

MINUTES

OF THE

SIXTH ANNUAL SESSION

OF THE

Santa Fe River Baptist Association

HELD WITH

PARAN CHURCH, PUTNAM COUNTY, FLORIDA.

OCTOBER 11th, 12th & 13th, 1862.

ORDER OF BUSINESS.

1. Introductory Sermon.
2. Association called to order by Moderator.
3. Letters from Churches called, read, and names of Delegates enrolled.
4. Petitionary Letters called for.
5. Election of Moderator, Clerk and Treasures.
6. Inviting Visiting Brethren to seats.
7. Letters of Correspondence called for.
8. Appointment of Committees.
9. Circular Letter called for.
10. Reports of Standing and other Committees.
11. Queries called up and considered.
12. Miscellaneous business.
13. Say where the next Association is to be held.
14. Adjourned.

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SATURDAY, Oct. 11, 1862.

The Introductory Sermon was preached by Elder Kinsey Chambers, from the 1st Corinthians, 3rd chapter and 9th verse:—"For we are laborers together with God; ye are God's husbandry, ye are God's building,"—to a large and attentive audience.

After a Recess of one hour the Association was called to order by the Moderator Sang a hymn—Prayer by Elder M. N. Strickland.

As our former Clerk was absent, on motion, Brother Isaac S. Coon was invited to act as Clerk during the organization.

On motion, Letters were received and read.

On motion, proceeded to the election of officers, when Elder W. Johnson was re-elected Moderator, Elder Kinsey Chambers, Clerk, and John O. Kelly, Treasurer.

On motion, Petitionary Letters were called for.

On motion, appointed a Committee on Preaching, consisting of the Deacons of Paran Church, and M. N. Strickland, M. Hinson and J. Godwin.

On motion, visiting Brethren were invited to seats with us, and to aid us in our deliberations.

On motion, Correspondence from other bodies was called for—none appeared.

On motion, the following Committees were appointed:

On Domestic Missions—M. N. Strickland, S. Sheffield and K. B. Drew.

On Temperance—K. Chambers, Isaac S. Coon and S. Weeks.

On Sabbath Schools—R. M. Perry, J. J. Cannon and N. Foreacre.

On Publications—Isaac S. Coon, Wm. S. Perry and Elias Osteen.

On Letters—S. Sheffield, K. B. Drew and Joshua Pitts.

On Finance—R. M. Perry, Elias Osteen and J. Godwin.

On Nominations—M. Hinson, Wm. S. Perry and K. B. Drew.

WHEREAS, Information (through numerous reports,) has reached us that Shiloh Church is out of order, by communing with other denominations, and neglecting to deal with some of her members for misconduct:—It is hereby Resolved, That a Committee of Three be appointed to labor with said Church, and report at the next meeting of this body.

On motion, Elder K. Chambers, Elder S. Sheffield and Isaac S. Coon, were appointed that Committee.

The Committee on Preaching reported that Elder S. Sheffield preach to-morrow morning at 10 o'clock, followed by Elder Kinsey Chambers, in the Missionary Sermon, at 11 o'clock; Elder Silas Weeks to close. After which a collection to be taken up for Home Missions. Elder R. M. Perry to preach in the afternoon; Bro. J. J. Cannon to close.

On motion, adjourned to meet Monday Morning, at 9 o'clock. Prayer by Bro. M. N. Strickland.

Sabbath Morning, October 12th.—Owing to the inclemency of the weather there was preaching in the house by Elder S. Sheffield, at 10 o'clock, followed by Elder Kinsey Chambers, at 11 o'clock, in the Missionary Sermon; closed by Elder Silas Weeks. After which a collection was taken up amounting to \$43.20 cents.

In the afternoon there was preaching in the house by Elder R. M. Perry; closed

by Elder Wm. Johnson. Also, Preaching at the Stand to the Colored people by Elder Silas Weeks.

The Brethren preached with zeal and energy, and we trust with good effect.

MONDAY MORNING, 9 O'CLOCK.

The Association met pursuant to adjournment. Prayer by Brother Chambers. Proceeded to business. Proceedings of Saturday read and approved. Committee on Preaching reported that Elder Silas Weeks preach at the Stand, followed by Elder S. Sheffield.

On motion, Reports of Committees was called for: Committee on Home Missions made a report, which was adopted. (See App. A.) Committee on Temperance made a report, which was adopted. (See Appendix B.) Committee on Sabbath Schools made a report, which was adopted. (See App. C.) Committee on Publications made a report, which was adopted. (See Appendix D.) Committee on Letters made a report, which was adopted. (See Appendix E.) Committee on Finance made a report; which was adopted. (See Appendix F.) Committee on Nominations made a report, which was adopted. (See App. G.) On motion, the Circular Letter was called for—none appeared. It was dispensed with.

On motion, Resolved, That any Brother, a member of this Association, or any Minister belonging to the same, who shall be present at the meeting of any body with which we correspond, that they be considered as Correspondents from us.

Read a Letter from our former Clerk, and on motion, his name was added to the list of Delegates of the Florida Baptist Convention.

On motion, proceeded to the election of the Executive Committee, whereupon brethren G. U. Ellis, A. J. Wilder, T. F. Jones, A. A. Stewart and James A. Turner, were elected Executive Committee for the ensuing year.

On motion, Resolved, That this Association recommend to the Churches composing this body, to appoint some efficient Brother of each Church, to circulate subscriptions for Missionary purposes, to be turned over to the Treasurer as early a day as practicable, whose duty it shall be to pay the same over to our former Missionaries, for past services.

On motion, Resolved, That the thanks of this Association be returned to the brethren and friends of this vicinity, for their kindness and hospitality, in entertaining the members thereof during the present Session.

On motion, Resolved, That we have 500 copies of these Minutes printed, and sent to the Churches prepaid, and that we allow the Clerk \$20 for his services, and that he draw on the Treasurer for the necessary amount.

On motion, Resolved, That \$36 50, be appropriated for Printing and Postage on Minutes, and that the Treasurer be authorized to pay to our former Missionaries, the balance of the funds in hand immediately.

On motion, Resolved, That we adjourn to meet with the Pleasant Grove Church, Alachua County, on Little Orange Lake, near Morrison's Mills Post Office, on Saturday before the second Lord's day in October, 1863.

Sang a Farewell Hymn, and took the Parting Hand.

Prayer by Brother Strickland. Benediction by the Moderator.

WM. JOHNSON, Moderator.
KINSEY CHAMBERS, Clerk.

Balance due Kinsey Chambers for past services.....
Balance due S. Sheffield for past services.....

(CLERK.)

Gift of Dr. H.C. Garwood. Feb. 20, 1954

CHURCHES.	COUNTIES.	DELEGATES.	CLERKS.	P.T. OFFICE.	Baptized.	R. by Let.	Restored.	Dismissed.	Expelled.	Dead.	Whites.	Colored.	TOTAL.	Min'to F'd	Miss'n F'd
Antioch,	Suwannee,	No representation.	C Brinson,	Live Oak,	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Jasper,	Hamilton,	Do.	.....	Jasper,	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Elizabeth,	Suwannee,	Do.	.....	Columbus,	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Wayfair,	Lafayette,	Do.	.....	New Troy,	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Midway,	Suwannee,	Do.	.....	Houston,	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Sisters,	Hamilton,	By Letter,	C Parish,	Wellborn,	2	1	5	2	.....	.....	.....	.....	41	2 00	30 50
Mount Pleasant,	Suwannee,	Kinsey Chambers,	A J Wilder,	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	51	2 00	.....
Lake City,	Columbia,	Do.	A A Stewart,	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Shilo,	Columbia,	Do.	P H Foreman,	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Elgin,	Columbia,	Elias Gibson,	T Truluck,	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Mount Hope,	Alachua,	No representation.	J Green,	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Providence,	Bradford,	James A Turner,	J Prvart,	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Mount Pleasant,	Suwannee,	By Letter,	A M DeLany,	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Evergreen,	Columbia,	No representation.	W Owens,	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Bechtelheim,	Columbia,	By Letter,	J Stallins,	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Palmyra Creek,	Columbia,	Messager,	A J Hutchingson,	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Mount Hope,	Bradford,	S Steelhead, Isaac S Coon,	J B Chaberton,	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Prosser Grove,	Alachua,	M Hinson, W S Perry,	T T C Perry,	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
N W River,	Bradford,	J R Denson, J Godwin,	R P Lewis,	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Santa Fe,	Madison,	Silas Weeks,	J M Sporkmann,	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
North Pleasant Grove,	Putnam,	W Johnson, R M Perry,	M W Brown,	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Alachua,	Alachua,	Joshua Pitts,	Joshua Pitts,	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Putnam,	Putnam,	Issue Drive, M S Strickland,	J M Lane,	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Doval,	Putnam,	No representation.	N Foreman,	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Doval,	Putnam,	No representation.	N Foreman, Jackson Pringle,	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Doval,	Putnam,	No representation.	J Higginbotham,	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Doval,	Putnam,	No representation.	F R Smith,	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Doval,	Putnam,	No representation.	F R Smith,	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Doval,	Putnam,	No representation.	K H Brown,
Doval,	Putnam,	No representation.	No representation,
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