

**YEARBOOK**

**Red River - Bowie  
Missionary Baptist  
Association**

**1975**

MINUTES  
of the  
ONE HUNDRED AND THIRTY-SECOND  
ANNUAL SESSION

RED RIVER-BOWIE MISSIONARY  
BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

Held With  
JOHNTOWN MISSIONARY  
BAPTIST CHURCH  
Johntown, Texas  
September 18, 1975

Moderator  
Clerk  
Treasurer

Eld. J. C. Hancock  
Eld. James R. Brown  
Eld. G. P. Allen

Officers of the Association for the Year 1975

- Eld. J. C. Hancock ..... Moderator  
Rt. 1, Bogata, Texas
- Eld. H. L. Johnston ..... Asst. Moderator  
Rt. 6, Clarksville, Texas
- Eld. A. I. Bone ..... Moderator Emeritus  
Bogata, Texas
- Eld. D. D. Miller ..... Moderator Emeritus  
Clarksville, Texas
- Eld. James R. Brown ..... Clerk  
600 E. Comanche, Clarksville, Texas
- Eld. G. P. Allen ..... Treasurer  
Rt. 3, Dekalb, Texas

THE ASSOCIATION WILL MEET IN 1976 ON  
SEPTEMBER 16, 1976, 10:00 A.M.  
with the  
WARDS CREEK MISSIONARY BAPTIST CHURCH  
Stims, Texas

Eld. Carl Raleigh was elected to bring the Annual Message and Eld.  
Robert Lindsey was elected as alternate.

JOHNTOWN MISSIONARY

BAPTIST CHURCH

1875 - 1975

"100 Years Of Baptist Witness"

J. Calvin Hancock, Pastor

Rt. 1, Bogata, Texas

Although no record of the original organization of the church remains today, the oldest document available is the deed to the Church property, which reveals that land for church and school purposes was donated by Mary W. Rhodes on July 2, 1875. Earliest recollections of the oldest residents in the community indicate that Baptist Church services were conducted, in the beginning years, in the school house.

It is our prayer that this Church will remain a strong lighthouse for the Lord until He comes again.

RED RIVER-BOWIE MISSIONARY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION  
MESSENGER MEETING SEPTEMBER 18, 1975

Johnston Missionary Baptist Church, Johnston, 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 1976

1. Associational Missions - Avery
2. Interstate and Foreign Missions - Austin Chapel
3. State Missions - Mt. Pleasant
4. Christian Education - Hillcrest
5. Denominational Literature - Atkin Grove
6. Temperance - Hubbard Chapel
7. Orphans Home - New Haven
8. Aged Ministers Support - Post Oak
9. Ladies Auxillary - Jowntown
10. Men's Brotherhood - Wards Creek
11. Obituary - Friendship

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The messenger meeting of the Red River-Bowie Missionary Baptist Association began the annual session of 1975 at 10 A.M. with the Jowntown Missionary Baptist Church, in Johnston, Texas.

We began with a song, "If Jesus Goes With Me", led by Bro. Dale Reed, Pastor of the Sunset Missionary Baptist Church in Marshall, Texas and Mrs. Harvey Jean at the piano.

A petitionary letter from the Wards Creek Missionary Baptist Church of Sims, Texas, was read by the Clerk. A motion was made by Bro. Earl McBryde, second by Bro. James Garten, to accept the letter and seat the messengers from this church. The motion passed with no opposition.

The letters from the other churches were called for to be brought to the Clerk's desk.

Another song was sung, "Saviour Like a Shepherd Lead Us."

Bro. Hancock introduced Bro. Lynn McBryde, Pastor of the Unity Missionary Baptist Church of Texarkana to bring the devotional. Bro. McBryde closed his devotional with prayer.

We then heard the welcome to the Johnston Missionary Baptist Church by Bro. J. C. Hancock, host pastor.

A motion by Bro. H. L. Johnston was made, second by Bro. A. B. Kellam, to ask our visitors to sit in council with us. Passed.

A motion was made by Bro. B. A. Morris to read only the name of the Church and messengers from each letter. Second by Bro. H. L. Johnston and passed.

New pastors in the Association were then introduced. They were as follows: Bro. Carl Raleigh from Wards Creek; Bro. Bob Lindsey from Pinkham Memorial; Bro. Bill Anderson from New Hope.

The Moderator then asked the people to stand while he declared the one hundred thirty-second annual session of the Red River-Bowie Association ready to transact business. Bro. R. T. Stephens voiced the opening prayer.

The reading clerks were then appointed by the Moderator. They were Bro. B. A. Morris and Bro. Mike Withem. The reading clerks read the names of the Churches and the messengers for the alternates.

A motion by Bro. James Brown, second by Bro. A. B. Kellam, to delay the message to the eleven o'clock hour and to proceed with the business at hand. Motion passed.

We then went into the election of officers for the next year. They were as follows: Moderator, Bro. J. C. Hancock; Asst. Moderator, Bro. H. L. Johnston; Clerk, Bro. James Brown; Asst. Clerk, Bro. Mike Withem; Treasurer, Bro. G. P. Allen; Asst. Treasurer, Bro. Earl McBryde.

The Moderator then called for invitations for the 1976 meeting of the Association. We received invitations from West Side and Wards Creek. Wards Creek was elected.

There was a motion by Bro. James Brown and seconded by Bro. A. B. Kellam that the 1976 meeting be on Thursday, September 16. Passed.

We then had the election of a speaker for the next year. A motion was made by Bro. A. B. Kellam, second by Bro. Wilbourn Lee, that the second highest be the alternate speaker. Motion passed. Those nominated were: Bro. G. P. Allen, Bro. Carl Raleigh, Bro. Bob Lindsey. Bro. Carl

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Raleigh was elected to bring the annual message with Bro. Bob Lindsey as alternate.

The report on Orphans Home, prepared by the Avery Missionary Baptist Church and read by Bro. Earl McBryde, Pastor, was given. Bro. McBryde moved the adoption of the report, second by Bro. James Garten. Bro. McBryde then yielded his time to Bro. Harold Johnston, Superintendent of the Texarkana Baptist Orphans Home.

Bro. Johnston gave a very complete report on the Home and it's children. The report was also spoken to by Bro. J. C. Hancock concerning the visit made by the committee that was elected at the 1974 session of the Red River-Bowie Association. Also, the report was spoken to by Bro. Billy Daniels and Bro. J. T. McNabb. The report was adopted.

A motion was made by Bro. James Brown to receive an offering and place it in the general fund of the Association. The motion was seconded by Bro. A. B. Kellam and passed.

Bro. Dale Reed came to lead the congregation in singing, "Tell It To Jesus", with Sis. Glenn Gary at the piano. Bro. B. A. Morris led the prayer before the offering was received.

The Moderator called on Bro. H. L. Johnston, Asst. Moderator, to take charge of the services and to introduce the speaker for the annual message.

Bro. James Garten, Pastor of the Hillcrest Missionary Baptist Church in Paris, Texas, was introduced to bring the message. Bro. Garten read from II Chronicles, chapter 29, and spoke on the subject, "How the Local Church Can Be More Effective." Bro. Garten did a splendid job with the message that was enjoyed by all who attended. It was estimated that 125 people were in attendance to hear the message.

Bro. J. C. Hancock, again as Moderator, called on Bro. Curtis Hall to come and give to Bro. Lynn McBryde and to Bro. James Garten the hand of appreciation on behalf of the congregation for the devotional and message.

The report on Associational Missions was prepared by the Friendship Missionary Baptist Church and read by Bro. James Brown, Pastor. Bro. Brown moved the adoption of this report and it was seconded by Bro. H. L. Johnston. Bro. Brown yielded his time to Bro. Marvin Gardner, local missionary for the North East Texas Baptist Mission Council working in the city of Tyler, Texas. Bro. Gardner gave a good report on his work. Bro. Curtis Hall, local missionary for the North East Texas Baptist Council working in the city of Linden, Texas, came and gave a good report on his work. A report was read covering the last year. The report was adopted.

The Moderator then assigned the report for Interstate and Foreign Missions to Bro. H. L. Johnston, Bro. Carl Raleigh, and Bro. A. L. Patterson.

A motion was then made by Bro. James Brown, second by Bro. Wilbourn Lee, to adjourn until 1:00 P.M. The motion passed.

Announcements were made by Bro. Ray Brooks, Bro. Marvin Gardner, and Bro. Hancock. Prayer was then offered and thanks voiced for the noon meal by Bro. George Crawford, Pastor of the Longview Missionary Baptist Church in Longview, Texas.

A very delicious lunch was served by the ladies of the host Church and approximately 160 people enjoyed the lunch and fellowship.

At 1:00 P.M. the service was opened with a song, "O, How I Love Jesus", led by Bro. James Brown with Sis. Glenn Gary at the piano. Bro.

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J. C. Hancock, Moderator, called Bro. Carl Raleigh to lead in prayer.

The report on State Missions was called for. This report was prepared by the Pinkham Memorial Missionary Baptist Church and read by Bro. Bob Lindsey, Pastor. Motion was made by Bro. Lindsey, seconded by Bro. Brown, to adopt the report. Bro. Lindsey then yielded his time to Bro. Billy Daniels, State Corresponding Secretary and Treasurer of Missions for the Texas-New Mexico State Association of Missionary Baptist Churches. Bro. Daniels gave a report of the best year that we have ever had, spiritually and financially. The report passed.

The Moderator then made the assignment of the reports for the next year.

The Moderator then called for the report on Christian Education that had been prepared by the East Post Oak Missionary Baptist Church and read by Bro. Wilbourn Lee. Bro. Lee moved the adoption of the report and it was seconded by Bro. B. A. Morris. Bro. Lee spoke and called on Dr. R. O. Brooks, President of the Texas Baptist Institute and Seminary at Henderson for a report. Dr. Brooks spoke very encouraging words about the Christian Education. The report passed.

We then had the report on Denominational Literature, prepared by the Hillcrest Missionary Baptist Church and read by Bro. James Garten, Pastor. Bro. Garten moved the adoption of the report, seconded by Bro. H. L. Johnston and passed.

The Moderator then called for the report on Temperance, prepared by the New Hope Missionary Baptist Church and read by Bro. Bill Anderson, Pastor. Motion to adopt the report was made by Bro. Anderson, seconded by Bro. B. A. Morris and passed.

The report on Aged Ministers Aid was prepared by the Hopewell Missionary Baptist Church and read by Bro. A. B. Kellam, Pastor. Bro. Kellam moved the adoption of the report, seconded by Bro. J. T. McNabb, Jr. and passed.

The report on Ladies Auxiliary work was prepared by the West Side Missionary Baptist Church and read by Bro. B. A. Morris, Pastor. Bro. Morris moved the adoption of the report with the second by Bro. A. B. Kellam. The report was spoken to by Bro. Morris, Sis. H. L. Johnston, Sis. G. P. Allen, Bro. J. C. Hancock, Bro. Ed Rhodes, Bro. Tull, and Bro. Carl Raleigh and passed.

The report on Mens Brotherhood work was prepared by the Liberty Missionary Baptist Church and read by Bro. J. T. McNabb, Jr., Pastor. Bro. McNabb made the motion to approve the report and it was seconded by Bro. H. L. Johnston. The report was spoken to by Bro. McNabb and passed.

The Moderator then called for the report on Interstate and Foreign Missions that was prepared by the special committee appointed in the place of Hubbard Chapel Church. The report was read by Bro. H. L. Johnston and he moved the adoption of the report, seconded by Bro. G. P. Allen. It was spoken to by Bro. Johnston and passed.

We then heard the report on Obituaries, prepared by the Austin Chapel Missionary Baptist Church and read by Bro. G. P. Allen, Pastor. Bro. Allen moved the adoption, seconded by Bro. H. L. Johnston. The report called for a moment of silent prayer and the congregation stood for an oral prayer voiced by Bro. A. I. Bond. The report passed.

Bro. G. P. Allen came and gave the treasurer's report. Motion was made by Bro. James Brown to adopt the report and seconded by Bro. H. L. Johnston. The report was discussed by Bro. Allen, Bro. James Brown, and J. T. McNabb, Jr. and passed.

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A motion was made by Bro. James Brown, seconded by Bro. J. T. McNabb, Jr., that the remaining funds from the special committee to check into the Orphans Home be applied to the printing of the Minutes. Passed.

A motion was made by Bro. J. T. McNabb, Jr. and seconded by Bro. Earl McBryde to pay the clerk \$75.00. Passed.

A motion was made by Bro. Carl Raleigh, seconded by Bro. Tull, to pay the \$5.00 printing cost.

A motion was made by Bro. James Brown, seconded by Bro. B. A. Morris, to have a three pastor committee, appointed by the Moderator, to report next year on the Missionary Baptist Hour Broadcast. Passed.

This committee was Bro. Earl McBryde, Bro. G. P. Allen, and Bro. B. A. Morris. A motion was then made by Bro. Earl McBryde, seconded by Bro. James Brown to give the host church a standing vote of appreciation for the day. Passed and all stood.

A motion was made by Bro. James Brown, seconded by Bro. G. P. Allen, to devote one full page in the minute book to Johnstown in commemoration of her 100th birthday. Passed.

Motion by Bro. Brown, seconded by Bro. Morris, to devote some space to the churches of our Association that are over 100 years old. Passed.

Motion by Bro. James Brown and seconded by Bro. B. A. Morris to elect a history committee for the Association. Passed. Those elected were as follows: Chairman, Bro. H. L. Johnston, Bro. James Brown, Bro. J. T. McNabb, Jr., and Bro. Earl McBryde.

A word of thanks was given to the messengers for the confidence by the Association for receiving them.

Announcements were made.

Bro. H. L. Johnston moved that we adjourn, seconded by Bro. B. A. Morris, and passed.

REPORTS SUBMITTED TO THE ASSOCIATION IN 1975:

LADIES AUXILIARY WORK

The work done through the Ladies Auxiliary in a New Testament Church can and should be a very beneficial and rewarding aid to the church. Auxiliary as an organization is not aside from the church. It is an arm that renders service. First and foremost an auxiliary desires to learn more of God's Word and His will. And then strive to put this into practice. Many new workers and teachers can be encouraged by faithful and dedicated women who help to carry this work on. The following is one person's opinion of what an auxiliary is all about.

- U - Always willing to learn and witness
- U - United in every effort to do the will of God
- X - X-tra service, with joy and gladness
- I - Illuminating our lives with God's will and Word.
- L - Learning to be an individual and united help to the church
- I - Impress how important it is to stand fast to the faith
- A - Assuming our rightful place in the church
- R - Rendering service that is acceptable to God
- Y - Yielding blessings for faithful service

It is always good to look back over the years work and be proud, but one thing is sure, "To God be the glory."

Respectfully submitted,  
West Side Baptist Church  
B. A. Morris, Pastor

MEN'S BROTHERHOOD

We, your committee on men's brotherhood, submit the following report. Men's Brotherhood is an auxiliary of the church and works in conjunction with and not separate from the church.

In the great work which God has entrusted with us, there is a great joy in fellowship one with another. God has placed the great responsibility of leadership of the family and churches upon men. This is true, both in spiritual and material matters. Since this is true, the better trained and qualified the men are, the stronger our Lord's churches will be.

Paul instructed Timothy in II Timothy 2:2, "And the thing that thou hast heard of me among many witnesses, the same commit thou to faithful men, who shall be able to teach others also." In as much as there are many methods of training, we feel that through the brotherhood is one of the best.

In as much as the great responsibility of leadership rests upon the shoulders of faithful men, it is wise for brethren to counsel together one with another. Through counsel, prayer and study of God's Word, the many problems and plans of the church are openly expressed and solved before they become church problems.

We recommend a men's brotherhood for each church.  
Respectfully submitted,  
Liberty Missionary Baptist Church  
J. T. McNabb, Jr., Pastor

ASSOCIATIONAL MISSIONS

We, the Friendship Missionary Baptist Church, submit the following report on Associational Missions. We believe that the Bible very plainly teaches that the local independent church of the Lord Jesus Christ is to do mission work. Matthew 28:18-20.

Missions have always been the life-blood of the local church. It was not until the early church branched out and "went everywhere preaching the gospel" that it began to grow and enjoy the blessings of God in the fullest.

We further believe that Acts chapter one gives us the proper way to carry on our mission program. Namely, we are to preach the gospel at home FIRST. This is local missions. We do not believe that mission work can be done scripturally any other way.

The churches of the Red River-Bowie Association are to be commended for the good job that they have done this past year in Associational Missions. The financial report shows that Associational Mission receipts almost doubled from the year before.

We heartily recommend the continued support of the Tyler, Texas, mission project and Bro. Marvin Gardner, missionary; the Linden, Texas, mission project and Bro. Curtis Hall, missionary, through the North East

Texas Baptist Mission Council.  
We urge all churches of the Red River-Bowie Association to prayerfully consider supporting Associational Missions with our prayers and other needed support.

Respectfully submitted,  
Friendship Missionary Baptist Church  
James R. Brown, Pastor

#### ORPHAN'S HOME

James 1:27 states, "Pure religion and undefiled before God and the Father is this: To visit the fatherless and widows in their affliction and to keep himself unspotted from the world." Therefore, it is the responsibility of the Lord's churches to meet the needs of our Orphan's Home located at Texarkana.

Bro. Harold M. Johnston is the Superintendent and reports that all the children are well and their needs are being met. At the present there are ten boys in the home of which four are attending Texarkana Junior College. There are two boys and two girls that have been placed in foster homes. The Orphan's Home pays these foster parents \$80.00 per month per child. One child is in rehabilitation at Conway, Ark.

It is our recommendation that our churches continue to support the Orphan's Home with our prayers and finances.

Respectfully submitted,  
Avery Missionary Baptist Church  
Earl McByrde, Pastor

#### STATE MISSIONS

We, your committee on State Missions, submit the following report. It is our prayer that the churches composing the Red River-Bowie Association give their full support to State Missions. Acts 1:8 shows State Mission work is commanded of God.

The Apostle Paul, one of the greatest missionaries who ever lived, asked the following in Romans 10:14,15, "How shall they call on Him in whom they have not believed? and how shall they believe in Him of whom they have not heard? and how shall they hear without a preacher? and how shall they preach except they be sent?"

We realize that not everyone can leave his home and work and go into the State Mission field, but it is our duty as a blessed privilege to support those who do answer the call of God and do mission work.

We, therefore, recommend that each church in this Association support our missionaries in Texas and New Mexico with prayer and financial support.

Respectfully submitted,  
Pinkham Memorial Missionary Baptist Church  
Bob Lindsey, Pastor

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#### REPORT ON TEMPERANCE

We, the New Hope Missionary Baptist Church, submit the following report on Temperance.

In Galatians 5:22,23 we see temperance is one of the fruits of the Holy Spirit. We have these fruits within us because God put them there as His work within us. If we use God's blessings as pleasure seeking people we shall go as all pleasure seeking people of the world have gone.

Reading on in Galatians 6:7,8 we note, "God is not mocked...." Also, we shall reap what we sow. In life, life is what we make of life. In the beginning of every life all have the same possibility for joy or sorrow, peace or contention, plenty or want, good or bad. Each life has a seed time and a harvest time. What we do today influences our tomorrow. Paul said, "I was obedient to the heavenly vision." That's why Paul's life was spirit led. On the undesired walk in life, first Psalms warns against walking in the counsel of the ungodly. God is not pleased when we conduct ourselves in such counsel. Every wrong step is a seed to the flesh. Jesus has the power to keep that which our heavenly Father has given Him.

You are today what yesterday's experience made you. Never before in history do we need more workers to prepare for tomorrow. We recommend that our people be temperate in all things.

Respectfully submitted,  
New Hope Missionary Baptist Church  
Bill Anderson, Pastor

#### DENOMINATIONAL LITERATURE

Today there are folds of literature on every hand being directed toward the purpose of "influencing people." We believe that literature is an avenue that can be used for the purpose of helping people in Bible study, leading them to the Lord and His church, or it can be used wrongly to lead people away from the study of the Bible, away from Christ, and away from His church.

This is why we feel that it is so important to continue the prayerful support of the use of literature that holds to the truth as it was "once delivered to the saints." We believe that our A.B.A. literature does this and we highly recommend its use for anyone desiring truth.

Respectfully submitted,  
Hillcrest Missionary Baptist Church  
James Garten, Pastor

#### AGED MINISTERS RELIEF

Recognizing that our Association has no program to aid older ministers whose lives and service have been a great blessing to churches and the people of our Association as they defended the faith. May God help us never to forget the sacrifice they have made.

May we recommend that each church consider paying their pastor's self-employment tax.  
And when some special need due to sickness or accident arises, let

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each church be notified and come to that minister's aid by special offerings and prayers.

Respectfully submitted,  
Hopewell Missionary Baptist Church  
A. B. Kellam, Pastor

EAST POST OAK MISSIONARY BAPTIST CHURCH  
Thomas Edgar Low  
AIKIN GROVE MISSIONARY BAPTIST CHURCH  
Elmer Stroud (Deacon)  
Hugh Pannell  
WEST SIDE MISSIONARY BAPTIST CHURCH  
Neil Floyd  
Orue Lewis  
C. H. Palmer  
C. E. Perkins  
HILLCREST MISSIONARY BAPTIST CHURCH  
John Harris  
AVERY MISSIONARY BAPTIST CHURCH  
Bertha Boze  
Cora Russell  
Ray Cathey  
Eddie Robinson  
Nat Webb

Christ gave the commission to go into all the world, Matthew 28:19-20. First: To teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and the Son, and the Holy Ghost, teaching them to observe all things that He had commanded and that He would be with them to the end of the world. For over 1900 years we have carried the message of salvation and baptized the believer and have taught the faith "once delivered to the saints." We have established the Lord's churches as commanded and we encourage all churches to support Interstate and Foreign Missions.

Respectfully submitted,  
H. L. Johnston  
A. L. Patterson  
L. C. Raleigh

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

Learning about God and His instructions, plans and purpose for man is very important; and although we recommend the school at Henderson and believe it to be doing a very important and a very good work, let us not forget the importance of not only taking those little ones to church and Sunday School to be taught about God and the things of God, but also that Christian education should begin in the home. For if the home goes down, will not everything else go down too?

For those whom the Lord has called to preach or other Christian workers, we recommend sound church sponsored schools such as The Texas Baptist Institute and Seminary and the A.B.A. Mexican Baptist Institute and their support.

Respectfully submitted,  
Post Oak Missionary Baptist Church

REPORT ON OBITUARY

We, the Austin Chapel Missionary Baptist Church, do submit the following Obituary report.

These dear brothers and sisters have, in the past year, departed this life to be with the Lord. We humbly request that we stand for a moment of silent prayer at the end of the reading of this report.

- FRIENDSHIP MISSIONARY BAPTIST CHURCH
- Winnie Tuggle
- Myrtle Caldwell
- AUSTIN CHAPEL MISSIONARY BAPTIST CHURCH
- Shorty Bunger (Deacon)
- Ola Batchlor
- HOPEWELL MISSIONARY BAPTIST CHURCH
- Nellie Rathburn
- Eugene Moore
- JOHNTOWN MISSIONARY BAPTIST CHURCH
- Orville Glenn Evans

REPORT ON LADIES AUXILIARY WORK  
RED RIVER-BOWIE MISSIONARY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION  
1974-75

President	Mrs. H. L. Johnston	New Haven
Vice-President	Mrs. Earl McBryde	Avery
Secretary	Mrs. G. P. Allen	Austin Chapel
Assistant	Mrs. Myra Jean	Johntown
Song Director	Mrs. Thelma Cunningham	Pinkham Memorial
Assistant	Mrs. Lee Russel	Austin Chapel
Reporter	Mrs. Earl McBryde	Avery
Assistant	Mrs. Ealine Hodson	Pinkham Memorial
Tract Distributor	Mrs. Florence Pirtle	Johntown
Assistant	Mrs. Ross Mitchell	New Haven

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

November 5, 1974:	\$58.21	Halton City
February 4, 1975	\$75.00	Tyler Land Fund
May 5, 1975	\$79.85	Tyler Land Fund
August 5, 1975	\$54.47	Tyler Mission

PERSONAL SERVICE AND FINANCIAL REPORT:

Personal Calls	789
Visits to Sick and Shut-Ins	1700
Visits to Comfort	321
Telephone Calls	1611
Flowers Sent	348



Cards and Letters Sent	1570
Trays Sent	640
Bibles Given	8
Tracts Distributed	649
Soul Talks	116
Ladies Donated Service	705
Amount Raised	\$2168.48
Missions	\$1074.55
Christian Education	98.20
Church Building Fund	542.00
Minutes	35.00
Flowers	37.20
Miscellaneous	166.76
Total Brought to Meeting	\$135.00

The following Churches of this Association reported an active

Ladies Auxillary:  
 AUSTIN CHAPEL: President, Mrs. G. P. Allen, Rt. 3, Dekalb, Texas 75559; Secretary, Mrs. Clara Bunger, Rt. 3, Dekalb, Texas 75559, Number Enrolled, 9; Day of Meeting, 2nd and 4th Wednesday; Amount of money raised, \$978.12.  
 AVERY: President, Mrs. Virgie Holder, Rt. 2, Avery, Texas 75554; Secretary, Mrs. Betty Keiso, Rt. 1, Avery, Texas 75554; Number Enrolled, 11; Day of Meeting, Tuesday; Amount of money raised, \$656.80.

EAST POST OAK: President, Mrs. Mary Reeves, Rt. 1, Blossom, Texas 75416; Secretary, Mrs. Iva Stevens, Rt. 1, Detroit, Texas 75436; Number Enrolled, 11; Day of Meeting, 1st and 3rd Tuesdays; Amount of money raised, \$76.45.  
 FRIENDSHIP: President, Mrs. James R. Brown, 600 E. Comanche, Clarksville, Texas 75426; Secretary, Mrs. James Rodden, Box 134, Clarksville, Texas 75426; Number Enrolled, 13; Day of Meeting, Wednesday; Amount of money raised, \$427.44.

JOHNTOWN: President, Mrs. Mildred Mayfield, Rt. 1, Bogata, Texas 75417; Secretary, Mrs. Florence Pirrtle, Rt. 1, Bogata, Texas 75417; Number Enrolled, 6; Day of Meeting, Tuesday; Amount of money raised, \$891.54.

NEW HAVEN: President, Mrs. H. L. Johnston, Rt. 6, Clarksville, Texas 75426; Secretary, Mrs. Ross Mitchell, 1406 W. Jackson, Clarksville, Texas 75426; Number Enrolled, 12; Day of Meeting, Tuesday; Amount of money raised, \$945.00.

PINKHAM MEMORIAL: President, Mrs. Thelma Cunningham, 145 S.W. Broadway, Dekalb, Texas 75559; Secretary, Mrs. Sydnie Forsyth, Rt. 4, Dekalb, Texas 75559; Number Enrolled, 12; Day of Meeting, Wednesday; Amount of money raised, \$525.99.

WEST SIDE: President, Mrs. Carrie Tidwell, New Boston, Texas 75570; Secretary, Mrs. Pearl Williams, New Boston, Texas 75570; Number Enrolled, 15; Day of Meeting, 2nd and 4th Tuesday; Amount of money raised, \$599.47.

WHERE TO SEND OFFERINGS:

Associational Radio Program, G. P. Allen, Rt. 3, Dekalb, Texas 75559  
 Local Missions (N.E.T.B.M.C.), Sammy Whatley, Box 832, Lone Star, Texas 75668  
 State Missions, Billy Daniels, Box 1694, Corsicana, Texas 75110  
 Texas Baptist Institute, Box 591, Henderson, Texas 75652  
 Interstate and Foreign Missions, Box 1050, Texarkana 75501  
 Texarkana Baptist Orphanage, Box 611, Texarkana 75501  
 A.B.A. Mexican Baptist Institute, Box 922, McAllen, Texas 78501

GENERAL INFORMATION CONCERNING EACH CHURCH

AIKIN GROVE: Pastor, Eld. Mark Aydelott, 408½ East Dadison, Clarksville, Texas 75426; Clerk, Uious Humphrey, Rt. 6, Clarksville, Texas 75426; Sunday School Superintendent, Thomas Burgess; Secretary, Jerrrie Burgess; Enrollment, 28; Number Classes, 3; Amount Raised, \$875.21; Deacons: Bill Hammer, Frank Northcut, John Towns.

AUSTIN CHAPEL: Pastor, Eld. G. P. Allen, Rt. 3, Dekalb, Texas 75559; Clerk, Mrs. Clara Bunger, Rt. 3, Dekalb, Texas 75559; Sunday School Superintendent, Lee Russell; Secretary, Lena Fay White; Number Classes, 10; Enrollment, 128; Kind of Literature used, A.B.A.; Deacons: Clyde Hot, H. A. Tidwell, R. O. Tidwell, Herbert Hanna, T. C. White, N. A. Churchill.

AVERY: Pastor, Eld. Earl McBryde, Box 41, Avery, Texas 75554; Clerk, Inez Webb, Rt. 2, Avery, Texas 75554; Sunday School Superintendent, Elton Roseberry; Secretary, Betty Keiso; Enrollment, 165; Number Classes, 16; Amount Raised, \$20,239.89; Deacons: Morris Downs, Marvin Stearman, Elton Roseberry, Alvin Peacock, Wilson Grant.

EAST POST OAK: Pastor, Eld. Mike Withem, Rt. 1, Detroit, Texas 75436; Clerk, Mrs. Alvis Bates, Rt. 2, Paris, Texas 75460; Sunday School Superintendent, Leo Reeves; Secretary, Mrs. Nora Tyler; Number Classes, 10; Amount Raised, \$12,581.47; Deacons: Claude Tyler, Ross Mills, Wittie Lee, Jim Lee.

FRIENDSHIP: Pastor, Eld. James R. Brown, 600 E. Comanche, Clarksville, Texas 75426; Clerk, Mrs. Wayne Reed, 1205 W. Jackson, Clarksville, Texas 75426; Sunday School Superintendent, Bobby Brown; Secretary, Mrs. Robert Smiley; Enrollment, 135; Number Classes, 11; Deacons: G. A. Hines, Sr., Edmond McConnell, Buddy Pope, Bobby Hines.

HILLCREST: Pastor, Eld. James Garten, 2555 E. Cherry, Paris, Texas 75460; Clerk, Velma Whitley, 2380 Beverly Dr., Paris, Texas 75460; Sunday School Superintendent, R. M. Parker; Secretary, Doris Fortner; Enrollment, 119; Number Classes, 12; Amount Raised, \$17,882.41; Deacons: Leonard Johnson, R. M. Parker.

HOPEWELL: Pastor, Eld. A. B. Keilham, Rt. 6, Clarksville, Texas 75426; Clerk, Susan Beasley, Rt. 1, Bagwell, Texas 75412; Sunday School Superin-

tendent, Denneth Henderson; Secretary, Margaret McGuire; Number Classes, 5; Amount Raised, \$2,819.55; Deacons: Bryon Duren, Nolan Meredith, C. C. Monkhouse, Tom Roberts.

HUBBARD CHAPEL: Pastor, None at present; Clerk, Mrs. Herman Jackson, Rt. 1, Dekalb, Texas 75559; Sunday School Superintendent, Ronnie McMillen; Secretary, Donna Knight; Enrollment, 71; Number Classes, 7; Amount Raised, \$11,515.55; Deacon: A. H. Richardson, Thomas Shelton, Malcolm Knight, Robert Kennedy, Ronnie McMillion, Lester Stout.

JOHNTOWN: Pastor, Eld. J. C. Hancock, Rt. 1, Bogata, Texas 75417; Clerk, None Listed; Sunday School Superintendent, Francis Foster; Secretary, Janet Hancock; Enrollment, 80; Number Classes, 10; Amount Raised, \$18,740.70; Deacons: Dewey Howard, Francis Foster, Harvey Jean, Drive Pirtle, Dale House.

LIBERTY: Pastor, Eld. J. T. McNabb, Jr., Box 367, Blossom, Texas 75416; Clerk, Vesta Patterson, Detroit, Texas 75436; Sunday School Superintendent Bobby McLaughlin; Secretary, Budie Adams; Number Classes, 4; Amount Raised, \$5,222.56; Deacons: Ray Fry, Dennis Pearce, Rudy Patterson, Horace Mitchell.

MT. PLEASANT: Pastor, Eld. Monty Aydelott, 104 E. Monroe, Clarksville, Texas 75426; Clerk, Doris Carey, Rt. 1, Bagwell, Texas; Sunday School Superintendent, Raymond Jeffers; Secretary, Lucille Enox; Enrollment, 25; Number Classes, 3; Amount Raised, \$2,523.00; Deacons: Raymond Jeffers, Ernest Carey.

NEW HAVEN: Pastor, Eld. H. L. Johnston, Rt. 6, Clarksville, Texas 75426; Clerk, Sandra Shipp, Rt. 6, Clarksville, Texas 75426; Sunday School Superintendent, Jimmy D. Vickers; Secretary, Janet Vickers; Enrollment, 100; Number Classes, 8; Amount Raised, \$7,106.42; Deacons: Bob Tull, Audrey Raulston, Howard Westbrook.

NEW HOPE: Pastor, Eld. Bill Anderson, Rt. 4, Mt. Pleasant, Texas 75455; Clerk, Leo McMillion, Rt. 2, Dekalb, Texas 75559; Sunday School Superintendent, Dewey Murphy; Secretary, Leo McMillion; Enrollment, 50; Number Classes, 3; Amount Raised, \$3,577.58; Deacons: Dewey Murphy, Leo McMillion.

PINKHAM MEMORIAL: Pastor, Eld. Robert Lindsey, 117 S.E. Browning, Dekalb, Texas 75559; Clerk, Mrs. Pauline Shumake, Rt. 1, Dekalb, Texas 75559; Sunday School Superintendent, Robert Shumake; Secretary, Sydria Forsyth; Enrollment, 60; Number Classes, 8; Amount Raised, \$8,107.86; Deacons: Bryant Elliott, Louis Forsyth, Gay Shumake, Robert Shumake, Lanan Clark, L. E. May, Odis Rogers.

WARDS CREEK: Pastor, Eld. Carl Raleigh, Avery, Texas 75554; Clerk, Pearlie May, Rt. 1, Dekalb, Texas 75559; Sunday School Superintendent, John M. Proctor; Secretary, Mrs. Oran Baugh; Number Classes, 6; Amount Raised, \$9,179.64; Deacons: Oran Baugh, Velton Helley, Walter Heffley.

WEST SIDE: Pastor, Eld. B. A. Morris, Box 21, New Boston, Texas 75570; Clerk, Ozell Thompson, Rt. 2, New Boston, Texas 75570; Sunday School Superintendent, R. E. Bailey; Secretary, Marjorie Alford; Enrollment,

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152: Number Classes, 15; Amount Raised, \$19,312.68; Deacons: S. R. Shute, Jimmy Brown, Hansel Jones, Bruce Tidwell, R. E. Bailey, Sam Stewart, Edd Hawkins.

#### 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.

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**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 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, 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	T. H. Bolt
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	Z. C. Humphrey
1919	Hopewell #1	W. F. Brooks	W. R. Davis	W. F. Brooks	B. D. Stewart
1920	Davis Chapel	J. B. Watson	W. R. Davis	J. Whitecotton	A. S. Crow
1921	Aikin Grove	W. R. Davis	W. R. Davis	J. C. Powell	
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	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	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

1956	Friendship	Melvin Finley	R. F. Stevens	Jim Taylor	E. L. Merrill
1957	West Side	E. C. Mooney	A. Downing	Veo Glover	F. L. Merrill
1958	Avery	G. F. Crumley	J. H. Kesner	Veo Glover	G. E. White
1959	New Haven	J. H. Kesner	A. Downing	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	Mr. 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 Memorial	A. Downing	Cecil Purcell	H. L. Johnston	Jerry Coffman
1968	Johnstown	Cecil Hill	Cecil Purcell	H. L. Johnston	A. Downing
1969	Friendship	M. A. Gardner	Lloyd Koper	A. Downing	M. A. Gardner
1970	Post Oak	J. C. Henderson	Lloyd Koper	A. Downing	M. A. Gardner
1971	Avery	Darrell Owens	A. Downing	A. Downing	G. P. Allen
1972	Hillcrest	R. A. Morris	A. Downing	J. R. Brown	G. P. Allen
1973	Austin Chapel	A. I. Bond	Bob Griffith	J. R. Brown	G. P. Allen
1974	Friendship	J. T. McNabb	J. C. Hancock	J. R. Brown	G. P. Allen
1975	Johnstown	James Garten	J. C. Hancock	J. R. Brown	G. P. Allen

TREASURER

CLERK

MODERATOR

INTRO. SERMON

CHURCH

YEAR

	ADDITONS	LOSES	PRESENT MEMBERSHIP	PASTOR'S SALARY	ASSOCIATIONAL MISSIONS (LOCAL)	STATE MISSIONS	INTERSTATE AND FOREIGN MISSIONS	TEXAS MISSION DEVELOPMENT	TOTAL TO MISSIONS	CHRISTIAN EDUCATION	ORPHAN'S HOME	RADIO FUND	BUILDING AND REPAIRS	TOTAL PAID OUT
AIKIN GROVE	9	3	85	1,915.11			60.00		200.66	120.66	20.00	40.00	266.40	2,392.17
AUSTIN CHAPEL	17	10	223	7,999.00	130.00	277.50	1,226.93	1,016.56	3,264.43	613.44		60.00	3,277.56	19,941.26
AVERY	13	17	380	7,400.00	1,703.17	714.00	1,428.18		3,845.44	774.09	120.00	115.00	10,675.49	28,736.85
EAST POST OAK	19	5	154	6,000.00	599.63	599.62	599.62		2,166.71	712.96	75.00	60.00	1,541.32	14,209.07
FRIENDSHIP	19	9	307	7,720.00	1,833.10	644.69	711.44		3,793.05	603.82		120.00	10,306.55	25,665.07
HILLCREST	20	16	257	6,240.00	937.90	468.95	937.90	191.24	3,356.42	660.19	191.24		8,582.18	25,999.14
HOPEWELL	11	7	193	4,150.00	120.00				120.00	93.94			740.75	5,805.94
HUBBARD CHAPEL	0	9	153	5,940.00		207.48	622.44		1,244.88	207.48	207.48		4,215.43	13,757.14
JOHNTOWN	8	6	191	9,384.60	2,953.08	372.77	372.77		4,071.39	372.77	60.00	115.00	22,997.31	41,699.83
LIBERTY	2	2	39	3,800.00	155.62	149.54	329.47	15.00	634.63	25.00	140.62		308.50	5,631.46
MT. PLEASANT	2	3	39	1,450.00		60.00	60.00		120.00		20.00	6.00	228.00	2,249.68
NEW HAVEN	5	4	190	5,300.00	1,172.53	718.59	1,012.20	39.00	2,581.26			48.00	161.61	11,111.49
NEW HOPE	7	4	53	950.00	79.00	63.98	56.50		199.48	87.00	43.00			1,471.46
PINKHAM MEMORIAL	26	11	197	6,612.00	545.01	545.01	545.01		2,180.04	545.01			6,180.55	18,459.68
WARDS CREEK	8	6	148	4,800.00	525.63		632.61		1,158.24	205.00	156.98		823.87	8,506.35
WEST SIDE	28	20	335	8,900.00	1,513.50	254.87	764.61		2,787.85		254.87		1,201.36	20,390.10
TOTALS	177	123	2711	81,845.60	11,622.54	5,077.00	8,667.07	1,261.80	36,365.58	4,928.70	1,269.19	524.00	70,416.16	\$235,128.17

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