

**1956**  
**YEAR BOOK**

**THE MISSIONARY BAPTIST  
ASSOCIATION OF TEXAS**

**Antioch, Bellvue, and East Amarillo Baptist Churches  
and pastors were host to the annual session  
in Amarillo, Texas**

**NEXT SESSION**

**November 12, 13, 1957**

**Mt. Pleasant Baptist Church — Denison, Texas**

**Eld. George B. Crawford, Pastor**

**ANNUAL SERMON ..... Eld. Vernon Lierly**  
**ALTERNATE ..... Eld. W. O. Sears**  
**MODERATOR ..... Eld. George B. Crawford, Denison, Tex.**  
**ASSISTANT MODERATOR ... Eld. R. E. Rodgers, Arp. Tex.**

**RECORDING SECRETARIES**

**Dr. Albert Garner, Box 1112, Henderson, Texas**

**Eld. Leo Griffith, Box 591, Henderson, Texas**

**THE MISSIONARY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION OF TEXAS**

Messenger meeting, October 30, 1956  
Amarillo, Texas (Municipal Auditorium)

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**CORRESPONDING SECRETARY-TREASURER**

Eld. J. W. Harper ..... Gallatin, Texas

**MISSIONARIES**

Eld. J. W. Harper ..... Gallatin, Texas

Eld. H. E. Rhodes ..... 2610 Kingsdale, Pasadena, Texas

Eld. R. E. Walters ..... 2514 3rd Ave. S., Texas City, Texas

Eld. J. C. Askew ..... 1017 N. Sam Houston, Odessa, Texas

Eld. William E. Lee ..... Arp, Texas

Eld. C. W. Pierce ..... Lubbock, Texas

**PLACE OF MEETING 1957**

Mt. Pleasant Baptist Church, Denison, Texas

Eld. George B. Crawford, Pastor

November 12, 13, 1957

## **ORDER OF BUSINESS**

1. Devotional
2. Welcome Address
3. Organization
4. Annual Sermon
5. Reports:
  - a. State Missions
  - b. Christian Education
  - c. Interstate and Foreign Missions
  - d. Benevolence
  - e. Publications
  - f. Women's Work
  - g. Young People's Work
  - h. Finances
  - i. Miscellaneous matters
6. Special: Regular business shall be suspended each day at 11:00 a.m. and 8:00 p.m. for preaching services unless the messengers shall otherwise direct. Any report may be made a special order in connection with the evening services, and as committees may be ready to report.

1956

**MINUTES OF THE MISSIONARY BAPTIST  
ASSOCIATION OF TEXAS**

**October 30, 1956**

**TUESDAY MORNING**

Services were called to order at 9:30 by Eld. Bruce Hibbit, Moderator. Eld. Wm. E. Lee directed the congregation in singing "There Is A Fountain Filled with Blood," accompanied by Mrs. Clara Rodgers, pianist. Services were held in the Amarillo Municipal Auditorium secured by the three host churches and pastors.

**Opening prayer** was led by Dr. A. T. Powers of Henderson, Texas.

Bro. Bruce Hibbit, moderator, announced the death of Bro. O. T. Reed, one of the host pastors. He was in the services last evening and passed away early this morning, suddenly. Bro. W. O. Sears, pastor of East Amarillo Baptist Church was then called to the stand and introduced the Evans sisters who sang "If We Never Meet Again," in memory of Bro. O. T. Reed.

**Devotional** was led by Eld. Bobby Ashcraft of Little Rock, Arkansas. He read Matt. 27:50-54 and brought a very touching call to consecration and service.

**The 1956 Annual Session** of the Missionary Baptist Association of Texas was declared open for transacting of such business as might be introduced.

**Election of Officers:**

Elders A. T. Powers, R. E. Rodgers, and George Crawford were nominated for Moderator. Eld. George Crawford was elected and Eld. R. E. Rodgers was elected Assistant Moderator.

Nominated for Recording Secretaries were Eld. Albert Garner, Eld. Ray O. Brooks, and Eld. Leo Griffith. Eld. Albert Garner and Eld. Leo Griffith were elected.

Eld. Bruce Hibbit then presented the Gavel to Eld. George B. Crawford the newly elected moderator for the association.

The moderator appointed an **enrollment committee** of: Doyle Harrison, J. W. Kesner, and R. T. Stevens. The **finance committee** was then appointed as follows: Don Miller, R. E. Cecil, and Garland Allen. All brethren on these committees were well known ministers in the State Fellowship of churches.

By mutual consent the welcome address had been postponed until after election of the officers. Mr. C. T. Davis, city commissioner, welcomed the messenger assembly of the association to Amarillo on behalf of the city and mayor. Eld. Vernon Lierly of Hillsboro, Texas, gave the welcome response.

A motion then prevailed to set 2:00 p.m. in the afternoon as a time for hearing the annual report of the Secretary of Missions and the election of State Missionaries for the ensuing year.

A motion prevailed to select the place and speaker for next annual

meeting of the State Assembly. Mt. Pleasant Baptist Church of Denison was selected by Acclamation. Eld. Vernon Lierly was elected to bring the Annual Sermon and Eld. W. O. Sears was elected alternate.

A motion prevailed that the next annual session of the association be held on Tuesday and Wednesday after the 2nd Sunday in November, November 12, 13, 1957.

There was a prevailing motion that the Moderator, Eld. George Crawford, and Recording Secretary, Eld. Albert Garner, be authorized to sign a State Association reversion deed clause to the Mt. Hope Missionary Baptist Church of Gainesville, Texas.

"Leaning On The Everlasting Arms," was sung by the congregation, directed by Eld. Barnette Rippetoe with Mrs. Clara Rodgers, pianist.

Eld. J. B. Powers was then introduced to preach the annual sermon. The Moderator, Eld. George Crawford, made the introduction.

Bro. Powers brought a wonderful message on "The Importance of A New Testament Church." Scripture reading was Eph. 5:23-27. The hand of appreciation was extended to Bro. Powers for the message by Eld. J. W. Harper, State Secretary-Treasurer of Missions. The congregation was then recessed for the noon meal, with Eld. Ralph Lee of Oklahoma leading the closing prayer.

#### AFTERNOON SESSION 1:30 P.M.

Services were called to order by Eld. R. E. Rodgers, Assistant Moderator.

"There's Sunshine In My Soul," was sung by the congregation with Eld. Billy Walters directing. The opening prayer was led by Eld. Harold Rhodes.

The report on Interstate and Foreign Missions was read by Eld. A. L. Patterson and discussed by him and Eld. Winfred Mears. A motion prevailed to accept the report.

**A Resolution on Segregation** was read and discussed by Dr. Albert Garner and Eld. Vernon L. Barr. A unanimous motion prevailed to approve the resolution

The annual report was made by the Secretary-Treasurer of Missions, Eld. J. W. Harper. It was then reread and/or altered by sections, as follows:

1. The financial phase of report was adopted as presented.
2. The "State Evangelist" phase of the report was by vote stricken from or vetoed by the assembly and a substitute recommendation prevailed that there be three men selected for full time State Mission work, on recommended salary, instead of two full time missionaries and one State Evangelist.
3. The recommendation that missionary projects be sponsored by churches and local associations in various parts of the State and reported to the Secretary of Missions of the State Assembly thirty days before the annual meeting also prevailed.

Discussion on the recommendations were entered into by Eld. J. W. Harper, Eld. R. E. Rodgers, Eld. Vernon L. Barr, and Eld. Ray

O. Brooks.

Five nominees who had been recommended by their churches and/or others were introduced to the assembly by Eld. George B. Crawford, moderator, as follows:

Eld. Joe C. Askew  
Eld. W. E. Lee  
Eld C. W. Pierce  
Eld. H. E. Rhodes  
Eld. R. E. Walters

Eld. C. W. Pierce made a statement of request that he be endorsed only for designated offerings in his mission work. A motion prevailed to grant moral endorsement for the request.

Elected to serve as full time missionaries on recommended salary for the coming year were Eld. H. E. Rhodes, Eld. R. E. Walters, and Eld. Joe C. Askew.

A motion prevailed to elect Eld. J. W. Harper to serve as Corresponding Secretary-Treasurer of Missions for the coming year, on same basis of previous service, to receive \$75.00 per month as expense money.

A motion prevailed to extend a rising vote of appreciation to Bro. Harper for his work of the past year.

A motion was made to pay missionaries the same as last year. The motion was amended to read that they be paid "\$300.00 per month salary and \$100.00 per month for rent and utility expenses." The motion prevailed as amended.

A motion then carried unanimously that Eld. W. E. Lee receive moral endorsement and designated offerings as State Missionary for the coming year.

Oral reports were given personally by former State Missionaries Eld. H. E. Rhodes and Eld. R. E. Rodgers. A statement was also made concerning Bro. Arthur Smith, who had resigned State Mission work to stay with the new church he had organized in Abilene.

### **SPECIAL MISSION PROJECT REPORTS**

Special reports on new mission projects and churches organized during the past twelve months were made as follows:

<b>Place</b>	<b>Reported By</b>
Tyler, Texas	J. W. Harper
Corsicana, Texas	William Hitt
Morton, Texas	F. E. Bennett
Bells, Texas	Gordon Shaffer
Carlsbad, New Mexico	G. P. Allen
Albuquerque, New Mexico	G. P. Allen
Lubbock, Texas	G. P. Allen
Lamesa, Texas	G. P. Allen
Texas City, Texas	R. E. Walters
Paxton, Texas	Tom Hollis
Sardis, Center, Texas	Tom Hollis
Pampa, Texas	Bro. Evans
Pasadena, Texas	H. E. Rhodes

A motion prevailed that the assembly receive a special offering to buy an adding machine to be used by Bro. J. W. Harper in his secretarial work. The offering was received.

The congregation then nominated to preach the evening message Elders W. E. Lee, Barnette Rippetoe, and E. L. Merrill. Bro. Lee was elected.

A motion prevailed to adjourn until 7 p.m. . . . Closing prayer was led by Eld. Barnette Rippetoe.

#### EVENING SERVICE 7:00 P.M.

Services were called to order by Eld. George Crawford, Moderator.

"At the Cross" was sung as the opening hymn, with Eld. Barnette Rippetoe directing and his wife, Mrs. Rippetoe, accompanying at the piano. "Are You Washed In The Blood?" was then sung.

**Devotional** was conducted by Eld. Harold Nichols. He read Psa. 26:1-3.

#### **REPORTS:** (See Exhibits for Reports)

1. The Report on Christian Education was read and discussed by Eld. Dan Griffith, Eld. J. W. Griffith, and Eld. Jack Dean. A motion prevailed to adopt the report.

Eld. J. W. Griffith was nominated to audit the books of the Secretary of Missions for the coming year.

2. The report on Young People's Work was read and discussed by Eld. James A. Kirkland. A motion carried to adopt the report.

3. The Report on Women's Work was read and discussed by Mrs. Jack Dean. The report was adopted as read.

4. Report on Publications was read and discussed by Eld. Ray O. Brooks. The report was accepted, as read.

5. The Report on Resolutions was read by Eld. W. E. Lee. A motion prevailed to extend a rising vote of thanks to the people of the entertaining churches of the association and to offer a special prayer in memory of Bro. O. T. Reed and family, because of Bro. Reed's departing this life during the course of the Association Assembly.

6. The Report on Benevolence was read and discussed by Eld. Jack Dean who in turn introduced Bro. Pete Pasley, Superintendent of the Texarkana Baptist Orphanage, who also discussed the report and gave information concerning the Orphanage. A motion prevailed to adopt the report.

A motion prevailed that a public offering be taken and equally divided between the O. T. Reed family and Bro. J. E. Sherrill, one of our former State Missionaries, now in ill health.

The congregation sang, "What A Friend," after which Eld. J. W. Harper introduced and presented Eld. W. E. Lee to bring the evening sermon.

Bro. Lee read Mal. 4:1-3 and delivered a soul-moving message on the "Hope of The Believer In Times of World Crisis." The hand of appreciation was extended to him on behalf of the congregation by

Eld. Vernon Lierly.

7. The Report on Finance was read and discussed by Eld. Don Miller. A motion carried to receive the report.

A motion prevailed that the offering received for the Reed family be turned to them and our sympathy extended by the Finance Committee. Eld. O. W. Wilson brought words of appreciation for the gesture from the Reed Family.

8. The Report on Enrollment was read by Eld. D. D. Harrison. A motion prevailed that the report be accepted.

A brief statement and report was made by Eld. J. D. Polk who has served as Missionary to Hawaii for several years and is preparing to sail for Japan Mission work in December. He requested prayer and support as Missionary-elect of the American Baptist Association.

A motion prevailed requesting that the Recording Secretaries secure and print the names and addresses of all our pastors and churches and church clerks in the State possible in the Yearbook.

A motion prevailed to adjourn to meet in the next annual session at 10 a.m. on Tuesday, November 12, 1957, at Denison, Texas.

"God Be With You Till We Meet Again" was sung as a parting hymn. The closing prayer was led by Dr. A. T. Powers.

## ANNUAL REPORT OF J. W. HARPER, CORRESPONDING SECRETARY OF MISSIONARY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION OF TEXAS

For 11 months, Nov. 1, 1955, to Oct. 1, 1956.

### Received For State Missions:

By J. W. Harper, by mail .....	\$8,844.80
By Missionaries (on field) .....	3,638.20
Balance Oct. 31, 1955 .....	4.63
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	\$12,487.63

### Paid Out for State Missions:

To Missionaries and Secretary:	
R. E. Rodgers .....	\$3,200.00
H. E. Rhodes .....	4,341.54
A. W. Smith .....	4,000.00
J. W. Harper .....	831.65
J. E. Sherrill .....	31.98
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	\$12,405.17
To J. W. Griffith, Auditor .....	10.00
Office Supplies .....	33.62
Balance, Sept. 30, 1956 .....	38.84
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	\$12,487.63
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**MINUTE FUND:**

Received: At Asso., from churches .....	\$356.64	
Paid out to:		
O. H. Griffith, Clerk .....		\$ 35.00
Albert Garner, Clerk .....		35.00
Albert Garner (mail. exp.) .....		31.39
Seminary Press .....		256.25
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	\$356.64	\$356.64

**INTER-STATE AND FOREIGN MISSIONS:**

Received .....	\$156.31	
Paid to A. L. Patterson, Secretary Missions A.B.A. ....		\$156.31
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	\$156.31	\$156.31

**MISCELLANEOUS:**

Received Texarkana Orphans Home, 11-10-55 .....	\$ 5.00	
Received Texas Bapt. Institute, 1-3-56 .....	5.00	
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	\$10.00	
Paid Out to Texas Bapt. Orphans Home, 11-30-55 .....		\$ 5.00
Paid Out to Texas Bapt. Institute, 1-1-56 .....		5.00
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	\$10.00	\$10.00

**SUPPLEMENT REPORT (for the month of October, 1956)****RECEIVED FOR STATE MISSIONS:**

By J. W. Harper, by mail .....	\$ 977.17
By Missionaries on field .....	256.34
Balance Oct. 1, 1956 .....	38.84

Total Received for month ..... \$1,272.35

**PAID OUT FOR STATE MISSIONS:**

To H. E. Rhodes .....	\$ 557.46
To J. E. Sherrill, designated .....	21.87
To J. W. Harper .....	109.37
To J. W. Griffith, Auditor .....	10.00
To Office Expense .....	2.50

Total Paid Out ..... \$ 701.20  
 Balance to Credit of State Missions ..... 571.15

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ALL OBLIGATIONS TO STATE MISSIONS ARE PAID WITH A  
 BALANCE OF OCT. 27, 1956, in amount of \$571.15.

Amount Received last year for State Missions .....	\$13,350.00
Amount Received this year .....	13,612.00
Increase in total receipts .....	\$258.00

We had two missionaries to resign this year before the end of the year, Bro. Rodgers in July, and Bro. Smith September 1st.

Signed: J. W. Harper, Corresponding Secretary.

## RECOMMENDATIONS FOR MISSION PROGRAM IN 1957

By J. W. Harper

Please read carefully, as I have prayerfully thought it out.

**First.** Two full time Missionaries, giving their time to establishing new churches. There is an open door for us now and we must enter while the door is still open. I believe that TWO good men can accomplish a LOT. I had rather have Two Missionaries WELL supported than a half dozen poorly supported. Let's have two and let's keep them well supported.

**Second.** One Missionary-Evangelist giving his time to Evangelism with Our Churches. I believe that the RIGHT man here can do us more good than another Missionary. I wish it was so I could say that I would like the place, but I can not. I have "passed too far over the hill," but men are available who can put over this work in a great way. The right man could about collect his pay and there would not be an additional charge to our Mission work. I know a man, a good one, that can be had for this place. To have a high tide of evangelism flowing through our churches would be one of the greatest blessings.

**Third.** Mission Projects. These projects sponsored by our Churches and Pastors where ever there is an opportunity. Let the report of these projects be made to the Corresponding Secretary not later than October the first of each year, so that the Churches and workers sponsoring these places can get full credit for the work that they are doing.

## REPORT OF AUDITOR TO MISSIONARY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

To the Messengers of the Churches when convened at Amarillo, Texas, October 29-31, 1956:

This is to certify that I, J. W. Griffith, have this day, Oct. 26, 1956, completed an extensive audit of the books of Eld. J. W. Harper, corresponding secretary-treasurer of Missionary Baptist Association of Texas, and find his report as hereto attached to be a correct reflection of the receipts and disbursements of the associational year, 1955-1956.

Respectfully submitted,  
J. W. Griffith, Auditor.

# REPORT OF COMMITTEES

## INTERSTATE AND FOREIGN MISSIONS

Upon authority of the Scriptures the churches of the American Baptist Association associate in the support of interstate and foreign missions in an effort to spread the gospel to the uttermost parts of the earth.

May all our churches be mindful of their need of an ever increasing vision for the Lord's work while they pray earnestly for the missionaries and give liberally of their money to support these workers that they may give themselves continually to the ministry of the gospel.

Your committee:

A. L. Patterson  
Vernon L. Barr  
Winfred Mears.

## RESOLUTION ON SEGREGATION

Whereas this Association in Messenger Assembly has for the past two years expressed strong disapproval of National efforts and influences to integrate the races in social life,

And Whereas, we understand the integration of the races to be morally, historically, and Scripturally wrong,

And Whereas, the citizens of the State of Texas have in regular election requested our State Officials to use their influence in strengthening State Laws that discourage and forbid the legal intermarriage of the white and negroid races,

Be it therefore resolved that we, the annual messenger assembly of the Missionary Baptist Association of Texas, this the 30th day of October, 1956, call upon our Baptist people in particular and all Christians in general, to exert every lawful means and influence possible to help halt further spread of the communist principle of racial infidelity, as adjudated and promoted by the NAACP, apparent communist-fringe organization in these United States of America.

Signed:

Albert Garner  
Vernon L. Barr  
George B. Crawford.

## PERSONAL REPORT OF MISSIONARIES

H. E. RHODES	
Churches organized .....	1
Revival meetings .....	5
Professions of faith .....	16
Additions to churches .....	46
Collected on field .....	\$1,073.22
R. E. RODGERS	
Souls saved .....	20
Additions to church .....	41
Churches organized .....	2
Revivals .....	5

## CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

We, your committee, believe that Christian Education is definitely a part of the work of Missionary Baptists. Our people of the Missionary Baptist Association of Texas have responded well to this need from the churches outward to our preacher-training schools.

Texas Baptist Institute at Henderson, Texas, is now operating in her ninth year. This year there have been enrolled 53 students, of whom 47 are preachers. We have raised, and our churches have supported the school in 1955-56 in the amount of \$12,981.45.

We have total assets in the amount of approximately \$61,000.00 and net worth of \$40,282.30. A large part of the increased receipts are due to the Baptist Institute Book Shop which began operating about a year ago. The book shop recently received a \$400.00 endowment from the sale of lake property formerly given to the school by Dr. A. J. Kirkland. All profits from book sales are returned to the business at present. When proper expansion of the book shop has been made, profits will go into the operating funds of the school.

Our library has had some 165 new volumes added to it since last year, besides used volumes from the libraries of friends of the school. We urge continued support for the library through our various church auxiliaries and youth fellowships as during last year.

The store room has received wonderful support and deserves continued support. Our people responded well to our pleas to furnish the new dormitory. It is now fully occupied by students. Proceeds from the rent go to pay the bills of the dormitory and to retire the debt of \$8,000.00 borrowed to erect the building.

We urge continued support of our schools. At the present time our general fund is quite low, and we need your special offerings for the school now. We suggest that you return to your churches, take up an offering to help us through the fall and winter season, and send it in as soon as possible.

The West Texas Baptist Institute is now in her third year. Classes are conducted each Tuesday from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. in the educational building of the Northside Baptist Church of Snyder, Texas.

Signed:

J. W. Griffith  
Jack Dean  
Dan Griffith

## YOUNG PEOPLE'S WORK

The future strength of the Missionary Baptist Churches depends upon the present teaching and training of Missionary Baptist young people.

This committee recognizes three major needs of Missionary Baptist youth:

1. Teaching on the fundamental doctrines of the Scriptures.
2. Teaching on Baptist Church government.
3. Training in personal soul-winning.

This committee recommends that strong support be given to the

local Youth Fellowships and the State Youth Fellowship of Texas.

In the July 1956 messenger meeting of the State Youth Fellowship in Corsicana, Texas, the recommendation was made that the churches of Texas endorse and support a youth encampment. The Youth Fellowship requested that the churches of the State vote on this matter and bring their decision to the State Youth Fellowship messenger meeting in Longview, Texas, in July 1957.

This committee recommends that every church of the state vote on this recommendation by the messengers of the State Youth Fellowship.

Respectfully submitted,  
James A. Kirkland  
Charles R. Newman  
Arvis Merrill.

### WOMAN'S WORK

In recognition of a Woman's Work in her place through Christ's Church, we report that many auxiliaries have been organized in our local Missionary Baptist churches since our last Associational Meeting. A number of District Auxiliaries have also been organized during the past year. The women of our churches are being rewarded for their faithfulness in Bible study and other concentrated efforts by seeing lost women saved, inactive Christians led into consecrated service, and their own churches strengthened in both spiritual and physical needs.

Interest in Girl's Auxiliary work is also increasing rapidly. In May of this year, a Girl's Auxiliary Manual was published and is now available to our churches. It is our belief that Girl's Auxiliaries are very beneficial, not only in our present day church program, but also to our future churches as well. We recommend that our pastors encourage, in every way possible, the organization of an active girl's auxiliary work in their churches.

We believe that our Lord's work would advance more rapidly if our pastors would encourage their auxiliaries to more thorough Bible study, more personal soul-winning, and more active participation in their over-all church program.

Signed:

Mrs. Jack Dean  
Mrs. W. E. Lee  
Mrs. Barnett Rippetoe.

### PUBLICATIONS

The printed page is an invaluable means of imparting knowledge, and your committee on publications recommends that increasingly greater use be made of it to further the cause of Christ, as believed and taught by Missionary Baptists.

We further recommend that greater emphasis be placed upon the reading and study of the Bible, and books of Bible helps, prepared by those of our own fellowship, and that such others as are true to Baptist

principles be purchased for study, and each church use the Sunday School and Baptist Training Course material published by the Baptist Sunday School Committee of Texarkana. The churches are also urged, where practical, to organize special study courses. Materials are available for use in these from the above address and the Texas Baptist Institute Book Shop, Henderson, Texas.

We further recommend that greater use be made of the tracts offered by the Baptist Sunday School Committee for free distribution.

Whereas your committee feels that this is a sorely neglected field by the majority of our Lord's Churches, we further recommend that a special effort be made to encourage individual members of said churches to procure and study above named publications.

We recommend that each Baptist home subscribe to the Baptist Monitor and The Soul Winner and The Search Light, and such other Baptist papers as they may desire.

Respectfully submitted,

Ray O. Brooks  
Vernon Lirely  
R. D. Evans.

### RESOLUTIONS

Be it resolved that we show our appreciation to the churches of Amarillo for their Hospitality by a standing vote.

Inasmuch as our hearts have been made sad by the passing of a brother in Christ, as well as a brother in the ministry,

Be it resolved that we show our sympathy to the Reed family by standing for a moment of silence.

Signed:

W. E. Lee  
H. E. Rhodes  
R. E. Walters.

### FINANCES

We, your finance committee, submit the following report:

#### Received for:

Minute Fund .....	\$251.58
State Missions .....	29.89
Adding Machine .....	79.61
Benevolence .....	114.93
Total .....	<u>\$476.01</u>

Signed:

D. S. Miller  
G. P. Allen  
R. E. Cecil.

## ENROLLMENT

We, your committee on enrollment, make the following report:

Churches represented by messenger .....	79
Churches represented by letter .....	7
Out of state churches represented .....	7
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Total churches represented .....	93
Messengers present .....	140
Visitors present .....	69
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Total present .....	209

Signed:

D. D. Harrison  
R. T. Stevens  
J. W. Kesner, Jr.

## BENEVOLENCE

We, your committee on benevolence, submit the following:

In keeping with the divine command of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ to prove our love in caring for the needy of our brethren note these conditions:

1. Worthy ministers who have served well and faithful and have passed the age of active service such as pastoring churches, etc., in need.

2. Others who have been stricken with illness and are at least temporarily incapacitated.

3. The widows and children of our deceased brethren many times are left with little means to carry on.

We therefore recommend that each local church care for and minister to these needy ones in her own locality and inform sister churches of the same.

We recommend the Baptist Orphan's Home of Texarkana, Arkansas, as being worthy of regular and liberal offerings. We further recommend that each ladies auxiliary continue in so far as they deem wise and possible, their practice of adopting a child from the home for support.

Respectfully submitted,  
Franklin Shepard  
Olen W. Wilson.  
G. T. Smith.

## STATE MISSION REPORT

We, your committee on State Missions, submit the following:

We recommend:

1. That we continue to try to enlist every Church of the Missionary Baptist Association in support of state missions and,
2. That we continue the same method and policies of the past years.

Respectfully submitted,  
J. W. Harper  
Gordon Shaffer  
Sam Hogan.

## CHURCH DIRECTORY

- AMARILLO: Antioch, Tenth and Colorado St., Pastor, Larry Reeves, 2004 Ricks, Amarillo, Texas. Clerk, Irene Evans, 1824 Poplar, Amarillo, Texas.
- AMARILLO: East Amarillo; Pastor, W. O. Sears, 1632 Marrs, Amarillo, Texas. Clerk, Mrs. Hilton McAdams, 213 McMasters, Amarillo, Texas.
- ARP: First Baptist; Pastor, R. E. Rodgers, Arp, Texas. Clerk, Mrs. Bob Owens, Arp, Texas.
- ABILENE: New Hope; Pastor, Arthur W. Smith, 1841 Hickory, Abilene, Texas. Clerk, Mrs. Leoda Davis, 2125 Clinton St., Abilene, Texas.
- ANGLETON: Southside MBC. Pastor, J. J. DeFoor, Angleton, Texas. Clerk, Mrs. R. T. Platt, Rt. 1, Angleton, Texas.
- ANTON: Fellowship MBC. Pastor, E. Perry A. Patterson, 618 39th Street, Lubbock, Texas. Clerk, Ruby Wright, Anton, Texas.
- ALTO: Clerk, Mrs. A. E. Odero, Alto, Texas.
- AVERY: Pastor, R. T. Stevens, Avery, Texas. Clerk, Mrs. M. Carey, Box 242, Avery, Texas.
- AVERY: Lydia. Pastor, Melvin Finley, Rt. 2, Hughes Springs, Texas. Clerk, Alford York, Rt. 1, Avery, Texas.
- AVINGER: Liberty. Pastor, Roy Collum, Greenwood, La. Clerk, J. H. Brown, Avinger, Texas.
- AVINGER: Prewitt Lake. Pastor, J. N. Campbell, Avinger, Texas. Clerk, Mrs. O. W. Boyd, Avinger, Texas.
- AVINGER: Turkey Creek. Pastor, J. F. Ayers, Marshall, Texas.
- BEAUMONT: Idylwood, 11th St. and Cole Rd. Pastor, J. W. Yoes, 5665 Cole Rd. Clerk, Mrs. J. W. Yoes, 5665 Cole Rd.
- BLOOMING GROVE: Pleasant Grove. Pastor, Winfred Robinson, Henderson, Texas. Clerk, Clara Staggs, Rt. 1, Blooming Grove, Texas.
- BRYSON: Mt. Olive MBC. Pastor, Aaron Sampley, Box 402, Milsap, Texas. Clerk, J. F. Mullenix, Box 181, Graham, Texas.
- BELLS: Ambrose. Pastor, Gordon Shaffer. Clerk, Mrs. A. J. Whitlock, Rt. 1, Bells, Texas.
- BECKVILLE: Brooks Chapel. Pastor, V. M. Odom, Rt. 1, Beckville, Texas. Clerk, Mrs. P. R. Woods, Rt. 1, Beckville, Texas.
- BAGWELL: Blakney. Clerk, W. W. Lawrence, Rt. 1, Bagwell, Texas..
- BAGWELL: Mt. Pleasant. Pastor, Cecil Hill, Rt. 6, Clarksville, Texas. Clerk, Mrs. A. H. McDonald, Rt. 1, Bagwell, Texas.

- BLOSSOM: Post Oak. Pastor, A. I. Bond, Bogota, Texas. Clerk, Nancy Lenoir, Rt. 2, Blossom, Texas.
- CLARKSVILLE: Aiken Grove. Pastor, James Taylor, 1315 Morris, Henderson, Texas. Clerk, Ulous Humphrey, Rt. 2, Clarksville, Texas.
- CARTHAGE: Carthage MBC. Pastor, C. H. McBryde, Rt. 1, Carthage, Texas. Clerk, Mrs. J. H. Adams, 209 North St. Mary, Carthage, Texas.
- CORPUS CHRISTI: First Landmark, 1826 Keys St. Pastor, George C. Harris, 126 Orange St.
- CLARKSVILLE: Friendship. Pastor, A. L. Merrill, Clarksville, Texas. Clerk, Fannie Hill, Rt. 1, Clarksville, Texas.
- CLUTE: Friendship. Pastor, Dan Griffith, Box 955, Clute, Texas. Clerk, Mrs. John Lamar, Clute, Texas.
- CORSICANA: Missionary Baptist. Pastor, R. E. Dale, Box 712, Corsicana, Texas. Clerk, Otis Atkeisson, Box 712, Corsicana, Texas.
- CARTHAGE: Murvaul. Pastor, Lynn McBryde, Rt. 2, Carthage, Texas. Clerk, Mrs. T. C. Mason, Rt. 2, Carthage, Texas.
- CORSICANA: Providence. Pastor, O. L. McCollum, Hall St., Ennis, Texas. Clerk, C. G. Rash, Corsicana, Texas.
- CENTER: Spann's Chapel. Pastor, Lenard Milford, Rt. 2, Timpson, Texas. Clerk, Mrs. Alvin Johnson, Rt. 6, Center, Texas.
- CENTER: Trinity. Pastor, Curtis Peace, Center, Texas. Clerk, Calvin Miller, Tenaha, Texas.
- CROCKETT: Ephesus. Pastor, M. T. Blackman, Houston, Texas. Clerk, Mrs. Raymon Mims, Rt. 3, Crockett, Texas.
- COLLINSVILLE: Mt. Zion. Pastor, Jim Ransom. Clerk, Mrs. Goldie Cox, Collinsville, Texas.
- COOKVILLE: Lone Star. Pastor, Garnett Walker, Mt. Pleasant, Texas. Clerk, Mrs. Elfa Gilbreath, Cookville, Texas.
- CARTHAGE: Hopewell. Pastor, Jimmie Allen, Rt. 2, Carthage, Texas. Clerk, Mrs. Earnest Langford, Rt. 2, Carthage, Texas.
- CORSICANA: Cedar Creek. Pastor, W. T. Allman, Hubbard, Texas. Clerk, Mrs. Odera Henson, 1321 W. 9th, Corsicana, Texas.
- CLOVIS, NEW MEXICO: New Bethel MBC. Pastor, James E. Cooper, 601 Weatherford, Rt. 1, Clovis, N. M. Clerk, Mrs. Wayne H. Higgs, 818 Calhoun, Clovis, N. M.
- CLARKSVILLE: Hopewell. Pastor, Cecil Hill, Rt. 6, Clarksville, Texas. Clerk, Harvie Fryar, Rt. 6, Clarksville, Texas.
- CLARKSVILLE: Maple Creek. Pastor, Garnett Walker, Mt. Pleasant, Texas. Clerk, Mrs. Ross Mitchell, Rt. 2, Clarksville, Texas.

- CLARKSVILLE: New Haven. Pastor, R. T. Stevens, Rt. 6, Clarksville, Texas. Clerk, Mrs. Ross Mitchell, Rt. 6, Clarksville, Texas.
- CENTER: Arcadia. Pastor, Alvin Pate, Center, Texas. Clerk, Dee Smith, Rt. 2, Center, Texas.
- CENTER: Pleasant Grove. Pastor, Floyd Lawson, Joaquin, Texas. Clerk, Ruth Pate, Center, Texas.
- DALLAS: Buckner MBC, 2414 S. Buckner Blvd. Pastor, V. L. Barr, 1917 Shortal Dr., Dallas, Texas. Clerk, Lydia Poole, 6918 Howard, Dallas, Texas.
- DENISON: Mt. Pleasant. Pastor, G. B. Crawford, Denison, Texas. Clerk, Howard Thomason, 2901 Washington, Denison, Texas.
- DIALVILLE: Rocky Springs. Pastor, O. P. Meador, Augusta, Texas. Clerk, Joe Ella Harris, Dialville, Texas.
- DAINGERFIELD: South Union. Pastor, William Hitt, Daingerfield, Texas. Clerk, Mrs. Rubie Sellars, Box 166, Daingerfield, Texas.
- DE KALB: Ward Creek. Pastor A. J. Findley, Omaha, Texas. Clerk, Mrs. Ula Merchant, DeKalb, Texas.
- DALLAS: Lisbon MBC. Pastor, B. O. Burks, 8820 Marigold Dr., Dallas, Texas. Clerk, Ellawan Patton, 8820 Marigold Dr., Dallas, Texas.
- DAWSON: Union High. Pastor, J. D. Prince, Dawson, Texas.
- DE KALB: Austin Chapel. Pastor, E. L. Merrill, DeKalb, Texas. Clerk, Cleadith White, DeKalb, Texas.
- DE KALB: Hodgson. Clerk, Anna Kennedy, DeKalb, Texas.
- DETROIT: Liberty. Clerk, Mrs. Larkin Gooch, Detroit, Texas.
- DE KALB: New Hope. Pastor, Melvin Finley, Rt. 2, Hughes Springs, Texas. Clerk, Dewey Murphy, Rt. 2, DeKalb, Texas.
- DE KALB: Pinkham Memorial. Pastor, Hiram Melton, Henderson, Texas. Clerk, Mrs. J. A. Cunningham, Box 845, DeKalb, Texas.
- ELKHART: Rocky Mound. Pastor, F. E. Derryberry, 303 W. Main, Henderson, Texas. Clerk, Dee Peevey, Elkhart, Texas.
- FORT WORTH: Liberty MBC. Pastor, R. T. Perritt, 3819 Sixth Avenue, Fort Worth, Texas. Clerk, Mrs. L. A. Hill, 3819 Sixth Avenue, Fort Worth, Texas.
- FROST: Fairview. Pastor, Van George, Rt. 1, Purdon, Texas. Clerk, R. E. Selby, Rt. 2, Frost, Texas.
- FROST: Prairie Grove. Pastor, W. H. Bradbury, 1502 Gaylord Dr., Dallas, Texas. Clerk, B. A. Jordan, Jr., Frost, Texas.
- GREENVILLE: Emmanuel, 1908 Morgan Street. Pastor, Bill Knight, 4223 Lee St., Greenville, Texas. Clerk, W. W. Mills, 4404 Moulton, Greenville, Texas.

- GALLATIN: Pastor, A. D. Munsinger, Box 68, Gallatin, Texas. Clerk, Mrs. Lafet Austin, Gallatin, Texas.
- GALENA PARK MBC: 13th and Holland Ave. Pastor, D. B. Wright, 10511 Oswego, Houston 15, Texas, Mrs. Robert Black, 1442 16th St., Galena Park, Texas.
- GREGGTON: Missionary Baptist. Pastor, James A. Kirkland, Box 1181, Greggton, Texas. Clerk, Mrs. Bill Cobb, Box 1181, Greggton, Texas.
- GARY: Mt. Bethel. Pastor, W. H. Hitt, Rt. 2, Gary, Texas. Clerk, Mrs. Byron Griffith, Rt. 2, Gary, Texas.
- GOODRICH: Sansom Creek. Pastor, James W. Rash, Goodrich, Texas. Clerk, Berty Walters, Goodrich, Texas.
- GRAPELAND: Sand Flat. Pastor, W. D. Hill, Palestine, Texas. Clerk, Muriel Franklin, Grapeland, Texas.
- GRAPELAND: Union Chapel. Pastor, Floyd Stewart, Tennessee Colony, Star Rt., Palestine, Texas. Clerk, Floyd Davidson, Rt. 2, Grapeland, Texas.
- GRAND PRAIRIE: Missionary Baptist. Pastor, Winfred Mears, Grand Prairie, Texas. Clerk, W. C. Rodgers, Grand Prairie, Texas.
- GAINESVILLE: Bethel. Pastor, Paul Barrett. Clerk, Barbara Day, 313 Lovers Lane, Gainesville, Texas.
- GAINESVILLE: County Line. Pastor, Charles Hite. Clerk, Mrs. Mattie Gaddie, Rt. 3, Box 185A, Gainesville, Texas.
- GAINESVILLE: Mt. Hope. Pastor, Barnette Rippetoe, 223 E. Garnett, Gainesville, Texas. Clerk, Mrs. Cecil Burch, 1502 Throckmorton, Gainesville, Texas.
- GAINESVILLE: New Hope. Pastor, Charles Hite. Clerk, Mrs. W. C. Garner, Gainesville, Texas.
- GARY: Enterprise. Pastor, Ottie Reed, Rt. 1, Carthage, Texas. Clerk, Hird Wiseman, Rt. 2, Gary, Texas.
- GARRISON: Mt. Zion. Pastor, V. S. Lyles, Rt. 2, Mt. Enterprise, Texas. Clerk, Sybil Eliot, Rt. 1, Garrison, Texas.
- HUGHES SPRINGS: Antioch. Pastor, M. N. Dowden, Henderson, Texas. Clerk, F. W. Berry, Hughes Springs, Texas.
- HENDERSON: Calvary. Pastor, L. C. Guien, Henderson, Texas, Clerk, Dean Proctor, Henderson, Texas.
- HUBBARD: Cold Corner. Pastor, A. E. Oden, Sr., Box 276, Hubbard, Texas. Clerk, Bill Grice, Rt. 2, Hubbard, Texas.
- HENDERSON: Ebenezer. Pastor, A. T. Powers, Rt. 2, Henderson, Texas. Clerk, Joe C. Rushton, Rt. 2, Henderson, Texas.

- HENDERSON: Grandview. Pastor, M. G. McNeill, Rt. 2, Henderson, Texas. Clerk, Dell Cooper, Rt. 2, Henderson, Texas.
- HENDERSON: Gum Springs. Pastor, J. W. Harper, Box 11, Gallatin, Texas. Clerk, Bob Moore, Rt. 6, Henderson, Texas.
- HUNTINGTON: Hi-Way MBC. Pastor, Elvin Crocker, Henderson, Texas. Clerk, Mrs. Essie Mae McGaughy, Rt. 1, Huntington, Texas.
- HOUSTON: Landmark MBC, 7517 W. Knoll Street. Pastor, J. Gilbert Sparks, 3305 Hage, Houston, Texas. Clerk, Betty Stone, 7400 Carothers, Houston, Texas.
- HENDERSON: Roquemore. Pastor, M. J. Rollo, Henderson, Texas. Clerk, J. W. McKinney, Henderson, Texas.
- HILLSBORO: Walnut Street. Pastor, V. E. Lierly, Box 61, Hillsboro, Texas. Clerk, Luther Christian, 621 Cunningham, Hillsboro, Texas.
- HENDERSON: Zion Hill. Pastor, W. A. Simmons, Henderson, Texas. Clerk, Maurine Rousseau, Rt. 2, Henderson, Texas.
- HENDRIX, OKLA.: Prairie View. Pastor, R. D. Nicholson. Clerk, J. H. Malone, Gen. Del., Hendrix, Oklahoma.
- HENDERSON: Bethel. Clerk, Mrs. Marian Robinson, Henderson, Texas.
- HUNTINGTON: Ora. Pastor, Buck Williams, Huntington, Texas. Clerk, Dorothy Roberts, Huntington.
- HUNTINGTON: Ozias. Clerk, Mrs. Iva Evett, Rt. 2, Huntington, Texas.
- HUGHES SPRINGS: Cross Roads. Pastor, B. T. Baugh, Naples, Texas. Clerk, Paul Abernathy, Hughes Springs, Texas.
- HUGHES SPRINGS: Hopewell. Pastor, F. C. Strickland, Linden, Texas. Clerk, F. W. Lineberger, Hughes Springs, Texas.
- HUGHES SPRINGS: Missionary Baptist. Pastor, E. R. Watkins, Hughes Springs, Texas. Clerk, B. T. Beasley, Hughes Springs, Texas.
- HUGHES SPRINGS: Veal Switch. Pastor, J. F. Bell, Hughes Springs, Texas. Clerk, Nellie Wallace, Hughes Springs, Texas.
- IRVING: Missionary Baptist. Pastor, Quentin Horn, 1407 Shady Grove, Irving, Texas.
- JACKSONVILLE: Bethel. Pastor, Albert Garner, Box 1112, Henderson, Texas. Clerk, G. B. Vison, Box 1254, Jacksonville, Texas.
- JOAQUIN: Lone Cedar. Pastor, James Watson, Henderson, Texas. Clerk, C. L. Hamilton, Joaquin, Texas.
- JOHNTOWN: Bethlehem. Pastor, Alvin Blalock, Rt. 2, Talco, Texas. Clerk, Dave Pirtle, Johntown, Texas.

- JOAQUIN: Pine Ridge. Pastor, Curtis Peace, Center, Texas. Clerk, Mrs. Vessie Willis, Rt. 1, Joaquin, Texas.
- KILGORE: Missionary Baptist, Harris Street. Pastor, Sam R. Goin, 1303 E. Lantrip, Kilgore, Texas. Clerk, Clyde Bamburg, Rt. 1, Box 115, Kilgore, Texas .
- KENNARD: Tadmar. Pastor, C. J. Arnold, Forest, Texas. Clerk, Pearl Wells, Rt. 2, Kennard, Texas.
- LUFKIN: Antioch. Pastor, Paul A. Pound, Lufkin, Texas. Clerk, Mrs. J. L. Scarborough, Lufkin, Texas.
- LONE STAR: First Baptist. Pastor, J. C. Askew, Box 64, Lone Star, Texas. Clerk, A. J. Caudle, Lone Star, Texas.
- LAMESA: Hillcrest. Pastor, J. W. Kesner, Jr., Box 13, Lamesa, Texas. Clerk, Mrs. B. G. Corbin, Box 13, Lamesa, Texas.
- LUBBOCK: Missionary Baptist. Pastor, G. P. Allen, 1507 A—18th, Lubbock, Texas. Clerk, Cliff Hyatte, 2610—42nd, Lubbock, Texas.
- LONGVIEW: Missionary Baptist, 2000 South Green. Pastor, Herbert Brown, 1821 Bolton. Clerk, Kim Walker, Rt. 3, Longview, Texas.
- LONGBRANCH: Mt. Hebron. Pastor, Ray O. Brooks, Rt. 5, Box 36, Henderson, Texas. Clerk, Mrs. Clara Blain, Longbranch, Texas.
- LINDEN: Mill Creek. Pastor, A. J. Finley, Omaha, Texas. Clerk, Mrs. Charles Henderson, Linden, Texas.
- LOGANSFORT, LA.: New Prospect. Pastor, W. H. Hitt, Rt. 2, Gary, Texas. Clerk, Mrs. W. P. Johnson, Rt. 2, Logansport, La.
- LOVELADY: Pearson Chapel. Pastor, G. H. Vaughan, Elkhart, Texas. Clerk, Hilda Bridges, Lovelady, Texas.
- LONGBRANCH: Friendship. Pastor, B. A. Grant, Clayton, Texas. Clerk, J. M. Baker, Longbranch, Texas.
- LEVELLAND: Pettit. Pastor, F. E. Bennett, Olton, Texas. Clerk, Narvil Fred, Rt. 3, Levelland, Texas.
- LINDEN: Union Hill. Pastor, James Wommack, Marietta, Texas. Clerk, Mrs. Robert Duncan, Linden, Texas.
- LOGANSFORT, LA.: Mt. Pleasant. Pastor, W. G. Griffith, Rt. 2, Gary, Texas. Clerk, Mrs. J. A. Smith, Rt. 2, Logansport, La.
- LOGANSFORT, LA.: New Shady Grove. Pastor, H. E. Bagley, Logansport, La. Clerk, Mrs. Alma McMillan, Rt. 2, Logansport, La.
- LOGANSFORT, LA.: Fellowship. Pastor, William Nall, Rt. 2, Logansport, La. Clerk, Ray Dickerson, Rt. 3, Logansport, La.
- MOSS HILL: New Hope. Pastor, W. W. Phillip, Texas City, Texas. Clerk, Irene Phillip, Texas City, Texas.

- MAYDELLE: Pleasant Grove. Pastor, O. P. Meador, Augusta, Texas. Clerk, Gladys Meador, Augusta, Texas.
- MT. PLEASANT: Farmer's Academy. Pastor, Charles R. Newman, Box 14, Mt. Pleasant, Texas. Clerk, R. A. Hensley, 1309 Edith, Mt. Pleasant, Texas.
- MT. PLEASANT: Grace Temple. Pastor, O. L. Kennedy, Mt. Pleasant, Texas. Clerk, John Allen, Mt. Pleasant, Texas.
- MT. PLEASANT: Hickory Hill. Clerk, E. C. Sims, Rt. 3, Mt. Pleasant, Texas.
- MT. ENTERPRISE: Landmark. Pastor, Samuel R. Goin, Mt. Enterprise, Texas. Clerk, W. C. Campbell, Mt. Enterprise, Texas.
- MT. ENTERPRISE: Sulphur Springs. Pastor, R. E. Cecil, Mt. Enterprise, Texas. Clerk, Jesse Sanders, Mt. Enterprise, Texas.
- MT. ENTERPRISE: Smyrna. Pastor, Luther Crawford, Henderson, Texas. Clerk, E. F. Scruggs, Rt. 2, Mt. Enterprise, Texas.
- MARSHALL: Missionary Baptist. Pastor, Frank Summers, Henderson, Texas.- Clerk, Mrs. Thurston Sanders, Rt. 2, Marshall, Texas.
- MARSHALL: Sunset, 301 Carolanne. Pastor, J. W. Griffith, 207 Lone Oak, Henderson, Texas. Clerk, Wilma Strong, 308 Allen Blvd., Marshall, Texas.
- MUENSTER: Shiloh. Pastor, C. W. Luster, Muenster, Texas. Clerk, J. D. Walker, Rt. 3, Muenster, Texas.
- MT. PLEASANT: Mt. Sylvia. Pastor, Byron Mason, Mt. Pleasant, Texas. Clerk, O. D. Homer, Mt. Pleasant, Texas.
- MT. PLEASANT: Nevil's Chapel. Pastor, H. B. Horton, Mt. Pleasant, Texas. Clerk, Clem Poag, Mt. Pleasant, Texas.
- MINDEN: Maple Grove. Pastor, Billy Gene Walters, Henderson, Texas. Clerk, Lula Kate Williams, Box 23, Minden, Texas.
- MEXIA: Missionary Baptist. Pastor, Joe Reagan Brooks, Henderson, Texas. Clerk, Mrs. W. L. Comer, Mexia, Texas.
- MARIETTA: Dalton. Pastor, H. L. McNish, Mt. Pleasant, Texas. Clerk, Mary Edna Hargett, Marietta, Texas.
- NAPLES: Missionary Baptist. Pastor, H. L. McNish, Mt. Pleasant, Texas. Clerk, Dewey Gray, Naples, Texas.
- NACOGDOCHES: Missionary Baptist. Pastor, D. S. Miller, 121 Ferndale, B. & C. Road, Nacogdoches, Texas. Clerk, Gladys Gonzalles, Rt. 4, Box 521, Nacogdoches, Texas.
- NACOGDOCHES: Union Cross. Pastor, W. H. Lynch, 525 Holly St., Henderson, Texas. Clerk, Laverne Henslerling, Rt. 5, Nacogdoches, Texas.

- NORTH HOUSTON: Wayne Crest. Pastor, M. N. Blackmon, 5521 Yale, Houston, Texas.
- NEW BOSTON: West Side. Pastor, Oley Rivers, 719 North Zang, Dallas, Texas. Clerk, Mrs. Willie Stewart, Rt. 2, New Boston, Texas.
- ORANGE: Antioch, 409 Arkansas St. Pastor, H. L. Johnston, 409 Arkansas St., Orange, Texas. Clerk, Jean Ellis, 208 Avenue F, Orange, Texas.
- OVERTON: Pleasant Hill. Pastor, Franklin Shepard, Rt. 1, Overton, Texas. Clerk, Tommy Madding, Rt. 1, Overton, Texas.
- OMAHA: Concord. Clerk, R. W. Rivers, Omaha, Texas.
- OMAHA: Rocky Branch. Pastor, J. N. Campbell, Avinger, Texas. Clerk, Mrs. Jack Martin, Omaha, Texas.
- ODESSA: Missionary Baptist. Pastor, E. G. Strickland, 1001 N. Hancock, Odessa, Texas. Clerk, Mrs. Oma, 1703 Walnut, Odessa, Tex.
- PASADENA: Harmony. Pastor, O. W. Leisinger, 3003 Washington, Pasadena, Texas. Clerk, Mrs. H. C. Durgin, 201 Elmwood Lane, Pasadena, Texas.
- PURDON: Pursley. Pastor, Nick Peoples, Brownsboro, Texas. Clerk, Floyd Armstrong, Purdon, Texas.
- PORT ARTHUR: Thirteenth Street, 1749 13th St. Pastor, Herbert George, 1749 13th St. Clerk, T. E. Brown, 838 10th St., Port Arthur, Texas.
- PALESTINE: Cedar Creek. Clerk, Mary McCann, Rt. 5, Palestine, Texas.
- PERCILLA: Sand Springs. Pastor, J. W. Bowman, Rt. 1, Percilla, Texas. Clerk, Opal Foster, Rt. 1, Percilla, Texas.
- PITTSBURG: Monticello. Clerk, Era Jean Stuart, Pittsburg, Texas.
- PERCILLA: New Hope. Pastor, J. H. Bowman, Percilla, Texas. Clerk, Bobbie Carter, Percilla, Texas.
- PITTSBURG: Liberty. Pastor, Eugene Cooper, Mt. Pleasant, Texas. Clerk, Mrs. Cassie Smith, Pittsburg, Texas.
- PURDON: Jester. Clerk, Grady Turner, Rt. 1, Purdon, Texas.
- QUEEN CITY: Trinity. Pastor, G. F. Lee, Queen City, Texas. Clerk, Rosa Flanagan, Queen City, Texas.
- RUSK: Holleman Chapel. Pastor, W. D. Hill, Palestine, Texas. Clerk, Evelyn Helm, Rt. 4, Rusk, Texas.
- RUSK: Pleasant Grove. Pastor, O. P. Meador, Augusta, Texas. Clerk, J. L. Britton, Rt. 4, Rusk, Texas.

- RUSK: Gibraltar's Chapel. Pastor, C. T. Hart, Jacksonville, Texas. Clerk, Betty Lou Berry, Rt. 1, Rusk, Texas.
- RUSK: Oakland. Pastor, O. P. Meador, Augusta, Texas. Clerk, Paul Gentry, Rt. 4, Rusk, Texas.
- RUSK: Primrose. Pastor, L. G. Jenkins, Rusk, Texas. Clerk, Mrs. L. G. Jenkins, Rusk, Texas.
- RUSK: Rocky Springs. Pastor, O. P. Meador, Augusta, Texas. Clerk, Joe Ella Harris, Rt. 4, Rusk, Texas.
- RUSK: Salem. Pastor, Oran Hill, Elkhart, Texas. Clerk, Mrs. R. L. Murphy, Rusk, Texas.
- RUSK: Union Hill. Pastor, Arthur Flanagan, Jacksonville, Texas. Clerk, Patricia Wilcox, Rt. 1, Rusk, Texas.
- SHERMAN: Kerr Chapel. Pastor, Clyde Beck, Rt. 4, Sherman, Texas. Clerk, W. M. Clark, Rt. 3, Sherman, Texas.
- SHELBYVILLE: Lydia. Pastor, Augustus Downing, Route 1, Shelbyville, Texas. Clerk, Billie Jane Downing, Rt. 1, Shelbyville, Texas.
- SNYDER: Northside, 16th and Avenue S. Pastor, Jack Dean, 1601 Avenue T, Snyder, Texas. Clerk, Mrs. W. P. Brown, Merrill St., Snyder, Texas.
- SHAMROCK: Missionary Baptist. Pastor, Olen W. Wilson, 426 E. 3rd, Shamrock, Texas. Clerk, Mrs. Joe Staggs, Shamrock, Texas.
- SHERMAN: Calvary. Pastor, J. E. King. Clerk, Mrs. Ray Short, 316 W. Tennessee, Sherman, Texas.
- SHERMAN: Loving. Pastor, L. D. Scally. Clerk, Mrs. Gladys Maxwell, 1105 N. Willow, Sherman, Texas.
- SADLER: Mineral. Pastor, D. D. Freeman. Clerk, L. M. Funk, Sadler, Texas.
- SHERMAN: Pecan Grove. Pastor, C. F. Cody. Clerk, Mrs. Malcolm Lacy, Rt. 3, Sherman, Texas.
- SANGER: Pastor, Roy Miller. Clerk, Mrs. Roy Odom, Rt. 1, Sanger, Texas.
- SEMINOLE: Missionary Baptist. Pastor, Amon J. Langston, 510 S. W. 8th St., Seminole, Texas. Clerk, Mrs. Amon J. Langston, 510 S. W. 8th St., Seminole, Texas.
- SHELBYVILLE: Dunnigan. Pastor, James Rash, Patroon, Texas. Clerk, Bulah Johnson, Shelbyville, Texas.
- SHELBYVILLE: Mt. Calvary. Pastor, Elmo Green, Shelbyville, Texas. Clerk, Hobert Daw, Shelbyville, Texas.

- SHELBYVILLE: Smyrna. Pastor, Aaron Gann, Shelbyville, Texas. Clerk, Edd Hendricks, Shelbyville, Texas.
- SHELBYVILLE: West Hamilton. Pastor, Floyd Lawson, Joaquin, Texas. Clerk, Celia Singletary, Shelbyville, Texas.
- TEXARKANA: Beverly. Pastor, W. H. Snead, 1514 County Avenue, Texarkana, Arkansas. Clerk, Mrs. J. L. Sutton, 1408 County Avenue, Texarkana, Arkansas.
- TIMPSON: County Line. Pastor, D. D. Harrison, Timpson, Texas. Clerk, Frank Sparks, Timpson, Texas.
- TIMPSON: Corinth. Pastor, Russell Brown, Rt. 2, Timpson, Texas. Clerk, L. M. Ward, Jr., Rt. 2, Timpson, Texas.
- TEXAS CITY: Landmark. Pastor, R. E. Walters, 1329 Danforth Dr., Texas City, Texas. Clerk, R. E. Farris.
- TIMPSON: Missionary Baptist. Pastor, M. N. Dowden, Henderson, Texas. Clerk, Mrs. Sarah Rhodes, Timpson, Texas.
- TIOGA: Indian Creek. Pastor, C. A. Reasor. Clerk, Mrs. Mary Mason, Rt. 1, Tioga, Texas.
- TALCO: Harris Chapel. Pastor, C. O. Rhyne, Mt. Pleasant, Texas. Clerk, Morris Blalock, Talco, Texas.
- TALCO: Maple Springs. Pastor, Charles Wilbanks. Clerk, C. W. Pittman, Talco, Texas.
- TRINIDAD: Missionary Baptist. Pastor, Harold Davis, Trinidad, Texas. Clerk, Mrs. Merle Estes, Rt. 1, Trinidad, Texas.
- TYLER: Unity. Pastor, Jim H. Adams, Gen. Del., Kilgore, Texas. Clerk, Mrs. R. V. Hitt, Rt. 8, Box 289, Tyler, Texas.
- TIMPSON: New Columbia. Pastor, Alvin Pate, Center, Texas. Clerk, L. E. Windham, Timpson, Texas.
- TENAHA: Old Center. Pastor, Fred Lawrence, Center, Texas. Clerk, Lula Mae Hartley, Tenaha, Texas.
- WELLS: First Baptist. Pastor, O. P. Meador, Augusta, Texas. Clerk, J. B. Presnell, Wells, Texas.
- WITHARRAL: First Missionary Baptist. Pastor, Leldon Rawls, 105 Walnut St., Levelland, Texas. Clerk, Mrs. John Bryant, Rt. 2, Levelland, Texas.
- WHITE OAK: White Oak Baptist. Pastor, J. B. Powers, White Oak, Texas. Clerk, T. L. Sturgis, Rt. 2, Box 75, Gladewater, Texas.
- WECHES: Pastor, Arthur Flanagan, Jacksonville, Texas. Clerk, Nannie Lee Lovell, Weches, Texas.

WHITESBORO: Pastor, J. C. Patterson. Clerk, Mrs. Dora Walsh,  
507 N. Avenue, Whitesboro, Texas.

WORTHAM: Curry. Pastor, G. R. Evans, Mexia, Texas. Clerk, Mrs.  
R. C. Tackitt, Rt. 2, Wortham, Texas.

WACO: Speight Street. Pastor, Raymond Alexander.

NOTE: This is by no means a complete listing of the churches fellowshipping in the Missionary Baptist Association of Texas. An honest effort was made on the part of the clerks to obtain the names and addresses of all the churches but those who have been engaged in such work can understand the impossibility of obtaining the cooperation of all. This list may be corrected from year to year if the churches will either represent in the annual association by messenger or by letter.

## ARTICLES OF AGREEMENT

### ARTICLE I—Name

This Association shall be known as The Missionary Baptist Association of Texas.

### ARTICLE II—Object

The object of this Association shall be to awaken a deeper interest in the welfare of the churches, to cultivate a closer fellowship among the churches, and to encourage and perpetuate the very greatest possible activity in missionary, educational, and benevolent enterprises.

### ARTICLE III—How Composed

**Section 1.** This Association shall be composed of such regular independent Missionary Baptist Churches as may voluntarily choose to cooperate in carrying out the object of this Association.

**Section 2.** The Messenger Assemblies of this Association shall be composed of messengers elected by the churches composing it.

**Section 3.** Each church choosing to represent in this Association shall be entitled to three messengers.

**Section 4.** Each church shall be the sole judge of the qualification of her messengers.

### ARTICLE IV—Nature

The Messenger Assembly of this Association shall be, in nature, formed as a council in matters pertaining to missionary, educational, and benevolent work.

### ARTICLE V—Principles

The Messenger Assembly of this Association shall recognize the freedom of speech as essential to the highest achievement in its work. It shall stand or fall on its own conformity to the truth. It shall exercise no ecclesiastical authority, but it shall, by every precaution, recognize the independence and sovereignty of every individual church. It shall also encourage on the part of the church and the messengers the greatest possible freedom of expression in discussing matters pertaining to its work.

### ARTICLE VI—Powers

The action of the Messenger Assembly shall be limited to the work of awakening enthusiasm in missionary, educational, and benevolent enterprises, and receiving and distributing funds for the same.

### ARTICLE VII—Funds

**Section 1.** All funds of this Association shall be raised by vol-

untary donations secured solely upon the merits of the cause in the interest of which appeals are made for gifts; provided, this is not to prevent the use of any income or any property that may be acquired by donation or by purchase.

**Section 2.** Distribution of funds shall be authorized by an act of this Messenger Assembly, or by an act of properly authorized committees of this assembly hereinafter provided for; but in no instance shall the assembly or any committee or it use means in violation of the expressed preference of the donor.

#### **ARTICLE VIII—Officers**

**Section 1.** The officers of this Messenger Assembly shall be a moderator, an assistant moderator, two (2) recording secretaries, and a corresponding secretary-treasurer.

**Section 2.** All officers of this assembly shall be chosen annually, and shall hold their offices until their successors are elected and the same shall be true of all members of standing committees. All officers shall be elected by a majority of the messengers voting. No moderator shall succeed himself more than one year.

**Section 3.** The duties of all officers shall be as may be directed by the Messenger Assembly, unless otherwise directed by the churches.

**Section 4.** It shall be the duty of the corresponding secretary-treasurer to take charge of money and valuables not specifically entrusted to someone else and to dispose of same as he may be directed by this Messenger Assembly. He shall make an annual report to this assembly of all monies received and disbursed.

**Section 5.** The recording secretaries, in addition to keeping the records of this Association, will superintend the printing and distribution of minutes of such regular meetings as the messengers may direct.

#### **ARTICLE IX—Committees**

**Section 1.** The missionary committee shall be composed of one representative of each church choosing to be represented. The duty of the committee shall be to meet quarterly, or as directed by the Messenger Assembly, in the interest of all the work. It shall be empowered to fill vacancies of regular offices, between sessions of the Messenger Assembly and to call a special meeting of a Messenger Assembly when needed.

**Section 2.** The following standing officers of the Assembly shall be the trustees of the Association: Namely, the moderator, assistant moderator, two recording secretaries, and secretary-treasurer, subject to the direction of the Messenger Assembly, and they are empowered to act in legal capacity as trustees of this Association.

#### **ARTICLE X—Missionaries**

We hold that the authority for execution of the Great Commission

was given to the New Testament Church, and the authority must remain forever with the churches. Therefore, the right and privilege of every church of this Association to endorse, set apart or send out missionaries shall ever be respected. Each church may support missionaries of its own choosing, and the act of one church in sending out missionaries can in no way bind or obligate any other church. The churches shall be free and their support of missionaries shall be voluntary on their part.

#### ARTICLE XI—Meeting

The regular meeting of the Church Messengers shall be at such time and place as the assembled messengers may appoint.

#### ARTICLE XII—Amendments

The Messenger Assembly shall have no power to change the Articles of Agreement. Any church desiring a change shall send to the annual meeting a copy of the proposed change; the Messenger Assembly will then submit the proposed change to each cooperating church; If two-thirds of the cooperating churches vote for the change, then the Articles of Agreement shall be amended to conform to the proposed change. Two-thirds of the churches representing in the assembly in the previous year shall be the number determining the results.

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