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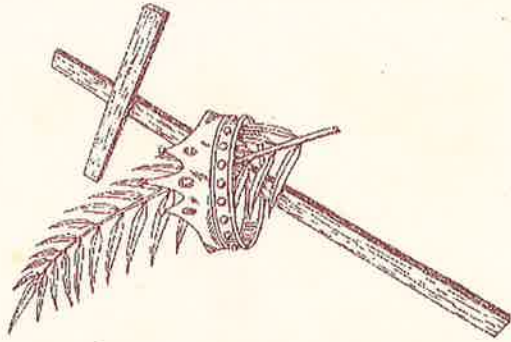
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Of The

Red River-Bowie

Missionary Baptist

Association Of Churches





# Notes

**MINUTES OF THE  
156TH ANNUAL SESSION  
OF THE**

**RED RIVER-BOWIE  
MISSIONARY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION**

**SEPTEMBER 9, 1999**

**HOSTED BY**

**AVERY MISSIONARY BAPTIST CHURCH  
AVERY, TEXAS**

**OFFICERS FOR 1999-2000**

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

**ANNUAL SERMON – BRO. RAY O. BROOKS  
ALTERNATE – BRO. PAUL MAGNESS**

**2000 HOST CHURCH**

**FRIENDSHIP MISSIONARY BAPTIST CHURCH  
CLARKSVILLE, TEXAS**

**SEPTEMBER 14, 2000  
9:00 A.M.**

## **ORDER OF BUSINESS**

Reading of Letters and Enrolling of Messengers

Petitionary Letters

Election of Officers

Miscellaneous Business

Special Order of Business

Introductory Sermon

Hearing of Various Reports

Special Reports

Treasurer's Report

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 on 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.

# ASSIGNMENT OF REPORTS FOR 2000

Missions  
 Christian Education  
 Temperance  
 Orphan's Home  
 Ladies Auxiliary  
 Men's Brotherhood  
 Youth  
 Obituary

Faith  
 Pleasant Oaks  
 Mt. Pleasant  
 New Hope  
 New Haven  
 Pinkham  
 Jolntown  
 Hopewell

## 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  
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 Interstate & Foreign Missions - Bro. Randy Cloud,  
 P.O. Box 1050, Texarkana, Tx 75504  
 Texas Baptist Institute & Seminary - P.O. Box 570  
 Henderson, TX 75653  
 Mexican Baptist Institute - P.O. Box 771 McAllen, TX 78502

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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  
 Henderson, TX 75653  
 Texarkana Baptist Orphanage -  
 Texarkana, AR

1964 Avery  
 1965 New Haven  
 1966 Westside  
 1967 Pinkham Memorial  
 1968 Jolntown  
 1969 Friendship  
 1970 Post Oak  
 1971 Avery  
 1972 Hillcrest  
 1973 Austin Chapel  
 1974 Friendship  
 1975 Jolntown  
 1976 Wards Creek  
 1977 Hopewell  
 1978 Avery  
 1979 Austin Chapel  
 1980 Jolntown  
 1981 New Haven  
 1982 Avery  
 1983 Friendship  
 1984 Jolntown  
 1985 East Post Oak  
 1986 Faith  
 1987 Jolntown  
 1988 Hopewell  
 1989 Wards Creek  
 1990 New Haven  
 1991 Pinkham Memorial  
 1992 Avery  
 1993 Jolntown  
 1994 Hooks  
 1995 Friendship  
 1996 Hopewell  
 1997 East Post Oak  
 1998 Wards Creek  
 1999 Avery

**MINUTES OF THE  
RED RIVER-BOWIE  
MISSIONARY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION  
MESSENGER MEETING  
SEPTEMBER 9, 1999  
AVERY MISSIONARY BAPTIST CHURCH**

The 1999 Messenger's Meeting of the Red River-Bowie Missionary Baptist Association was opened at 10:00 a.m. with Bro. John McBrayer leading in the singing of "Leaning on the Everlasting Arms", and "At Calvary". Bro. Hill, Moderator, called upon Bro. Bunger to lead in devotional and prayer. His text was from II Thessalonians 2:1-7. Bro. Joe Stevens, pastor of the host church welcomed the messengers.

Bro. Paul Magness, pastor of Heritage in Texarkana was recognized as a new pastor in the association. Visitors were also recognized.

The 156<sup>th</sup> session was called to order by Bro. Hill as the congregation stood and Bro. James Kitchens led in prayer. Bro. Kellam and Bro. Permenter were assigned to the Resolutions Committee. Bro. Jackson read a petitionary letter from Heritage Baptist Church in Texarkana, stating that Heritage voted to seek fellowship in the Red River-Bowie Association. The petition was accepted by the messengers, after a motion by Bro. Stringer and second by Bro. Reynolds to that effect. The messengers from Heritage were seated and included in the deliberations of the meeting.

The associational letters from the churches were read, and a motion to seat the messengers of the churches was approved.

Officers for the year 2000 were elected. They are: Moerator, Bro. Steven Hill, Vice Moderator, Bro. Wayne Stringer, Clerk/Treasurer, Bro. Rod Jackson, Assistant Clerk/Treasurer, Bro. James Brown. Bro. Ray Brooks was elected to bring the annual message for the 2000 meeting, with Bro. Paul Magness serving as

**HISTORICAL ROLL OF THE RED RIVER-BOWIE ASSOCIATION**

1935	New Haven	L. A. Stedeham	J. B. Watson	L. H. Peterson	A. I. Bond
1936	Post Oak	L. H. Peterson	J. B. Watson	L. H. Peterson	A. I. Bond
1937	Aikin 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	W. R. Davis	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	H. L. Johnson	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. 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	Westside	E. C. Mooney	A. Downing	Voe Glover	E. L. Merrill
1958	Avery	G. 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	G. F. Crumley	R. C. Burt	J. H. Kesner	Lynn McBryde
1962	Mt. Pleasant	J. H. Kesner	R. C. Burt	G. E. White	Lynn McBryde
1963	Austin Chapel	J. B. Watson	J. T. McNabb	G. E. White	Lynn McBryde



Bro. Hill called for a motion to adjourn until 1:00 p.m.. The motion carried. Prayer requests were called for. Bro. Billy Daniels dismissed the morning session with prayer.

**AFTERNOON SESSION**

Bro. McBrayer opened the afternoon session leading the congregation in singing "Stepping In The Light". Bro. Stringer, Vice Moderator, called upon Bro. Reynolds to lead in prayer. Bro. Carl Raleigh delivered the devotional from the 23<sup>rd</sup> Psalms. Bro. Stringer called upon Bro. Magness to give the right hand of appreciation to Bro.'s Raleigh, Bunger, and Turpin for the devotionals and the message.

The motion brought by Bro. Eddins during the morning session was addressed. After discussion, Bro. Bunger made a motion that under the heading of "Missions" the report would include Associational Missions, Interstate and Foreign Missions, and, State Missions. The motion to amend carried.

(Clerk's note: This simply means that these three reports would be combined into one, under the heading of "Missions Report". This will take affect for the reports that will be prepared for the 2000 meeting.)

Bro. Brown brought the Associational Missions Report, and moved it's adoption. Bro. Daniels spoke to the report on behalf of the North East Texas Baptist Mission Council. Motion to adopt carried.

Bro. Mike Mitchell gave the Christian Education Report and made a motion that it be adopted. Bro. Ray Brooks spoke to the report. Motion to adopt passed.

Bro. Bill Johnson delivered the A.B.A. Literature Report, and moved it's adoption. The motion carried.

Bro. Johnson made a motion that the Christian Education and A.B.A. Literature Reports be combined into one report in our forthcoming meetings. The motion was seconded and passed.

**HISTORICAL ROLL OF THE RED RIVER-BOWIE ASSOCIATION**

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			
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			
1881	Antioch	T. W. Anderson	Tom Carter	John Wright	J. D. Williams
1882	Paris Baptist	J. E. Horner	J. E. Horner	B. F. Fuller	J. D. Williams
1883	Annona	Silas Crain	D. W. Perkins	Tom W. Anderson Jr.	J. Petty
1884	Mt. Pleasant	J. H. Holt			
1885	Bennet	D. W. Perkins	Z. T. Eaton	Tom W. Anderson Jr.	J. Petty
1886	Center Springs	Thomas Whitten			
1889	Macedonia	T. C. Holt			
1890	Detroit Baptist	A. B. Kirk	N. B. Terry	Tom A. Carter	W. B. Terry
1891	Annona		G. B. Dean	C. A. Worley	W. B. Terry
1892	White Oak	J. F. Whitson	G. B. Dean	Thomas C. Holt	W. B. Terry
1893	Clairmont	J. W. Brewer	N. B. Terry	Thomas C. Holt	W. B. Terry
1894	Enon	E. C. Martin	N. B. Terry	W. W. Lawson	W. B. Terry
1895	Brewster Prairie	C. P. Pearson	N. B. Terry	W. W. Lawson	W. B. Terry
1896	Pilgrim's Rest	C. B. Furgeson	N. B. Terry	W. W. Lawson	W. B. Terry
1897	Salem Baptist	J. E. Horner	N. B. Terry	W. W. Lawson	W. B. Terry
1898	Liberty	W. T. Compere	H. C. Hill	T. C. Hold	W. B. Terry
1899	Clairmont	J. B. Riddle	G. B. Dean	W. W. Lawson	I. H. Lawson
1900	Bogata	J. T. Duram	C. A. Worley	W. W. Lawson	I. H. Lawson
1901	Lydia	J. H. Crain	G. B. Dean	W. W. Lawson	I. H. Lawson
1902	Hopewell # 1	J. H. Taylor	G. B. Dean	W. W. Lawson	I. H. Lawson
1903	Pilgrim's Rest	G. E. Pinkham	G. B. Dean	W. W. Lawson	T. H. Holt



## 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.

Bro. Steven Hill gave the Youth Report. and moved that it be adopted. Bro. Gene Hoover spoke to the report. Bro. Steve Reeves spoke to the report. The motion carried.

Bro. Rod Jackson gave the Temperance Report, and moved it's adoption. The motion to adopt carried.

Bro. Billy Turpin presented the Orphans Home Report, and moved it's adoption. Bro. Daniels and Bro. Bunger spoke to the report. The motion to adopt passed.

Bro. James Kitchens delivered the Aged Ministers Report, and made a motion that it be adopted. The motion carried.

The Ladies Auxiliary Report was read, and it's adoption moved. The motion to adopt carried.

Bro. Joe Stevens gave the Men's Brotherhood Report, and moved that it be adopted. Bro. Stringer spoke to the report. Motion to adopt carried.

Bro. Calvin Permenter read the Obituary Report. He made a motion that it be adopted, and the motion carried. The congregation stood and prayer was offered in their memory.

Bro. Brown read the Financial Report, and moved that it be adopted. Motion to adopt passed.

Bro. Brown made a motion that the clerk be paid \$175.00 plus expenses. The motion was seconded and carried.

Reports for the 2000 meeting were assigned.

Resolutions were called for. Bro. A.B. Kellam made a motion to thank the host church for it's hospitality and the meal for the messengers. The motion carried with the messengers standing with a rising vote of appreciation for the church at Avery.

Announcements were called for. Bro. Steven Hill dismissed the 1999 messengers' meeting with a word of prayer.

## REPORTS SUBMITTED FOR 1999

### LOCAL ASSOCIATION MISSIONS REPORT

The Lord has commanded us in his word to preach the Gospel in all the world. This command is to his churches and we believe that this begins in our local area.

The North East Texas Baptist Mission Council has long been a great avenue through which we support local missions. At the present time we have the following missions in our local area: Bogata, Gilmer, Redwater, and Mt. Pleasant. We highly recommend these missions to the churches of the Red River-Bowie Association.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Aikin Grove M.B.C.  
James Brown, pastor

### STATE MISSIONS REPORT

The Great Commission which Jesus gave to His Churches in Matthew 28:18-20 is just as powerful as it was when He gave it! Our Lord commanded His Churches to go into all the world with the Gospel. The message is the same today as long ago. The need is no less today than in years gone by for our churches to be "about our Master's business." Our State Missions and Missionaries need help in our being prayer warriors for them, in financial support, and physical help extended when possible.

We, the Lord's churches, are really at war with Satan about the souls of men and where they will spend eternity. May we all renew our love for souls to be saved in the great state we live.

Wards Creek members challenge all our churches to do whatever work you can and give abundantly to Missions so that the

purposes, but it reserves the right to with draw 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.

# CONSTITUTION OF THE RED RIVER-BOWIE MISSIONARY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

## ARTICLE I. NAME

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

## ARTICLE II. OBJECT *to be changed*

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

gospel may be preached, as God commanded, to all men.

Humbly submitted,  
Wards Creek M.B.C.

## INTERSTATE AND FOREIGN MISSIONS REPORT

During His personal ministry upon earth, the Lord Jesus called out and established His Church. As Jesus prepared to leave this earth, He gave to His Church the command to "go ye therefore, and teach all nations..." (Matt.28:19)

The church that our Lord established by the shores of Galilee was destined to become many.

Though it is impossible for each of the Lord's New Testament churches to personally go throughout the world, God has given us the means of fulfilling His command. Through the cooperative efforts of sister churches cooperating in the American Baptist Association through the office of Interstate and Foreign Missions, the local Church can fulfill the command to go into all the earth. Not only can we support cooperatively, many of our sister churches have been able to send missionaries to remote parts of the world because of this joint effort. There are missionaries supported through the office of Secretary-Treasurer of Interstate and Foreign Missions in most parts of the world and in many sates of the U.S.

Still, there are many missionaries sent out by churches who do not receive aid through the office of Secretary-Treasurer of the A.B.A. These missionaries are also doing a great work and are worthy of our prayers and support. West Side herself sponsors and supports three National Missionaries in the Philippines.

Truly, God is good. Our God who gave us the command to go and teach all nations gives us the strength, abilities, and means to take His word to a lost and dying world.

May we always strive to use our prayers, tithes, and offerings

to further his cause through our local church by supporting Interstate and Foreign Missions.

Respectfully submitted,  
West Side M.B.C.

### **MEN'S BROTHERHOOD REPORT**

The auxiliary of the church once called "Men's Brotherhood" is almost extinct in local New Testament Churches today. Some have monthly men's meetings that serve the same purpose, to bring men together for the promotion of the Gospel, and edifying of the church. Whether such a meeting is called a brotherhood or simply a men's meeting makes no difference as long as the goal is the same.

Every church that has an active men's organization is blessed. Burdens can be shared, ideas explored, and fellowship strengthened. The Lord's churches need men that are united together in the common interest for the purpose of advancing the cause of Christ.

Respectfully submitted,  
Avery M.B.C.

### **TEMPERANCE REPORT**

The characteristic of temperance is pointed out in Galatians 5:23 as a fruit of the spirit. In II Peter 1:6 it is listed as a building block of growing in grace.

The basic meaning of the word is, self-control. Simply stated, temperance means that the Christian must control all desires and tendencies of the flesh because they are contrary to the Holy

### **LADIES AUXILIARIES**

**AVERY:** President: Cheryl Megason, P. O. Box 197, Avery, TX. 75554; Secretary: Joyce Stevens, P. O. Box 416, Avery, TX.

**BOGATA:** President: Mary Lou Daniels, Rt. 1, Box 248, Bogata, TX. 75417.

**EAST POST OAK:** President: Bonnie Flatt, Rt. 1, Box 140A, Blossom, TX. 75416; Secretary: Anna Crawford, P. O. Box 284, Blossom, TX. 75416.

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**FRIENDSHIP:** President: Keas, Rt. 1, Clarksville, TX.; Secretary: Ramona Duren, 1105 S. Locust, Clarksville, TX.

**HOOKS:** President: Gloria Wedgeworth; Secretary: Doris Starrett, P. O. Box 376, Hooks, TX. 75561.

**NEW HAVEN:** President: Katie Low, Rt. 6, Box 294, Clarksville, TX. 75426; Secretary: Anna Hinkle, Rt. 6, Clarksville, TX. 75426.

**PINKHAM MEMORIAL:** President: Carla Batchelor, 403 Nolan, Dekalb, TX. 75559. Secretary: Bernice Martin, 137 Elliot Lane, Dekalb, TX. 75559.

**WARDS CREEK:** President: Kitty May, Rt. 1, Box 149, Dekalb, TX. 75559; Secretary: Doris Coleman, Rt. 1, Box 151A, Dekalb, TX. 75559.

**WESTSIDE:** President: Vicki May, Rt. 1, Box 328-B2, New Boston, TX.; Secretary: Misty King, P. O. Box 702, New Boston, TX. 75570.

**WESTSIDE:** Hwy. 82 West, New Boston. Phone- 628-3526.  
**PASTOR:** Wayne Stringer, 710 S. McCoy Blvd. New Boston, TX.  
**75570. CHURCH CLERK:** Ozell Thompson, 706 Hwy. 82 W.,  
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 Batchelor. **SS SECRETARY:** Jimmy Rackley. **ENROLLMENT:**  
 120, **Classes- 12. DEACONS:** Bruce Tidwell. **ORDAINED**  
**MINISTERS:** Wayne Stringer, Julius Lampas, Nael Baddr, Renoto  
 Assayas. **LICENSED MINISTERS:** James H. Mills.

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Ricky Gandy.....	684-3712
Steven Hill.....	427-3522
Rod Jackson.....	667-3902
Bill Johnson.....	501-773-8969
A.B. Kellam.....	966-2465
Paul Magness.....	870-773-4018
J. T. McNabb.....	982-5941
Mike Mitchell.....	427-2647
Wilbourne Lee.....	982-5309
Calvin Permenter.....	632-9393
Ronnie Pipes.....	
Carl Raleigh.....	684-3240
Sam Reeves.....	667-5277
Albert Rjggs.....	585-2243
Gene Smith.....	832-4203
Joe Shafer.....	628-2652
Joe Stevens.....	684-3420
Wayne Stringer.....	628-5314
Billy Turpin.....	632-9953

Spirit's leading. The Apostle Paul stated this principle in I Corinthians 9:27, "But I keep under my body and bring it into subjection: lest that by any means, when I have preached to others, I myself should be a castaway."

The narrow view of temperance simply refers to alcoholic drinks. We need to gain the broader view- controlling all our desires and involvement in all things that appeal to the flesh.

Our churches will benefit from having "in-control" saints in this "out of control" society in which we live.

Submitted by  
 Pinkham Memorial M.B.C.

**AGED MINISTER'S REPORT**

Our churches have many ministers who have given the best years of their lives in pastoral duties. Some of these men are retiring from pastoral work because they a physically unable to keep up with the fast pace. Through the years they have acquired much knowledge and wisdom that can be of great spiritual value to the churches. Let us use them in ways that will keep our churches strong in the faith and reaching the lost for Christ,

For those ministers who have lived in parsonages all their ministerial lives and are unable to buy a home when they retire from pastoral work, we can recommend the Pastor's Retirement Center. Two bedroom apartments are now available for those who qualify. The cost for rent is minimal compared to rental property elsewhere.

May the churches prayerfully use and aid these ministers who have given their lives for the cause of Christ.

Respectfully submitted,  
 Austin Chapel M.B.C.

## ABA LITERATURE REPORT

In His commission to His churches, Jesus commanded that they lead the unsaved to salvation, baptize those who are saved, and teach them the unsearchable riches of His Holy Word. As those churches, scattered throughout the world, survey the field, they find that this task is humanly impossible. It could never be done without His divine leadership and enabling power. As He leads, churches join in cooperative efforts to do together what no single church could easily do alone.

In their effort to provide printed material to use in their teaching ministry, the churches of the American Baptist Association have set up the work of the literature committee. Through this structure the sixteen men on the committee work with messenger elected officers, the Editor in Chief of Publications and the Business Manager to publish curriculum materials for the use of the churches. These materials include Sunday School curriculum, Baptist training materials, youth ministry publications, and many other books, tracts, and study guides. It is not expected that every church will use every publication, but it is hoped that every church will find the materials needed to execute their Christian education responsibilities to God, to their community and, to the world.

The work is indeed a joint effort of the churches. Each church has equal input into the operation of the business. Each church, through it's elected messengers, has input into the management of the business. The elected officials, Bro. Bill Johnson, Editor in Chief of Publications, and Bro. Wayne Sewell, Business Manager, are acutely aware of the need to provide biblically sound materials. The sixty or so workers in the business are dedicated to producing the best materials for the Lord's churches.

We at Hooks Missionary Baptist Church are honored to recommend that the churches use the materials provided by our own people for our own people as they plan to obey the Lord's command in teaching the "all things" of Christ.

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**WARDS CREEK:** Rt. 1 Box 855, Simms, TX. 75574. Phone-628-3526. PASTOR: James R. Eddins, Sr., P. O. Box 105, Dekalb, TX. 75559. CHURCH CLERK: Doris Coleman, Rt. 1, Box 151 A, Dekalb, TX. 75559. SS SUPERINTENDENT: Walter Shaw. SS SECRETARY: Charlotte Lawling. ENROLLMENT: 65, Classes- 8. DEACONS: John M. Proctor, L. D. Coleman, Kenneth Tower. ORDAINED MINISTERS: James R. Eddins, Sr.

Woods. Classes- 6. ORDAINED MINISTERS: Byron Duren, Nolan Meredith, Johnny Boyd, Kenneth Henderson. ORDAINED MINISTERS: A. B. Kellam.

**HUBBARD CHAPEL:** Rt. 2, Box 391-D, Dekalb, TX. 75559.  
PASTOR: Rick Gandy, 685 San Marcus, Avery, TX. 75554.  
Phone-684-3712. CHURCH CLERK: Dora Perry, Rt. 2, Box 391-D, Dekalb, TX. 75559. ENROLLMENT: 18, Classes- 3.  
DEACONS: Lester Stout, Jackie Hawkins, Ewell Burden.  
ORDAINED MINISTERS: Ricky Gandy.

**JOHNTOWN:** Rt. 1, box 216, Bogata, TX. 75417. PASTOR: Bill Turpin, Rt. 1, Box 216, Bogata, TX. 75417. Phone-632-5493.  
CHURCH CLERK: Clara Gaddis, Rt. 1, Box 291B-1, Bogata. SS SUPERINTENDENT: Bob Estill. SS SECRETARY: Billie Pirtle.  
DEACONS: H. Drue Pirtle, James Gaddis. ORDAINED MINISTERS: Billy Turpin.

**LIBERTY:** Rt. 1, Detroit, TX. PASTOR: C. W. Permenter, Rt. 1, Box 256 K, Bogata, TX. 75417. Phone-632-9393. CHURCH CLERK: Laura Stevens, Rt. 1, Box 305, Detroit, TX. SS SUPERINTENDENT: Larkin Gooch. SS SECRETARY: Mrs. D. A. Pearce. ENROLLMENT: 24, Classes- 2. DEACONS: Wilbourn Lee, James H. Smith, Ray Fry. ORDAINED MINISTERS: C. W. Permenter.

**MT. PL;EASANT:** Negley. PASTOR: Carl Raleigh, Rt. 1, Box 122, Avery, TX. 75554. CHURCH CLERK: Linda Jackson, Rt. 1, Box 2460, Bagwell, TX. 75412. SS SUPERINTENDENT: Don Thomsberry. SS SECRETARY: Linda Jackson. Classes- 1.  
DEACONS: Ernest Carey. ORDAINED MINISTERS: Carl Raleigh.

**NEW HAVEN:** Clarksville. PASTOR: Steven M. Hill, Rt. 6, Box 308, Clarksville, TX. 75426. PHONE-427-3522. CHURCH CLERK: John R. Mitchell, Rt. 6, Clarksville, TX. 75426.

Respectfully submitted,  
Hooks M.B.C.

## CHRISTIAN EDUCATION REPORT

God reminded Israel of the importance of Christian Education in the Home when he said, "Therefore shall ye lay up these My Words in your heart and in your soul, and bind them for a sign upon you hand, that they may be frontlets between your eyes. And ye shall teach them your children, speaking of them when thou sittest in thine house, and when thou walkest by the way, when thou liest down and when thou risest up." Deaut. 11:18-19

In the New Testament, God emphasized the same truth with this admonition, "And ye fathers, provoke not your children to wrath: but bring them up in the nurture and admonition of the Lord." Eph. 6:4. Christian Education is to begin in the home.

As Jesus made the preparation to return to the Father after having called out His church, He instructed it to make disciples of all nations, baptize them, and teach them. Matt.28:19-20. Christian Education carries with it the responsibility to take the truth to all people. God has given this world-wide work to His Church.

Christian Education can be accomplished through a pastor committed to teaching, and through the teaching ministry of Sunday School, B.T.C., or other facets of the ministry of the church.

The training of ministers and Christian workers, which is a vital part of Christian Education, has been done best by Missionary Baptists through Church-owned, and Church-operated schools. These institutions have produced good fruit. Capable pastors and missionaries stand as evidence of their effectiveness. A Bible-trained ministry will cause progress in our work.

Submitted by  
Friendship M.B.C.

## YOUTH REPORT

“Train up a child in the way he should go: and when he is old, he will not depart from it.” Proverbs 22:6.

Wise King Solomon’s prudent agricultural proverb gives insight into the raising of children. Some plants with a vertical stem or stalk must be caged, staked, or tied up for strength to stand. When the stem, stalk, and roots develop strength to stand on their own they can be untied or unstaked for they now are independent. The reason is that, if the plant is left alone and it has no guided direction to grow the way it is supposed to, it will grow wildly, and when the stem, stalk or roots are strong, the plant may permanently be independently wild. Also, caution must be made when caging, staking, or tying the young plant lest the one cage, stake, or tie it crookedly, uncommon for that type of plant. When the stem, stalk, and roots are strong the plant may permanently be independently crooked and not straight like it should be. The purpose for the right procedure is for the plant to bear the best fruit in quality and quantity.

So it is with young people. The churches of the Lord Jesus Christ have part in this caging, staking, and tying procedure. We must realize the philosophy of our ministry will guide these young plants as they grow to maturity. May the churches be wise enough to know that caging, staking, and tying young plants with cages, cords, ropes and wires that are subject to change with the surrounding seasons will often leave these young plants unstable, vulnerable, and growing while relying on the latest procedure to guide them. The wise church will cage, stake, and tie young plants with the Word of the Living God which liveth and abideth forever. It never changes, needs tightening, adapted, nor replaced with a newer cord. (Note: The churches must also realize the primary responsibility for caging, staking, and tying young plants belongs to the parents, so, much discouragement from defeated procedures will decrease. God has given the training procedure to the parents of the young plants, so, as the old plant has grown, so grows the

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**FRIENDSHIP:** P. O. Box 606, Clarksville, TX. 75426. PASTOR: Mike Mitchell, Rt. 4, Box 97, Clarksville. CHURCH CLERK: Sally Reed, 1205 W. Jackson, Clarksville. SS  
**SUPERINTENDENT:** James Daniell. **SS SECRETARY:** Gina Daniell. **ENROLLMENT:** 100, Classes-11. **DEACONS:** Ed McConnell, Bobby Hines, Buddy Langston, James Daniell, Derald Kuhlengal, Bobby Cornelius. **ORDAINED MINISTERS:** Mike Mitchell.

**HERITAGE:** Texarkana, TX. PASTOR: Paul Magness, 1815 Timberline, Texarkana, AR. 71854. CHURCH CLERK: June Little, 704 Tri-State Rd, Texarkana, TX. 75501. SS  
**SUPERINTENDENT:** Randy Murray. **ENROLLMENT:** 83, Classes-5. **DEACONS:** Byron Johnson, Kale Magness, Bob Murray. **ORDAINED MINISTERS:** Paul Magness.

**HOOKS:** P. O. Box 935, Hooks, TX. 75561. PASTOR: Bill Johnson, 7 Country Estate Dr., Texarkana, AR. 71854. Phone-(501)-773-8969. CHURCH CLERK: Rita Johnson, 7 Country Estate Dr., Texarkana, AR. 71854. SS SUPERINTENDENT: David Butler. Classes-7. **ORDAINED MINISTERS:** Bill Johnson, James Shipp.

**HOPFELL:** Clarksville. PASTOR: A. B. Kellam, Rt. 6, Clarksville, TX. 75426. Phone-966-2465. CHURCH CLERK: Pat Boyd, Rt. 6 Box 283-1, Clarksville, TX. 75426. SS  
**SUPERINTENDENT:** Ronnie James. **SS SECRETARY:** Lois



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young plant.) Let the churches be willing, however, to do their part in not letting the young plants run wild on the ground, nor grow up crooked and fruitless, but when the opportunities are given, tighten a wire on the cage of His commandments, tie a string of scripture to young plants, and allow the Lord to work His will in their lives.

Respectfully submitted,  
New Haven M.B.C.

## LADIES' AUXILIARY REPORT

We, the East Post Oak Missionary Baptist Church, submit the following report on the ladies' work in our churches.

By definition, the word "Auxiliary" means giving support, helping, aiding, or assisting others. When the ladies of the church organize into a group it is referred to as a Ladies Auxiliary.

The Auxiliary meets with the primary purpose to study the Bible, and learn more about God's will in their lives. This equips them to reach out and serve where needed. They are to be a helper to their church and pastor.

The Bible records the lives and sacrifices of many ordinary women who made a great impact for the Lord's cause. Eunice and Lois motivated Timothy to do a great work. Paul was also encouraged by the faith of these two ladies.

We heartily recommend each church of the Red River-Bowie Association to organize a Ladies' Auxiliary. We also recommend each Auxiliary to renew their commitment to fulfill their purpose for the honor and glory of God.

Respectfully submitted,  
East Post Oak M.B.C.  
E.R. Reynolds, pastor

## ORPHAN'S HOME REPORT

There are twenty-one children presently in the Texarkana Baptist Orphanage, and they are doing very well. They have had a very busy summer. They have attended the ABA meeting in Dallas, spent a day at Six Flags, attended youth and teen camp, visited with their sponsors, and now they are at the home and back in school.

The campus renewal program continues to make progress. The slabs have been poured for the new dorms and are now waiting for the mission builders to come in September and November to put the buildings in the dry.

The building fund offerings are good, but there needs to be a lot more received before the buildings can be completed.

The Johntown Missionary Baptist Church encourages the prayers and financial support of the Texarkana Baptist Orphanage.

Respectfully submitted,  
Johntown M.B.C.

## OBITUARY REPORT

Some members of our churches were promoted to heaven to be with our Lord this past associational year. We know that, after a while, we shall see them again when our Lord returns for His own. May God bless their memory and comfort their families.

Those who have gone on before are:

AIKIN GROVE

Anna Lee Bradford

Hugh Holley

HUBBARD

Gene Litton

Joy Woods  
Thomas Burgess

AUSTIN CHAPEL  
Nathan Churchhill  
Clara Bunger

AVERY  
Tommy Hardman  
Curtis Hill  
Ina Misildine  
Hazel Roseberry  
Marie Stevens  
Maudie Webb

EAST POST OAK  
Charolette Mills  
Bertha Boren  
Alma Stevens  
Tony Ellis

FAITH  
Wayne Williams  
Martin Seals

HOPEWELL  
James Horsley  
Edith Watson

NEW HAVEN  
Samantha Hinkle

NEW HOPE  
James Hays

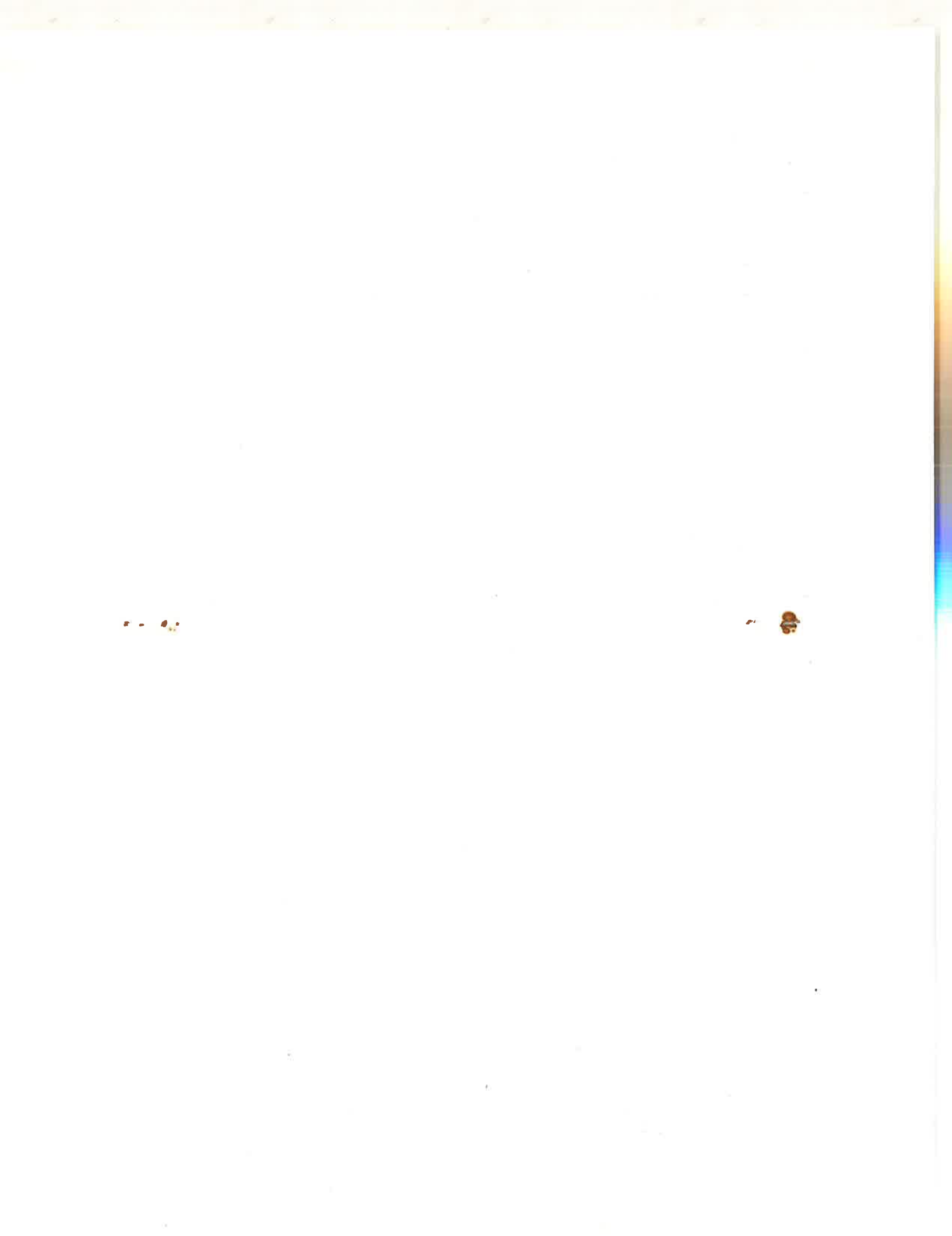
PINKHAM MEMORIAL  
Pete Shumake  
Thelma Dalby  
Eula Elliot  
Bryant Elliot

PLEASANT OAKS  
Donnie "Daines" Black  
Chazz Bateman

WARDS CREEK  
Pearlie May  
Coyce Granberry

WESTSIDE  
Joe Joyner  
Billy Barnett  
Walter Smith  
Roy Reynolds

Submitted by Calvin and Myra  
Permenter for Liberty MBC.



RED RIVER-BOWIE ASSOCIATION STATISTICS

CHURCHES OF THE RED RIVER-BOWIE ASSOCIATION	INC	DCR	PRESENT MEMBER SHIP	PASTOR'S SALARY	ASSOC. MISSIONS	STATE MISSIONS	INTEREST AND FOREIGN MISSIONS	TND	CHRISTIAN EDUCATION	ORPHANS HOME	RADIO PROGRAM	BLDG & REPAIRS	OTHER EXPENSES	TOTAL TO MISSIONS	TOTAL PAID OUT
AIKIN GROVE	2	7	168	15600	1574	151	360		151	334	300	27590	4263	3032	50323
AUSTIN CHAPEL	12	10	203	24380	1500		3675		1779	182		269	13202	7136	44987
AVERY	14	15	354		600	1500	1800		2500	1200	180	53856	49935	95678	111571
BOGATA	31	3	83	33899	1361	2377	1627		1127	300		221335	13579	6791	275,506
POST OAK	8	7	188	16742	4663	3425	3325		1663	840	2785	2901	34938	14951	71282
ECHO HILLS															
FATH	23	2	369	28139	600	600	7200			250		68247	58147	8400	163183
FRIENDSHIP			300		50	1721	2313		1447	234	240	1226		5531	7231
HERITAGE	69		69			921	7253							8174	
HOOKS	16	6	156												0
HOPEWELL	7	2	328	19200	932		3013				225	1906	8365	3944	33641
HUBBARD	1	5	95	17800	725	363			1088	363		90	6758	2176	27187
JOHNTOWN															
LIBERTY	0	2	39	10400	917	502	1005	60	150	502		25	2850	3035	16411
MT. PLEASANT	32					298				50			695	298	4473
NEW HAVEN	6	3	170												
NEW HOPE	2	1	44	5200	300	800	800		3700	2200		2864	2924	5600	18788
PINKHAM	21	26	313		1686	1200	3934		3372	1192				10003	56011
PLEASANT OAKS	13	1	90												0
WARDS CREEK	21	6	184			2072	4244		2052	2072			8096	8368	39211
WEST SIDE	34	16	396	24645	3170	789	14118		1057	528		8856	50022	19134	103185
OAK RIDGE															0
TOTALS	312	112	3549	196005	18078	16719	54667	60	20086	10247	3730	389165	253774	202251	747759.5