Moderator Emeritus, led in prayer.

The Moderator then read the Rules of Decorum. A roll call of the Churches that were to bring the Reports to the Association was taken. Bro. James Garten, Bro. J. T. McNabb and Bro. Glen Gary were appointed to prepare the report on Old Ministers Relief in the absence of the Hodgson Church.

The program was then turned over to Bro. John C. Henderson, for a Special Music Program. This program consisted of a song by Bro. Henderson, "Tread Softly", Bro. David Jordan, Pastor of the Liberty Baptist Church sang "The Ninety And Nine." Bro. James Brown sang "Lonely Road, Up Calvary's Way." Bro. Darrell Owens sang "I Have Found A Hiding Place."

The Moderator then came back to the discussion of State Missions. Bro. Ed. Rhodes was recognized to speak on the mission work in the Houston Area.

A motion was made by Bro. James Brown and seconded by Bro. G. L. Allen to seat the messengers of Pinkham Memorial Baptist Church, since the messengers were not listed on the letter when it was read and they were not present at that time. Motion passed.

Bro. Brown was recognized to present a resolution from the

Friendship Baptist Church asking the messengers to make Bro. D. D. Miller co-Moderator Emeritus with Bro. A. I. Bond. The resolution was passed. (A Copy of this resolution will be found elsewhere in this minute.)

The report on Associational Missions was given by the Westside Baptist Church, read by Bro. B. A. Morris, Pastor. Bro. Morris moved the adoption of this report, seconded by Sis. Johnston. Bro. Morris yielded his time to Bro. Curtis Hall, local missionary for the Salem Association and Missionary on designated funds of the North East Texas Baptist Mission Council. Bro. Hall gave a very good report of his work in the city of Linden, Texas.

Bro. Glenn Gary was then recognized to make his report of the Mission work being done in Atlanta, Texas. Bro. Gary also gave a very good report and stated that the mission is now in their building program. Motion to adopt passed.

The report on Christian Education, prepared by The Austin Chapel Baptist Church, was read by Bro. G. P. Allen, Pastor. Bro. Allen moved the adoption of this report, seconded by Bro. Morris. Bro. Allen yielded his time to Bro. Darrell Owens, representative of the Texas Baptist Institute. Bro. Owens gave a good report from the school. Motion passed.

The report on Men's Brotherhood, prepared by the Friendship Baptist Church, was read by Bro. James Brown, Pastor. He moved the adoption of this report, seconded by Bro. Morris. Bro. Brown spoke briefly and the motion carried.

The report on The Orphans Home, prepared by Hillcrest Church, was read by Bro. James Garten, Pastor. Bro. Garten moved the adoption of this report and spoke to it. It was also spoken to by Bro. B. A. Morris. Motion passed.

The report on Demonational Literature, prepared by Mt. Pleasant Baptist Church, was read by Bro. Cecil Hill. Bro. Morris moved the adoption of this report, second by Bro. Garten. Bro. Hill and Bro. Morris spoke to the report. Motion passed.

The Report on Ladies Auxiliary, prepared by the Post Oak Baptist Church, was read by Bro. Bob Griffith. Bro. Griffith moved the adoption of this report, seconded by Bro. Morris. The report was spoken to by Bro. Griffith, Bro. J. C. Askew and Sis. G. P. Allen. Motion carried.

The Report on Old Ministers Relief was prepared by the

special committee appointed by the Moderator and read by Bro. J. T. McNabb. Bro. McNabb moved the adoption of this report, seconded by Bro. Morris and spoken to by Bro. McNabb. The motion passed.

The Report on Temperance, prepared by New Hope Baptist Church and read by Bro. H. Murry, Pastor. Bro. Murry moved the adoption of the report. It was spoken to by Bro. Darrell Owens and passed.

The Report on Interstate and Foreign Missions, prepared by the Johntown Baptist Church, was read by Bro. Marvin A. Gardner, Pastor. A motion to adopt the report was made by Bro. Gardner, spoken to by Bro. A. L. Patterson and Bro. G. P. Allen and passed.

The Report on Obituaries was prepared by the Liberty Baptist Church and read by Bro. David Jordan, Pastor. Bro. Jordan asked the congregation to stand in a moment of silent prayer in memory of our dead and called on Bro. Cecil Hill to lead in prayer. Bro. Jordan moved the adoption of the report, seconded by Bro. Griffith, and passed.

The Moderator then assigned the reports to be prepared and brought to the next Association. They were as follows: ASSOCIATIONAL MISSIONS, Liberty; STATE MISSIONS, Westside; INTERSTATE AND FOREIGN MISSIONS, New Haven; CHRISTIAN EDUCATION, Friendship; DENOMINATIONAL LITERATURE, Austin Chapel; TEMPERANCE, Mt. Pleasant; ORPHANS HOME, Post Oak; OLD MINISTERS RELIEF, Aikin Grove; LADIES AUXILIARY, Hillcrest; MENS BROTHERHOOD, Avery; OBITUARY, Hopewell.

Bro. G. P. Allen was recognized to give the Treasurers Report. Bro. Allen moved the adoption of this report and seconded by Bro. Garten. Passed.

The missionary Baptist Hour Radio Broadcast was discussed and the lack of funds was pointed out. There was further discussion on this subject by Bro. Marvin Gardner, Bro. James Brown, Bro. H. L. Johnston, Bro. James Garten and Bro. G. P. Allen.

Motion was then made by Bro. Garten and seconded by Bro. H. L. Johnston to set the Clerks salary at \$50.00. Passed.

A motion was made by Bro. Allen and seconded by Bro. Johnston for a rising vote of appreciation to be given by all present to the Avery Missionary Baptist Church for their hospitality during the day. All stood.

The Moderator then called, for announcements.

A motion was made by Bro. H. L. Johnston, seconded by Bro. Robert Griffith that we adjourn. The motion carried. The moderator called Bro. Calvin Permittto to dismiss us in prayer.

REPORTS SUBMITTED SEPTEMBER 23, 1971

ASSOCIATIONAL MISSIONS:

The association of churches is scriptural. A part of the work of any new Testament Church is missions. When churches of a local area work together on a project in the nature of missions, this is called local or associational missions.

One church might be limited as to what she could do because of her size in number and finances. But when a group of churches agree to combine their forces much more can be accomplished faster. This is encouraging to smaller churches numerically to work in associational missions.

This local association has mission projects. They are in Atlanta and Linden, Texas. Both works seem to be progressing on sound foundations. It is inspiring to support works which are making good progress.

It is suggested that all our local churches support these projects. Pastors and church leaders should teach and keep before our people the work of missions.

Respectfully Submitted,
Westside Baptist Church
B. A. Morris, Pastor

STATE MISSIONS:

We, the New Haven Missionary Baptist Church submit the following on State Missions:

The Lord said, "Go ye therefore, and teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and the Son and of the Holy Ghost." We believe that supporting State Missions is in obedience with this command.

We believe this command was given to His churches and that each church should support the missions of our state, with all the other mission work we do.

We recommend that each church support all phases of missions in our associated work.

We also recommend that this support of missions be at least ten per cent of each church's income.

Respectfully submitted
New Haven Baptist Church
H. L. Johnston, Pastor
Mrs. Melvin Hooser, Clerk

INTERSTATE AND FOREIGN MISSIONS

Since the great commission was given to the churches of the Lord Jesus Christ, it is our obligation to preach the gospel to every creature. It should be our desire to win souls to Christ.

Even though it is impossible for us to go throughout the world personally, we can support the preaching of the gospel to every creature with our tithes and offerings through our Interstate and Foreign Mission office.

Respectfully Submitted
Johntown Baptist Church
Marvin Gardner, Pastor

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION:

Christian Education as taught in the great commission is a responsibility which belongs to the Lord's Churches. The teaching ministry of a Church is a very important phase of Church activity.

Of course this should begin in the home then reach out to the Church. Where we believe that good Sunday Schools, Baptist Training Courses, Vacation Bible Schools and teacher training Classes are valuable in providing Christian Education for the membership of the Lord's Churches. Texas Baptist Institute and other Schools of like nature over the Nation are playing a great part in training and teaching in this great field of Christian Education.

Let each of us pray for and support these Schools especially our own, which this year is breaking all records as to attendance, with over 100 having already enrolled, therefore we can see how they are going to need our support.

Respectfully Submitted,
Austin Chapel Missionary
Baptist Church
G. P. Allen, Pastor

TEMPERANCE:

We, your committee on Temperance, submit the following. As Paul in Gal. 5:23 teaches temperance to be one of the fruits of Christian Living, 1 Cor. 9:25, "Every man that striveth

for the mastery is temperate in all things." And also in Acts 24:25, "And as he reasoned of righteousness, temperance, and judgment to come, Felix trembled, and answered, Go thy way for this time; when I have a convenient season, I will call for thee."

The Apostle Paul taught that we should abstain from all intoxication drinks, also to be moderate in eating, dressing and conversations. Jesus condemns looseness in talking, such as falsifying and slandering one another with ungodly words.

We recommend that our pastors preach this to their congregations more often.

Respectfully Submitted,
New Hope Missionary
Baptist Church

ORPHANS HOME:

We, the Hillcrest Missionary Baptist Church, in accordance to the assignment made to us, do submit the following report:

As of July 20, 1971, there were 31 children in the Texarkana Baptist Orphanage, 11 girls and 20 boys. These are 31 "Fatherless" (James 1:27) children, and it becomes our responsibility and also our burden to care for these precious souls.

A report on the financial aspects of the Orphanage has shown that there has been \$66.13 more spent each month (Nov. '70-June '71) than has come to meet the expenses. This would show us that we need to get behind this wonderful and needed work and support it more than ever before.

We believe that this responsibility has been placed on the Lord's Churches and with responsibility there comes accountability. Therefore we recommend that each Church support them with prayers and also financial means.

Respectfully Submitted,
Hillcrest Baptist Church
James Garten, Pastor

OLD MINISTERS RELIEF:

Since our old ministers have been faithful in the past to keep "The faith once delivered unto the saints," and a blessing to the people of the past as well as now.

Due to the fact this association has no set program of relief for our aged Ministers, therefore, we your committee recommend to the Churches of this Association the following:

- a. That each church pay the Social Security Tax on the salary that they pay their Minister.
- b. That when a special need arises because of sickness or accident, that the churches of the association be notified and an offering from each church be received to aid him in his time of need.
- c. That we remember them in our prayers for the work they have done and the stand they have made for our Lord and His Church.

Respectfully Submitted,
J. T. McNabb
James Garten
Glen Gary

LADIES AUXILIARY WORK:

We the Post Oak Missionary Baptist Church submit the following report on the Ladies Auxiliary work in the Churches.

As Christian women of one of the Lord's True Churches, we are proud to have a Ladies Auxiliary. We believe that the Auxiliary is beneficial to the church and also to the Pastor.

We as ladies can come together in unity and in love and with God's help can do great things for Him. We believe that each church should have an Auxiliary. It's just a small way of spreading the Gospel to a lost and dying world.

Respectfully Submitted,
Post Oak Baptist Church
Bob Griffith, Pastor

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.

	Additions	Losses	Total Members	Pastor's Salary	Associational Missions	State Missions	Interstate & Foreign	Total Missions	Christian Education	Radio Fund	Orphans Home	Building & Repair	Total Paid Out
Aikin Grove	5 ⁴	1	83	1,610.99	17.34			17.34	54.90			157.16	1,956.39
Austin Chapel	18	19	108	4,776.00	190.00	376.76	753.52	1,320.28	376.81		376.76	2,295.63	9,145.48
Avery	21 ⁸	13	355	6,240.00	796.76	593.09	1,229.00	2,618.25	592.21	60.00	180.00	1,750.00	17,390.65
East Post Oak	10 ⁸	2	124	4,209.32	128.77	120.00	120.00	368.77	63.92		120.00	397.64	10,391.04
Friendship	19 ⁵	14	232	5,935.00	573.84	380.96	874.96	1,829.76	380.96	60.00		3,076.67	14,602.18
Hillcrest	8	18 ¹²	210	3,420.00	110.24	110.24	110.24	330.72	110.24			5,909.07	9,775.03
Hodgson	5 ⁵	0	21	1,510.00		95.47	55.70	151.17	45.48		55.72		2,045.92
Hopewell	0	1 ¹	194	2,356.11	120.00			120.00			25.00	50.00	2,895.73
Hubbard Chapel	8 ³	5	157	5,030.00		141.54	424.62	566.16	141.54		141.54	5,011.65	13,537.25
Johntown	16 ¹¹	5	180	6,993.16	475.24	275.24	275.24	1,025.72	275.24	60.00	176.18	6,390.38	19,202.17
Liberty	0 ²	0 ⁰	36	1,920.00	173.39	91.73	183.41	448.53	16.40	24.00	65.77	1,438.90	4,183.09
Mt. Pleasant	2	5 ³	42	1,275.00		60.00	60.00	120.00			20.00		2,433.24
New Heaven	9 ⁹	0	164	3,755.00	358.78	328.78	428.58	1,116.14	100.00	5.00		548.16	7,094.84
New Hope	1 ⁰	1 ⁰	46	1,890.00	8.33	17.25	8.76	34.33			9.00	20.75	2,349.95
Pinkham Memorial	4 ²³	18	163	4,890.00	321.97	321.97	321.96	965.90	321.97		321.97	1,093.28	9,855.74
Westside	23 ³	15	317	4,625.00	415.66	707.90	1,088.07	2,211.63	731.39		177.90	506.85	22,332.34
TOTAL	186	117	2432	60,435.58	3,690.32	3,620.93	5,934.06	13,244.70	3,211.06	209.00	1,669.84	28,646.14	149,191.74

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, baptise and teach. The literature of the A. B. A. is vitally important in carrying out this commission. Its writers have spent many years in the Bible and certainly should be considered as being capable to stand true to the Faith.

We recommend as worthy of consideration the literature published by the American Baptist Association. We believe it to be the best available. We also recommend that when error is found that the writers and others in places of responsibility be remembered in prayer, and pray for more workers in this field.

Respectfully Submitted,
Mt. Pleasant Missionary Baptist Church
Bro. Cecil Hill, Pastor
Sis. Doris Carey, Clerk.

MEN'S BROTHERHOOD:

We, the Friendship Missionary Baptist Church, Submit the following report on Men's Brotherhood:

We believe that the Men's Brotherhood in the local, independent Church is one of the greatest assets that a Church can have.

The weekly meetings of the Brotherhood affords one of the very best opportunities for Christian men to learn more about God's work and His will for their lives.

Brotherhood meetings also offer an excellent opportunity for good Christian fellowship among the men of the Church and provides a time of sharing thoughts and ideas.

Men's Brotherhood have undertaken and completed many special projects that other wise would have been left undone.

We heartily recommend the organization of a Men's Brotherhood in all of our Churches who do not have one, and the continued study, work and prayer in those who do.

Respectfully Submitted,
Friendship Baptist Church
James R. Brown, Pastor
Mrs. Wayne Reed, Clerk

OBITUARY REPORT:

According to the Associational letters, these are our Brothers and Sisters who have gone on to meet the Lord.

AVERY:

Sis. Zelma Burkett
Sis. Lodie Huckaby
Sis. Forrist Proctor

HOPEWELL:

Sis. Eva Roberts

JOHNTOWN:

Bro. Jessie Ray Davis
Bro. Bill Bain
Sis. Rachel Parker

FRIENDSHIP:

Bro. Jay Siddens (Deacon)
Bro. Jim Watson (Deacon)
Bro. Bart Williams
Bro. Sam Rice
Bro. James Slaton

PINKHAM MEMORIAL:

Sis. Gladys Moles
Sis. Glenda Aydelott
Bro. Gale Davis
Sis. Hawkins

AKIN GROVE:

Bro. Burl Umphrey

AUSTIN CHAPEL:

Sis. Alice Brown
Bro. Floyd Holt
Bro. and Sis. Ira Foster

MT. PLEASANT

Sis. Hazel Funderburk
Sis. Delphia Freeman

HUBBARD CHAPEL:

Sis. Beatrice Henry
Bro. Howard E. Ruddle

WEST SIDE:

Bro. O. W. Davis
Bro. Rass Craddock
Sis. Bonnie Morris

Respectfully Submitted,

Liberty Baptist Church
David Jordan, Pastor

WHERE TO SEND OFFERINGS:

Associational Radio Program
G. P. Allen, Rt. 3, De Kalb, Texas, 75559

Local Missions (North East Texas Baptist Mission Council)
Billy Daniels, P. O. Box 718, Sulpher Springs, Texas, 75482

State Missions

W. H. Hitt, P. O. Box 1694, Corsicana, Texas, 75110

Texas Baptist Institute and Seminary
P. O. Box 591, Henderson, Texas, 75652

Interstate and Foreign Missions
P. O. Box 1050, Texarkana, Ark.-Texas, 75501

Texarkana Baptist Orphanage
P. O. Box 611, Texarkana, Arkansas, 75501

REPORT OF LADIES AUXILIARY WORK
RED RIVER-BOWIE MISSIONARY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION
1970-1971

Red River-Bowie District Ladies Auxiliary Officers for the year
1971-72 are as follows:

President	Mrs. H. L. Johnston, New Haven
Vice-President	Mrs. Barbara Morris, Westside
Secretary-Treasurer	Mrs. Lucille Hawkins, Johntown
Assistant	Mrs. Sharon Pounds, Pinkham Memorial
Song Director	Mrs. Billie Bates, Post Oak
Assistant	Mrs. Thelma Cunningham, Pinkham Memorial
Pianist	Mrs. Myra Jean, Johntown
Assistant	Mrs. Sharon Pounds, Pinkham Memorial
Reporter	Mrs. G. P. Allen, Austin Chapel
Tract Distributer	Mrs. Barbara Morris, Westside

The meeting dates, offerings and goals for the District Ladies
Auxiliary were:

Nov. 3, 1970--\$44.69	Interstate and Foreign Missions
Feb. 2, 1971--\$68.65	N.E.T.B.M.C., Building Fund
May 4, 1971---\$60.90	N.E.T.B.M.C., Building Fund
Aug. 3, 1971--\$43.75	State Missions

The following Churches' of this association reported an
active Ladies Auxiliary:

AUSTIN CHAPEL: President: Mrs. G. P. Allen, Rt. 3, De-
Kalb, Texas; Secretary: Mrs. Ferrol Batchelor, Rt. 3, De-
Kalb, Texas; Number Enrolled: 12; Days of meeting: Each
Wednesday; Amount Money Raised: \$110.91.

AVERY: President: Mrs. Ruth Downs; Rt. 1, Avery, Texas;
Secretary: Mrs. Lola May Carey, Rt. 2, Avery, Texas; Num-
ber Enrolled: 10; Days of Meeting: Each Tuesday; Amount
Money Raised: \$314.48.

EAST POST OAK: President: Mrs. Cora Lee Ramsey, Rt. 1,
Blossom, Texas; Secretary: Mrs. Billie Bates, Rt. 2, Paris,
Texas; Number Enrolled: 10; Days of Meeting: Each Wed-
nesday; Amount Money Raised: \$609.95.

FRIENDSHIP: President: Mrs. James R. Brown, 600 E. Co-
manche, Clarksville, Texas; Secretary: Mrs. Coy Brantley,
Rt. 4, Clarksville, Texas; Number Enrolled: 13; Days of
Meeting: Wednesday Night; Amount Money Raised: \$262.00.

NEW HAVEN: President: Mrs. H. L. Johnston, Rt. 6, Clarks-
ville, Texas; Secretary: Mrs. Ruby Mitchell, 106 W. Jack-
son, Clarksville, Texas; Number Enrolled: 14; Days of
Meeting: Each Tuesday; Amount Money Raised: \$858.74.

HILLCREST: President: Mrs. Glenda Davis, 347 14th St.
N. E., Paris, Tex.; Secretary: Mrs. Kathleen Garten, 2555
E. Cherry St., Paris, Texas; Days of Meeting: 2nd. and 4th.
Tuesdays;

JOHNTOWN: President: Mrs. Dewey Howard, Box 412, Bago-
ta, Texas, Secretary: Mrs. Marvin Gardner, Rt. 1, Bagota,
Texas; Number Enrolled: 11; Days of Meeting: Tuesday;
Amount Money Raised: \$1,271.36.

WESTSIDE: President: Mrs. Barbara Morris, Box 21, New Bos-
ton, Texas; Secretary: Mrs. Pat Green, Rt. 1, New Boston,
Texas, Number Enrolled: 17; Days of Meeting: Each Monday
Night; Amount of Money: \$1,714.63.

THE PERSONAL SERVICES REPORT FOR THE YEAR 1970-1971:

Personal Calls	732	Bibles Given	14
Visits to Sick	2396	Tracts Sent	340
Visits to Comfort	355	Soul Talks	183
Telephone Calls	1389	Ladies Donated Service	663
Flowers Sent	411	Amount Raised	\$3,627.85
Cards or Letters	1601	Missions	888.62
Trays Sent	727	Orphans Home	137.54
		Christian Education	586.76

RESOLUTION:
TO THE CHURCHES OF THE RED RIVER-BOWIE ASSOCIATION
OF MISSIONARY BAPTIST CHURCHES:

WHEREAS it has been the practice of the Red River-Bowie Association to have the honorary office of Moderator Emeritus, and;

WHEREAS this honorary office has always been filled by one of the older, retired brethren of our work, and;

WHEREAS Bro. D. D. Miller has served the Red River-Bowie Association as its Moderator in 1931 and 1945, and; WHEREAS Bro. D. D. Miller has retired from actively pastoring a church and is in ill health;

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED that Bro. D. D. Miller be named by this messenger body as Co-Moderator Emeritus with Bro. A. I. Bond, and;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this action is taken as an expression of our appreciation for the many years of labor and love for the Churches of this Association shown by Eld. D. D. Miller.

Respectfully Submitted,
Friendship Baptist Church
James R. Brown, Pastor

GENERAL INFORMATION CONCERNING EACH CHURCH:

AIKIN GROVE: Pastor: Eld. Cecil Hill, Rt. 4, Clarksville, Texas; Clerk: Paul W. Hammer, Rt. 4, Clarksville, Texas; Sunday School: Superintendent: Jesse Humphrey; Secretary: Mrs. W. H. Hammer; Number Classes: 3; Deacons: John Townes, W. H. Hammer, Herbert Humphrey, Elmer Stroud.

AUSTIN CHAPEL: Pastor: Eld. G. P. Allen, Rt. 3, De Kalb, Texas; Clerk: Mrs. Cledyth White, Rt. 3, De Kalb, Texas; Sunday School: Superintendent: Raymond O. Tidwell; Secretary: Teri Fletcher; Enrollment: 128; Number Classes: 9; B.T.C.: President: Lee Russell; Enrollment: 60; Deacons: M. L. Bunger, H. A. Tidwell, R. O. Tidwell, Herbert Hanna, James L. Tidwell, Doyle Grider, Clyde Holt.

AVERY: Pastor: Eld. Augustus Downing, Box 41, Avery, Texas; Clerk: Mrs. Inez Webb, Rt. 2, Avery, Texas; Sunday School: Superintendent: Harrod Nevill; Secretary: Billie Dwoning; Enrollment: 120; Number Classes: 14; Amount Money Raised: 13,219.74; B.T.C.: President: Marvin Stearman; Secretary: Karen Downing; Enrollment: 75; Deacons: Morris Downs, Alvin Peacock, Wilson Grant, Marvin Stearman, O. C. Downs, Elton Roseberry.

EAST POST OAK: Pastor: Eld. Robert Griffith, Rt. 1, Detroit, Texas; Clerk: Brenda Lee, Box 277, Blossom, Texas; Sunday School: Superintendent: Ross Mills; Secretary: Billie Bates; Enrollment: 100; Number Classes: 7; B.T.C.: President: Leo Reeves; Secretary: Pattie Bates; Enrollment: 65; Deacons: Jim Lee, Claude Lyler, W. A. Dorese, Willie Lee, Ross Mills.

FRIENDSHIP: Pastor: James R. Brown, 600 E. Comanche, Clarksville, Texas; Clerk: Mrs. Wayne Reed, 1205 W. Jackson, Clarksville, Texas; Sunday School: Superintendent: Bobby Hines; Secretary: Mrs. Robert Smiley; Enrollment: 127; Number Classes: 10; Amount Money Raised: \$10,661.47; B.T.C.: President: Rickey Duren; Secretary: Mrs. Jimmy Mauldin; Enrollment: 70; Deacons: Garland Hines, Edmond McConnell, Buddy Pope, Bobby Hines.

GRAVEL HILL: NO REPORT GIVEN:

HILLCREST: Pastor: Eld. James Garten, 2555 E. Cherry, Paris, Texas; Clerk: Mrs. E. K. Horton; Rt. 2, Paris, Texas; Sunday School: Superintendent: R. M. Parker; Secretary: Velma Whitley; Enrollment: 86; Number Classes: 9; Deacons: Leonard Johnson, Rudy Patterson, R. M. Parker.

HODGSON: Pastor: Eld. Sannuel Reeves, Box 216, Henderson, Texas, 75652; Clerk: Mrs. Carlos Carlton, Rt. 2, DeKalb, Texas, 75559; Sunday School: Superintendent: J. P. Kennedy; Number Classes: 4; Deacons: W. B. Elliott.

HOPEWELL: Pastor: Eld. A. B. Kellam, Rt. 6, Clarksville, Texas, 75426; Clerk: Mrs. Wilma Finley, Box 25, Clarksville, Texas; Sunday School: Superintendent: Nolan Meredith; Secretary: Jan Funderburk; Number Classes: 4; Amount Money Raised: \$1,442.87; Deacons: W. B. Duren, Nolan Mreedith, C. C. Monkhouse, Tom Roberts.

HUBBARD CHAPEL: Pastor: Eld. John C. Henderson, Rt. 1, DeKalb, Texas, Clerk: Mrs. Herman L. Jackson, Rt. 1, DeKalb, Texas; Sunday School: Superintendent: Robert E. Kennedy; Secretary: Donna K. Knight; Enrollment: 71; Number Classes: 7; Amount Money Raised: \$9,589.67; Deacons: A. H. Richardson, Thomas Shelton, Malcolm Knight, Robert E. Kennedy, L. E. May.

JOHNTOWN: Pastor: Eld. Marvin A. Gardner, Rt. 1, Bogata, Texas, 75417; Clerk: Mrs. Harvey L. Jean, Rt. 1, Bogata, Texas; Sunday School: Superintendent: Francis Foster; Secretary: Mrs. Phyllis Melton; Enrollment: 103; Number Classes: 12; Amount Money Raised: \$20,962.57; B.T.C. President: Sammy Hervey; Secretary: Miss Carla House; Enrollment: 80; Deacons: Bob Pope, Frances Foster, Dewey Howard, Harvey Jean, Drue Burtle, Dale House.

LIBERTY: Pastor: David Jordan; Clerk: Bert Adams, Detroit, Texas; Sunday School: Superintendent: Jim Rater; Secretary: Birdie Adams; Enrollment: 27; Number Classes: 4; Amount Money Raised: \$3,205.20; Deacons: D. A. Pearce.

MT. PLEASANT: Pastor: None; Clerk: Doris Carey, Rt. 1, Bagwell, Texas; Sunday School: Superintendent: Ernest

Carey; Secretary: Lucille Enox; Enrollment: 30; Number Classes: 3; Amount Money Raised: \$2,120.15; Deacons: Frank Northcut, Raymond Jeffers, Ernest Carey.

NEW HAVEN: Pastor: Eld. H. L. Johnston, Rt. 6, Clarksville, Texas, 75426; Clerk: Mrs. Melvin Hooser, Rt. 1, Clarksville, Texas; Sunday School: Superintendent: B. J. Mitchell; Secretary: Miss Jinnie Cloe; Enrollment: 71; Number Classes: 7; Amount Money Raised: \$4,409.90; Deacons: Ross Mitchell, R. H. Tull, Howard Westbrook, A. D. Raulston. *Melvin Hooser also served as pastor.*

NEW HOPE: Pastor: Eld. H. Murry, Avery, Texas; Clerk: Ainey Davis, DeKalb, Texas; Sunday School: Superintendent: Dewey Murphy; Secretary: Homer McMillan; Number Classes: 2; Deacons: Dewey Murphy, Leo McMillan.

WESTSIDE: Pastor: Eld. B. A. Morris, Box 21, New Boston, Texas; Clerk: Mrs. J. R. Thompson, Rt. 2, Box 11, New Boston, Texas; Sunday School: Superintendent: R. E. Bailey; Secretary: Betty Harkins; Enrollment: 185; Number Classes: 16; Amount Money Raised: \$14,160.49; B.T.C. President: Sam Stewart; Secretary: Ada B. Flornoy; Enrollment: 103; Deacons: S. R. Shute, Edd Hawkins, Hansel Jones, Jimmie Brown, Clyde Tidwell, R. E. Bailey, Sam Stewart.

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 this 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 10 minutes on any one subject unless granted an extension of time by the body.
5. No member shall be allowed to speak more than twice on any subject.

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 auxilliary to the churches composing it. It is not formed for ecclesiastical end, but merely for benevolent purposes; but it reserves the right to withdraw from any church which becomes heterodox in faith of 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, and 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	Bogata	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	I. H. Lawson
1903	Pilgrim's Rest	G. E. Pinkham	G. B. Dean	W. W. Lawson	T. H. Bolt
1905	Rehoboth	G. 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	Armona	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	Jas. Whitecotton	B. J. Devinney
1917	Bethlehem No. 1	J. V. Vermillion	G. A. Lyon	J. Whitecotton	B. J. Devinney
1918	Avery	M. 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	B. D. 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
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	G. Bramlett	A. I. Bond
1941	Malta	G. E. Pinkham	W. R. Davis	G. 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	Z. C. Humphrey
1945	Hopewell	H. L. 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	H. L. 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

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Year	Meeting Place	Intro. Sermon	Moderator	Clerk	Treasurer
1956	Friendship	Melvin Finley	R. T. Stevens	Jim Taylor	E. L. Merrill
1957	West Side	E. C. Mooney	Augustus Dowing	Veo Glover	E. L. Merrill
1958	Avery	G. F. Crumley	Augustus Dowing	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 McBride
1962	Mt. Pleasant	J. H. Kesner	R. C. Burt	Geo. E. White	Lynn McBride
1963	Austin Chapel	J. B. Watson	J. T. McNabb	Geo. E. White	Lynn McBride
1964	Avery	Cecil Purcell	Augustus Dowing	H. L. Johnston	Jerry Coffman
1965	New Haven	J. B. Watson	Augustus Dowing	H. L. Johnston	Jerry Coffman
1966	West Side	Jerry Coffman	Augustus Dowing	H. L. Johnston	Jerry Coffman
1967	Pinkham Memorial	Augustus Downing	Cecil Purcel	H. L. Johnston	Jerry Coffman
1968	Johntown	Cecil Hill	Cecil Purcel	H. L. Johnston	A. Downing
1969	Friendship	Marvin A. Gardner	Loyl Roper	A. Dowing	Marvin Gardner
1970	Post Oak	John C. Henderson	Loyl Roper	A. Dowing	Marvin Gardner
1971	Avery	Darrell Owens	Augustus Dowing	James Brown	Marvin Gardner