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## MINUTES.

1. The congregation assembled in the house, and the Introductory Sermon was preached by Brother J. J. Grantham, from the 15th verse and 2d chapter of Paul's second letter to Timothy: "Study to show thyself approved unto God, a workman that needeth not to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth."

2. One hour's intermission.

3. After intermission and refreshment, the delegates convened in the house, and the Association was organized for business by singing and prayer. Prayer by the former Moderator.

4. The Letters from the Churches were then handed in and read.

5. Elected Brother William M. Howell Moderator, and Brother Stephen Rowe Clerk.

6. Invited ministers of our faith and order, and not of this body, to seats with us.

7. Called for petitionary letters from newly-constituted Churches, and received a letter from the Church at Bethel, Holmes county, Florida, and also one from Pleasant Hill, Jackson county, Florida, both of which being found in good order, were received into fellowship with us, and the hand of fellowship extended to their delegates.

8. Called for correspondence from religious bodies and received from the Judson Association Brother J. M. Poyner, and from the Newton Brother T. J. Dormany.

9. Appointed committees as follows, viz:

On Preaching—Brethren E. H. Marlin and Daniel Williams, with the delegation from the Greenwood Church.

On Documents—S. Rowe, D. Williams and King White.

On Sabbath Schools—E. H. Marlin, A. Bevis, J. B. Everett.

On Finance—B. H. Banks, W. W. Boykin and A. Bevis.

On Publications—W. B. Lacy, W. W. Odom, R. C. B. Lawrence.

On Missions—G. Hartsfield, M. Osborn and J. J. Grantham.  
On Nominations—J. A. Collier, Wm. Brunson and Tyler Chumney.

On Decease of Ministers—William Brunson, Wm. Sorey and J. B. Baxley.

On the State of the Churches—G. Hartsfield, E. H. Marlin and W. Williams.

10. Returned correspondence as follows, viz :

To the Eufaula—

“ Salem—B. H. Banks.

“ Judson—W. M. Howell, B. H. Banks.

“ Bethel—J. J. Grantham, W. W. Odom.

“ Florida—

“ Bowen—J. J. Grantham, D. A. Skipper.

“ Newton—W. M. Howell.

11. The Committee on Preaching report that Brother Odom preach to-night, and Brother Poyner to-morrow, at two o'clock.

12. Agreed to meet for prayer to-morrow morning, at nine o'clock.

13. Adjourned business to nine o'clock, Monday morning. Prayer by Brother G. Hartsfield.

SABBATH, October 27th.

The congregation convened in the morning for prayer.

At 11 o'clock, Brother Howell preached the Missionary Sermon, from the gospel by Luke, 10th chapter and 2d verse: "The harvest is great, but the laborers few: pray ye therefore the Lord of the harvest, that he would send forth laborers into his harvest." Brother Poyner preached in the afternoon. The congregation was large and attentive. The sum of \$21.65 was collected.

MONDAY, October 28th.

Met according to adjournment. Prayer by Brother Rowe.

1. Read and approved the Minutes of the past two days.
2. Called the roll.
3. Renewed invitation to seats with us.
4. Renewed call for correspondence.
5. Renewed call for petitionary letters, and received a letter from the newly-constituted Church at Bethlehem, which was received into fellowship.
6. The report of Executive Committee was read and adopted. (See Appendix, letter A.)
7. The Committee on Preaching report that Bro. Dormany will preach in the Methodist Church at 11 o'clock, and Bro. Osborn the Farewell Sermon at 2 o'clock.
8. The report on Publications was read and adopted, (B.)
9. The report on Documents was read and adopted, (C.)
10. The report on Sabbath Schools was read and adopted, (D.)
11. The report on Nominations was read and adopted, (E.)
12. The report on the Decease of Ministers was read and adopted, (F.)
13. The report on the State of the Churches was read and adopted, (G.)
14. The report on Finance was read and adopted, (H.)
15. The Treasurer's Report was read and adopted, (I.)
16. An interesting letter from Brother D. P. Everett was received and read.
17. On motion, appointed as Executive Committee and Treasurer the same that served last year, viz: T. Barnes, Treasurer; J. A. Collier, A. J. Sims, Wm. Sorey, J. B. Everett and Wm. P. L. Horn—the Moderator added.
18. It being reported that Brother Horn would probably move away, on motion appointed Brother E. H. Marlin in his place.
19. The report on Missions was read and adopted, (J.)
20. Appointed the next session to be held with the Church at Antioch, Calhoun county, Florida, on Saturday before the fourth Sabbath in October, 1868.
21. Instructed the Clerk to have four hundred copies of

these Minutes printed and distributed, and that he have thirty dollars for his services.

22. The Letter of Correspondence was read and adopted.

23. Agreed to adjourn for forty-five minutes, then to re-assemble to hear the farewell sermon by Brother Osborn.

24. After intermission and refreshment, the Association came together, and the following preamble and resolution were adopted:

WHEREAS, our Church house at this place came near being destroyed by fire, and was saved by the timely presence and attention of Mr. William Gray, a young gentleman of Greenwood. Therefore,

Resolved, That the Greenwood Baptist Church, and the West Florida Association, do tender Mr. Gray our sincere thanks for saving us from this immense loss.

25. After the sermon by Brother Osborn, a hymn was sung, and the parting hand taken, and prayer made by Bro. Odom, the Association was then adjourned to the time and place above mentioned.

WILLIAM M. HOWELL, Moderator.

STEPHEN ROWE, Clerk.

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### CORRESPONDING LETTER.

*The West Florida Baptist Association to her sister Associations with whom she corresponds, sends Christian salutation:*

DEAR BRETHREN: We take pleasure in again addressing you by way of correspondence. Our churches, with some exceptions, are well represented, and, by their returns, we learn that, notwithstanding the many difficulties thrown in the way of the interests of the Redeemer's kingdom, the Lord still continues to bless some of our churches with the outpouring of his Spirit. We are happy in having the presence and assistance of some of our ministering brethren, though very few, from your bodies. Dear brethren, the great difficulties of the present day, both political and secular, call upon us for new and increased efforts for the advancement of the great interests of religion. May God help us to do His will.

The next meeting of the Association will be held with the Church at Antioch, Calhoun county, Florida, on Saturday before the fourth Sabbath in October, A. D. 1868.

W. M. HOWELL, Moderator.

STEPHEN ROWE, Clerk.

### NAMES OF ORDAINED MINISTERS,

WITH THEIR POST-OFFICE ADDRESS.

- W. M. HOWELL,.....Gordon.
- W. WILLIAMS,.....Bay Spring.
- J. J. GRANTHAM,.....Chattahoochee.
- B. H. BANKS,.....Greenwood.
- G. HARTSFIELD,.....Greenwood.
- M. OSBORN,.....Campbellton.
- DANIEL SKIPPER,.....Big Creek.
- WM. BORRUM,.....Bartow.
- STEPHEN ROWE,.....Chattahoochee.

#### LICENTIATES:

- THOMAS PARISH,.....Bristol.
- WATKINS,.....Bristol.

ARTICLES OF FAITH OF THE WEST FLORIDA BAPTIST ASSOCIATION.

ARTICLE I. We believe in the existence of one only true and living God, and that He has made himself known to his people, under the name of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost, the same in essence, and equal in divine perfection. Exodus xx: 3; Isa. ix: 6-46; Matt. xxviii: 19; Mark xii: 32; John i: 1-4; and v: 23; and x: 30; 1 John v: 7.

ARTICLE II. We believe the Scriptures of the Old and New Testament are the words of God, and the only rule of faith and practice. 2 Sam. xxiii: 2; Acts 1: 16; 2 Tim. iii: 16-17; 2 Peter i: 21.

ARTICLE III. We believe in the doctrine of election; that God chose his people in Christ before the foundation of the world; that they should be holy and without blame before him in love; having predestinated them to the adoption of children, by Jesus Christ, according to the good pleasure of His will. Matt. xx: 16; and xxiv: 32; John xiii: 18; and xv, 16-19; Acts xiii: 48; Rom. viii: 28, 29; and ix: 10-16; and xi: 5; Eph. i: 4-11; 1 Thess. i: 4; 2 Thess. ii: 13; 1 Peter i: 2.

ARTICLE IV. We believe in the doctrine of original sin. Gen. vi: 5; Psalms v: 9; Eccle. viii: 11; Rom. 6: 20; and vii: 18; and viii: 8; 1 Cor. ii: 14; 2 Cor. v: 14; Eph. ii: 1-3; Col. ii: 2-13.

ARTICLE V. We believe in man's impotency to recover himself from the fallen state he is in by nature, by his own will and ability. John vi: 44, 45; Rom. xi: 6; Eph. ii: 8, 9.

ARTICLE VI. We believe sinners are justified in the sight of God only by the imputed righteousness of Christ. Isa. lvii: 8; Acts iv: 11, 12; Rom. iii: 21-36; and v: 6; viii: 9; x: 11-21.

ARTICLE VII. We believe that God's elect shall be called, regenerated and sanctified by the Holy Ghost. John vi: 63; and xvi: 13, 14; 1 Cor. ii: 10-12; 2 Cor. i: 10-12; Eph. ii: 1-10; 2 Tim. i: 9; Tit. iii: 4-7.

ARTICLE VIII. We believe that nothing can separate the true believers from the love of God; but that they will be kept by the power of God through faith unto salvation.

John vi: 37; x: 28-30; xiii: 1; xvii: 23; Phil. i: 6; Heb. vi: 17, 18; 1 Peter i: 5.

ARTICLE IX. We believe that Baptism and the Lord's Supper are ordinances of Jesus Christ; that true believers are the only subjects of these ordinances, and that immersion only is baptism. Matt. iii: 5-12; Mark i: 5; Luke iii: 7; Acts ii: 38-42; John iii: 23; Rom. vi: 3, 4; Col. ii: 12; 1 Peter iii: 21; Acts xviii: 8.

ARTICLE X. We believe in the resurrection of the dead, and a general judgment. Job xix: 26, 27; Daniel xii: 2; Hos. xiii: 14; Mark xii: 24-27; 1 Cor. xv: 2; 2 Cor. v: 10.

ARTICLE XI. We believe that the punishment of the wicked will be everlasting, and the joys of the righteous will be eternal. Matt. xxv: 46; 2 Thess. i: 9; Daniel xii: 2; Mark ix: 43, 44; Luke ii: 17; xvii: 26; John iii: 36; 2 Thess. i: 7-9; Rev. xiv: 9-11.

ARTICLE XII. We believe that no minister has a right to administer the ordinances, unless he is called of God, and come under the imposition of hands by a presbytery, and is in fellowship in the church of which he is a member. Isa. lxii: 6; Mal. ii: 7; Acts xiv: 23; Rom. xii: 6, 7; 1 Cor. i: 1; 2 Cor. v: 18; Col. iv: 17; 4 Tim. i: 12; Eph. iv: 11-13.

DECORUM.

1. Every query sent up to the Association by any Church in this union, shall be read, and put to vote by the Moderator, whether it shall be debated or not; and if there be a majority for it, it shall be taken up and investigated; but if not, it shall be withdrawn: provided, always, that those be first considered that affect the union of the churches.

2. Every motion made and seconded shall come under the observation of the Association, except it be withdrawn by the member who made it.

3. Every person who speaks in debate shall rise from his seat and address the Moderator, and shall not be interrupted while speaking, unless he depart from the subject in debate, or use indecorous language.

4. No person shall speak more than three times upon the same subject, without leave of the body.

5. No member shall abruptly break off or absent himself without leave of the body; and if he so does, he shall be marked as an absentee.

6. The names of the members of the Association shall be enrolled by the Clerk, and called over as often as the body may require.

7. The Moderator shall be entitled to the same privilege of speaking as any other member, provided the chair be filled; but he shall not vote, except the body be equally divided.

8. It shall be the duty of the Moderator to see that these rules are strictly observed by the body.

9. It shall be the duty of the Clerk to keep a regular record of the proceedings of the body.

10. The minutes of the Association shall be read and signed by the Moderator and Clerk before the body rises.

11. Amendments may be made to this form of government by two-thirds of the members in session.

## APPENDIX.

### STANDING ORDER OF BUSINESS.

After the Introductory Sermon, the Association will convene, and be opened with singing and prayer; then,

1. Read letters.
2. Elect Moderator and Clerk.
3. Invite visiting brethren to seats with us.
4. Call for and read Petitionary Letters.
5. Call for Correspondence.
6. Appoint Committees—
  1. On Preaching, and hear their report.
  2. On Finance.
  3. On Publications.
  4. On Documents.
  5. On Sabbath Schools.
  6. On the Propagation of the Gospel.
  7. On Nominations.
  8. On Decease of Ministers.
  9. On the State of the Churches.
10. Write the Corresponding Letter.
11. Appoint Correspondence.

Second day open as before.

1. Read Minutes of previous meeting.
2. Call the Roll.
3. Renew invitation to seats.
4. Renew call for Correspondence.
5. Attend to unfinished business.
6. Call for Report of Executive Committee.
7. Call for Treasurer's Report.
8. Elect Executive Committee and Delegates to Convention.
9. Appoint any other Committee required.
10. Call for Reports of Committees in order.
11. Appoint the next Association.
12. Order number of Minutes and pay of Clerk.
13. Miscellaneous business.
14. Read Letter of Correspondence and Minutes.
15. Farewell Sermon.
16. Parting hand.
17. Adjourn.

## REPORTS.

(A.)

The Executive Committee would report that, according to an action of your body at its last session, your Committee held a meeting at Greenwood, and agreed to employ Brother W. W. Odom to travel as Missionary, within the bounds of the Association, east of the Choctawhatchie river, relying upon the Domestic Mission Board at Marion for assistance, and communicated our action to Brother Odom; but, owing to his peculiar condition at the time, he was not able to engage in the work, and owing to the length of time which elapsed before your Committee could hear from him, they took no further action upon the subject of employing a Missionary for the Associational year. The want of funds upon which to operate has tied the hands of your Committee upon the subject of Missionary operations.

Respectfully submitted, W. B. LACY, Chairman.

(B.)

Your Committee on Publication beg leave to report, we would recommend *The Baptist*, published by Brother J. R. Graves, of Memphis, Tennessee—it costs four dollars; it should to be read by every Baptist. Also, the *Christian*

*Index*, published in Atlanta, Georgia, at five dollars. We would also recommend the denominational books published by the South-Western Publishing House at Memphis, Tenn. They are all good books, and instructive in their character, and should be read by us all; but of all books we should read the Bible, and study it carefully.

Respectfully submitted,

W. W. ODOM, Chairman.

(C.)

Your Committee on Documents beg leave to report that they find claiming the attention of this body an interesting letter from Brother D. P. Everett; and also the Church at Damascus says that she has sent no money for Minutes, that she sent money last year for Minutes, and got none, and wants to know the reason why. The Church at Poplar Spring asks help to support pastor.

Respectfully submitted,

S. ROWE, Chairman.

(D.)

Your Committee regret exceedingly to be placed under the necessity of reporting such great destitution of Sabbath Schools within the bounds of our Association; from the best information we can get, there are only five in operation, viz: One at Providence; one at Antioch, Calhoun county; one at Smyrna, and one at Pleasant Hill. And as your Committee believe it to be one of the most efficient means used for the promotion and advancement in building up the cause and kingdom of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ upon earth, would respectfully recommend the pastors of the several churches within the bounds of our Association, to urge the importance of the great work upon their congregations, hoping that a revival of the work may take place, and that we may be able at our next session to report a Sabbath School at every Church within our bounds; also, that they urge the necessity of parents and children taking the *Child's Delight*, a little Sabbath School paper, published by Rev. Samuel Boykin, Macon, Georgia, as it will act as a great

stimulant to both parents and children in building up Sabbath Schools.

All of which is hereby respectfully submitted.

E. H. MARLIN, Chairman.

(E.)

Your Committee on Nominations beg leave to report that they have nominated Brother Rowe to preach the Introductory, and W. Williams his alternate; Brother Odom the Missionary Sermon, and Brother Osborn his alternate.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

J. A. COLLIER, Chairman.

(F.)

Your Committee on Decease of Ministers report as follows: Our Association has been highly favored of God during the last associational year, with regard to the preservation of our ministry, as none have died during the last year. We should feel truly thankful to the Allwise Ruler of the universe for this favor.

Respectfully submitted,

WM. BRUNSON, Chairman.

(G.)

Your Committee on the State of the Churches report that the letters to your body indicate the existence of a good degree of internal order and harmony, and several of them report encouraging additions to their bodies, while several others remain pretty much stationary, and a few show a small decline. The net increase of the Churches of your body during the past year is about sixty. Four of your Churches—Providence, Antioch, Ebenezer and Smyrna—report Sabbath Schools connected with their bodies. Greenwood Church reports preaching two and Ebenezer three Sabbaths in each month; and Ebenezer reports an example worthy to be imitated by all churches, of two prayer-meetings each week. One or two churches of your body are represented only by letter, and several others entirely unrepresented. Poplar Spring Church asks aid to support her pastor, while others complain of entire pastoral destitution.



How great the need of effectual fervent prayer that God would send more laborers into the harvest, accompanied with corresponding and consistent effort on our part as co-workers with God in gathering the great harvest of the world:  
GREEN HARTSFIELD, Chairman.

(H.)

Your Committee on Finance beg leave to report as follows: Amount sent up by the churches—

	FOR MINUTES.	FOR ASSOC'N PURPOSES.
Greenwood,.....	\$10 00	\$.....
Campbellton,.....	2 50	.....
Damascus,.....	.....	.....
Pilgrim's Rest,.....	2 75	.....
Sardis,.....	5 00	.....
New Hope,.....	1 50	.....
Poplar Spring,.....	.....	.....
Providence,.....	2 10	.....
Antioch,.....	2 00	.....
Pine Barren,.....	1 00	.....
Ebenezer,.....	2 00	.....
Orange Hill,.....	.....	.....
Friendship,.....	3 00	2 00
Pittman Creek,.....	.....	.....
Rehoboth,.....	1 50	.....
Sandy Creek,.....	.....	.....
Smyrna,.....	1 00	2 59
Apalachicola,.....	.....	.....
Bethlehem,.....	1 00	.....
Pleasant Hill,.....	.....	.....
Bethel,.....	.....	2 05
Limestone,.....	.....	.....
All of which is paid over to the Treasurer.		.....

B. H. BANKS, Chairman.

(I.)

THOMAS BARNES, *Treasurer, in account with the West Florida Baptist Association.*

	Dr.	Cr.
1866.		
October 29—To balance due the Association.....	\$ 68 41	
“ 29 “ amount received for Domestic Missions..	5 00	
“ 29 “ amount received of W. M. Howell, in part of his subscription for Domestic Missions.....	10 00	
1867.		
April 7—To amount received of W. M. Howell, in part subscription for Domestic Missions.....	5 00	
April 7—To amount received of Antioch Church, an extra contribution for printing Minutes.....	4 00	
April 7—To amount received of Sardis Church for do....	1 00	
Oct. 26—To amount received of those who subscribed to the cause of Missions in the West Florida Association, held at Campbellton Church, 1866, viz: Of B. A. Hinson.....	10 00	
H. Sewell.....	10 00	
William Hood.....	5 00	
J. W. Carter, in part.....	1 50	
F. Harden.....	1 00	
Oct. 27—To amount of collections on Sabbath for Missions.....	21 65	
Oct. 28—Received of Finance Committee.....	41 90	
	\$184 46	
1866.		
Oct. 29—By paid S. Rowe his fee.....	\$ 20 00	
Oct. 29—By paid balance for printing last year's Minutes.....	10 00	
1867.		
By amount paid for printing Minutes.....	45 00	
	\$ 75 00	
Oct. 28—Balance due the Association.....	109 46	
	\$184 46	

(J.)

Your Committee on Missions report, with deep-felt interest, that the “harvest is plenteous, but the laborers are few;” that the “fields already white unto harvest” call loudly upon us to put forth all our Christian efforts to supply these destitute places with the gospel.

But why report, year after year, upon the importance of the Missionary work, and yet *do* comparatively nothing to further this work. Brethren, your Committee would say, in all candor, let us *do* something in the work, or cease our annual reports upon the subject.

Respectfully submitted.

J. J. GRANTHAM, Chairman.

## STATISTICS OF THE CHURCHES.

CHURCHES AND CON- GRESSES.	PASTORS.	CLERKS.	CLERKS P. O.	DELEGATES.	Baptized.	Received by Letter	Restored.	Dismissed.	Excommunicated.	Dead.	Total.	Time of Meeting.
Greenwood, Jackson.....	W. M. Howell.....	William Brunson.....	Greenwood.....	W. B. Lacy, G. Hartsfield, T. Barnes, Wm. Sorey, Wm. Barber, A. Bevis, W. W. M. Howell, J. A. Collier, J. D. Brant- ley.....	12	1	16	1	2	182	1	182
Campbellton, Jackson.....	W. M. Howell.....	W. J. Daniel.....	Campbellton.....	No delegation S. Kove, J. J. Grantham, Wm. Farr, S. I. Murphy.....	2	1	6	1	2	26	2	26
Orange Hill, Washington.....	W. W. Odum.....	W. P. L. Horn.....	Orange Hill.....	Letter but no delegation.....	8	2	2	2	1	68	3	68
Sardis, Jackson.....	S. Rowe.....	S. T. Murphy.....	Chatahoochee.....	John Pope.....	12	3	1	10	7	56	1	56
Imoseane, Washington.....	T. J. Dorman.....	W. W. Scott.....	Geneva.....	B. H. Banks, Wm. Caldwell.....	1	3	17	2	1	25	3	25
Pine Barren, Jackson.....	D. A. Skipper.....	J. H. Underwood.....	Campbellton.....	No delegation. Total noted from last year.....	7	1	17	2	1	61	4	61
Friendship, Jackson.....	J. M. Poyner.....	J. M. Stanly.....	Greenwood.....	J. T. Chinnery, D. Williams, Joseph Conrod.....	17	2	1	3	2	16	4	16
New Hope, Jackson.....	J. M. Poyner.....	D. Williams.....	Gordon.....	W. W. Odum, E. H. Martin.....	4	5	1	3	1	54	2	54
Pilegrim's Rest, Henry, Ala.....	W. M. Howell.....	J. D. Martin.....	Vernon.....	Dismissed.....	5	8	2	1	1	65	1	65
Ebenezer, Holmes.....	W. W. Odum.....	J. D. Martin.....	Vernon.....	No delegation noted from last year.....	4	4	1	1	1	32	3	32
Sandy Creek, Holmes.....	W. W. Odum.....	J. D. Martin.....	Vernon.....	No delegation noted from last year.....	13	5	2	2	1	44	4	44
Fcheenna, Walton.....	W. W. Odum.....	J. D. Martin.....	Vernon.....	No delegation noted from last year.....	10	2	2	2	1	37	3	37
Camp Creek, Walton.....	W. W. Odum.....	J. D. Martin.....	Vernon.....	No delegation noted from last year.....	2	2	2	2	1	35	4	35
Apathicola, Franklin.....	W. W. Odum.....	J. D. Martin.....	Vernon.....	No delegation noted from last year.....	1	1	2	1	1	18	2	18
Antioch, Gadsden.....	W. W. Odum.....	J. D. Martin.....	Vernon.....	R. C. B. Lawrence, J. S. White, J. R. Dukes, Parikh, F. M. Franklin, M. E. Barkwell, J. W. Yearly.....	18	12	5	5	1	78	3	78
Poplar Springs, Jackson.....	R. C. B. Lawrence.....	J. R. Dykes.....	Martina.....	Thomas Parikh, F. M. Franklin, M. E. Barkwell, J. W. Yearly.....	5	2	5	5	1	19	3	19
Antioch, Calhoun.....	J. J. Grantham.....	M. E. Barkwell.....	Bristol.....	M. Osborn, King White, F. G. Hardin, A. J. Sims, Cornelius Stephens.....	5	2	5	5	1	16	3	16
Danascus, Jackson.....	M. Osborn.....	J. J. White.....	Campbellton.....	J. B. Baxley, H. G. McAllister, W. F. Jordan, J. B. Worel, W. H. Cream- er.....	18	12	5	5	1	78	3	78
Providence, Jackson.....	J. J. Grantham.....	A. J. Sims.....	Martina.....	Avraham Faircloth.....	5	2	5	5	1	16	3	16
Rehoboth, Dale, Ala.....	S. Harveys.....	J. H. Brooks.....	Columbia.....	Delegation absent.....	5	2	5	5	1	16	3	16
Smyrna, Henry, Ala.....	Wesley Williams.....	J. H. Brooks.....	Columbia.....	John H. White.....	5	2	5	5	1	16	3	16
Bethel, Holmes.....	M. Osborn.....	J. Faircloth.....	Geneva.....		5	2	5	5	1	16	3	16
Bethlehem, Jackson.....	D. A. Skipper.....	A. Martin.....	Martina.....		5	2	5	5	1	16	3	16
Pleasant Hill, Jackson.....	D. A. Skipper.....	J. H. White.....	Martina.....		5	2	5	5	1	16	3	16

RECAPITULATION—22 Churches; 9 ordained Ministers; 2 Licentiates; 953 members in fellowship; Baptized 136; Received by Letter 37; Restored 13; Dismissed 65; Excommunicated 34; Dead 13. Clerks please be very careful in making out your statistics for next year. The whole gain 198; whole loss by the withdrawal of the Sandy Creek Church, together with the other losses, 208—a decline from last year of 40 members, and yet a difference in the sums total of 96.—CLERK.

## STATISTICS OF THE CHURCHES.

Churches and Counties.	Pastors.	Clerks,	Clerks' Postoffice.	Delegates.	Baptized.....	Received by Letter	Restored.....	Dismiss'd by Letter	Excommunicated	Dead.....	Total.....	Time of Meetings.
Greenwood, Jackson,	S. M. Pyles,	William Brunson,	Greenwood,	*S. M. Pyles, B. Lacy, T. Barnes, Wm. Brunson, W. A. Eoykin, A. Favis, [Wm. Servey,	15	2	1	6	1	2	215	1
Campbellton, Jackson,	W. M. Howell,	W. J. Daniel,	Campbellton,	*W. M. Howell, J. A. Collier, W. H. Hinson, J. C.	65	2	3	3	1	1	65	2
Orange Hill, Washington,	S. Rowe,	Wm. F. L. Horn,	Orange Hill,	J. B. Matthias, [Collier, H. Sewell,	2	1	4	4	2	2	66	3
Sardin, Jackson,	J. M. Payne,	J. H. Rowe,	Chattahoochee,	*S. Rowe, *J. J. Grantham, P. M. Fenley, W. A.	2	1	1	3	4	2	81	1
Limestone, Washington,	Wm. P. Borrum,	R. W. Harrell,	Marianna,	No Delegation, [Phillips,	1	1	1	3	1	2	33	2
Pine Barren, Jackson,	T. J. Dormany,	J. B. Everett,	Greenwood,	J. H. Underwood, R. W. Harrell, Asa Taylor, C.	5	1	1	4	14	1	43	3
Friendship, Jackson,	S. M. Pyles,	S. P. Borrum,	Open Pond,	J. S. Etheridge, T. D. Brown, [German,	11	4	1	11	4	1	16	4
New Hope, Jackson,	R. C. B. Lawrence	D. Williams,	Vernon,	J. F. Lorrain,	3	2	2	3	9	—	52	2
Pilgrim's Rest, Henry, Ala.	J. J. Grantham,	H. Lewis,	Apalachicola,	Tavis Coonrod, D. Williams,	5	2	2	3	9	—	40	4
Holmes Valley, Holmes,	W. M. Howell,	W. F. Black,	Marianna,	No Delegation,	3	2	2	16	1	—	40	4
Pittman's Creek, Holmes	S. Rowe,	J. R. Pykes,	Ridleyville,	Sciomon Slaughtert,	7	2	2	11	4	—	44	3
Sandy Creek, Holmes,	S. Hargroves,	Levi Yon,	Campbellton,	G. W. Pagett, J. Smith,	10	11	1	1	4	—	37	1
Uchecana, Walton,	W. Williams,	A. J. Sims,	Marianna,	No Delegation,	18	1	4	5	—	—	44	1
Camp Creek, Walton,	W. Williams,	J. Hughes,	Campbellton,	No Delegation,	68	21	9	69	37	8	1049	1
Apalachicola, Franklin,		J. H. Brookin,		No Delegation,								
Antioch, Gadsden,				Joseph Lykes,								
Poplar Spring, Jackson,				Thomas Parrish,								
Antioch, Calhoun,				E. A. Hinson, King White, Felix Hardin,								
Pamascus, Jackson,				Graddy Hamilton,								
Providence, Jackson,				*W. Williams, *D. Skipper, J. Hughes, J. B. Baxley								
Reheboth, Dale, Ala.				Wm. Creamer, A. G. Cherry, J. T. Mann,								
Smyma, Henry, Ala.												

RECAPITULATION—22 Churches; 1049 Members; 10 Ordained Ministers; Baptised, 68; Received by Letter, 21; Restored, 9; Dismissed by Letter, 69; Excommunicated, 37; Dead, 8. Decline of 33 members. Names of Ordained Ministers marked thus, \*.