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PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

Twelfth Annual Session,

OF THE

SANTA FEE RIVER

Baptist Association,

HELD AT

**FALLING CREEK CHURCH,
Columbia County, Fla.,**

October, 1868.

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OCTOBER 10th, 1868.

The Santa Fee River Baptist Association convened at 11 o'clock with Falling Creek Church, Columbia County, Florida. The introductory Sermon was preached by Elder Kinsey Chambers from Isaiah VIIIth Chapter and 20th verse: "To the law and to the Testimony: if they speak not according to this word, it is because there is no light in them." After a short intermission, the Delegates assembled in the house. The Association was called to order by the former Moderator, Prayer by Elder Wm. Johnson. On motion, Brother R. Turner was appointed Clerk, pro tem; read the Letters, and enrolled the names of Delegates. On motion, a door was opened for the reception of Churches, when a letter was presented from Jonesville Church, by the hands of her delegate, Brother J. M. Brown. On motion, the Church at Jonesville was received, by the Moderator extending the Right hand of Fellowship to her Delegate; after which, the association proceeded to the election of officers, whereupon Elder W. Johnson was elected Moderator, and Elder Kinsey Chambers, Clerk, and Brother R. Turner, Treasurer. On motion, invited visiting Brethren to seats with us. Brother Z. Dees accepted the invitation. On motion, Brother B. B. Bateman, of the Primitive Order, was invited to aid us in our Councils. Brother Bateman accepted the invitation. On motion, Brothers J. H. Caldwell and K. D. Edge were received as Delegates from Mascedonia Church. On motion, proceeded to the appointment of the following Committees:

On Preaching.—W. S. Perry, O. P. Luther and J. Higginbotham, together with the delegates from Falling Creek Church.

On Sabbath Schools—O. P. Luther, E. B. Timmons and R. Turner.

On Letters and Queries—J. B. Caxon, M. W. Mixon and A. D. Wilder.

On Nominations—K. Chambers, K. D. Edge and J. A. Lewis

On Religious Literature—O. P. Luther, A. J. Hutchingson and M. W. Mixon.

LIST OF MINISTERS,

AND THEIR

POST OFFICES.

BECK, B. W., Palatka, Fla.	KEEP, W. W., Lake City, Fla.
BRANEN, E., Welborn, Fla.	MOORE, L. W., Lake City, Fla.
CHAMBERS, K., Lake City, Fla.	STRICKLAND, M. N., Waldo, Fla.
CANNON, J. J., Palatka, Fla.	SCARBOROUGH, M., Welborn, Fla.
DEES, Z., Houston, Fla.	TIMMONS, E. B., Waldo, Fla.
GUTHERY, G., Magnolia, Fla.	TOMKISS, J. H., Fernandina, Fla.
JOHNSON, WM., Morrison's Mills.	THOMAS, J. W., Palatka, Fla.
WEEKS, S., Waldo, Fla.	

LICENTIATES:

CALDWELL, W. H., Lake City, Fla.	CAIN, R. W., Olustee, Fla.
COON, J. S., Lake Butler, Fla.	MIXION, M. W., Live Oak, Fla.
McHAN, A., Waldo, Fla.	

On motion, a Committee of eight was appointed to draft a more feasible plan for raising Missionary Funds, to wit: E. B. Timmons, A. D. Wilder, R. Buckles, J. A. Lewis, W. S. Perry, K. Chambers, J. Higginbotham and Wm. Johnson.

On Finance—W. S. Perry, R. Turner, and M. Seigben.

On motion, adjourned to meet Monday morning at half past nine o'clock. Prayer by Elder E. B. Timmons.

Sabbath morning, October 11th, met at the stand at 10 o'clock, in prayer meeting; at 11 o'clock the Missionary Sermon was preached by Elder E. B. Timmons, after which, a collection was taken up, amounting to \$13. Elder Wm. Johnson preached in the afternoon, to a large congregation, and we trust with good effect.

Monday morning, October 12, the Association met pursuant to adjournment; prayer by M. W. Mixon.

On motion a Petitionary Letter from Santa Fee Pond Church was presented by the hands of her delegates, B. Beesley and J. W. Sutton, which was received by the Moderator extending the Right Hand of Fellowship to her delegates. Also a petitionary Letter was presented by the hand of E. B. Timmons, from Shilo Church No. 2, which was received with the understanding that whenever her delegates are present they receive the Right Hand of Fellowship.

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On motion, Brother O. P. Luther was allowed to make a report on Sabbath Schools, which will be seen in Appendix (B.)

Committee on Missions made a report, which will be seen in Appendix (C.)

The Committee on Letters and Queries made a report, which was adopted. See Appendix (D.)

On motion the Finance report was left with the Clerk, which will be seen in Appendix (E.)

On motion *Resolved*, That Saturday before the first Sabbath in March next, be appointed as a day of Fasting Humiliation and Prayer. Appointed correspondents to the Alachua Association, E. B. Timmons, W. S. Perry, Wm. Johnson, John Strickland and M. N. Strickland.

On motion, Brother K. D. Edge was added to the Executive Committee.

Resolved, That the thanks of this Association be and is hereby

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Resolved, That the Clerk have 500 copies of these Minutes printed, and that he distribute the same to the Churches, and have \$25 for his services.

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WM. JOHNSON, Moderator.

KINSEY CHAMBERS, Clerk.

Acknowledgment of Amount received from Missions. Having traveled 2,723 miles Preached 120 Sermons, and Baptized 6 persons.

Received from former Treasurer,	\$89 30
Cash in January last from Churches and friends, ..	31 80
From the present Scale for Missions,	174 00
From Natural Wells,	32 00
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APPENDIX.

(A.)

The Committee on Nominations report that they have nominated Brother M. W. Mixon to preach the next Introductory Sermon, and Brother Z. Dees in case of failure. Brother Wm. Johnson to preach the next Missionary Sermon, and Brother J. H. Tomkiss, in case of failure. All of which is respectfully submitted.

K. CHAMBERS, Chairman.

(B.)

Your Committee on Sabbath Schools beg leave to make the following report: We can but see the necessity of having a system of Sabbath Schools established within our Association, and we recommend there be delegates sent up to our next Association to adopt a thorough Sabbath School System for the same. And we further recommend that the Pastor and Deacons of each Church within the bounds of this Association, organize a Sabbath School at each Church, and that they adopt a system of books in keeping with our faith. All of which is respectfully submitted.

O. P. LUTHER, Chairman.

(C.)

The Committee to whom was referred the drafting of a more feasible plan for raising missionary funds, would recommend the delegates, on returning home to their respective Churches, to try and raise by subscription, at least one cent, or more, per week, from every member of their churches, as it is apparent that even that small sum paid to the Executive Committee, would enable them to keep a Missionary in the field all the time, and we further recommend that this plan be continued from year to year until all our destitute are supplied with the living ministry. And we further recommend that the Clerks of the Churches inform the Executive Committee of their success as early as possible, so that they may place a Missionary in the field. All of which is respectfully submitted.

C. B. TIMMONS, Chairman.

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(D.)

We, the Committee on Letters having the same under consideration, beg leave to report that we find nothing of interest in the letters requiring action, unless it be the following: First, we suggest that the next meeting of this Association be held with Eliam Church, Putnam County. Second, we also recommend that our Faith be published with the minutes. All of which is respectfully submitted.

J. B. CAXON, Chairman

(E.)

The Committee on Finance beg leave to make the following report:

Received from Churches for Minutes and other purposes,	\$88 00
Collection on Sabbath,	13 00
Putnam Union,	15 85
Making a total of	\$116 85

W. S. PERRY, Chairman.

A SUMMARY
OF THE
FAITH and PRACTICE
OF
BAPTIST CHURCHES.

That there is one God, of Infinite attributes, who is revealed under the names of Father, Son and Holy Spirit; that the Son, Jesus Christ, is the one Mediator and Savior, and the Holy Spirit the one Guide into Truth; that the Bible is the inspired Word of God, and the only rule of faith and practice, teaching man's fall and depravity, his salvation and glorification according to the purpose of God through grace; that Churches are of Christ's appointment, and chose their officers, observe their ordinances and maintain their discipline by His command; that the ordinances of the Church are Baptism and the Lord's Supper; that only regenerated persons are fit subjects for baptism and Church membership; that Baptism is a pre-requisite to the Lord's Supper, and only immersion is baptism; that there will be a resurrection of the dead, and their judgment according to character, to eternal happiness or misery, and that all things of God's creating, shall ultimate in His glory.

CHURCHES.	POST OFFICERS.	PASTORS.	CLERKS	NAMES OF DELEGATES.	FOR MISSIONS.	CONTRIBUTIONS.	FOR MINUTES.	TOTAL.	DEAD	EXCLUDED	RESTORED	DIS'D BY LETTER	REC'D BY LETTER	BAPTIZED	WHITE	COLOR'D	...
Antioch,	Live Oak,	K. Chambers,	C. Brinson,	M. W. Nixon	22	2 00	22	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	21	1	53
Macedonia,	Live Oak,	Z. Dees,	T. M. Turson,	F. M. Turson, N. Dees,	53	1 35	53	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	53	1	53
Mount Pleasant,	Welhour,	K. Chambers,	H. W. Morgan,	K. Chambers, A. D. Wilder,	38	3 50	38	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	38	1	38
Lake City,	Lake City,	W. W. Keep,	A. J. Stewart,	O. P. Luther,	30	1 50	30	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	30	1	30
Falling Creek,	Lake City,	K. Chambers,	A. J. Hutchingson	A. J. Hutchingson, G. Mole,	27	2 00	27	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	27	1	27
Elim,	Lake City,	W. Johnson,	J. Truback,	K. D. Edge, W. H. Caldwell,	10	2 00	10	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	10	1	10
Providence,	Lehotuckny,	S. Weeks,	J. B. Horn,	R. Turner, J. W. Keeling,	14	50	14	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	14	2	14
Mount Hope,	Providence,	S. Weeks,	J. Osteen,	A. H. Overstreet,	55	2 00	55	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	55	1	55
Mount Fee Pond,	Newmansville,	S. Weeks,	A. Thomas,	B. S. Bessley, J. W. Linton,	52	1 50	52	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	52	1	52
New River,	Newmansville,	S. Weeks,	N. J. Barry,	N. J. Barry, S. H. Barnett,	40	3 00	40	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	40	2	40
Mount Enon,	Lake Butler,	S. Weeks,	R. F. Lewis,	J. B. Caxon,	36	1 70	36	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	36	1	36
Shilo No. 1,	Waldo,	S. Weeks,	L. Alvarez,	R. Buckles, O. Alvarez,	17	1 00	17	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	17	1	17
Jonesville,	Sturke,	S. Sheffeld,	J. M. Brown,	Wm. Johnson, W. S. Perry,	104	2 80	104	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	104	1	104
Pleasant Grove,	Waldo,	Wm. Johnson,	S. B. Tarloy,	E. B. Timmons,	34	3 70	34	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	34	1	34
Elim,	Waldo,	J. H. Tomkies,	not known,	M. Seigler,	35	3 60	35	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	35	1	35
Parish,	Palatka,	Wm. Johnson,	W. R. Harris,	Wm. Johnson,	19	1 50	19	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	19	1	19
Penola,	Sturke,	E. B. Timmons,	Wm. R. Harris,	E. B. Timmons,	9	2 00	9	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	9	1	9
Gadara,	Sturke,	E. B. Timmons,	J. Saph,	H. S. Minton,	42	1 50	42	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	42	1	42
Shilo No. 2,	Green Cove,	none	J. Mills,	J. Higginbotham, J. J. Higginbotham,	28	1 50	28	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	28	1	28
Sharon,	Callahan,	none	N. Fournere,	J. A. Lewis,	1	2 00	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Deep Creek,	Baldwin,	King's Ferry,	J. Haddock,	J. A. Lewis,	1	2 00	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Ephebus,	King's Ferry,	Jacksonville,	J. Bell,	J. A. Lewis,	1	2 00	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Jacksonville,	Jacksonville,	Jacksonville,	J. Bell,	J. A. Lewis,	1	2 00	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Perrandina,	Perrandina,	Perrandina,	J. Dozier,	J. A. Lewis,	15	2 00	15	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	15	1	15

