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ORDER OF BUSINESS.

1. Introductory Sermon.
2. Association called to order by Moderator.
3. Letters from the different Churches called for, read, and names of Delegates enrolled.
4. Petitionary Letters.
5. Election of Officers.
6. Inviting Brethren to seats.
7. Letters of Correspondence called for.
8. Appointment of Committees.
9. Report of Standing Committees.
10. Queries called up and considered.
11. Miscellaneous Business.
12. Adjournment.

NAMES OF MINISTERS AND THEIR POST OFFICES.

S. S. BROWN, Orange Springs, Fla.	LOVETTE WILLIAMS, Fort McCoy,
LEMAR BRYANT, Archer, Fla.	WM. MUNDEN, Okahumpka, Fla.
WM. T. CARLTON, Orange Springs, Fla.	R. F. MARLOW, Archer, Fla.
L. D. GEIGER, Archer, Fla.	JOSHUA PERRY, Adamsville, Fla.
R. I. HULL, Durisoe's Landing, Fla.	DANIEL SLOWN, Okahumpka, Fla.
WM. JOHNSON, Morrison's Mills, Fla.	S. T. STANALAND, Durisoe's Land
GABRIEL LONG, Durisoe's Landing, Fla.	W. M. WILLIAMS, Ocala, Fla.

LICENTIATES.

J. N. EDWARDS, Archer, Fla.

PAUL WILLIS, Archer, Fla.

OF THE
ALACHUA BAPTIST ASSOCIATION.

FORT MCCOY CHURCH, October 25, 1873.

The Alachua Association met with the Fort McCoy Church, Marion county, Fla., Saturday October 25th, 1873.

The Introductory Sermon was preached by Elder Wm. T. Carlton, from 1st Cor., 15 chapter, 58th verse. Then adjourned for refreshments.

After a short intermission the delegates assembled in the School House, while Brethren B. W. Becks and L. J. Simmons conducted services in the Church.

The Association was called to order by the former Moderator, S. T. Stanaland. Prayer by Elder J. H. Tomkies.

The Clerk being absent, Bro. H. C. Martin was chosen Clerk, pro-tem.

Letters from 14 churches were received, read, and names of delegates enrolled.

Petitionary letters from the following churches were presented and read:—Pleasant Grove, Pleasant Hill, Pine Level, Hammock Pond and Ochwilla.

On motion, they were received into the Alachua Association, and the right hand of fellowship extended to their delegates, and their names enrolled.

The ballot was then taken for permanent officers, which resulted in the election of Elder Wm. Johnson, Moderator; Elder Wm. T. Carlton, Treasurer; Bro. H. C. Martin, Clerk.

Corresponding letters being called for, brethren H. V. Massey, W. S. Perry, E. Earle, and Elder J. H. Tomkies, presented themselves and were received as corresponding messengers from the Santa Fee River Association; and brethren N. J. Trowell, Robert Fort, and John Cordero, were received as messengers from the Wekiva Association.

All visiting brethren of the same faith and order were invited to seats with us, which was accepted by Elder L. J. Simmons, of Hillsborough, county; also Elder L. W. Simmons of Lake City.

The Association proceeded to appoint committees.

On Preaching—The Pastor and Deacons of Fort McCoy Church, with brethren J. L. Mathews and A. Geiger.

On Letters and Queries—Brethren W. T. Carlton, P. P. Bishop and L. W. Jackson.

On Finance.—P. L. Durisoe, H. E. Martin, and L. D. Geiger.

On Deceased Ministers and Deacons.—Brethren S. T. Stanaland, J. J. Meadows, and W. W. Caruthers.

On Religious Periodicals—Brethren P. P. Bishop, W. M. Williams, and W. T. Carlton.

The Association then adjourned in order, with prayer by Bro. S. T. Stanaland, to meet 9 o'clock Monday morning.

Preaching at candle light, by Bro. L. W. Simmons, after which many persons came up and asked an interest in the prayers of the Church.

SUNDAY, October 26, 1873.

At 9 o'clock a prayermeeting was held in the Church.

At 11 o'clock, A. M., Elder Lacy J. Simmons preached the missionary sermon, from the 10th chapter 13th, 14th, 15th and 16th verses of Romans, to a large and attentive audience. After which a collection of \$25.25 was taken up for

POST OFFICES.

Fort McCoy,
Ochumpka, Fla.
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Adamsville, Fla.
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Durisoe's Landing,
Ocala, Fla.

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the support of Missions, in the bounds of this Association.

Bro. L. W. Simmons spoke briefly in behalf of the FLORIDA BAPTIST, soliciting subscriptions, etc.

Bro. J. H. Tomkies preached in the afternoon, and also spoke in behalf of the FLORIDA BAPTIST.

Bro. Wm. Johnson preached at candle light; after which a great many persons asked an interest in the prayers of the Church.

MONDAY, October 27, 1873.

The Association met pursuant to adjournment; prayer by the Moderator.

Minutes of Saturday read and approved.

Bro. L. J. Simmons spoke at some length for and in relation to the FLORIDA BAPTIST.

The following resolutions were adopted by the Association.

It is the decided opinion of this body that Sunday Schools are of vital importance to the prosperity of the churches, and the good of the rising generation.— Therefore be it

Resolved, That we urge upon the churches to engage in and keep up Sunday Schools, that the youth of our country may be instructed in the doctrines and truths of our holy religion.

Resolved, That each Church be requested in its annual letter to the Association to give full statistics of its Sunday School, the name of the Superintendent, number of scholars, Teachers, etc.

Bro. P. P. Bishop presented the

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON MISSIONS.

Your committee appointed at your last annual meeting to perfect a plan for missionary operations within the bounds of this Association, respectfully submit the following: The spiritual destitution of many communities within your bounds imperatively demand the accomplishment of all the missionary work that may be found possible, still your committee are opposed to the pledging of pecuniary support beyond the means which can be counted on with reasonable confidence; hence we offer the following recommendations:

1st. That pledges be solicited at this meeting, the sums pledged to be paid to the Treasurer of the Association before the 1st of March, 1874.

2d. That all ministers and delegates be requested to procure collections in their respective churches, and remit the same collected to your Treasurer before the said 1st day of March.

3d. That a committee of three brethren residing near each other be appointed to take charge of the monies thus collected and appropriate the sum for the support of associational missionary work.

On motion, the report was read and adopted.

Brethren Wm. T. Carlton, J. S. Mathews, and L. W. Jackson, were appointed an Executive Committee.

Resolved, That any monies remaining in the hands of the Treasurer, after printing of the minutes and other expenses of this anniversary be turned over to the Executive Committee. Pledges were then taken to the amount of \$44.00 for associational mission work.

Bro. W. T. Carlton presented the

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REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON LETTERS AND QUERIES.

Your committee on Letters and Queries beg leave to report as follows: That we find nothing in the letters demanding our especial attention. We rejoice that while some of the churches complain of coldness others have been graciously revived, and upon the whole, we believe the prospect for the advancement of the Redeemer's Kingdom is brightening in our midst. We refer the meeting of the next Association to the decision of the body. Respectfully submitted.

W. T. CARLTON, Chairman.

The report was received and adopted.

Resolved, That the Association be represented in the Baptist State Convention; and the following brethren were appointed delegates: L. D. Geiger, W. T. Carlton, Lovett Williams, J. L. Mathews, S. T. Stanaland, Paul Willis Jas. Griffin and Charles McKennie.

Bro. S. T. Stanaland presented the

REPORT ON DECEASED MINISTERS AND DEACONS.

We, the committee on Deceased Ministers and Deacons offer the following report: We have made inquiry among the delegates, and are happy to know that none of our Ministers and Deacons have died during the year. We feel it eminently right and proper to express here our thanks to our Heavenly Father for having spared the lives of our brethren through another year. And why brethren are we spared? It is that we may continue to labor in the cause of our Divine Master. Then let us work while it is called to day, for the night will soon come when no man can work. Respectfully submitted.

S. T. STANALAND, Chairman.

On motion, the report was received and adopted.

Bro. P. P. Bishop read the

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON RELIGIOUS PERIODICALS.

Your committee on Religious Periodicals submit the following report:

It is impossible to over estimate the importance of Religious Literature. In addition to the preaching of the Gospel and other services of the sanctuary, the christian soul needs to be provided with sources of edification, which can be made available in all hours of leisure and privacy. For supplying this need the religious periodical excels all other uninspired productions. It is a regular visitant, coming to us at stated periods, to enlarge our views, to widen our sympathies, and to deepen our interest in the cause of Christ. Entertaining these views, your committee regards the publication of the FLORIDA BAPTIST as a matter of rejoicing. Its editors and most of its correspondents being within our own State; and in sympathy with the circumstances in which we are placed, it treats with great intelligence and completeness, the subjects which are of especial interest to the Baptists of Florida. And, whenever we think of the services it can render the denomination hereafter in promoting a mutual understanding and interest among us, in building up the institutions which we shall be called upon to establish, and in advancing all our missionary enterprises; we are constrained to recommend this sentiment as a constant watchword: *The Florida Baptist must be sustained.* Respectfully submitted.

P. P. BISHOP, Chairman.

The report was received and adopted.

Brethren L. W. Jackson, L. D. Geiger, Jas. Griffin, S. T. Stanaland, A. R. Tyson, Lovett Williams, were appointed as correspondents to the Santa Fee River Association. Brethren W. M. Williams and Wm. Johnson to the New River Association. Brethren W. T. Carlton and Wm. Munden to the South Florida Association; and brethren J. J. Meadows, T. C. Marlow and S. T. Stanaland to the Wekiva Association.

Resolved, That any member of this body being present with any sister Association shall be considered as our duly authorized messengers.

Bro. B. I. Hull presented

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON FINANCE.

Your committee on Finance respectfully submit the following report :

Sent up by the churches.....	\$ 61.85
Collected on Sunday.....	25.25
Received from former Treasurer.....	47.50
Total.....	\$134.60
Respectfully submitted.	

B. I. HULL, Chairman.

On motion, the above report was received and adopted.

The following appointments were made : To preach the Introductory Sermon, Elder S. T. Stanaland; to preach the Missionary Sermon, Elder Wm. Johnson.

Resolved, That the next session of the Alachua Association be held with the Mount Arnon Church, near Flemington, Marion county, Fla., Saturday before the fourth Sunday in October, 1874.

Resolved, That a vote of thanks be extended to the members of Fort McCoy Church, and citizens, for the kind and hospitable manner in which they entertained the Association.

A hymn was sung, the parting hand given, and after prayer by Bro. B. W. Becks, the Association adjourned, to meet with the Mount Arnon Church, Saturday before the fourth Sunday in October, 1874.

WM. JOHNSON, Moderator.

H. C. MARTIN, Clerk.

FINANCIAL—CHURCH CONTRIBUTIONS.

Pleasant Plain.....	\$2 00	Wakahoota.....	5 50
Fellowship.....	6 00	Orange Creek.....	6 05
Oclawaha Bridge.....	2 00	Mount Zion.....	1 50
Fort McCoy.....	4 00	Pleasant Grove.....	2 85
Indian Springs.....	—	Pleasant Hill.....	3 00
Lake Bryant.....	1 50	Hammock Pond.....	3 00
Oak Grove.....	4 05	Pine Levell.....	3 75
Stafford's Pond.....	4 80	Ochwilla.....	8 35
Mount Arnon.....	2 50	Ocala.....	1 00
Total.....			\$61 85

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ELL, Chairman.
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STATISTICS OF THE CHURCHES FOR 1873.

Churches.	Post Offices.	Pastors.	Clerks.	Delegates.	Baptized.....	Rec'd by Letter	Dis'd by Letter.	Expelled.....	Restored.....	Dead.....	Total.....
✓ Fellowship	Ocala.....	M M Williams	H H Huggins	A Gieger.....	1	2	2	1	—	1	24
✓ Union.....	Brooksville..	J B Law.....	By letter only..	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
✓ Indian Springs..	Ocala.....	M M Williams	A J Edwards.	Sol. Stephens, W M Williams	—	—	—	—	—	—	21
✓ Lake Bryant....	Durisoe's Ld'g..	S T Stanaland	J J Meadows	J J Meadows, John Holton..	4	—	—	—	1	—	100
✓ Stafford's Pond..	Archer.....	J H Tompkins	G W Willis..	L D Geiger, L W Jackson..	13	2	3	2	1	1	29
✓ Oclawaha Bridge	Palatka.....	B I Hull.....	S A Long....	P L Durisoe.....	—	—	—	1	—	—	35
✓ Mount Zion....	Sumpterville..	D Hutchison.	By letter only..	—	—	—	—	—	—	65
✓ Orange Creek...	Orange Springs.	W T Carlton	N A Cochrane	James A Carlton.....	2	1	3	—	—	—	—
✓ Ocala.....	Ocala.....	Mrs T R Gary	P P Bishop.....	—	—	—	—	—	—	52
✓ Fort McCoy....	Fort McCoy....	W M Williams	J S Martin....	D L Galbraith, H C Martin..	—	2	4	—	—	2	34
Mt Arnon.....	Flemington....	W M Williams	J L Matthews, R M Richerson	—	—	1	—	—	1	57
✓ Oak Grove.....	Adamsville....	J A Gandy....	R H Smith....	A Y Caruthers, W W Caruthers	21	2	1	—	—	1	34
✓ Wakahoota	Micanopy	Wm Johnson	F B Bruton...	Jas Griffin, Chas McKinnie..	—	—	—	—	—	1	24
Pine Levell.....	Adamsville....	Joshua Perry.	H E Martin...	H E Martin, J U Martin.....	12	—	—	—	—	1	23
Pleasant Plain..	Durisoe Ld'g...	S T Stanaland	W R Fore....	B I Hull, T C Marlow.....	2	—	3	2	1	1	23
Ochwilla	Morrison's Mills	M N Strickland	G W Riles....	Wm Johnson, Matt'w Hinson	—	9	—	—	—	—	17
Pleasant Grove...	Cotton Plant...	Lemar Bryant	S B Fokes....	Solomon B Fokes.....	14	3	—	—	—	—	31
Hammock Pond.	Okahumpka....	Wm Munden	A Munden....	Wm Munden.....	29	1	—	—	1	—	15
Pleasant Hill...	Okahumpka....	Wm Munden	S W Grant...	Wm Munden.....	14	1	—	—	—	—	—
Total.....	112	23	17	6	4	9	584

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