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**ORDER OF BUSINESS ADOPTED AT THIS SESSION.**

1. Introductory.
2. Association called to order.
3. Reading Church letters and enrolling names of messengers.
4. Election of officers—Moderator, Clerk and Treasurer.
5. Call for petitionary letters.
6. Call for correspondence.
7. Inviting visiting members to seats.
8. Appointment of committees.
9. Reports of committees.
10. Appoint correspondents to other Associations.
11. Elect messengers to State Convention.
12. Miscellaneous business.
13. Adjournment.

**MINUTES.**

The introductory was preached by Elder P. S. Crosier, after which the body adjourned to meet at 2 p. m.

2. p. m.—W. W. Bostick, the former Moderator in the chair, called for church letters, when the following were handed in by the messengers from this Association, to-wit:

MESSENGERS.

Antioch .....	By letter and contribution.
Bartow .....	Frank Clark and J. M. Hayman.
Bethel.....	W. H. Hancock and Jno. Hancock.
Lakeland .....	C. S. McCrary and C. J. Swain.
Homeland.....	M. W. Fuller and E. M. Hayman.
Gapway.....	Lawrence Grimes and J. L. McClelland.
Willow Oak.....	James Hicks and D. Trapnell.
Keysville.....	B. F. Carpenter and J. W. Tanner.
Mt. Olive.....	J. O. Harris and W. J. Bryant.
Peace Creek.....	D. C. Dukes and H. J. Goddard.
Seffner.....	J. W. Brown and W. S. Obrien.
Winter Haven.....	P. S. Crosier and W. T. Newell.
Providence.....	By letter and contribution.
Tampa .....	By letter and contribution.
Turkey Creek.....	L. J. Simmons and S. Walden.
Tenotasassa.....	F. H. Jaudon and J. C. Rodgers.
Shiloh.....	C. L. Wilder and R. W. Norwood.
Hopewell .....	Jno. R. and W. M. McDonald.
Mays Chapel.....	Not heard from.
Mango.....	Not heard from.

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Clearwater.....	By letter and contribution.
New Salem.....	A. M. Smith and W. F. Pollard.

After all the messengers' names were enrolled, the body proceeded to permanent organization by electing W. W. Bostick, Moderator, E. G. Wilder, Clerk, and W. S. Knight, Treasurer. The Moderator then called for petitionary letters, when the following were handed in, to-wit; Medulla, Mt. Tabor and Renel, and being found orthodox, were received by this body and the right hand of fellowship extended to their messengers. Next, visiting brethren and sisters were invited to seats with us, when the following presented themselves and were received: Elders Dye and W. N. Chaudoin, and Brother Walter Guynn and Sister Telford, from the Wekiva Association; Elder Sparkman and

W. C. Hayman, from the Manatee Association; Elder J. C. Turner and wife, from Minnesota; Elder Godinez, from Regla, Cuba, accompanied by Mr. Sommenyon, of Key West, and we feel that the above named brethren and sisters rendered us good service, for which we are thankful. Next, he called for letters of correspondence, when Brother Chaudoin answered verbally as a correspondent from the State Board of Missions, and as Treasurer of that board, and Elder Porter from the Alachua Association.

Next, appointment of Committees: On Missions—W. B. Dye, J. C. Blount, and Frank Clark; on Church Letters—T. H. Jaudon, J. L. McClelland, J. A. Hancock; on Finance—P. S. Crosier, J. A. Killgore, J. E. Harrelson; on Preaching—J. M. Hayman, C. L. Wilder, J. R. McDonald, Frank Clark; on Temperance—R. H. Whitehead, W. M. McDonald, M. W. Fuller, W. C. Hayman; on Ministerial Education—W. N. Chaudoin, A. C. Turner, J. G. McCaskey; on Religious Literature—J. C. Porter, J. M. Hayman, E. M. Hayman, D. D. Blount.

Call for messengers to State Convention: Elder Numaranly, Frank Clark, C. L. Wilder, R. H. Whitehead.

Call for messengers to other Associations: Manatee—J. M. Hayman, W. M. McDonald, J. G. McCaskey, L. J. Simmons; Wekiva— — — — —; Pasco—E. G. Wilder, W. S. Knight, S. Walden, W. W. Bostick.

#### PREACHING COMMITTEE REPORT

That W. B. Dye preach to-night, October 10th, at 7 p. m.; that W. N. Chaudoin preach Friday, October 11th, at 11 a. m.; that the Association assemble in mass at 7 p. m. and close the discussion on missions, which had been going on nearly all day in behalf of a cemetery ground in Regla, Cuba, where our Cuban brothers and sisters may lay away safely and quietly their loved ones in their last resting place until our Savior comes to make up his jewels. The amount raised in cash for this purpose was \$147, and in pledges, about \$35, for which our beloved Cuban brother returned to this body, through his interpreter, his heartfelt thanks.

Saturday, at 11 a. m., October 12th, Elder Walter McDonald; Sunday, at 7 p. m., October 12th, Elder A. C. Turner; Sunday, at 11 a. m., October 13th, Elder R. H. Whitehead, at First Baptist Church. Sunday, at 11 a. m., October 13th, Elder Bostick at Presbyterian Church. Sunday, at 11 a. m., October 13th, Elder Porter at Methodist Church. Sunday, at 11 a. m., October 13th, Elder Hayman at Colored Baptist Church. Sun-

day, at 3 p. m., October 13th, Elder Sparkman at First Baptist Church, Sunday, at 3 p. m. October 13th, Elder Jaudon at Colored Baptist Church.

Sunday, at 7 p. m., October 13th, Elder Porter preached to a large and attentive audience, and his collections that day, at the M. E. Church, was \$25, and that night \$16, all for our State Board, total amount received for that work \$41 in cash, and with this service closed one of the most prosperous, the most spiritual and most delightful sessions that the South Florida Association ever enjoyed, Brother Godinez offering the closing prayer.

Amount received during this session for all purposes in cash and in pledges, about \$280.

CHURCHES.	MESSENGRS.	Rec'd by Experience and B'tism.	Rec'd by Letter.	Restored.	Dead.	Expelled.	Total.
Antioch.....	J. W. Costine, D. T. Moore.....	.....	1	.....	.....	.....	8
Bartow.....	J. M. Hayman, Frank Clark.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Bethel.....	W. H. and J. A. Hancock.....	1	3	.....	.....	3	81
Clearwater.....	Heard from by letter and contr'n.	5	1	.....	.....	.....	2 30
Gapway.....	L. Grimes, J. L. McClelland.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	30
Homeland.....	W. M. Fuller, E. M. Hayman....	1	7	.....	1	.....	20
Hopewell.....	W. M. M'Donald, J. R. M'Donald	25	4	.....	2	1	84
Lakeland.....	C. J. Swain, C. S. McCrary.....	1	14	.....	2	1	43
Tampa.....	By letter and contribution.....	1	7	.....	.....	5	69
Tenotasassa.....	T. H. Jaudon, J. C. Rodgers.....	.....	5	9	.....	1	80
Turkey Creek...	S. Walden, L. J. Simmons.....	.....	1	.....	1	.....	79
Providence.....	S. N. Boyett, Henry Hurst.....	.....	.....	.....	2	.....	46
Peace Creek....	D. C. Dukes, H. J. Goddard....	.....	2	3	.....	1	15
Keysville.....	B. F. Carpenter, J. W. Tanner...	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Shiloh.....	C. L. Wilder, R. N. Norwood...	3	6	1	1	1	107
Willow Oak.....	James Hicks, Dolphus Trapnell...	12	3	2	.....	4	21
Mount Olive...	Irwin Harris, W. J. Bryant.....	4	1	.....	1	.....	36
Mount Tabor...	J. E. Harrelson, Isham Walker...	.....	8	.....	.....	.....	33
Madulla.....	J. J. Taylor, J. A. Killgore.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	13
Renel.....	D. D. and E. B. Blount.....	.....	1	.....	.....	.....	7
Seffner.....	J. W. Brown, W. S. Obrien.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	25
Winter Haven..	P. S. Crosier, W. T. Newell.....	2	15	.....	1	.....	24
New Salem....	A. M. Smith, W. F. Pollard.....	25	6	.....	.....	1	46
Total.....	.....	95	82	3	10	20	888

180  
30  
150

## REPORTS OF COMMITTEES.

### TEMPERANCE.

Your Temperance Committee would respectively report that this subject, in its comprehensive sense, covers a wide range, and by the Divine mandate we are required to be temperate in all things. In obeying this injunction we are vigilantly to guard against and strictly refrain from all intemperance in thought, speech and conduct. Temperance is a Christian grace, and the absence of it, if it does not imply a want of true religion, certainly mars the Christian character, and affects vitally Christian influence. It would be a work of supererogative to express, in a report, sentiments of severe condemnation of the tremendous, incalculable evil of intemperate drinking and the liquor traffic, which is the main pillar of it. Our religious journals, conventions, associations, and the voice of the Baptist pulpit throughout our country make known to the world the unmistakable Baptist position against the liquor power and traffic. We are for the suppression and destruction of the evil by every available lawful means, and this suppression and destruction we realize can never be completed while the constitution and laws of our State and general governments uphold and sustain the evil. To accomplish this, however, will require time, patience and continuous persevering effort, accompanied by earnest prayer to God for deliverance. Public sentiment must be educated through our public schools, religious and temperance periodicals, and, above all, through the pulpit. If all we wish and work for cannot be at once obtained, we should accept for the time the nearest approximation to the overthrow of this evil, and press on until the end is reached. We must take no steps backward, but press on with unwavering fidelity until righteousness and temperance shall be the crowning glory of our country.

Respectfully submitted,

R. H. WHITEHEAD,

W. M. McDONALD,

M. W. FULLER,

W. C. HAYMAN,

*Committee.*

### MISSIONS.

Your Committee on Missions would submit the following report: "As the matter is so vast and so important, your committee beg to submit it under the following head:

#### ITS SCOPE.

Turning to our own limited vision, we are convinced its scope is indeed great in the Southern States, and on our own peninsula are wide-spread fields of which our Master would say as of some in his day: 'They are already white unto harvest;' thence turning our eyes northward and eastward and westward, and all present us with a great, a vast field. This mighty continent, which we call free America, will furnish us a field over which, with the most rapid transit at our command, we could not pass in many days; yet this is only a small portion of that which is comprehended in the term embodying the subject of this report. The Master has given us a clear idea of the scope in the text: 'The world is the field.' Hence, go disciple all nations, its aim. How vast and complex this great question at this point! It seeks to make happier mothers, worthier fathers, nobler sons, and purer daughters. Move forward the advancements of civilization, placing nations and kingdoms upon a basis of truth and true worth which will bid defiance to time and the ravages of evil, and drive falsehood and impurity from the land. The aim is then to lift the race, elevate the mind, and present only worthy motive for the exercise of a nation or people. The aim of missions is comprehended in this statement, teaching them who are disciplined to observe all things whatsoever hath been commanded. We will only merely allude to the end of missions which comprehends the glory of God. Did it not behoove Christ to suffer and die that repentance and remission should be preached to all nations, that hereby His glory may be manifested in all the world? Herein is the end of all mission work that the glory of God by exalting man to a holy nation, a royal priesthood having God as sovereign, Christ as brother and holy spirit, as guide and leader. It is Divinity exalting humanity until the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ is made known to the world through the gospel."

W. B. DYE, Chairman.

J. C. BLOUNT,

FRANK CLARK,

*Committee.*

### MINISTERIAL EDUCATION.

The time has passed when it is necessary to urge the importance of education, or nearly so, and the subject of this report, ministerial education, is meeting with more favor. If education in general is important, ministerial education is especially so, and we may state the matter thus: By as much as the ministry is the most important work of life, by so much is education for the ministry more important than education for any other vocation or profession in life. But, in arguing the question, we may say:

1st. Education is important because almost essential to simplicity and perspicuity of address, and simplicity is very important, and particularly so in the minister. The minister must use sound speech, but the illiterate minister cannot do it. He is ignorant of the meaning of ten words, which are signs of ideas, and like a minister in Gea. Out of the perilous times Paul speaks of pearls, times when the Savior shall come to gather up his jewels or pearls. "Lord detect our absent families," a minister once prayed at his association.

2d. The education of ministers is important because the education of the masses is increasing, and even now the fields are fewer where uneducated men can be as useful as of yore, and the demand for educated men is rapidly increasing.

3d. To understand God's word in the language in which it was written or given to the world, to say the least, greatly facilitates the understanding of that word, and so increases a minister's power and makes his education important.

4th. The multifarious, insidious and shrewd forms of infidelity to be met, and the sophisticated and plausible arguments used in supplanting Bible truths and God's commands by the traditions of men, which must sometimes be exposed, absolutely require liberally educated, yes, and thoroughly, highly educated ministers. We have recently and are now being treated in the *Baptist Witness* to a strong and masterly exposure of an attack upon some cherished principles by a minister who stands in the front rank of another denomination, and none but an educated man can produce such articles as Brother Bailey is now writing in his exposure.

Your committee have not the time to notice at length the anti-missionary objections to ministerial education. The statement is sometimes made that we attempt to make preachers independent to a call to the ministry by or in our efforts to help educate the minister in our ministry. To this, and to the objection that education puffs men up, it is only necessary to say that we require all the evidence practicable that a man is

converted, is a Christian, a reputable member of the Baptist Church and is called to the ministry ere we extend to him any aid in increasing his education. The Savior called to the apostleship men from the masses, the common walks of life, we hear it said. To which we reply that ere he left them he took them under his tutorage for three years. Never had men such a theological teacher. Then, too, the first call of a gentile minister, who was not to have our Savior's teaching, was educated, profound and logical—the peer of any for erudition was our brother Paul. We have a grand school where already three or four young men are receiving from a strong faculty, led by a master hand, training that will help them in the ministry, the work to which they feel called. Send your money to the State Board, and when designated it will go to the work you prefer, and when not designated a small portion of it will be used in helping poor but zealous and worthy men to sharpen their blades prior to entering fully the great harvest field. When such are asking help, help them, and then, long after you have left the field, they will represent you, or you will be preaching through them, and then others converted through them will take there places and yours, and so on and on until the end. Dr. M. T. Yates gave his life, his noble talents to the ministry in China, and at his death gave \$1,000, that he had kept, to his *alma mater*, Wake Forest (N. C.) College, to be used in ministerial education. Dr. B. Manly, deceased, father of Prof. Manly, of our Theological Seminary, was partly educated as a beneficiary. His father was wealthy, but an unbeliever, and opposed his son preaching. Oh, what an interest, compounded over and over for good, the contributions are yielding that were put into Dr. Manly's brain, with his devoted heart to control. Who can calculate what the end will be.

M. N. CHAUDOIN,  
A. C. TURNER,  
J. G. McCASKEY,  
*Committee.*

### RELIGIOUS LITERATURE.

Whereas our people are becoming educated, and the demand for denominational literature is rapidly increasing, we would recommend that all our pastors and churches become acquainted, at once, with our own American Baptist Publication Society, in Philadelphia, Pa., which is the only institution in America that can furnish the best thoughts of Baptist authors, besides Bibles, Tracts, and all kinds of standard religious books. This society is publishing the best graded system of Sunday-school literature in the world. Your committee note with pleas-

ure that nearly all our schools are using these excellent helps, with those of *Kind Words*, published at Atlanta, Ga., which we favorably recommend to the denomination, and we heartily commend the *Florida Baptist Witness* as being worthy of the widest circulation among our people, and we would urge all our pastors to labor earnestly to put into every Baptist family in the bounds of the South Florida Association a copy of the same. No Florida Baptist can be an intelligent and efficient worker in his church, unless he reads the *Witness*; it is an absolute necessity in all our missionary enterprises. We mention the *Home Field*, Atlanta, Ga., the *Foreign Mission Journal*, Richmond, Va., the *Baptist Basket*, Louisville, Ky., as being valuable aids in disseminating missionary information.

Respectfully,

J. C. PORTER,  
J. M. HAYMAN,  
E. M. HAYMAN,  
D. E. BLOUNT,

*Committee.*

#### REPORT OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

At the beginning of this associational year we, with the Board of Pasco Association, employed Brother H. Edwards to labor in behalf of the cause of the Savior in the destitute portions of the western boundary of the two Associations, agreeing to pay \$120 to our part, and we believe the work has been faithfully done. Many sermons have been preached and many houses visited, the result of which is to us one new church organized, and another languishing one built up. We find also that on our eastern boundary there is destitution, to-wit: East of Peace Creek, east of Grass Creek, and north of Foxtown. We also mention our southern boundary, especially about Renel church. The above mentioned places have been visited and preached to, to-wit: East of Peace Creek, J. M. Hayman; Eagle Lake, south and east, P. S. Grosier; at Antioch and North Foxtown, W. W. Bostick and G. A. Bryant; Renel, etc., J. G. McCaskey; Alafia destitution, W. M. McDonald, each doing the work nearest his location. We would continue the call of all the local ministers of the Association to explore the fields, and where the gospel is needed to strive to build up the Redeemer's cause, and assist in the constitution of churches where they are needed and can be sustained, educating the people to give cheerfully and liberally. We have great cause to be thankful to the Almighty God for the prosperity of his cause within this Association, and we feel very grateful to the heralds of the cross within our bounds for their untiring efforts in the good work. Owing to the limited

amount of money now in our treasury, we have been unable to give more than a meagre amount to some of the brethren who have labored most in this work. We have at this meeting payed Elders Hayman, McCaskey, Crosier and McDonald \$10 each, and we hope soon to be able to help others who are laboring in the waste places of this Association.

BEN. F. BLOUNT,  
*Chairman Executive Committee.*

#### CHURCH LETTERS.

We have examined the letters sent to this Association, and find that some of them have good news. Many churches have had revivals, and some a wonderful ingathering of souls. Also, we find from the letters that some are engaged in building new houses of worship, and that peace and harmony prevail. We find also two petitions for the next Association, to-wit: Tampa and Turkey Creek. We would recommend that the next Association convene with the Turkey Creek Baptist Church.

Respectfully submitted,

T. H. JAUDON,  
J. A. HANCOCK,  
JNO. L. MCCLELLAND.

#### FINANCE.

We have received from the several churches of this Association as follows:

For printing minutes.....	\$29 43
For Associational Missions.....	7 20
For State, Home and Foreign Missions.....	17 40
For State Missions exclusively.....	1 35
<b>Total.....</b>	<b>\$55 38</b>

As much of the missionary contributions were sent directly to their destination, they don't appear in this report.

Respectfully submitted,

P. S. CROSIER, *Chairman,*  
J. A. KILLGORE,  
J. E. HARRELSON,

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**SUNDAY SCHOOL RECORD  
AND LIST OF CHURCH PROPERTY IN THE SOUTH  
FLORIDA BAPTIST ASSOCIATION.**

CHURCHES.	Schools.	Officers, etc.	Pupils.	Value of Church Property.	Paid for S. S. Work and Pastor's Salary.
Antioch.....	1	3	20		\$ 16 00
Bartow.....					
Bethel.....	2	7	40	\$1,200 00	278 00
Clearwater.....	1	3	12	400 00	105 90
Gapway.....				250 00	1 20
Homeland.....				1,000 00	119 90
Lakeland.....	1	8	51	1,000 00	321 30
Keysville.....					1 00
Mount Olive.....	1	6	48	390 00	52 93
Mount Tabor.....					2 10
Madulla.....					1 50
Willow Oak.....					5 38
Hopewell.....				500 00	37 00
Peace Creek.....	1	3	16		4 25
New Salem.....	1	3	20	200 00	27 01
Winter Haven.....	2	14	56	800 00	92 60
Renel.....					3 50
Shiloh.....	1	7	79	1,000 00	377 10
Providence.....					1 08
Turkey Creek.....				500 00	15 66
Tenotasassa.....				500 00	402 00
Seffner.....					50 51
Tampa.....	2	14	90	2,000 00	593 50
Total.....	12	68	432	\$9,740 00	\$2,518 37

CHURCHES.	PASTORS.	ADDRESS.
Antioch.....	G. A. Bryant, Exhorter.....	Kathleen, Fla.
Bartow.....	Elder Nunnally.....	Bartow Fla.
Bethel.....	W. W. Bostick.....	Kathleen, Fla.
Clearwater.....	Heard from by letter, C. L. Reynolds.....	Clearwater, Fla.
Gapway.....	J. G. McCaskey.....	Lakeland, Fla.
Homeland.....	J. G. McCaskey.....	Lakeland, Fla.
Lakeland.....		
Mount Olive.....	A. A. Keith.....	Lakeland, Fla.
Mount Tabor.....	T. H. Jaudon.....	Seffner, Fla.
Keysville.....	W. M. McDonald.....	Plant City, Fla.
Madulla.....	Elias Turner.....	Lakeland, Fla.
Willow Oak.....	W. M. McDonald.....	Plant City, Fla.
Hopewell.....	W. M. McDonald.....	Plant City, Fla.
Peace Creek.....	J. M. Hayman.....	Bartow, Fla.
New Salem.....	J. M. Hayman.....	Bartow, Fla.
Winter Haven.....	P. S. Crosier.....	Winter Haven, Fla.
Shiloh.....	R. H. Whitehead.....	Plant City, Fla.
Providence.....	T. H. Jaudon.....	Seffner, Fla.
Turkey Creek.....	T. H. Jaudon.....	Seffner, Fla.
Tenotasassa.....	T. H. Jaudon.....	Seffner, Fla.
Seffner.....	A. A. Keith.....	Lakeland, Fla.
Tampa.....	W. M. Simons.....	Tampa, Fla.
Renel.....	J. G. McCaskey.....	Lakeland, Fla.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

October 12, 1888, received from Ex-Treasurer C. L. Wilder	\$ 85 44
October 12, 1888, received from Finance Committee	55 17
January 13, 1889, received from individuals	5 00
January 15, 1889, received from Joe Bostick	1 00
February 27, 1889, received from Turkey Creek Church	3 50
March 4, 1889, received from Bethel Sunday School	5 00
March 30, 1889, received from R. Y. Walden	5 00
March 30, 1889, received from Union Meeting, Shiloh	32 26
June 24, 1889, received from W. H. Johnson	5 00
June 24, 1889, received from W. B. Dye	5 00
June 24, 1889, received from Lakeland Union Meeting	30 05
September 29, 1889, received from Hopewell Union Meeting	26 25
October 11, 1889, received from Bethel Sunday School	1 29
October 11, 1889, received from Finance Committee	58 14
Total receipts up to date	\$318 10

DISBURSEMENTS.

October 13, 1888, to J. M. Hayman, for mission work	\$ 20 00
October 13, 1888, to W. M. McDonald, for mission work	35 00
October 14, 1888, to S. Walden, for mission work	5 00
October 14, 1888, to E. G. Wilder, for clerk's fees	15 00
March 4, 1889, to H. Edwards, for mission work	15 00
March 4, 1889, for printing minutes	25 00
March 30, 1889, to H. Edwards, for mission work	35 00
June 29, 1889, to H. Edwards, for mission work	40 00
July 25, 1889, to H. Edwards, for mission work	10 00
October 12, 1889, to J. G. McCaskey, for mission work	10 00
October 12, 1889, to J. M. Hayman, for mission work	10 00
October 12, 1889, to P. S. Crosier, for mission work	10 00
October 12, 1889, to W. M. McDonald, for mission work	10 00
Total	\$240 00
Amount to balance	\$ 78 10 - \$318 10

FOR PRINTING MINUTES.	CHURCHES.	PASTORS.	CLERKS.	POSTOFFICES.
\$1 00	Antioch	G. A. Bryant	J. W. Costine	Blanche, Fla.
.....	Barrow	Elder Nunnally	B. F. Blount	Barrow, Fla.
1 85	Bethel	W. W. Bostick	A. A. Lewis	Kathleen, Fla.
.....	Clearwater	Not heard from	J. G. McClelland	Lakeland, Fla.
1 20	Gapway	J. G. McCaskey	W. T. Denham	Homeland, Fla.
80	Homeland	J. G. McCaskey	J. R. McDonald	Plant City, Fla.
1 00	Hopewell	W. M. McDonald	O. J. Frier	Lakeland, Fla.
80	Lakeland	.....	W. R. Burk	Tampa, Fla.
3 00	Tampa	W. M. Simons	J. W. Hull	Plant City, Fla.
2 78*	Turkey Creek	T. H. Jaudon	T. E. Anderson	Seffner, Fla.
2 00	Tenatasassa	T. H. Jaudon	W. F. Pratt	Peru, Fla.
1 08	Providence	T. H. Jaudon	D. C. Dukes	Barrow, Fla.
1 00	Peace Creek	J. M. Hayman	E. A. Hill	Keyville, Fla.
1 50	Keyville	W. M. McDonald	W. S. Knight	Plant City, Fla.
3 00	Shiloh	R. H. Whitehead	Jas. Hicks	Lakeland, Fla.
1 00	Willow Oak	W. M. McDonald	Ino. Harris	Blanche, Fla.
1 50	Mount Olive	A. A. Keith	J. H. Rusing	Kathleen, Fla.
2 10	Mount Tabor	T. H. Jaudon	C. J. Holton	Lakeland, Fla.
50	Madulla	Elias Turner	E. B. Blount	Barrow, Fla.
50	Renel	J. G. McCaskey	F. W. Little	Seffner, Fla.
25	Seffner	A. A. Keith	W. B. Perrepoint	Winter Haven, Fla.
2 00	Winter Haven	P. S. Crosier	Irwin Raulerson	Fort Meade, Fla.
2 01	New Salem	J. M. Hayman	J. S. Taylor	Clearwater, Fla.
50	Clearwater	Oct. 24, by letter and contribution	.....	.....

*Resolved.* That the thanks of this body be tendered to the Bartow Church and the citizens of Bartow for their kind and generous hospitality extended to the messengers of this Association during our stay with them, and also to the South Florida Railroad Company for reduced rates.

*Resolved, further,* That we have five hundred copies of the minutes of this session printed for our several Churches, and that the Clerk draw on the Treasurer for the amount to pay the same, and that the Clerk have \$15 for his services.

Adjourned to meet with the Turkey Creek Baptist Church on Thursday before the second Sunday in October, 1890.

W. W. BOSTICK, Moderator.

E. G. WILDER, Secretary.

*To the Associations with whom we correspond, greeting:*

DEAR BRETHREN: This session of the South Florida Association, embracing October 10th and 13th, 1889, was one of marked peace and harmony, with many evidences of denominational prosperity. We were pleased to greet the many brethren of other Associations that visited and aided us in our work by their counsel and advice, to-wit: Brothers Angel Godinez and Sommenyon, from Cuba and Key West, Brothers Chaudoin, Guyan and Dye, from Wekiva Association, Brothers Sparkman and Hayman, from Manatee Association, Brother Turner and wife, from Minnesota, Brother J. C. Porter, from the Alachua Association. We were much encouraged by their presence as well as their help. We have appointed messengers to visit some, if not all of you, and we trust that they will be of some service, at least to you in your Associational work. We hope, Dear Brethren, to meet many of you at our next session, and now, for those friendly greetings, let us be more thankful.

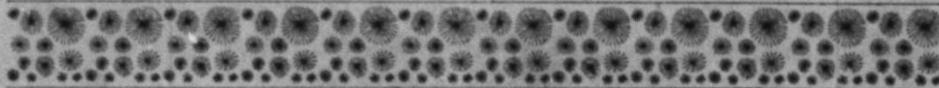
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#### SABBATH-SCHOOLS.

Your Committee report the following: That we find most of our churches fostering Sabbath-schools, and would earnestly recommend that all churches in the bounds of this Association, who have not a Sunday-school, to organize and maintain one. Nearly nine-tenths of the people, if ever converted, are converted while young. We therefore recommend each church to take full supervision of their schools and see to it that Baptist principles and doctrine are taught therein.

Respectfully submitted,

S. WALDEN,  
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*Committee.*



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