



1998

Yearbook

Of The

Red River-Bowie

Missionary Baptist

Association Of Churches

**MINUTES OF THE
155TH ANNUAL SESSION
OF THE**

**RED RIVER-BOWIE
MISSIONARY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION**

SEPTEMBER 10, 1998

HOSTED BY

**WARDS CREEK
MISSIONARY BAPTIST CHURCH
SIMMS, TEXAS**

OFFICERS FOR 1998-99

**MODERATOR – BRO. STEVEN HILL
VICE MODERATOR – BRO. WAYNE STRINGER
CLERK/TREASURER – BRO. RODDY JACKSON
ASSISTANT CLERK/TREAS. – BRO. JAMES BROWN**

**ANNUAL SERMON – BRO. BILLY TURPIN
ALTERNATE – BRO. MIKE MITCHELL**

1999 HOST CHURCH

**AVERY MISSIONARY BAPTIST CHURCH
AVERY, TEXAS**

SEPTEMBER 9, 1999

ORDER OF BUSINESS

1. Reading of Letters and Enrolling of Messengers.
2. Petitionary Letters.
3. Election of Officers.
4. Miscellaneous Business
5. Special Order of Business.
6. Introductory Sermon.
7. Hearing of Various Reports.
8. Special Reports.
9. Treasurer's Report.
10. Resolution of Thanks to the Host Church.

RULES OF DECORUM

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

HISTORICAL ROLL OF THE RED RIVER-BOWIE ASSOCIATION

1994	Hooks	Joe Shafer	Roddy Jackson	David Wilson	Kevin Plaster
1995	Friendship	Joe Stevens	James Kitchens	James R. Brown	A.B. Kellam
1996	Hopewell	Wayne Stringer	James Kitchens	James R. Brown	A.B. Kellam
1997	East Post Oak	Gene Smith	Joe Stevens	James R. Brown	James Brown
1998	Wards Creek	Steven Hill	Joe Stevens	James R. Brown	James Brown

*Selected at previous year's meeting

ASSIGNMENT OF REPORTS FOR 1999

Associational Missions
 Interstate and Foreign Missions
 State Missions
 Christian Education
 A.B.A. Literature
 Temperance
 Orphan's Home
 Aged Minister's Support
 Ladies' Auxiliary
 Men's Brotherhood
 Youth
 Obituary
 Aikin Grove
 Westside
 Wards Creek
 Friendship
 Hooks
 Pinkham
 Johtown
 Austin Chapel
 East Post Oak
 Avery
 New Haven
 Liberty

WHERE TO SEND OFFERINGS

Missionary Baptist Hour – Bro. James Brown, P.O. Box 155
 Clarksville, TX 75426
 Local Missions – N.E.T.B.M.C., Bro. Billy Daniels
 P.O. Box 855 Bogata, TX 75417
 State Missions – Bro. Luther Crawford, P.O. Box 348
 Corsicana, TX 75151-0438
 Interstate & Foreign Missions – Bro. Randy Cloud, P.O. Box 1050
 Texarkana, TX 75504
 Texarkana Baptist Institute & Seminary – P.O. Box 570
 Henderson, TX 75653
 Mexican Baptist Institute – P.O. Box 771
 McAllen, TX 78502
 Texas Mission Development –
 Texas Mission Builders – Bro. Leroy Smith, 13895 CR 4175 S
 Laneville, TX 75667
 Pine Springs Encampment – 3386 FM 1798 W
 Laneville, TX 75667
 Texas History & Archives – P.O. Box 570
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*Selected at previous year's meeting

Jerry Coffman	1964	Avery
Jerry Coffman	1965	New Haven
Jerry Coffman	1966	West Side
Jerry Coffman	1967	Pinkham Memorial
A. Downing	1968	Johnstown
M.A. Gardner	1969	Friendship
J.C. Henderson	1970	Post Oak
Darrel Owens	1971	Avery
Hillcrest	1972	Hillcrest
Austin Chapel	1973	Austin Chapel
Friendship	1974	Friendship
Johnstown	1975	Johnstown
Wards Creek	1976	Wards Creek
Hopewell	1977	Hopewell
Avery	1978	Avery
Austin Chapel	1979	Austin Chapel
Johnstown	1980	Johnstown
New Haven	1981	New Haven
1982	1982	Avery
Friendship	1983	Friendship
Johnstown	1984	Johnstown
1985	1985	East Post Oak
1986	1986	Faith
1987	1987	Johnstown
1988	1988	Hopewell
1989	1989	Wards Creek
1990	1990	New Haven
1991	1991	Pinkham Memorial
1992	1992	Avery
1993	1993	Johnstown
H.L. Johnston	1964	H.L. Johnston
H.L. Johnston	1965	H.L. Johnston
H.L. Johnston	1966	H.L. Johnston
Jerry Coffman	1967	Jerry Coffman
A. Downing	1968	Cecil Pucell
Cecil Pucell	1969	Cecil Pucell
M.A. Gardner	1970	M.A. Gardner
J.C. Henderson	1971	J.C. Henderson
B.A. Morris	1972	B.A. Morris
A.I. Bond	1973	A.I. Bond
J.T. McNabb	1974	J.T. McNabb
James Garten	1975	James Garten
Carl Raleigh	1976	Carl Raleigh
Lynn Hill	1977	Lynn Hill
Don Rainey	1978	Don Rainey
Lynn Hinkle	1979	Lynn Hinkle
James McBride	1980	James McBride
J.R. Mc Dougal	1981	J.R. Mc Dougal
Jim Henry	1982	Jim Henry
James Hinkle	1983	James Hinkle
James Hinkle	1984	James Hinkle
Joe Helms	1985	Joe Helms
Ervin Gould	1986	Ervin Gould
Charles Johnson	1987	Charles Johnson
A.B. Kellam	1988	A.B. Kellam
Ervin Gould	1989	Ervin Gould
Ervin Gould	1990	Ervin Gould
Guy Culver	1991	Guy Culver
James R. Brown	1992	James R. Brown
James R. Brown	1993	James R. Brown
Roddy Jackson	1994	Roddy Jackson
John Sanders	1995	John Sanders
Billy Daniels	1996	Billy Daniels
Billy Daniels	1997	Billy Daniels
Billy Daniels	1998	Billy Daniels
Billy Daniels	1999	Billy Daniels
Kevin Plaster	2000	Kevin Plaster

**MINUTES OF THE
RED RIVER-BOWIE
MISSIONARY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION
MESSENGER MEETING
SEPTEMBER 10, 1998
WARDS CREEK MISSIONARY BAPTIST CHURCH**

The Annual Messenger Meeting of the Red River-Bowie Missionary Baptist Association was opened at 10:00 a.m. with Bro. Steven Hill leading the congregation singing "At the Cross".

Moderator, Bro. Joe Stevens asked the people to be seated and called Bro. Billy Turpin, pastor of Johnstown MBC to bring the morning devotional and open the meeting with prayer at the end of his devotional.

Bro. James Eddins, host pastor, extended a welcome to everyone and made announcements.

New pastors present were James Eddins, Ward Creek; Calvin Permitter, Liberty; Billy Turpin, Johnstown; and Mike Mitchell, Friendship.

Visitors recognized were Bro. Ray Brooks, Bro. Billy Daniels, Bro. Calvin Hancock, Bro. Sam Glover, Bro. Larry Tanner, Bro. Luther Crawford, Bro. Roy Fikac, and Bro. Larry Neeley.

As the congregation stood the moderator, Bro. Joe Stevens declared the One Hundred Fifty-fifth Session of the Red River-Bowie Association open for business. Bro. Wayne Stringer led the opening prayer.

The moderator asked the clerk to read the associational letters. Bro. James Brown moved that only the churches names and messengers be read. It was seconded by Bro. Steven Hill. Motion passed.

The associational letters were read and Bro. Brown moved that the messengers be seated with our visitors

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1935	New Haven	L.A. Stidham	J.B. Watson	L.H. Peterson	A.I. Bond
1936	Post Oak	L.H. Patterson	J.B. Watson	L.H. Peterson	A.I. Bond
1937	Akin Grove	L.E. Watson	J.B. Watson	L.H. Peterson	A.I. Bond
1938	Hopewell	L.E. Walker	J.B. Watson	L.H. Peterson	A.I. Bond
1939	Rehoboth	J.B. Watson	J.B. Watson	G. Bramlett	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	H. Humphrey
1944	Maple Creek	L.H. Patterson	L.H. Patterson	Jim Dodson	H. Humphrey
1945	Hopewell	H.L. Long	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. Johnson	Jim Dodson	E.L. Duren
1951	New HOpe	R.T. Stevens	J.L. Johnson	G.F. Crumley	R.T. Stevens
1952	Avery	C.R. Crumley	R.T. Stevens	G.F. Crumley	R.F. Tull
1953	New Haven	H.L. Johnson	R.T. Stevens	A.I. Bond	R.F. Tull
1954	Hodgson	Cecil Hill	H.L. Johnson	R.E. Deem	E.L. Merrill
1955	Lydia	R.E. Deem	R.T. Stevens	R.E. Deem	E.L. Merrill
1956	Friendship	Melvin Finley	R.T. Stevens	Jim Taylor	E.L. Merrill
1957	West Side	E.C. Mooney	A. Downing	Voe Glover	E.L. Merrill
1958	Avery	C.F. Crumley	A. Downing	Voe Glover	G.E. White
1959	New Haven	J.H. Kesner	J.H. Kesner	Voe Glover	G.E. White
1960	Hodgson	H.L. Johnson	R.C. Burt	Voe Glover	Billy Pearson
1961	Avery	C.F. Crumley	R.C. Burt	J.H. Kesner	Lynn McBryd
1962	Mt Pleasant	J.H. Kesner	R.C. Burt	G.E. White	Lynn McBryd
1963	Austin Chapel	J.B. Watson	J.T. McNabb	G.E. White	Lynn McBryd

being invited to sit in deliberation. Motion was seconded and passed.

A petitionary letter was read by the clerk from the Oak Ridge M.B.C. of Maud, Texas to affiliate with the Red River-Bowie Association. Bro. Carl Raleigh made the motion to accept them into our fellowship. Motion was seconded and passed.

The moderator called for the election of officers for the coming year. The following officers were elected: Bro. Steven Hill, Moderator; Bro. Wayne Stringer, Vice Moderator; Bro. Roddy Jackson, Clerk/Treasurer; Bro. James Brown, Asst. Clerk/Treasurer.

Bro. Billy Turpin was elected to preach the 1999 Annual Sermon with Bro. Mike Mitchell as the alternate. Avery MBC was selected as the meeting place for 1999.

The moderator called for the Report on State Missions. The report was prepared by the East Post Oak MBC and read by the pastor, Bro. E. R. Reynolds who moved the adoption of the report. Bro. Gene Smith seconded the motion. Bro. Reynolds yielded his time to speak to Bro. Luther Crawford, Secretary – Treasurer of Missions for the State of Texas. This report was also spoken to by Bro. Roy Fikac, state missionary in Round Rock, Texas. Both men gave good reports on their work. The motion to adopt this report carried.

Bro. Wayne Stringer presented a report on the Texas Mission Builders Program. Bro. Larry Chandler, a full time worker for the T.M.B. gave his report. The report was adopted. Bro. Wayne Stringer moved that the T.M.B. report be added to our local minute book. The motion was seconded by Bro. Bill Johnson and passed.

The moderator asked the congregation to stand while Bro. Kitchens led a special prayer for Bro. A. B. Kellam, pastor of Hopewell MBC and other prayer requests.

The moderator asked Bro. Larry Neeley, pastor of the Hughes Springs MBC to come and introduce the speaker for the annual message. Bro. Steven Hill, pastor of the New Haven MBC brought the message, "Such As I Have", Acts 3. Bro. Hill did a splendid job.

Bro. James Brown moved to adjourn until 1:00 p.m. Bro. James Edkins seconded the motion. Motion carried.

AFTERNOON SESSION — 1:00 P.M.

The afternoon session opened with the song "O How I Love Jesus" led by Bro. James Brown. The congregation stood on the last verse and Bro. Joe Stevens led the prayer.

A special in song was presented by Debbie Binning of the Oak Ridge MBC.

Bro. Mike Mitchell, pastor of Friendship MBC was called by the moderator to bring the afternoon devotional. Bro. Mitchell read from Rev. 3:14-16, "Associational Work." He concluded with prayer.

Another special was presented by Bro. James Brown entitled "My House is Full."

The moderator asked Bro. Calvin Permitter to give a hand of appreciation to Bro. Billy Turpin, Bro. Steven Hill, and Bro. Mike Mitchell.

The moderator asked the clerk-treasurer to present the treasurer's report. Bro. Brown gave the report, spoke briefly to it, and moved the adoption of the report. The motion was seconded by Bro. Gene Smith. Motion carried. Bro. Stevens asked Bro. Steven Hill, assistant moderator to preside over the meeting.

Bro. Hill called for the report on Associational Missions, prepared by the Pinkham Memorial MBC and read by the clerk in the absence of Bro. Roddy Jackson, pastor.

1904	White Oak*	C.A. Worley*	G.B. Dean	W.W. Lawson	T. H. Holt
1906	Detroit	J.S. Hubbard	G.B. Dean	W.W. Lawson	T.H. Holt
1907	Lydia	P.H. Swinney	G.B. Dean	W.W. Lawson	T.H. Holt
1908	Bethlehem	G.E. Pinkham	H.E. Duffee	D.J. Stanhill	B.J. Devinyne
1909	Collier Springs	G.E. Pinkham	H.E. Duffee	D.J. Stanhill	B.J. Devinyne
1910	Annona	B.J. Devinyne	S.T. Bailey	A.S. Crow	B.J. Devinyne
1911	Avery	J.A. Moore	S.T. Bailey	A.S. Crow	B.J. Devinyne
1912	Liberty	B.T. Richardson	G.B. Dean	D.J. Stanhill	B.J. Devinyne
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	George Taylor
1915	Collier Springs	P.H. Swinney	G.A. Lyon	A.S. Crow	George Taylor
1916	Bethlehem #1	J.V. Vermillion	G.A. Lyon	J. Whitecotton	B.J. Devinyne
1917	Bethlehem #1	J.V. Vermillion	G.A. Lyon	J. Whitecotton	B.J. Devinyne
1918	Avery	M.A. Roberts	G.A. Lyon	J. Whitecotton	B.J. Devinyne
1919	Hopewell #1	W.F. Brooks	W.R. Davis	J. Whitecotton	B.J. Devinyne
1920	Davis Chapel	J.B. Watson	W.R. Brooks	A.S. Crow	W.M. Thrashe
1921	Akin Grove	W.R. Watson	W.R. Davis	J.C. Powell	A.S. Crow
1922	Pleasant Valley	W.R. Brooks	W.F. Davis	J.C. Powell	A.S. Crow
1923	Liberty	J.B. Watson	W.F. Brooks	A.S. Crow	W.M. Thrashe
1924	Maple Creek	W.F. Brooks	W.F. Brooks	A.S. Crow	W.M. Thrashe
1925	Avery	W.M. Thrasher	W.F. Brooks	L.E. Walker	W.M. Thrashe
1926	Lone Pine	W.F. Brooks	W.F. Brooks	L.E. Walker	W.M. Thrashe
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
1929	Avery	L.E. Walker	W.F. Brooks	A.I. Bond	A.S. Crow
1930	Maple Creek	S.W. Harper	W.F. Brooks	A.I. Bond	A.S. Crow
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	S.W. Harper	W.F. Brooks	L.H. Peterson	A.S. Crow
1934	Hopewell	J.B. Watson	J.B. Watson	L.H. Peterson	A.I. Bond

*Selected at previous year's meeting

YEAR	PLACE	SERMON	MODERATOR	CLERK	TREASURER
1857	Mt Moriah	T. W. Anderson	T. W. Anderson	J. W. Leigh	G. B. Brem
1858	Concord	R. D. Potts	D. B. Morrell	Hardy Moore	G. B. Brem
1859	Salem*	T. W. Anderson	R. C. Buckner	S. J. Anderson	A. D. Hatcher
1871	Pleasant Grove	R. C. Buckner	R. C. Buckner	S. J. Anderson	A. D. Hatcher
1872	Clarksville	R. W. Billups	R. C. Buckner	S. J. Anderson	A. D. Hatcher
1873	Paris*	S. J. Anderson	T. W. Anderson	John L. Wright	J. D. Williams
1881	Andooh	T. W. Anderson	T. W. Anderson	John L. Wright	J. D. Williams
1882	Paris Baptist*	J. E. Horner	J. E. Horner	B. F. Fuller	J. D. Williams
1883	Annona	Stiles Crain	D. W. Perkins	Tom W. Anderson Jr.	J. Petty
1884	Mt Pleasant*	J. H. Holt	Z. T. Eaton	Tom W. Anderson Jr.	J. Petty
1885	Bennet	D. W. Perkins			
1886	Center Springs*	Thomas Whitten			
1889	Macedonia	T. C. Holt			
1890	Detroit Baptist	A. B. Kirk			
1891	Annona	J. F. Whitson			
1892	White Oak	J. W. Brewer			
1893	Clairmont	E. C. Martin			
1894	Enon	B. C. Martin			
1895	Brewster Prairie	C. P. Pearson			
1896	Pilgrim's Rest	C. B. Furgerson			
1897	Salem Baptist	J. E. Horner			
1898	Liberty	W. T. Compere			
1899	Clairmont	J. B. Riddle			
1900	Bogata	J. T. Duram			
1901	Lydia	J. H. Crain			
1902	Hopewell #1	J. H. Taylor			
1903	Pilgrim's Rest	G. E. Pinkham			

Bro. Brown moved the adoption of the report. The motion was seconded by Br. Calvin Perminter. Bro. Brown yielded to Bro. Billy Daniels, Secretary-Treasurer of the N.E.T.M.C. and missionary pastor of the Bogata Mission. Bro. Daniels gave a good report for both the Mission Council and the mission at Bogata. The motion carried.

The report on Christian Education was called for. It was prepared by Hooks M.B.C. and read by Bro. Bill Johnson, Pastor. Bro. Johnson moved the adoption of the report. It was seconded by Bro. James Brown and spoken to by Dr. Ray O. Brooks, President of T.B.I. The motion carried.

Bro. Stevens asked Bro. Sam Glover to come and speak about the foreign mission that his church sponsors in India.

A motion was made by Bro. Stevens and seconded by Bro. Gene Smith to authorize the clerk to place a phone call to Bro. A. B. Kellam to tell him we miss him and inquire about his health and report back.

CLERK'S NOTE: The clerk tried several times to phone Bro. Kellam with no answer. It was determined later that his phone was out of order on this day. Bro. Kellam thanked the people for thinking of him and for the special prayer.

The moderator called for the report on Interstate and Foreign Mission. It was prepared by The Ward's Creek MBC and read by Bro. James Eddins, pastor. Bro. Eddins moved the adoption of the report. After he spoke to the report the motion passed.

The report on A.B.A. literature was prepared by the Avery M.B.C. and read by Bro. Joe Stevens, pastor. Bro. Stevens moved the adoption of the report. The motion was seconded by Bro. Stringer. Bro. Stevens yielded his time to Bro. Bill Johnson, Editor-in-Chief of the American Baptist Association Publications. The motion carried.

The Temperance report, prepared by Johntown MBC was read by Bro. Billy Turpin, pastor. A motion was made by Bro. Billy Turpin for the adoption of the report. The motion was seconded by Br. Bill Johnson. The motion carried.

The report on the Texarkana Orphan's Home was prepared by the Aikin Grove MBC and read by Bro. James Brown, pastor. Bro. Brown moved the adoption of the report. The motion was seconded by Bro. Wayne Stringer. Bro. Brown yielded his time to Bro. Billy Daniels, a member of the TBO Board of Trustees. Some discussion resulted and the motion carried.

The report on Aged Ministers Support was prepared by the Liberty MBC and read by Bro. Calvin Perminter, pastor. Bro. Perminter moved the adoption of the report. Motion was seconded by Bro. Wayne Stringer. Motion carried.

The report on Ladies Auxiliary was prepared by the Friendship MBC and read by Bro. Mike Mitchell, pastor. A motion to adopt the report was made by Bro. James Brown and seconded by Bro. Gene Smith. Motion carried.

The report on Men's Brotherhood was to be prepared by the Hopewell MBC but in the absence of Bro. A.B. Kellam due to illness, the moderator asked Bro. Billy Daniels, pastor of the Bogata Mission to give the report. The motion to adopt the report was made by Bro. Billy Daniels and seconded by Bro. Calvin Perminter. Motion carried.

The report on Youth was prepared by the Westside MBC. Bro. Wayne Stringer, pastor moved that the report be read when it was published in the yearbook. The motion was seconded by Bro. James Brown. Motion carried.

The Report on Obituaries was prepared by the Austin Chapel MBC and read by Bro. James Kitchens, pastor. Bro. Kitchens moved the adoption of the report. It was seconded by Bro. Bro. James Brown. In the motion

LADIES AUXILIARIES

AVERY: President: Cheryl Meegason, P.O. Box 197, Avery, TX 75554; Secretary: Joyce Stevens, P.O. Box 416, Avery, TX 75554.
EAST POST OAK: President: Bonnie Flat, RT 1 BOX 14A, Blossom, TX 75416; Secretary: Anna Crawford, P.O. Box 284, Blossom, TX 75416; Enrolled-14; Meeting Time: 1st & 3rd Monday night.

FAITH: President: Marie Williams, 607 Anderson, New Boston, TX 75570; Secretary: Ruby Pemberton, 1214 Brooks, New Boston, TX 75570; Enrolled-10; Meeting time: 1st & 3rd Thursdays.

FRIENDSHIP: President: Bonnie Keas, RT 1, Clarksville, TX 75426; Secretary: Ramona Duren, 1105 S. Locust, Clarksville, TX 75426; Enrolled-10; Meeting time: Wednesday night.

HOOKS: President: Doris Starrett, P.O. Box 376, Hooks, TX 75561; Secretary: Carolyn Merrill, P.O. Box 115, Hooks, TX 75561; Enrolled-10; Meeting time: 2nd Tuesday.

JOHNTOWN: President: Johan Turpin, RT 1 BOX 216, Bogata, TX 75417; Secretary: Kathy Hawkins, RT 1 Box 191 H, Bogata, TX 75417; Enrolled-15; Meeting time- 2nd Sunday night.

NEW HAVEN: President: Katie Low, RT 6 Box 294, Clarksville, TX 75426; Secretary: Anna Hinkle, RT 6 BOX 314A, Clarksville, TX 75426; Enrolled-6; Meeting time: 2nd & 4th Tuesday.

OAKRIDGE: President: Kathy May, 1213 Rolling Hills, DeKalb, TX 75559; Secretary: Janet May, P.O. Box Maud, TX 75567.

PINKHAM MEMORIAL: President: Carla Batchelor, 403 Nolan St., DeKalb, TX 75559; Secretary: Bernice Martin, 137 Elliott Ln., DeKalb, TX 75559; Meeting time: 3rd Sunday.

WARDS CREEK: President: Kitty May, RT 1 BOX 149, DeKalb, TX 75559; Secretary: Doris Coleman, RT 1 Box 151A DeKalb, TX 75559; Enrolled-16; Meeting time- 4th Wednesday.

WEST SIDE: President: Novis Stringer, 710 S. McCoy Blvd., New Boston, TX 75570; Secretary: Misty King, P.O. Box 702, New Boston, TX 75570; enrolled-12; Meeting time- 1st & 3rd Sunday.

Bro. Kitchens asked the people to stand for a moment of silence in remembrance of those who died during the past year. Bro. Kitchens led in prayer.

A motion was made by Bro. James Brown and seconded by Bro. Joe Stevens to include Hopewell's letter and obituaries in the yearbook. Motion carried.

A motion to hold the 1999 meeting on September 9, 1999 passed.

Bro. James Eddins moved that the clerk-treasurer be paid \$175.00 again this year. Bro. Wayne Stringer seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Bro. J. T. McNabb offered a resolution of thanks to the host church for a very good day. A motion was made by Bro. McNabb and seconded by Bro. James Brown to adopt the resolution. Motion carried.

Bro. Joe Stevens moved that we adjourn until September 9, 1999. Bro. Wayne Stringer seconded the motion. Motion carried.

The people stood while announcements were made and we were dismissed in prayer by Bro. Bill Johnson.

PASTOR'S PHONE NUMBERS

- James R. Brown 427-2821
- Billy Daniels 632-9948
- James Eddins 667-
- Ricky Gandy 684-3712
- Steven Hill 427-3522
- Roddy Jackson 667-3902
- Bill Johnson (501)7738969
- A. B. Kellam 966-2465
- James Kitchens 667-2445
- J. T. McNabb 982-5941
- Mike Mitchell
- Wilbourne Lee 982-5309
- Calvin Permenter 572-8184
- Ronnie Pipes
- Carl Raleigh 684-3240
- Sam Reeves 6675277
- E. R. Reynolds 982-5638
- Gene C. Smith 832-4203
- Joe Shafer 628-2652
- Joe Stevens 684-3420
- Wayne Stringer 628-5314
- Billy Turpin 632-9953

**REPORTS SUBMITTED FOR 1998
LOCAL ASSOCIATION MISSIONS
REPORT**

The need of gospel preaching and New Testament Churches abroad is evident, but sometimes we have a tendency to forget the needs next door.

Caring churches and godly men have seen the need and have been a blessing to souls in North East Texas.

Right now, four works are active in witnessing for Christ, and anticipating the day when self-supporting New

Testament churches are established in communities in our area.

Deserving of our prayers and support are:

Gilmer Baptist Mission, Bro. Patterson- missionary
Bogata Mission, Bro. Daniels – missionary
Redwater Mission, Bro. Riggs- missionary
Mt. Pleasant Mission, Bro. Zepada – missionary

May the churches of the Red River-Bowie

Association support these works with our resources and our prayers as we demonstrate our concern for souls near and abroad.

Respectfully submitted,

Pinkham Memorial Missionary
Baptist Church

YOUTH REPORT

Everyone will agree that our youth are important to the growth of the Lord's work. It is apparent that our churches and associated work have gone to great lengths to provide literature, programs, and activities for the youth of our churches. It is then up to the individual churches to take advantage of these resources and use them.

Most of the churches in the Red River-Bowie

Association have some form of youth program. It may not be the same in each church, but most agree, youth work is important. One of the major problems with youth work, like most everything else around a church is that there must be dedicated Christians in order to make it work. Another problem is the necessity of competing with the world and all of it's activities. Even though we must compete with the world, we should never compromise our beliefs and convictions just to reach numbers. The greatest thing we

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Box 5079, Texarkana, TX 75505; SS SUPERINTENDENT: Dennis
Maxwell; SS SECRETARY: Stacy Wilshire; DEACONS: Ron
Dancer, Gary Allen, Dennis Maxwell; ORDAINED MINISTERS:
Gene C. Smith.

WARDS CREEK MBC, Simms, RT 1 Box 855, Simms, TX
75574; PHONE: (903) 628-3526; PASTOR: James R. Eddins, Sr.,
P. O. Box 105, DeKalb, TX 75559; SS SUPERINTENDENT: Walter
Shaw; SS SECRETARY: Charlotte Lawing; Enrollment-40; Classes-
6; DEACONS: John Mac Proctor, I. D. Coleman, Kenneth Tower.
ORDAINED MINISTERS: James R. Eddins, Sr.

WEST SIDE MBC, New Boston, Hwy 82 W, New Boston, TX
75570, PHONE: (903) 628-3526; PASTOR: Wayne Stringer, 710 S
McCoy Blvd, New Boston, TX; CHURCH CLERK: Ozell
Thompson, 706 Hwy 82 W, New Boston, TX 75570; SS
SUPERINTENDENT: E. G. Batchelor; SS SECRETARY: Jimmy
Rackley; Enrollment-109; Classes-11; DEACONS: Bruce Tidwell;
ORDAINED MINISTERS: Wayne Stringer, Boy Assyas, Julius
Lampas.

may do, as individual Christians and churches is to show our youth we love and care for them through our own dedication to the Lord and His Local Church.

In our associated work we have seen great strides in literature and programs directed toward the youth by the Sunday School Committee and editorial staff of our literature. We can recommend the programs and literature of the Discovery Bible Clubs and Discovery Teens. These are good programs and a credit to our associated work. We also have some of the nicest camps of anyone at Pine Springs and Bogg Springs.

Our associated youth fellowships in the local association has gone on hard times and is almost a thing of the past. With nineteen churches listed in the 1997 year book and only three or four churches participate with an attendance of fifty or sixty, with many of these being adults. This program is hurting. It may be time to admit that association youth rallies and fellowships as we have known them have out lived their usefulness, and devote our time to the youth of our local churches.

There are many things the local church can do to provide the necessary programs and activities for our youth. As mentioned earlier, the Discovery Bible Clubs and Teen Discovery are very good programs for the youth of a church.

Then, there is the old faithful, Sunday School. Many young people in our community can be reached through Sunday School when handled properly.

In the realm of workshop some are developing a time of worship directed at the younger children, tots through first grade. This is working well in some churches. It gives the younger children an opportunity to be involved.

There is also the area of singing. Some of our churches are working with the youth in youth choirs and devoting one Sunday night a month for the youth to lead out in worship.

572-8184; CHURCH CLERK: Laura Stevens, RT 1 BOX 305 Detroit, TX; SS SUPERINTENDENT: James H. Smith; SS SECRETARY: Mrs. D. A. Pearce; Enrollment-24; Classes-2; DEACONS: Ray Fry, James H. Smith; ORDAINED MINISTERS: C. W. Permenter, Wilbourn Lee.

MT. PLEASANT MBC, Negley; PASTOR: Carl Raleigh, RT 1 BOX 122 Avery, TX 75554; (903) 684- CHURCH CLERK: Linda Jackson, RT 1 BOX 2460 Bagwell, TX 75412; SS SUPERINTENDENT: Don Thomsfierce; SS SECRETARY: Linda Jackson; DEACONS: Ernest Carey; ORDAINED MINISTERS: Carl Raleigh.

NEW HAVEN MBC, Clarksville; PASTOR: Steven M. Hill, RT 6 BOX 308 Clarksville, TX 75426, PHONE: (903) 427- CHURCH CLERK: John R. Mitchell, RT 6 Clarksville, TX 75426; SS SUPERINTENDENT: Scott Hinkle; SS SECRETARY: Katie Low; DEACONS: Aubrey Raulston; ORDAINED MINISTERS: Steven M. Hill.

NEW HOPE MBC, DeKalb; PASTOR: Sam Reeves, P.O. BOX 44, DeKalb, TX 75559; PHONE: (903) 667-5277; CHURCH CLERK: Relda Carlton, RT 2 Box 168, DeKalb, TX 75559; ORDAINED MINISTERS: Sam Reeves.

OAKRIDGE MBC, Maud; P.O. BOX 627 Maud, TX 75567; PASTOR: Ronnie Pipes, 213 Magnolia, New Boston, TX 75570; CHURCH CLERK: Debbie Binning, RT 1 BOX 43-B, Maud, TX 75567; SS SUPERINTENDENT: David Williams; DEACONS: Elwood Binning, Donald Seals; ORDAINED MINISTERS: Ronnie Pipes, Howard Boyd.

PINKHAM MEMORIAL MBC, DeKalb; 117 SE Browning, DeKalb, TX 75559, PHONE: (903) 667-3276; PASTOR: Roddy Jackson, RT 3 BOX 119C DeKalb, TX 75559; PHONE: (903) 667-3902; CHURCH CLERK: Carol Flanery, P.O. Box 28, DeKalb, TX 75559; SS SUPERINTENDENT: Lewis Tull; SS SECRETARY: Pauline Shumake; DEACONS: Louis Forsyth, Stanley Flanery, Lynne Shumake, Gay Shumake; ORDAINED MINISTERS: Roddy Jackson, Gerald Rankin.

We may not be able to compete with all the activities that our youth are confronted with, but if we will take advantage of what time and opportunity we are given, we can still be a blessing to them.

Respectfully submitted,
Westside Missionary Baptist Church

MEN'S BROTHERHOOD REPORT

Auxiliaries of the Lord's churches can be a great blessing. A Men's Brotherhood, functioning as an aid to a local church, can accomplish many things.

There are many learning opportunities for men working together, studying God's Word and then applying it in daily living. Doing physical work around the church property, helping the elderly or needy members of the church and community with repair work around their houses, running errands for those who cannot drive, etc. are some ways that a Men's Brotherhood could be of benefit.

Whether a Brotherhood is an official organization or just the men getting together for fellowship or work, it is important that men of a church have some time to visit and come to know each other better.

I would suggest that all of the churches have something planned to bring the men together.

Respectfully submitted,
Billy Daniels

INTERSTATE AND FOREIGN MISSIONS REPORT

In MATTHEW 28:18-20 our Lord commissioned His Church to go into all the world and preach the gospel. The work of missions continues to be a vital work of the churches of the ABA. We are blessed with some solid,

SECRETARY: Jean Talkington; DEACONS: John Talkington, Robert Martin, Jimmy Parker, Ralph Parker; ORDAINED MINISTERS: Joe Shaffer, Wayne Riggs.

FRIENDSHIP MBC, Clarksville; P. O. BOX 606, Clarksville, TX 75426; PASTOR: Mike Mitchell, RT 4 Box 97, Clarksville, TX 75426; PHONE: (903) 427- ; CHURCH CLERK: Sally Reed, 1205 W. Jackson, Clarksville, TX 75426; SS SUPERINTENDENT: James Daniell; DEACONS: Ed McConnell, Bobby Hines, Buddy Langston, James Daniell, Nolan Meredith, Derald Kuhlengel, Bobby Cornelius, Larry Napier.

HOOKS MBC, Hooks; P. O. Box 935, Hooks, TX 75561; PASTOR: Bill Johnson, #7 Country Estates Dr., Texarkana, AR 71854, PHONE: (501) 7738969. CHURCH CLERK: Rita Johnson, #7 Country Estates Dr., Texarkana, AR 71854; SS SUPERINTENDENT: David Butler. ORDAINED MINISTERS: Bill Johnson.

HOPEWELL MBC, Clarksville; PASTOR: A. B. Kellam, RT 6 Box 265 Clarksville, TX 75426; PHONE: (903) 966 2465; CHURCH CLERK: Patricia Boyd, RT 6 Box 283-1, Clarksville, TX 75426; ORDAINED MINISTERS: A. B. Kellam.

HUBBARD CHAPEL MBC, Dekalb; RT 2 Box 391-D, Dekalb, TX 75559; PASTOR: Ricky Gandy, 685 San Marcus, Avery, TX 75554; CHURCH CLERK: Dora Perry, RT 2 Box 391-D, Dekalb, TX 75559; SS SUPERINTENDENT: Eivell Burden; SS SECRETARY: David Stout; Enrollment-25, Classes-4; DEACONS: Lester Stout, E. E. Burden, Jackie Hawkins; ORDAINED MINISTERS: Ricky Gandy.

JOHNTOWN MBC, Bogata; RT 1 BOX 216, Bogata, TX 75417; PHONE: (903) 632-5493; PASTOR: Billy Turpin, RT 1 Box 216 Bogata, TX 75417, PHONE: (903) 632- CHURCH CLERK: Clara Gaddis, RT 1 BOX 291 B-1, Bogata, TX 75417; SS SUPERINTENDENT: Bob Estill; SS SECRETARY: Billie Pirtle; Enrollment-65; Classes-8; DEACONS: H. Druie Pirtle, James Gaddis; ORDAINED MINISTERS: Billy Turpin.

LIBERTY MBC, Detroit; RT 1, Detroit, TX; PASTOR: C. W. Permenter; RT 1 BOX 225 Mt. Pleasant, TX 75455; PHONE: (903)

CHURCH DIRECTORY

AIKIN GROVE MBC, Clarksville: PASTOR: James R. Brown, P.O. Box 155, Clarksville, TX 75426; PHONE: (903) 427-2821, CHURCH CLERK: Dean Moore, 603 West 6th, Clarksville, TX 75426; SS SUPERINTENDENT: Bobby Brown; SS SECRETARY: Mrs. John Durow; Enrollment-45; Classes-5; Deacons: John T. Townes, W.H. Hammen, Bobby Brown. ORDAINED MINISTERS: James R. Brown.

AUSTIN CHAPEL MBC, DeKalb: PASTOR: James A. Kitchens, RT 3 Box 64, DeKalb, TX 75559, PHONE: (903) 667 2445; CHURCH CLERK: Carolyn Girder, RT 3 Box 82A, DeKalb, TX: SS SUPERINTENDENT: Gerald Proctor; SS SECRETARY: Ima Dee Jones; Enrollment-88; Classes-8; Deacons: Nathan Churchill, James Louis Tidwell, Gerald Proctor, Doyle Grider; ORDAINED MINISTERS: James Kitchens, James L. Bunger.

AVERY MBC, P.O. Box 41, Avery, TX 75554; PHONE: (903) 684-3451; PASTOR: Joe Stevens, P.O. Box 416, Avery, TX 75554; PHONE: (903) 684-4320; CHURCH CLERK: Rose Cooper, RT 1 Box 110B, Avery, TX 75554;

BOGATA MISSION, Bogata: P.O. Box 855; MISSIONARY PASTOR: Billy Daniels, RT 1 Box 248, Bogata TX 75417; PHONE: (903) 632-9948; CHURCH CLERK: Dana Neeley, RT 1 Box 230 Bogata.

EAST POST OAK MBC, Detroit; PASTOR: Earl R. Reynolds, RT 1 Box 265, Detroit, TX 75436; PHONE: (903) 982-5226; CHURCH CLERK: Ruth Johnston, 995 22nd NE, Paris, TX 75460; SS SUPERINTENDENT: James Freelen; SS SECRETARY: Virginia Cleveland; DEACONS: Claude Tyler, Buford Cleveland, Alvis Bates, George Rhodes, James Freelen. ORDAINED MINISTERS: E.R. Reynolds, J. T. McNabb.

FAITH MBC, New Boston; 301 N. Bowie; PASTOR: Joe Shafer, 303 N. Bowie, New Boston 75570; PHONE: (903) 628-2652; CHURCH CLERK: Joyce Hartline, RT 1 BOX 155H, New Boston, TX 75570; SS SUPERINTENDENT: Melvin Oliver; SS

grounded-in-the-faith missionaries here in the States and abroad. They just need our prayers and support.

It is impossible for each of us to go throughout the world personally; however, we have the obligation to send the Gospel to every creature. With our offerings and prayers we can select the missionaries of choice and/or combine our efforts with other Local New Testament Churches to reach even more Souls through our Interstate and Foreign Mission office.

May the Lord give us more faithful servants who truly have a missionary heart.

Respectfully submitted,
Wards Creek Missionary Baptist
Church

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION REPORT

In these last days it is absolutely essential that God's people obey His command to teach His precepts. Given the ungodliness of our society, reaching even to the loftiest seats of government, there is no question but that the only fortress remaining for good is that of the Lord's churches. Their purpose may be accomplished only when their strategy is to firmly plant the principles of godliness in the hearts and minds of this generation of children and adults.

The churches of the Red River-Bowie Association have at their disposal a vast array of weapons to use in this great struggle for the minds of the people of our society. Sunday Schools, Baptist Training Course, Bible Clubs and Teen Discovery ministries, Sunday sermons and other structured times for Bible study are available to all our churches. Seminaries such as Texas Baptist Institute stand ready to train pastors and other church servants and leaders. The publications work of the Baptist Sunday School Committee of the American Baptist Association, the Sounding Out the

Word ministry of Grace Baptist Church of Houston and other sources supply the materials needed to help with Bible study. In developing a strategy for Christian education a church may consider all of these and other resources.

Jesus commanded His church to reach and teach people. Churches today must shoulder the responsible to do just that. God commanded the parents to teach their children, but in the decadent society churches find that parents must be taught. They cannot teach their children about God, whom they do not know. The task is tremendous, the army is small. But we know that a few in God's hands can win great battles.

We, the churches of the Red River-Bowie Association, accept the challenge, commit ourselves to God, arm ourselves with His Word and go in the power of His Spirit from house to house teaching and preaching the gospel of Christ.

Respectfully submitted,
Hooks Missionary Baptist Church

STATE MISSION REPORT

The State of Texas is in need of all her missionaries. Let us always remember to pray for and encourage our missionaries as they strive to do the work they have been called to do.

Also, let us continue to give offerings to missions. Remember, God is counting on us and so are our missionaries.

May we earnestly pray for our sister churches across the state of Texas. Pray that they will all recognize the urgent need for state missions and send their support of prayers and offerings.

May God give our Secretary-Treasurer courage, strength, and support as he fulfills the job the churches of

ARTICLE VII. AMENDMENT

Two-thirds of the churches of this Association must approve any change or amendment to the 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.

the Missionary Baptist association of Texas elected him to do.

Respectfully submitted,
East Post Oak Missionary Baptist
Church

ABA LITERATURE

Churches associated with the American Baptist Association owns and operates a publication business in Texarkana that prints thousands of scriptural booklets, tracts and other study material each month. These materials are shipped all over the United States and to many foreign countries. Among these items are Sunday School, Baptist Training, Vacation Bible School, and Discovery material that can, and should be used for the furtherance of the Gospel and the edifying of the saints.

Church messengers at the annual association meeting elect the business manager and editor who are responsible to the association of churches to produce the best material at the most economical cost possible. At the present, Tom Sannes serves as business manager and Bill Johnson serves as editor. These men are to be commended for their diligent effort to meet the wishes of the churches.

We can take pride in the fact that our publications are used by churches and individuals who do not associate with the American Baptist Association. Those who are looking for sound Biblical material often seek them from our publishing house.

We at Avery Missionary Baptist Church use the materials made available to us. We also recommend that churches looking for sound Biblical material, written and published by Missionary Baptist, look no further than the Baptist Book Store and publishing house in Texarkana.

Respectfully submitted,
Avery Missionary Baptist Church

purposes, but it reserves the right to withdraw from any church which becomes heterodox in faith to disorderly practice.

Section 2: This 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/treasurer, and an assistant clerk/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/treasurer 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, to keep a correct record of all moneys received and disbursed, and to make 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 the carrying out the work outlined in the annual Messenger Assembly of the association.

TEMPERANCE REPORT

Temperance: Webster's Students Dictionary

Habitual moderation in the indulgence of the appetites and passions; moderation in, or abstinence from the use of intoxicating liquors.

Temperance: The World Book Dictionary

Moderation in action, habits, or speech:

Moderation in the use of alcoholic drinks:

The principle or practice of not using alcoholic drinks at all.

Temperance: Unger's Bible Dictionary

Self-control: the virtue of one who masters his desires and passions, especially his sensual appetites.

As we look at the word *temperance* we are made aware of a broad range of behavior.

Webster says, "moderation in", or abstinence from" the use of intoxicating liquors.

Moderation in is viewed by some as not going to excess in alcoholic beverage. But there is a difference between "moderation in" and abstinence from" the use of intoxicating liquors and I believe that God's people ought to practice total abstinence from the use of alcoholic beverage.

Unger's Bible Dictionary defines temperance as "self-control" and says, "it is the virtue of one who masters his desires and passions especially his sensual appetites."

II Peter 1:6 places knowledge before temperance in the list of Christian graces. Could this be what James is saying? "Therefore to him that knoweth to do good, and doeth it not, to him it is sin." James 4:17

Let us as Missionary Baptist teach our churches about the principle and practice of not using alcoholic beverage and shun every appearance of evil that would

CONSTITUTION OF THE RED RIVER-BOWIE MISSIONARY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

ARTICLE I. NAME

The Association shall be know 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 the Missionary and Education Enterprises, and to widen the scope of the Denominational Benevolence.

ARTICLE III. MEMBERSHIP

Section 1: This Association shall be composed of such regular Baptist Churches as may agree to cooperate by means of messengers, to carry out the object as set forth in Article II of the 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, in their letters to the association.

Section 3: Each church composing this Association shall be entitle 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

OBITUARY REPORT

In Philippians 1:21 Paul said for me to live is Christ and to die is gain. His gain or benefit in dying would result in His being with Christ forever. Many of our faithful brothers and sisters in Christ died this past associational year and we would like to list each name from each church. May we give thanks to God for the faithfulness of those who have gone on to be with the Lord and pray for those families left behind.

Those who have died and are present with the Lord:

AIKIN GROVE MBC

Beulah Townes
Vinnie Burrow
Augusta Chummey
Jessie Clover
Mallie Williams

AUSTIN CHAPEL MBC

Lee Russell
Ola Mays
Dessie Fridey
Eula Mae Churchill
Nita Bunger
Kerri Dell Arrett
R. V. Batchelor

JOHNTOWN MBC

B. F. Rhodes
Neva Whitten
Jim Childers
Lena Powell
Lucy Hinson Burrus
Linda Stringfellow

MT. PLEASANT MBC

Bernice Tate

NEW HAVEN MBC

Beulah Long
Loyd Guthrie
Ira Quick

AVERY MBC

Veva Duncan
Charlie Webb
Tommy Aydelott

EAST POST OAK MBC

F.M. Allert
Cora Lee Ramsey

FAITH MBC

Martin Seals
Beadie Newman

HUBBARD CHAPEL MBC

Herchel Cooper

Respectfully submitted,
Austin Chapel Baptist Church

bring shame to our lives and reproach to Christ and His Church.

Respectfully submitted,
Johntown Missionary Baptist
Church

ORPHAN'S HOME REPORT

Texarkana Baptist Orphan's Home has fared quiet well during the past year. This is a testimonial credit to the Lord's Churches.

Now, as the 1998-99 school year begins, there are 25 children, ranging in age from six to eighteen years with others possibly coming to the Home soon.

The emphasis in the next twelve to eighteen months will be campus renewal. Some of the campus badly needs replacing. God willing, two new residential buildings will be built. Some of the old buildings will be torn down and others remodeled.

We, the Aikin Grove Missionary Baptist Church, prayerfully recommend the continued support of the Orphan's Home to our sister churches.

Respectfully submitted,
Aikin Grove Missionary Baptist
Church

AGED MINISTERS REPORT

The following are recommendations concerning the actions of the Missionary Baptist churches of the Red River-Bowie Association. Of those men in our work whom God has called into the ministry, and whom have yielded to His calling, many are now old and are hindered physically and/or mentally from pastoring a church. May we as members of the churches of this association be encouraged by the Holy Spirit who dwells within us to do what we can,

both physically and spiritually, to help these older ministers and their wives.

The older ministers who are able physically and mentally should be given the opportunity to preach as openings occur in the churches of the association.

Let us, our of hearts of love, never fail to remember these men in our prayers.

Respectfully submitted,
Liberty Missionary Baptist Church

LADIES AUXILIARY REPORT

Galatians 5:25 "If we live in the Spirit, let us also walk in the Spirit."

The ladies working together in and through the local churches can do much toward pleasing God.

Having love, joy, and peace within their souls, they can truly express longsuffering, gentleness, and goodness to others.

Abiding in Christ, the ladies can be aware of the need for which they can be of great help.

As the ladies assemble in their own church family, and also in our associational meetings, may they be willing to be humble in God's love in and through Jesus, our Savior, and our Lord.

Respectfully submitted,
Friendship Missionary Baptist
Church

ANNUAL TMB REPORT FOR LOCAL ASSOCIATIONS

The 1998 local associational year has come to an end with much accomplished through the Texas Mission Builders Program for the churches of the Missionary Baptist Association of Texas. Many people have sacrificed

their time and money to help the churches accomplish their building projects. The Lord continues to bless with people and churches being dedicated to making this program a success. Without this dedication very little would be accomplished.

The challenge for a new year is before us and we must demonstrate to Christ our love for His cause by continuing to sacrifice our time and talents, for there is much to be done and little time to get it accomplished.

Monetary support for the program has been stronger this year than any previous ones. This program is based upon volunteer work but still there is much expense. The churches and individuals of our work have met this need wonderfully. The sponsoring church, East Side Baptist Church, Jacksonville, extends their appreciation and thanks for your faithfulness.

The projects that have been worked on this year are as follows:

East Side MBC, Jacksonville (In progress)
Gilmer Baptist Mission, Gilmer
Logansport MBC, Logansport, LA
Oakridge MBC, Maud
Sulphur Springs MBC, Mt. Enterprise
Sunset MBC, Marshall (In progress)
Zion Hill MBC, Henderson

We have, at this time six other projects which have been approved. A more thorough report will be given at the State Association Meeting in Longview.

Many thousands of dollars have been saved for the churches through this program this year and it is our desire to see this great work continue until the Lord comes. With your help it will continue to be a great auxiliary work among us.

Respectfully submitted,
Leroy Smith, TMB Supervisor

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RED RIVER-BOWIE ASSOCIATION STATISTICS

CHURCHES OF THE RED RIVER-BOWIE ASSOCIATION	INC	DCR	PRESENT MEMBER SHEP	PASTORS SALARY	ASSOC. MISSIONS	STATE MISSIONS	INTEREST AND FOREIGN MISSIONS	TMAD	CHRISTIAN EDUCATION	ORPHANS HOME	RADIO PROGRAM	BLDG & REPAIRS	OTHER EXPENSES	TOTAL TO MISSIONS	TOTAL PAID OUT
AIKIN GROVE	11	5	173	15400	1198	189	382		189	472	300	15677	4702	2958	38509
AUSTIN CHAPEL	6	20	201	24380	1350		2958		1926	192		367	9178	4308	40351
AVERY	7	13	355		600	1500	1800		2600	1447	300	53856	49935	14472	112038
POST OAK	7	6	198	17191	4403	3773	3773		1887	840	2860	3473	25429	11949	63629
FAITH	35	6	349	23400	900	600	7800	120	2863	263		29600	82520	9600	148066
FRIENDSHIP			259				2758		1332	257	120	999		4479	7187
HOOKS	21	12	146												0
HOPEWELL	4	3	323	19100	867		2831				240	4431	5016	3698	32485
HUBBARD	2	2	99	15600	338		676		1013	338		270	8142	1688	26377
JOHNTOWN	9	21	190	20800	743	743	843		743	240	120	57477	51860	2329	133569
LIBERTY	2	0	41	7650	814	475	1671	60	150	675		3788	1942	2961	17225
MT. PLEASANT	0	3	32	5250		715			55	50			753	713	6823
NEW HAVEN	6	3	167	30573			3600		1718	642	120	2922	18499	3600	58074
NEW HOPE	0	2	43	5200	300	716	716		716	716		2957	3742	4164	15063
PINKHAM	25	18	318	26889	1657	1100	1870		3758	733		10449		8386	46456
PLEASANT OAKS	13	0	78												0
WARDS CREEK	8	6	169		335	1651	4771		1019	1651		5094	10866	6757	25387
WEST SIDE	11	15	378	27805		4822	6850		1652	587		9334	45792	11672	96842
OAK RIDGE	29	7	213												0
TOTALS	196	142	3732	239238	13505	18005	43299 + 180	21621	9103	4060	200694	318376	93734	868081	