

YEARBOOK

Red River-Bowie

Missionary Baptist Association

1973

MINUTES

of the

ONE HUNDRED AND THIRTIETH ANNUAL SESSION

of the

RED RIVER-BOWIE MISSIONARY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

Held With

AUSTIN CHAPEL MISSIONARY BAPTIST CHURCH

Dekalb, Texas

September 20, 1973

Moderator
Clerk
Treasurer

Eld. Robert Griffith
Eld. James R. Brown
Eld. G. P. Allen

Officers of the Association for the Year 1974

Eld. Robert Griffith Moderator
Rt. 1, Detroit, Texas

Eld. H. L. Johnston Asst. Moderator
Rt. 6, Clarksville, Texas

Eld. A. I. Bond Moderator Emeritus
Bogata, Texas

Eld. D. D. Miller Moderator Emeritus
Clarksville, Texas

Eld. James R. Brown Clerk
600 E. Comanche, Clarksville, Texas

Eld. Dale Reed Treasurer
P. O. Box 41, Avery, Texas

THE ASSOCIATION WILL MEET IN 1974 ON
SEPTEMBER 19, 1974, 10:00 A.M.

with the
FRIENDSHIP MISSIONARY BAPTIST CHURCH
Clarksville, Texas

Eld. J. T. McNabb was elected to bring the Annual Message and Eld. James Garten was elected as alternate.

RED RIVER-BOWIE MISSIONARY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION
MESSENGER MEETING SEPTEMBER 20, 1973

Austin Chapel Missionary Baptist Church, DeKalb, Texas

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. Hearing of Reports
8. Special Reports
9. Treasurer's Report
10. Financial Report
11. Resolution of Thanks
12. Thursday night Program

ASSIGNMENT OF REPORTS FOR 1974

1. Associational Missions — Avery
2. Interstate and Foreign Missions — Hopewell
3. State Missions — Liberty
4. Christian Education — New Haven
5. Denominational Literature — Westside
6. Temperance — East Post Oak
7. Orphans Home — Austin Chapel
8. Aged Ministers Support — Mt. Pleasant
9. Ladies Auxiliary — Jolntown
10. Mens Brotherhood — Aikin Grove
11. Obituary — Hillcrest

The messenger meeting of the Red River-Bowie Missionary Baptist Association began its 1973 session at 10:00 A. M. with the Austin Chapel Baptist Church in DeKalb, Texas.

The congregation sang "All Hail The Power", directed by Bro. Noah Harrelson of Paris with Sis. Ruth Ann Downs at the piano. Prayer was then voiced by Bro. Sammy Eldridge, pastor of Lee-Hi Baptist Church, Sulpher Springs, Texas.

Another song, "I Am Resolved" was sung by the congregation.

The Moderator then called for the Church letters to be brought to the Clerk's desk and all finances to be turned over to the Treasurer.

Bro. James Hinkel, pastor of the Hubbard Chapel Missionary Baptist Church was then introduced by Bro. Robert Griffith, Moderator, to bring the morning Devotional. Bro. Hinkel read II Samuel, chapter 7, verses 9-14. He used verse twelve as his text and spoke on the subject, "Hethere to Hath the Lord Helped Us." The devotional was very inspiring and Bro. Hinkel closed with prayer.

The Moderator then called for the Welcome Address. Bro. G. P. Allen, pastor of the host Church came and extended a hearty welcome to all present and made some announcements.

Bro. H. L. Johnston, Pastor of the New Haven Baptist Church came and spoke for all present in response to the welcome.

The new pastors in the Association were then asked to stand and be introduced. They were: Bro. J. T. McNabb, pastor of the Liberty Missionary Baptist Church, and Bro. James Hinkel, pastor of the Hubbard Chapel Missionary Baptist Church.

The Moderator then asked for the visiting Pastors in our meeting to stand and introduce themselves. Those visiting were as follows:

Dr. Ray O. Brooks, President, Texas Baptist Institute, Henderson, Texas; Bro. Kenneth Southwell, Pastor, Rocky Springs Baptist Church, Diaville, Tex.; Bro. H. E. Rhodes, Pastor, Mt. Zion Baptist Church, Henderson, Texas; Dr. Vernon Barr, Pastor, Missionary Baptist Church, Dallas, Texas; Bro. Glen Gary, Missionary Pastor, Tanglewood Baptist Mission, Atlanta, Texas; Bro. Jack Adams, Pastor, Argo Baptist Church, Mt. Pleasant, Texas; Bro. Billy Daniels, Sec.-Treas. of Missions, Texas State Association; Bro. Curtis Hall, Missionary Pastor, Linden Baptist Mission, Linden, Texas; Bro. Nelson Chennery, Henderson, Texas; Bro. J. C. Askew, Missionary, Ft. Worth, Texas; Bro. Sammy Eldridge, Pastor, Lee-Hi Baptist Church, Sulpher Springs, Texas.

The Moderator then checked to see if all of the Churches that had been assigned reports to make at this meeting were present.

The congregation was then asked to stand while the Moderator declared the One Hundred and Thirtieth Annual Session of the Red River-Bowie Missionary Baptist Association now open for regular business. Bro. James Brown, pastor of the Friendship Baptist Church was called to voice the opening prayer. A motion was then made by Bro. James Brown, second by Bro. Dale Reed, that we defer the annual message to the eleven o'clock hour and that we proceed with the regular business at hand. Passed.

The Reading Clerks were then appointed by the Moderator and the Associational Letters from the Churches were read. Reading clerks were Bro. James Garten and Bro. J. T. McNabb.

A motion was then made by Bro. James Brown, second by Bro. Dale Reed to accept the letters as read, seat the messengers, and invite the visitors to sit in deliberation with us. Motion passed.

The Moderator then directed the attention of all present to page eighteen of the Year Book where he read the Rules of Decorum.

We then went into the election of officers for the coming year. They are as follows:

Nominations for the office of Moderator were called for. Those nominated were: Bro. Robert Griffith and Bro. Calvin Hancock. Bro. Griffith was elected.

Nomination for Assistant Moderator were called for. They were: Bro. Calvin Hancock and Bro. H. L. Johnston. Bro. Johnston was elected.

Nominations for Clerk were called for. They were: Bro. James Brown and Bro. Dale Reed. Bro. Brown was elected.

Nominations for Assistant Clerk were called for. Bro. Calvin Hancock was nominated and elected.

Nominations for Treasurer were called for: Bro. Dale Reed was nominated and elected. Bro. G. P. Allen was elected as Assistant Treasurer.

Invitations for the 1974 Annual Session of the Association were called for. Invitations were heard from the Friendship Baptist Church in Clarksville, and from the Avery Missionary Baptist Church in Avery. Friendship Church was chosen as the place for the next meeting.

A motion was then made by Bro. James Brown, second by Bro. Dale Reed that the 1974 Annual meeting be held on Thursday, September 19, 1974. Passed.

The Moderator then declared nominations open for someone to bring the Annual message in 1974. Those nominated were: Bro. J. T. McNabb; Bro. James Brown; Bro. Dale Reed; Bro. James Garten. Bro. McNabb was elected as the speaker and Bro. Garten as alternate.

The Moderator then called for the congregation to stand and a song, "The Lilly of the Valley", was sung. After the song, Bro. Calvin Hancock, pastor of the Jolntown Missionary Baptist Church was called on to introduce the speaker of the hour. Bro. Hancock introduced Bro. A. I. Bond, Moderator Emeritus of our Association, and long time pastor in the Red River County area, to bring the annual message. Bro. Bond read from II Timothy 2:19 and entitled his message, "A Solid Foundation." Bro. Bond did a splendid job of challenging the Christian people of our time to be faithful to God.

The Moderator then asked Bro. A. B. Kellam to come and give the hand of appreciation to Bro. James Hinkel and Bro. A. I. Bond for the messages that they had brought.

The Moderator then assigned the reports to be given by the Churches at the meeting next year. (Clerk's note: These assignments can be found near the front of this book.)

The Moderator then appointed Bro. H. L. Johnston and Bro. Billy Daniels to prepare the report on State Missions as it had not been brought to this meeting by the Church that it was assigned to. Also, Bro. James Hinkle, Bro. A. I. Bond and Bro. James Brown were assigned the report on Denominational Literature for the same reason.

Motion was made by Bro. James Brown, second by Bro. J. T. McNabb, to add to the financial report two additional columns. Those decided upon were the Texas Mission Development and Orphans Home. Motion passed. This will be done in next year's report.

A motion was made by Bro. A. B. Kellam, second by Bro. Calvin Hancock, that an offering be received for the Minute and Clerk-hire fund. Motion passed.

The Moderator asked Bro. Willbourn Lee and Bro. A. B. Kellam to come forward to receive the offering. Bro. Lee led in prayer, after which the congregation stood and sang "Walking in Sunlight" while the offering was received.

The Moderator appointed Bro. James Brown and Bro. Dale Reed as a committee to prepare a program of special music to be presented after the lunch hour.

Announcements were called for and made.

Motion by Bro. C. Hancock, second by Bro. H. L. Johnston to dismiss until 1:30 P.M. for the lunch hour. Motion passed.

Bro. Ray O. Brooks was asked to dismiss the service in prayer and pray the Lord's blessings on the noon meal.

(Clerk's Note: There were about one hundred messengers and visitors attending the morning session. The ladies of the host church did a marvelous job of serving a very good meal.)

AFTERNOON SESSION: 1:30 P.M.

The Moderator called the people to order and asked Bro. Ed Rhodes to lead the opening prayer.

The Special Music program was then turned over to Bro. Dale Reed and Bro. James Brown and was as follows: Bro. Dale Reed sang, "I Have Found a Hiding Place"; Sis. Ruth Ann Downs at the piano; Bro. James Brown sang "One Day"; Sis. James Daniell at the piano; Bro. Noah Harrelson sang, "He Arose" with Sis. Harrelson at the piano.

The program was then turned back to the Moderator and he called for the Special Order of business. There was none.

We then went into the presentation of the assigned reports from the Churches. (Clerk's Note: A copy of each of these reports can be found elsewhere in this book.)

The report on Associational Missions, prepared by the Hopewell Baptist Church, was read by Bro. A. B. Kellam, pastor. Bro. Kellam moved the adoption of the report, second by Bro. Dale Reed. The report was then spoken by Bro. J. S. Askew, Bro. Curtis Hall and Bro. Kellam. The Moderator expressed the regrets of Bro. Glen Gary for not being able to stay for the afternoon session. The motion passed.

The Clerk then read the Church Letter for the Mt. Pleasant Baptist Church because they were not present during the morning session. Bro. James Brown moved that this letter be accepted and the messengers from Mt. Pleasant Church be seated. Second by Bro. Calvin Hancock and passed.

The report on Interstate and Foreign Missions, prepared by the Liberty Missionary Baptist Church, was read by Bro. J. T. McNabb, pastor. Bro. McNabb moved the adoption of the report and spoke to it. It was second by Bro. Calvin Hancock and passed.

The Christian Education report was prepared by the Westside Baptist

Church and read by Bro. Dale Reed. Bro. Reed moved the adoption of the report, second by Bro. Calvin Hancock. The motion was spoken to by Dr. Ray O. Brooks, President of the Texas Baptist Institute in Henderson, Texas. It was also spoken to by Dr. Vernon Barr, pastor of the Missionary Baptist Church in Dallas, Texas and sponsor of the A. B. A. Mexican Baptist Institute in McAllen, Texas. Bro. Barr requested that the address of the A. B. A. Mexican Baptist Institute be placed in our year book next year. The Clerk agreed on this. The address is: P.O. box 922, McAllen, Texas, 78501. The motion was then passed by Bro. Nelson Cheney and a special

The report on Denominational Literature was prepared by a special committee composed of Bro. James Hinkel, Bro. James Brown and Bro. A. I. Bond. Bro. Hinkel read the report and moved its adoption, second by Bro. H. L. Johnston. The motion was spoken by Bro. Hinkel and passed.

The report on Temperance was prepared by the Austin Chapel Baptist Church and read by Bro. L. W. Tidwell. Bro. Tidwell moved the adoption of the report, second by Bro. J. T. McNabb and passed.

Report on Orphans Home was prepared by the Mt. Pleasant Baptist Church and read by Bro. Wilbourn Lee. Bro. Lee moved the adoption of the report, second by Bro. Dale Reed and Passed. The report was also spoken to by Bro. Lee.

The report on Ladies Auxiliaries was prepared by the Aikin Grove Baptist Church and read by Bro. James Brown. Bro. Brown moved to adopt the report, second by Bro. Calvin Hancock. It was spoken to by Bro. Brown and Bro. Billy Daniels. The motion passed.

Bro. James Garten, pastor of the Hillcrest Baptist Church came to read the report on Men's Brotherhood prepared by his church. A motion by Bro. Garten and second by Bro. Calvin Hancock to adopt. Spoken to by Bro. Garten and Bro. James Brown. Motion passed.

The report on State Missions that was prepared by the special committee, Bro. H. L. Johnston and Bro. Billy Daniels, was read by Bro. Johnston. Motion by Bro. Johnston to adopt and second by Bro. Calvin Hancock. Bro. Johnston then yielded his time to Bro. Billy Daniels, State Secretary-Treasurer of Missions. Bro. Daniels gave a good report on all State Mission projects. The motion was then spoken to by Bro. Kenneth Southwell concerning the Texas Mission Development. The motion was also spoken to by Bro. Ray Brooks in behalf of State Missionary Bro. Kenneth Griffith, Bro. James Garten, Bro. J. S. Askew and Bro. Edd Rhodes. Motion carried.

The report on Old Ministers Relief was prepared by the Johnstown Baptist Church and read by Bro. Calvin Hancock, pastor. Bro. Hancock moved to adopt, second by Bro. James Brown and spoken to by Bro. Hancock. Bro. G. P. Allen offered an amendment to the motion to re-name the report "Aged Ministers Support." The amendment was seconded by Bro. Hancock and passed. The motion was amended then passed.

The Moderator then called for the report on Obituaries, prepared by the Avery Missionary Baptist Church, and read by Bro. Dale Reed. Bro. Reed asked the congregation to stand for prayer in memory of those deceased of our Churches. Bro. Reed then moved the adoption of the report, second by Calvin Hancock and passed.

Bro. G. P. Allen, Treasurer came to read his report on finances. A motion was made by Bro. James Brown, second by Bro. Dale Reed to adopt

the report. Motion passed.

Bro. Dale Reed was recognized to offer our thanks to the host church and her pastor for the fine meal and the day.

A motion was made by Bro. Calvin Hancock, second by Bro. J. T. McNabb that the Clerk be paid the same fee as last year. \$50.00. Passed. Motion was made by Bro. H. L. Johnston and second by Bro. G. P. Allen to adjourn this meeting. Passed.

All stood while Bro. J. S. Askew led the closing prayer.

REPORTS SUBMITTED TO THE ASSOCIATION IN 1973:

ASSOCIATIONAL MISSIONS:

We the members of the Hopewell Missionary Baptist Church believe Local Mission work is essential for the purpose of reaching souls for whom Christ died, and to administer scriptural baptism to those who believe.

Then teach those who believe and the Lord adds to His local body to observe all things He hath commanded by Holy Scripture to be used for instructions. Read Matthew 28:19-20 and II Timothy 3:16.

Therefore by the grace of God let us support local mission work by our prayers and financial support.

Respectfully Submitted:
Hopewell Missionary Baptist Church
Eld. A. B. Kellam, Pastor

STATE MISSIONS:

We the special committee on State Missions submit the following:

The Lord gave the commission to His churches to go into all the world and preach the Gospel to every creature and to baptize the believers and to teach them to observe all things, and He would be with them always. Therefore, we are commanded to go in our state and preach to the lost, organize churches to teach them to observe that the Lord commanded. If we fail to do this, we have failed to do what the Lord said do.

Therefore, we recommend that we encourage our Churches to faithfully support our mission work in this state even more this year.

May we all pray that the Lord will send more laborers unto the harvest.

Respectfully Submitted,
Eld. H. L. Johnston
Eld. Billy Daniels

INTERSTATE AND FOREIGN MISSIONS:

Christ gave his Church this commission, "Go ye, therefore, and teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost, teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you, and lo, I am with you always, even unto the end of the world. Amen." Matt. 28:19-20.

This includes everyone in every nation. No one is left out. This commission was given to His Church. God is opening doors of opportunity to us and we must be ready and willing to enter. Christians today must realize

that we are responsible to God for this present generation. We must work while it is day. We cannot fulfill our duties through good intentions.

We challenge each Church to support Interstate and Foreign Missionaries with your prayers and offerings, sent to the American Baptist Association, Box 1050, Texarkana, Ark-Tex. 75501.

Respectfully Submitted,
Liberty Missionary Baptist Church
J. T. McNabb, Jr., Pastor
Mrs. Doris Pearce, Clerk

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION REPORT:

Education is a great emphasis of our world today, and rightly so in its place. From the view point of Christianity, Christian Education is first on the list. This type of education helps a person use, properly, his abilities and assets derived from education in general.

Texas Baptist Institute is one of the Schools affiliated with the American Baptist Association. The location of this school is in Henderson, Texas.

Texas Baptist Institute is a Christian educational school for better training of God called men who have answered God's call to the ministry. People who desire to be better Christian workers also attend Texas Baptist Institute to learn God's word.

This school is of such great importance to Texas Baptist Work that each Church is urged to regularly support it with their finances, and any other resources. I believe as the education of the pastors, who are leaders of the Churches, so is the training and leadership of the Churches.

Respectfully Submitted,
West Side Baptist Church

TEMPERANCE REPORT:

Whereas, we desire to do the will of God, which is expressed in His word, and which teaches Temperance, or refraining from over indulgence in things harmful to our bodies which are bought with a price.

Be it resolved that this Association voices its sentiment against all forms of intemperance and that we declare total abstinence from alcoholic beverages as being God's will for His people.

Respectfully Submitted,
Austin Chapel Missionary Baptist Church

ORPHAN'S HOME REPORT:

Although the Church's most important business here in the world is to get the Gospel message out, baptize the saved, and then teach them as given to us of the Lord in Matthew 28:19-20. Yet we know the work of the Lord in James 1:27, and 2:15-16 that needy Orphans are to be taken care of.

The orphan children at Texarkana do not grow all their food, and they have clothing and school supply expenses also. Besides fuel, water, electric bills, ect. to be paid.

These children are taken to Missionary Baptist Sunday School and Church where they can hear the true Gospel preached. So let us not neglect their material needs.

Respectfully Submitted,
Mt. Pleasant Missionary
Baptist Church
Doris Carey, Church Clerk

OLD MINISTERS RELIEF REPORT:

Our older ministers are to be commended for their labors and defense of "the faith once delivered unto the saints." Their lives and service have been a great blessing to Churches and the people of our Association.

Since our Association has no established program of relief or retirement plan for aged ministers, we recommend the following to the Churches of the Association:

- a. That each Church consider paying the Self-employment Tax of their Pastor.
- b. That when some special need arises due to sickness or accident, that the Churches of the Association be notified and an offering requested to aid the Minister in need.
- c. That we remember in our prayers each faithful minister for the work already done and their stand for the truth.

Respectfully Submitted,
Johnston Baptist Church
Calvin Hancock, Pastor

LADIES AUXILIARY REPORT:

We the Aikin Grove Missionary Baptist Church in accordance with the assignment made to us do submit the following report.

We believe that in the Bible there is given very definite examples of Ladies doing work for Christ, Romans 16:3, and it is because of these examples that we feel that all Churches should provide opportunities of service for the Ladies of their Church.

We also feel that an organized Ladies Auxiliary is one of the best ways for this to be accomplished. And, kept in line with God's word, can be a very definite help to the Pastor in his work in the Church as a whole.

Respectfully Submitted,
Aikin Grove Missionary
Baptist Church
Bro. Cecil Hill, pastor

MENS BROTHERHOOD REPORT:

We, the Hillcrest Missionary Baptist Church do submit the following report on the Men's Brotherhood.

We believe that a Men's Brotherhood can be a great help and blessing to one of the Lord's Churches. Our Brotherhood has sponsored our YBG's in their work, Church-wide fellowships, done many of the odd jobs of repair and upkeep on Church buildings and property.

We recommend that Churches having Brotherhoods continue them in a spirit of prayer, and that those who do not have them think seriously about starting one in their Church.

Respectfully Submitted,
Hillcrest Baptist Church
James Garten, Pastor

DENOMINATIONAL LITERATURE REPORT:

Christian Literature is material written by man for use of all who wish to learn more about the word of God. We recommend the use of the proper kind of literature.

Because there is much literature in circulation, especially in this day

REPORT ON LADIES AUXILIARY WORK

RED RIVER-BOWIE MISSIONARY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION 1972-73

Red River-Bowie District Ladies Auxiliary Officers for the year 1973-1974 are as follows:

President	Mrs. G. P. Allen	Austin Chapel
Vice President	Mrs. H. L. Johnston	New Haven
Secretary	Mrs. Myra Jean	Johntown
Assistant	Mrs. Dale Reed	Avery
Song Director	Mrs. Billie Bates	Post Oak
Assistant	Mrs. Sandra Raulston	New Haven
Pianist	Mrs. Clara Bunger	Austin Chapel
Assistant	Mrs. Henry Mull	Mt. Pleasant
Reporter	Mrs. Gene Yates	Pinkham Memorial
Assistant	Mrs. Oletha McAllister	Johntown
Tract Distributor	Mrs. Ruth Ann Downs	Avery

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

Nov. 7, 1972	\$64.45	Texarkana building Fund
Feb. 6, 1973	\$97.05	College Station Land Fund
May 8, 1973	100.00	Pinkham Memorial Building Fund
Aug. 7, 1973	\$52.50	Arlington Land Fund

PERSONAL SERVICE AND FINANCIAL REPORT:

Personal calls	1,472	
Visits to Sick and Shut-ins	2,751	
Visits to Comfort	457	
Telephone Calls	2,051	
Flowers Sent	440	
Cards and Letters Sent	1,829	
Trays Sent	891	
Bibles Given	28	
Tracts Distributed	861	
Soul Talks	207	
Ladies Donated Service	1,145	
Amount Raised	\$4,319.01	
Missions	\$1,102.21	
Orphans Home	\$74.92	
Christian Education	\$826.69	
Church Building Fund	\$1,125.37	
Minutes	\$45.00	
Miscellaneous	\$50.70	
Flowers	\$45.00	

The following Churches of this Association reported an active Ladies Auxiliary:

AUSTIN CHAPEL: President, Mrs. Florence Allen, Rt. 3, DeKalb, Texas; Secretary, Mrs. Farol Batchelor, Rt. 3, DeKalb, Texas; Number Enrolled, 10; Day of Meeting, Wednesday; Amount money raised, \$306.36.

and time, that does not present the truths of God's word, we recommend that we use the utmost care in selecting such literature. We recommend that the Pastor or other brethren grounded in the faith, be consulted before selecting such literature for use in the home or Church.

We whole heartedly recommend our own publications.
Respectfully Submitted,
Eld. James Hinkel
Eld. A. I. Bond
Eld. James R. Brown

OBITUARY REPORT:

I Thessalonians 4:13: "But I would not have you to be ignorant, Brethren, concerning them which are asleep, that ye sorrow not, even as other which have no hope."

There is a glorious hope and great consolation concerning them which are asleep in Jesus.

The following is a list of Brothers and Sisters in Christ absent from the body and present with the Lord since our last Associational meeting.

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| <p>AVERY:
Nancy E. Stewart
Leloa Mathews
Clad Bearden
O. C. Downs — Deacon
Annie Coffman
AIKIN GROVE:
Charlie Wolf
AUSTIN CHAPEL:
A. G. Caddenhead
Mrs. J. W. Barnett
Homer Holt
Mrs. Charice Tidwell
FRIENDSHIP:
Mrs. Clarence Alsup
Lennox Brown
J. B. Burrow
HILLCREST:
Floyd Ramsey
HOPEWELL:
Curtis Watson</p> | <p>HUBBARD CHAPEL:
Mrs. Johnnie Pickens
Mrs. J. W. Tucker
WEST SIDE:
Floy Lewis
Bertie Amason
John Keith
PINKHAM MEMORIAL:
Sis. Fannie Semn
J. H. Caddenhead
NEW HAVEN:
Mrs. Ollie Thompson
Emmit De Shazer
Joe Knowles
MT. PLEASANT
Clarence Billingsley
JOHNTOWN:
Mrs. Irene Ward
Mrs. Ruby Wickes
Mrs. Adel Wikerson
Bro. Hugh Mayfield</p> |
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- Respectfully Submitted,
Avery Missionary Baptist Church
Dale Reed, Moderator

	Additions	Losses	Total Members	Pastor's Salary	Assoc. Missions	State Missions	Interstate & Foreign	Total Missions	Christian Education	Radio Fund	Building & Repair	Total Paid Out
Aikin Grove	2	1	81	1,995.78								2,873.56
Austin Chapel	3	7	210	6,760.00	390.00	511.04	1,220.08	3,095.10	537.59		12,740.98	22,512.73
Avery	35	7	384	6,760.00	1,351.27	650.00	1,310.16	3,988.59	685.58	60.00	299.43	11,263.02
East Post Oak	8	0	130	5,518.00	323.22	323.21	323.23	969.66	192.65	60.00	8,093.25	17,894.27
Friendship	23	5	274	6,405.00	787.05	524.88	907.05	3,032.78	607.96	60.00	3,831.33	16,225.58
Hillcrest	25	17	225	5,548.00	442.80	697.64	564.50	2,697.53	657.62		7,622.19	18,271.17
Hodgson												
Hopewell	13	5	194	2,650.00	130.00			130.00			77.05	3,597.14
Hubbard Chapel	19	7	166	5,195.00		190.50	571.50	1,143.00	190.50		2,329.27	11,034.39
Johnstown	14	9	183	8,276.24	600.85	318.98	318.98	1,557.79	318.98	60.00	4,177.11	20,185.85
Liberty	3	2	36	2,450.00	183.84	99.49	269.98	553.31			501.00	4,096.44
Mt. Pleasant	0	2	41	1,441.50	352.98	60.00	60.00	472.98			422.21	3,266.39
New Haven	15	5	188	4,080.00	402.69	359.68	743.78	1,506.68	160.50	48.00	2,003.00	10,007.62
New Hope	2		50	1,785.00	13.00	36.76	28.50	163.98			280.32	2419.51
Pinkhna Memorial	18	7	171	6,540.00		471.12	471.12	942.24	471.12		625.22	10,623.76
West Side	30	11	330	7,260.00	420.00	210.40	210.40	1,262.40	938.63		1,097.54	16,728.85
TOTALS	210	85	2663	73,611.66	5,398.47	4,453.73	7,213.08	21,477.51	4,761.13	288.00	44,196.86	168,203.99
Increase or (Decrease)	30	(33)	119	8,387.67	700.97	1,192.00	1,419.35	4,557.19	1,668.34	(31.00)	17,649.37	27,489.05

AVERY: President, Mrs. Dale Reed, Box 41, Avery, Texas; Secretary, Mrs. Betty Kelso, Rt. 1, Avery, Texas; Number Enrolled, 10; Days of Meeting: Tuesday;

EAST POST OAK: President, Mrs. Mary Reeves, Rt. 1, Detroit, Texas; Secretary, Mrs. Margaret Prater, 1825 N. E. Loop 286, Paris, Texas; Number Enrolled, 11; Day of Meeting, Thursday.

FRIENDSHIP: President, Mrs. James R. Brown, 600 E. Comanche, Clarksville, Texas; Secretary, Mrs. James Roden, Box 134, Clarksville, Texas; Number Enrolled, 9; Day of Meeting, Wednesday;

JOHNTOWN: President, Mrs. Mildred Mayfield, Rt. 1, Bogata, Texas; Secretary, Mrs. Florence Pirtle, Rt. 1, Bogata, Texas; Number Enrolled, 8; Day of Meeting, Tuesday; Amount of Money Raised, \$85.38.

MT. PLEASANT: President, Mrs. Wilbourne Lee, Rt. 1, Detroit, Texas; Secretary, Mrs. Jean Mull, Rt. 1, Bagwell, Texas; Number Enrolled, 6; Day of Meeting, Tuesday; Amount Money Raised, \$509.52.

NEW HAVEN: President, Mrs. H. L. Johnston, Rt. 6, Clarksville, Texas; Secretary, Mrs. Ross Mitchell, 1406 W. Jackson, Clarksville, Texas; Number Enrolled, 14; Day of Meeting, Tuesday; Amount Money Raised, \$668.10.

PINKHAM MEMORIAL: President, Mrs. Thelma Cunningham, 520 S. E. Front, DeKalb, Texas; Secretary, Mrs. Pauline Shumake, Rt. 1, Box 281, DeKalb, Texas; Number Enrolled 10; Day of Meeting, Tuesday; Amount Money Raised, \$131.96.

WEST SIDE: President, Mrs. Carrie Tidwell, 408 Lindsey, New Boston, Texas; Secretary, Mrs. Linda Crossland, Box 201, New Boston, Texas; Number Enrolled, 14; Day of Meeting, 1st and 3rd Monday night; Amount Money Raised, \$673.53.

WHERE TO SEND OFFERINGS:
Associational Radio Program

Dale Reed, P. O. Box 41, Avery Texas 75554
Local Missions (North East Texas Baptist Mission Council)
Sammy Whatley, P. O. Box 832, Lone Star, Texas 75668
State Missions

Billy Daniels, 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-Tex 75501
Texarkana Baptist Orphanage
P. O. Box 611, Texarkana, Arkansas 75501
A. B. A. Mexican Baptist Institute
P. O. Box 922, McAllen, Texas, 78501

GENERAL INFORMATION CONCERNING EACH CHURCH:

AIKIN GROVE: Pastor, Eld. Cecil Hill, Rt. 4, Clarksville, Texas 75426; Clerk, Elmer Stroud, Rt. 1, Detroit, Texas; Sunday School Superintendent; W. H. Hammer; Secretary, Mrs. Paul Hammer; Number Classes, 3; Enrollment, 25; Amount Raised, \$432.98; Deacons, W. H. Hammer, Elmer Stroud, John Townes, Frank Northcutt, Herbert Humphrey.

AUSTIN CHAPEL: Pastor Eld. G. P. Allen, Rt. 3, DeKalb, Texas 75559; Clerk, Eledyth White, Rt. 3, DeKalb, Texas; Sunday School Superintendent, Raymond Tidwell, Secretary, Pauline Moody; Number Classes, 10; B. T. C. President, Lee Russell; Deacons, M. L. Bunger, Clyde Holt, R. D. Tidwell, H. A. Tidwell, Herbert hanna, James L. Tidwell, Doyle Grider, Travis White and Nathan Churchhill.

AVERY: Pastor, Eld. Dale Reed, P. O. Box 41, Avery, Texas 75554; Clerk, Mrs. Charlie Webb, Rt. 2, Avery, Texas; Deacons, Morris Downs, Alvin Peacock, Wilson Grant, Marvin Stearman; Ordained Ministers: H. Murry; Licensed Ministers, David Holley.

EAST POST OAK: Pastor, Eld. Robert Griffith, Rt. 1, Detroit, Texas; Clerk, Brenda Lee, Box 277, Blossom, Texas; Sunday School Superintendent; Ross Mills; Secretary, Joy Preston; Number Classes, 10; Enrollment, 101; Amount Raised, \$10,030.32; B. T. C. President, Leo Reeves; Secretary Helen Luck; Enrollment, 66; Deacons, Claude Tyler, Ross Mills, Jim Lee, Willie Lee; Ordained Ministers, Eld. Ray Runyan.

FRIENDSHIP: Pastor, Eld. James R. Brown, 600 E. Comanche, Clarksville, Texas 75426; Clerk, Mrs. Wayne Reed, 1205 W. Jackson, Clarksville, Texas; Sunday School Superintendent, Bobby Brown; Secretary, Mrs. Robert Smiley; Enrollment 145; Number Classes, 11; Amount Raised, \$15,125.70; B. T. C. Director, Rickey Brantley; Secretary, Tammy Daniel; Enrollment, 86; Deacons, Garland Hines, Edmond McConnell, Buddy Pope, Bobby Hines; Ordained Ministers, Eld. D. D. Miller.

HILLCREST: Pastor, Eld. James Garten, 2555 E. Cherry, Paris, Texas; Clerk, Agnes Horton, Rt. 2, Paris, Texas; Sunday School Superintendent, Raymond Parker; Secretary, Doris Foster; Enrollment, 112; Number Classes, 12; Amount Raised; \$16,398.38; B. T. C. None; Deacons, Raymond Parker, Rudy Patterson; Ordained Minister, Charles Cox; Licensed Minister, Noah Harrelson.

HOPEWELL: Pastor, Eld. A. B. Kellam, Rt. 6, Clarksville, Texas 75426; Clerk, Charles Shipp, Rt. 6, Clarksville, Texas; Sunday School Superintendent, Terry Dilbeck; Secretary, Mrs. Kathy James; Number Classes, 5; Amount Raised, 1,883.22; Deacons, Byron Duren, Nolan Meredith, Corley Monkhouse, Tom Roberts.

HUBBARD CHAPEL: Pastor, Eld. James Hinkle, Rt. 1, DeKalb, Texas; Clerk, Mrs. Herman L. Jackson, Rt. 1, DeKalb, Texas; Sunday School Superintendent, Jimmie Downs; Secretary, Donna K. Knight; Enrollment,

71: Number Classes, 7; Amount Raised, \$12,773.24; Deacons, A. H. Richardson, Tomas Shelton, Malcolm Knight, Robert Kennedy; Junior Deacons, Eldon Allen, Ronnie McMillon, Lester Stout;

JOHNTOWN: Pastor, Eld. Calvin Hancock, Rt. 1, Bogata, Texas 75417; Clerk, Mrs. Myra Jean, Rt. 1, Bogata, Texas; Sunday School Superintendent, Francis Foster; Secretary, Mrs. Florence Prittle; Enrollment, 113; Number Classes, 10; Amount Raised: \$20,278.13; B. T. C. President, Ronnie Stewart; Secretary, Bonnie Hinson; Enrollment, 70; Deacons, Dewey Howard, Francis Foster, Harvey L. Jean, Dale House, H. Druie Prittle; Ordained Ministers: Eld. A. I. Bond.

LIBERTY: Pastor, Eld. J. T. McNabb, Box 367, Blossom, Texas 75416; Clerk, Doris Pearce, Rt. 1, Detroit Texas; Sunday School Superintendent, Bert Adams; Enrollment, 35; Number Classes, 4; Amount Raised: \$3208.10; B. T. C., None; Deacons, D. A. Pearce, Ray Fry.

MT. PLEASANT: Pastor, Eld. Willbourne Lee, Rt. 1, Detroit, Texas; Clerk, Mrs. Doris Carey, Rt. 1, Bagwell, Texas; Sunday School Superintendent, Ernest Carey; Secretary, Mrs. Lucille Enox; Enrollment, 30; Number Classes, 3; Amount Raised, \$3,604.82; Deacons, Raymond Jeffers and Ernest Carey.

NEW HAVEN: Pastor: Eld. H. L. Johnston, Rt. 6, Clarksville, Texas 75426; Clerk, Mrs. Etta Vickers, Rt. 6, Clarksville, Texas; Sunday School Superintendent, John Mitchell; Secretary, Miss Jane Hardison; Number Classes, 8; Amount raised, \$5,972.86; B. T. C., None; Deacons, R. H. Tull, Howard Westbrook, A. D. Raulston; Ordained Ministers, Eld. Melvin Hooser.

NEW HOPE: Pastor: None at Present; Clerk, Lew McMillon, Rt. 2, DeKalb, Texas; Sunday School Superintendent, Dewey Murphy; Secretary, Leo. McMillon; Number Classes, 2; Amount raised, \$2,324.61; B. T. C., None; Deacons, Leo McMillon, Dewey Murphy.

PINKHAM MEMORIAL: Pastor: None at Present; Clerk, Elaine Hodgson, 509 S. E. Howell, DeKalb, Texas; Sunday School Superintendent, Homer Sellers; Secretary, Debbie Flannery; Enrollment, 65; Number Classes, 7; Amount Raised, \$8,339.06; B. T. C. President, Terry Sturdivant; Secretary, Debbie Flannery; Enrollment, 40; Deacons, Louis Forsyth, Gay Shumake, Lester Flannery, L. E. May, Lanan Clark and Otis Rogers;

WEST SIDE: Pastor: Eld. B. A. Morris, P. O. Box 21, New Boston, Texas; Clerk, Ozell Thompson, Rt. 2, Box 11, New Boston, Texas; Sunday School Superintendent; R. E. Bailey; Secretary, Betty Harkins; Enrollment, 186; Number Classes, 15; Amount Raised, \$15,431.84; B. T. C. President, Sam Stewart; Sec. Erma Birdwell; Enrollment 125; Deacons, S. R. Shute, Edd Hawkins, Hansel Jones, Jimmy Brown, R. E. Bailey, Sam Stewart, Bruce Tidwell; Licensed Ministers, Felton Crossland.

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 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 for 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 ecclesiastical end, but merely for relevant 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, 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 a 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 to 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 RIVER-BOWIE ASSOCIATION
ORGANIZED IN 1843**

YEAR	MEETING PLACE	INTRO. SERMON	MODERATOR	CLERK	TREASURER
1897	Salem Baptist	J. E. Homer	N. B. Terry	W. W. Lawson	W. B. Terry
1898	Liberty	W. T. Compere	H. C. Hill	T. C. Holt	W. B. Terry
1899	Clairmount	J. B. Riddle	G. 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 #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. Bassett
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 #1	J. V. Vermillion	G. A. Lyon	J. Whitecotton	B. J. Devinney
1917	Bethlehem #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 #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. B. 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	Deck 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	W. F. Brooks	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	J. B. Watson	L. H. Patterson	A. I. Bond
1939	Rehoboth	A. I. Bond	W. M. Thrasher	L. H. Patterson	A. I. Bond
1940	Avery	J. B. Watson	J. B. Watson	G. Bramlett	A. I. Bond
1941	Malta	G. E. Pinkham	J. B. Watson	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	W. R. Davis	A. I. Bond	Z. C. Humphrey
1944	Maple Creek	L. H. Patterson	L. H. Patterson	Jim Dodson	H. 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	A. 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

YEAR	CHURCH	INTRO. SERMON	MODERATOR	CLERK	TREASURER
1956	Friendship	Melvin Finley	R. T. Stevens	Jim Taylor	E. L. Merrill
1957	West Side	E. C. Mooney	A. Downing	Veo Glover	E. L. Merrill
1958	Avery	G. F. Crumley	A. Downing	Veo Glover	G. E. White
1959	New Haven	J. H. Kesner	J. H. Kesner	Veo Glover	G. 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	G. E. White	Lynn McBride
1963	Austin Chapel	J. B. Watson	J. T. McNabb	G. E. White	Lynn McBride
1964	Avery	Cecil Purcell	A. Downing	H. L. Johnston	Jerry Coffman
1965	New Haven	J. B. Watson	A. Downing	H. L. Johnston	Jerry Coffman
1966	West Side	Jerry Coffman	A. Downing	H. L. Johnston	Jerry Coffman
1967	Pinkham Memori-	A. Downing	Cecil Purcell	H. L. Johnston	Jerry Coffman
1968	Johntown	Cecil Hill	Cecil Purcell	H. L. Johnston	A. Downing
1969	Friendship	M. A. Gardner	Loyd Roper	A. Downing	M. A. Gardner
1970	Post Oak	J. C. Henderson	Loyd Roper	A. Downing	M. A. Gardner
1971	Avery	Darrell Owens	A. Downing	A. Downing	G. P. Allen
1972	Hillcrest	B. A. Morris	A. Downing	J. R. Brown	G. P. Allen
1973	Austin Chapel	A. I. Bond	Bob Griffith	J. R. Brown	G. P. Allen

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