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NOTE.—Perhaps some things may not read right to you, in these minutes; but perhaps your church letter was not complete—many were not—or was not written plainly, or the money was not arranged in the letter as you intended it to be; or perhaps the finance committee made some mistake. We have done the best possible with the light we had. In these minutes our effort has been to condense as much as possible.



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The Association convened Friday morning 10:30. The pastor, Dr. W. A. Nelson led a sweet devotional service. Brother C. M. Brittain, led in a very earnest prayer for the presence and guidance of the Holy Spirit.

At 10:50, the former moderator, Rev. R. W. Lawton, called the Association to order.

As Brother Jackson, who was appointed to preach the introductory sermon was not present, it was moved and carried that the sermon be preached this evening at 7:30, by Brother C. M. Brittain, pastor at Kissimmee. This was befitting as Brother Jackson, the appointee, was pastor at Kissimmee.

The Moderator requested Brethren Nelson and Brittain to read the church letters..

The following churches and delegates reported:

Apopka.—J. R. Womble, Mrs. S. E. Tenney, Rev. L. D. Geiger, H. B. Smith, Mrs. H. B. Smith, Columbus Womble, Hardy Geiger.

Altoona.—D. Palmer, J. F. Johnson.

Astatula.—T. H. English, N. J. English, O. E. Martin.

ORDAINED MINISTERS.

- Brittain, C. M., ..... Kissimmee.
- Bell, T. J., ..... Kissimmee.
- Bloeker, D. J., ..... DeLand.
- Collier, R. D., ..... Kissimmee.
- Farris, C. S., D.D., ..... DeLand.
- Guy, B. H., ..... Kissimmee.
- Geiger, L. D., D. D., ..... Apopka.
- Gibbons, H. B., ..... Daytona.
- Hulley, Lincoln, Ph.D., ..... DeLand
- Lawton, R. W., ..... Oviedo.
- Nelson, W. A., D.D., ..... Orlando.
- Oates, J. E., D.D., ..... DeLand.
- Palmer, D., ..... Altoona.
- Pattison, C. R., ..... DeLand.
- Richardson, J. H., ..... Apopka.
- Smith, E. Lee, ..... Orlando.
- Self, George, ..... DeLand.
- Stewart, W. H., ..... DeLand.

LICENSED.

- Geiger, J. L., ..... Apopka.

- Bassenger.—By letter.
- Boggy Creek.—By letter.
- Chuluota.—R. J. Jacobs, H. W. Tanner, G. M. Jacobs, G. Long.
- Cross Prairie.—Dan M. Barber.
- Cassia.—By letter.
- DeLand.—Rev. J. E. Oates, Mrs. R. E. Merryman, Mrs. A. F. Farr, Miss J. L. Spalding.
- Elizabeth.—By letter.
- Kissimmee.—Rev. C. M. Brittain, Rev. T. J. Bell, Mrs. C. M. Brittain, Rev. R. D. Collier.
- Lake View.—By letter.
- Longwood.—Mrs. G. M. Sumner.
- Lockhart.—J. E. Rose, Mrs. J. E. Rose, W. W. Russ.
- Oviedo.—Rev. R. W. Lawton, Mrs. R. W. Lawton.
- Orlando.—Rev. W. A. Nelson, Mrs. W. A. Nelson, Rev. E. Lee Smith, Mrs. E. Lee Smith, Mrs. F. M. Baldwin, E. A. Heffield, Mrs. J. T. Hendricks, Mrs. D. D. Kinney, D. D. Kinney, W. P. Miller, W. T. Haizlip, R. W. Hammond.
- Pine Grove.—J. Hancock.
- Plymouth.—J. T. Chapman, Mrs. J. E. Smith.
- Pine Castle.—L. E. Amidon, Mrs. L. E. Amidon, J. W. Matchett, Mrs. J. W. Matchett, J. E. Mills, Miss Dora Harris.
- Umatilla.—M. A. Bayliss, W. A. Cate.
- Winter Garden.—J. L. Dillard, Chas. Richards, P. A. Vining, T. G. Self, W. L. Story.

It was moved and carried that the clerk be instructed to cast the vote of the Association for R. W. Lawton for Moderator which he did and declared Brother Lawton elected.

Brother Nelson moved that J. H. Richardson be re-elected Secretary and Treasurer, motion carried.

At this juncture Rev. J. W. Kingsley was recognized as a visitor from Leesburg church and the Alachua Association.

Dr. Nelson made a heart to heart talk of welcome to all delegates and visitors, and explained the excellent arrangements made by the church, for all in attendance.

The Moderator asked Brother Brittain to respond to welcome address, which he did in a happy and appropriate way.

A petitionary letter from the Bassenger church was read and referred to a committee, viz., D. Palmer, J. W. Matchett and J. R. Wombles.

Twenty-three churches were represented by letter and messengers.

The hours of meeting and adjourning were then fixed as follows:

To meet.—9 a. m., 2 p. m., 7:30 p. m.

To adjourn.—12:30, at will, at will.

The committee on petitionary letter from Bassenger church announced that it was ready to report and the report reads as follows:

**BASSENGER CHURCH.**

The committee appointed to examine the letter of the Bassenger church asking admission into the association.

To the Wekiva Association, we, your committee report that we have examined the letter, etc., of the Bassenger church, and do recommend that the church be now received into the fellowship of the Wekiva Association, and pray God's blessings may rest upon her, and may she be a pillar of strength to us and to the glory of God.

D. Palmer, Chairman.

Report adopted.

**SAD NEWS.**

Brother Nelson announced the sad, and to many the unexpected death of Dr. W. C. McCall, the late State evangelist, which occurred this morning (Oct. 12, 1906) at Apopka, Fla. Brother Lawton with the Association, led in an earnest prayer for the bereaved wife and family.

Adjourned for dinner.



Friday 2 p. m. The Association convened and devotional exercises were conducted by Brother Palmer.

After which the Moderator announced the following committees:

*Divine Service.*—Pastor W. A. Nelson and messengers from Orlando church.

*Nominations.*—D. Palmer, J. E. Rose, H. W. Tanner.

*Education.*—E. Lee Smith, W. A. Cate, Mrs. S. E. Tenney, W. N. Kingsley.

*Auxiliary Societies.*—J. E. Oates. Chas. Richards, Mrs. E. Lee Smith, Mrs. W. E. Stevenson.

*Moral and Spiritual Evils Confronting us.*—T. J. Bell, P. J. Jacobs, P. A. Vining, T. G. Self.

*Missions.*—W. A. Nelson, F. M. Baldwin, C. M. Brittain, Mrs. R. W. Lawton.

*Religious Literature.*—C. M. Brittain, G. Long, W. P. Miller, Mrs. C. M. Brittain.

*B. M. A. A.*—D. Palmer, T. J. Bell, J. E. Rose.

*Finance.*—D. D. Kinney, L. E. Amidon, G. M. Jacobs.

*Deceased Ministers and Deacons.*—T. J. Bell, W. T. Haizlip, J. L. Dillard, J. R. Womble.

*Spiritual Condition of the Churches.*—J. W. Matchett, J. E. Mills, Mrs. C. M. Brittain, Mrs. F. M. Baldwin.

By motion and carried, the order of business of last year was adopted.

By motion of Brother Brittain a committee of three was appointed to revise the order of business and report to the next Association.

Committee: C. M. Brittain, J. H. Richardson and T. J. Bell.

*Visitors to Other Associations.*—The following brethren were requested to represent this Association. Viz., T. J. Bell at the St. John's River Association; W.

A. Cate and J. H. Richardson at the Alachua Association; D. D. Kinney at South Florida Association.

By motion and carried, it was ordered that the Association pay extra cost of having fuller statistical report printed in the minutes.

By motion a special order was made for the following reports: At 9 Saturday morning report on Education; at 10 report on Auxiliary Societies.

Brother E. Lee Smith made a report, in brief, of his work in revivals, showing that good results had been attained.

#### OSTEEN CHURCH.

Brother Oates reported that the church at Osteen had been revived. No regular services had been held for over 3 years. Brother Smith held a meeting which resulted in the addition of ten members to the church.

The church has now made arrangements to have regular preaching.

The Association, then adjourned, with prayer, to meet at 7:30 p. m.

#### EVENING SESSION, FRIDAY, 7:30

Introductory sermon was preached by Brother C. M. Brittain. Text 1st John 1:7. "The blood of Jesus Christ, his son, cleanseth from all sin." It was a good, forceful sermon; earnest, tender, helpful.

8:25.—Moderator called Association to order. By motion and carried, the hour for the report on missions was made a special order for 11 A. M. Saturday.

Report on "The Moral and Spiritual Evils Confronting us," was read by R. D. Collier. Report was spoken to by Brethren Collier, Kingsley, Rodges and T. J. Bell. Report adopted.

**MORAL AND SPIRITUAL EVILS.**

Report on the moral and spiritual evils confronting us was read by R. D. Collier, as follows:

The moral evils that confront us—some of them—are embodied in the following: The liquor has the master grip on our moral and social system. Some men who claim to have good morals do even advocate the whiskey business as moral, but we denounce it as a great immoral monster evil and a place that germinates evil constantly. And so is the social wine a corroding sore eating out the vitals of social life.

At the dance hall, at the card table the spirit of God does not reign, and no Christian should ever be found there.

These are by no means all the spiritual and moral evils but time forbids taking up others. The Christian motto—"Do all things for the glory of God."

T. J. Bell, Chairman.

Report was adopted.

Motion to adjourn carried. Prayer by Brother Bell.

**SATURDAY MORNING SESSION.**

Meeting called to order at appointed hour by the Moderator. After singing and prayer, the minutes were read and approved.

Brother J. B. Rodges was recognized as messenger from Indian River Association, and Brother J. G. Black from the St. Johns River Association.

A motion was made by Dr. Nelson and carried that the Secretary be paid \$20.

**THE STATE CONVENTION.**

\* Messengers to the State Convention which meets at Live Oak Jan 15, 1907.

The following were appointed messengers from the Association: W. N. Kingsley, E. Lee Smith, D. Palmer, J. H. Richardson, T. J. Bell, R. W. Lawton, J. L. Dillard, T. G. Self.

**THE SOUTHERN BAPTIST CONVENTION.**

Rev. J. E. Oates, DeLand, Fla., and Rev. E. Lee Smith, Orlando, Fla., were appointed messengers to the S. B. Convention.

At appointed hour Brother E. Lee Smith chairman read report on Education. Chairman spoke to the subject, as did also Brethren Oates and Black.

**EDUCATION.**

We, your committee appointed to report on education, desire to submit the following:

This is an age of education, and the facilities for it are so numerous and great that one may attain to whatever is desired, if he be able to meet the requirements of the schools.

There is no cause why any young man or young woman should grow up without a large degree of mental development and equipment.

The public schools of our country have done and are doing a great service for the masses and we are glad to note the advance toward a stronger moral sentiment in these schools, but they are not and ought not to be designed to meet the requirements of higher education, and I believe the masses ought not to be content with the attainments to be reached in the public schools.

Whatever is best for the man or woman is best for the citizen, and we need for the foundation and development of the best citizenship what these schools cannot furnish. Nor can state institutions meet the requirements. It is to be found only in our denominational schools, and only upon the principles and doctrines of our holy religion.

Any education that stops short of a thorough moral and religious training, is a dangerous thing, and Christian parents stand in their own light—make a mistake—in sending their sons and daughters where this highest of all mind and heart culture is not made a prominent and necessary part of the instruction to be given.

Many think of education as a process of getting knowledge. It is that, and much more. Education, in the true sense of the word, is a process which develops the mind. A human mind without any education is like a human body that has never made any development. By means of food, fresh air, and exercise, the body grows in stature and strength. This is true of the



mind. It was created to grow; therefore it must have food, opportunity and exercise to enable it to grow.

Some minds are, by nature stronger than others. So, education can not make all minds equally strong. But the development of the mind not only results in growth of strength but it also awakens latent powers.

If education does not create new powers of mind, it awakens dormant powers to life and activity. With this awakening of the powers come new ambitions, new aspirations, new efforts to see and to know. In every person lie, to a greater or less extent, such dormant powers.

Education trains the mind. It is not enough for the mind to be strong. A giant in muscular strength is of no use to himself or to others if he does not know how to employ his powers. These powers must be trained. They should be trained first to obedience. Without this mental obedience there could be no advance in any department of knowledge. Then again, education trains the mind and gives it virtue of patience. The Greeks were the greatest scholars the world has ever produced, and they were the most patient of any people.

Many people are indolent, idle and lazy. This condition may be mental, physical or both. Education aims to remove this dislike for mental labor and establish instead habits of industry, a real love for work. We would certainly be glad if the youth of our country would put forth an effort to obtain this education.

We have no better institution in the South than the Stetson University at DeLand, and for ministers, the Theological Seminary at Louisville, Kentucky.

Respectfully submitted,

E. Lee Smith.

Report was adopted.

Report on Auxiliary Societies was read by Chairman, J. E. Oates, who also spoke to the subject. Miss Spalding spoke very earnestly and very helpfully, especially on W. M. U. work and read a short report and extracts from Mrs. Merryman's report to W. M. U. meeting, auxiliary to the Association work. Report adopted.

#### **REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON AUXILIARY SOCIETIES.**

Your Committee on Auxiliary Societies report as follows: These societies are helpers in the great work of building up the Kingdom of God. They are the church at work in

varied channels. They give effectiveness to the work of their various departments.

First. We recommend to the churches of this association the zealous upholding or organization of Sunday Schools in all of our churches. The Sunday School is the Bible School of the church, and is the only institution devoted exclusively to the study of the word of God.

The Sunday School ought to be attended by both old and young. We would urge more careful preparation on the part of the teachers, and in general, the use of up-to-date methods. We believe that the holding of Sunday School conventions from time to time would be a great benefit to our schools.

Second. We commend the Woman's Missionary Society to the ladies of our churches. These societies make mission a practical thing. They familiarize their members with the history of missions, and are the means in the hands of Providence of broadening their outlook upon life. No Baptist lady-member of our churches can afford to stand on one side and not join the W. M. S. of her church. We heartily recommend the organization of mission reading circles, and the purchasing of missionary libraries.

Third. The B. Y. P. U. has found a permanent place amongst us. It stands for the organization and culture of our young people. No church is complete without a vigorous B. Y. P. U., in which the young people are trained in speaking, praying, working, and in the systematic study of the word of God. All that has been said on this point, applies with greater force to the Junior B. Y. P. U. and the Mission Bands, as it is of vital importance to begin the training of the young in all departments of the church work, as early in life as possible. We urge the members of the churches of this association to avail themselves of the great privileges offered to them by these societies, of which our forefathers had not the advantage.

Respectfully submitted,

J. E. Oates.  
Charles Richards.  
E. Lee Smith.  
W. E. Stevenson.

The Association recognized as a visitor, Rev. R. V. Adkinson, pastor of M. E. Church South, Orlando.

Report on missions was read by Brother Nelson. Brother Baldwin illustrated with ribbons a comparison of what is given for chewing gum, tobacco, whiskey etc., and what is given for missions. Thus it shows Foreign

Missions, \$7,500,000; chewing gum, \$11,000,000; confections, \$178,000,000; tobacco, \$750,000,000; drink, \$1,250,000,000.

At this time the order of business was suspended to read a petitionary letter from Longwood church. When the facts were stated in regard to the church's organization, the church was received into the Association, and the right-hand of fellowship was extended to Sister G. M. Sumner, messenger from Longwood church.

The subject of missions was resumed and Brother Geiger spoke especially on State Missions, with a brief showing of what had been done during the year; of what the Home Board had helped to do in the State, and what are her pressing needs just now. He urged the importance, of the Baptists of Florida, in giving more liberally to this very essential department of missions and that they give as much to our State work as they give to both Home and Foreign Missions.

Dr. Wilson read a part of a letter from Dr. Willingham on Foreign Mission work. Report was adopted.

#### MISSIONS.

From year to year reports are read in this Association on the subject of Missions. These reports are spoken to, printed in the minutes, and it is feared that that is the last of them.

Mission work is one, but divided into three departments, viz: State, Home and Foreign. Every church in this Association, and every member of each church, should be brought into closest touch with the secretaries and the work of the three Boards—yes, four Boards—the Sunday School Board having become a great missionary agency also. And this can easily be done by subscribing for and reading the Home Field, Foreign Mission Journal, and our Sunday School literature. All these would prove helpful in every household, and be a sure means of a growth in grace in any Christian life. If every church would have some energetic, earnest member appointed to distribute tracts and other good reading matter in their community, what a blessing it would be. These could easily be procured from the Secretary of Missions for Florida, Dr. Geiger, of Apopka, with but little or no cost. Will not our faithful pastors, and God-fearing churches see to it that this

or some other plan be speedily adopted, to stir up a better interest in mission?

Our godly women are earnestly at work, and in what direction could they do more good than through their associational vice-presidents to scatter tracts and procure subscribers to mission papers and the Journal? In some such way as that much could be accomplished in spreading the good news of the Kingdom and getting money to carry it on.

Your committee would recommend that hereafter committees be appointed on each of the following topics, viz: State Missions, Home Missions, Foreign Missions, Sunday Schools, Woman's Work, and the B. Y. P. U.

W. A. Nelson, Chairman.

#### RELIGIOUS LITERATURE.

Report on Religious Literature was read by Brother C. M. Brittain, who spoke to the subject. Report was adopted.

#### REPORT ON RELIGIOUS LITERATURE.

"Of making many books there is no end," so said the wise man. The world is flooded with periodicals and literature of all kinds and classes. The cheapness of reading matter makes it possible for every one to keep abreast of the times.

We as Christians should see to it that only literature of the purest type comes into our homes. Our children are taught in our public schools to read and are given every encouragement to do so. This places a serious responsibility on our shoulders. We must provide the proper kind of literature for our children or else they will find and read the wrong kind and injure their characters and souls.

Pastors ought to instruct their congregations along these lines, and we believe every Sunday School ought to have a well equipped library.

No Baptist can afford to be without his state denominational paper. For otherwise he can not be well-informed. By all means urge your people to take "The Southern Witness," "The Foreign Mission Journal" and "The Home Field" should come into every Baptist home and be read.

There is no excuse for ignorance when these publications can be had at such small expense. And then, "Service" for the B. Y. P. U. and "The Mission Field" published quarterly by the Sunday School Board for the W. M. U., are both exceedingly helpful for live Christian workers. The Sunday School Helps, published by the Southern Baptist Convention are the very best



to be found anywhere, and should be preferred above all others as they are more in harmony with Southern Baptist thought and teaching than the helps published elsewhere. Patronize your own institutions first. Keep your fields sown down with religious literature, such as tracts, etc., and the future will reveal marvelous developments and growth as the result of your labors.

Respectfully submitted,

Chas. M. Brittain, Chairman.

Report on nominations was read by Brother Palmer and spoken to by him.

Brother Nelson moved to strike out Thursday and substitute Tuesday as time for next Association to meet. Motion carried.

(Later on, Wednesday, was made the day of meeting. Ministers, deacons, and Sunday School workers' meeting to be held Tuesday before.)

#### NOMINATIONS.

Your committee on nominations recommend that the association meet next year with the Kissimmee church, and Bro. J. H. Richardson preach the introductory sermon.

As amended, time of meeting to be Wednesday before 2nd Sunday, October, 1907.

D. Palmer, Chairman.

Brother Richardson presented the interests of the Southern Witness.

Adjourned for dinner. Prayer by Brother Geiger.

#### SATURDAY AFTERNOON SESSION.

The Moderator in the chair.

Prayer by Brother Black.

Minutes read and approved.

Report on deceased ministers and deacons was read by Brother Womble.

Report adopted.

#### DECEASED MINISTERS AND DEACONS.

Rev. T. J. Bell read report on Deceased Ministers and Deacons, as follows:

It is with profound gratitude that we your committee can re-

port that in the goodness of the Lord none of our ministers or deacons have been called from labor to refreshments, during the past year.

J. T. Bell, Chairman.

Report on the Spiritual condition of the churches read by Brother Matchett and spoken to by him, also by Sister F. M. Baldwin.

At this juncture, the Moderator said that many churches by letter had asked the prayers of the Association. He asked Brother Geiger to lead the Association in prayer, after which report was adopted.

#### SPIRITUAL CONDITION OF OUR CHURCHES.

To the Wekiva Baptist Association:

We the undersigned committee on the subject of "The Spiritual Condition of the Churches," are pleased to report that we believe that the churches generally are in a healthy spiritual condition. Not only in the Wekiva Association, but throughout the country there seems to be a spiritual awakening. We were made to rejoice yesterday when we heard letters read from the different churches in this associational district, showing that some of the churches had more than doubled their membership during the past year, while others had been organized, and still others reorganized, and knocking at the door of this association for admittance. Also many of the churches are showing their faith by their works in giving liberally for missions and other worthy causes. Last but not least, the women, the young people, and the children are doing a noble work through their various bands and unions. All of which show the workings of the spirit of the Master, whose spirit will guide us in all good works.

J. W. Matchett, Chairman.

Brother Palmer made an oral report on the B. M. A. A. He urged the importance of a more hearty co-operation both of ministers and laymen and said that it is right and just that some provision should be made for the families of our faithful ministers of the gospel, at their death. Brother Geiger explained the work of the B. M. A. A., after which twelve (12) names were taken. Report adopted.

A motion was made and carried to change from

**FINANCIAL COMMITTEE'S REPORT.**

D. D. Kinney submitted the report of Financial Committee as follows:

	Minutes and Clerk.	Association Missions.	Home Missions.	Foreign Missions.	State Missions.	Orphans' Home.	Aged Ministers.
Apopka	\$5.00						
Altoona	2.55						
Astataula	1.00	\$1.00					
Bassenger							
Boggy Creek	1.10						
Chuirota	1.50						
Cross Prairie	1.50						
Cassia		*					
DeLand	5.00						
Elizabeth							
Kissimmee	5.00	3.50	\$0.25	\$1.50	\$0.25		
Lake View	1.00						
Lockhart	1.20						
Longwood							
Orlando	5.00			5.00			
Oviedo	2.00						
Pine Castle	3.50						
Plymouth	2.50						
Pine Grove	1.50	2.10					
Sanford	4.50	*					
Umatilla	2.00						
Victoria							
Winter Garden	2.00						
From Treasurer, check	\$38.35	\$2.10	\$4.50	\$8.50	\$0.25	\$1.50	\$0.25
	6.65						
	17.10						
Total	\$71.60						

\* Received later.  
 Respectfully submitted,  
 D. D. Kinney.  
 L. E. Amidon.  
 G. M. Jacobs.  
 Committee.

Tuesday to Wednesday as the day for the Association to meet and that the ministers' deacons' and Sunday School Workers' meeting be held Tuesday. It is hoped to make Tuesday a great rally day. A spiritual prelude to the Association.

A motion was made by Brother Geiger and carried; that J. H. Richardson be a committee of one to get up a program for Tuesday's meeting.

The report of Brother Richardson as Secretary and Treasurer was approved. The Secretary was requested to write to churches which failed to send money for printing minutes and ask them to send money.

By motion and second, it was ordered that all money left in hands of Secretary and Treasurer after all possible expenses were paid, be turned over to State Missions.

Finance committee read report and it was approved.

**TREASURER'S REPORT.**

J. H. Richardson, in account with the Wekiva Association as Secretary and Treasurer from October, 1905:

To cash and checks received Finance Committee at Association	\$56.75
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By (To L. D. Geiger) State Missions	\$5.50
By (To L. D. Geiger) Foreign Missions	7.15
By (To L. D. Geiger) Home Missions	3.75
By Printing minutes	16.00
By Postage and ex.	1.88
By sending blank ch. letters and special letters to churches	.62
By Clerk's fee	15.00
	\$49.90
By check, to bal. due Association	6.85
	\$56.75



By motion and carried that the churches and pastors take more interest in the 5th Sunday Meetings, to send messengers, and reports of work in the different departments of the denominational work and we add that these meetings already are becoming a power for good.

The Moderator and Secretary thanked the Association for their kind co-operation in all the work.

Association adjourned to meet with Kissimmee church October 9, 1907.

Song, "God be with you till we meet again,"

Prayer by Brother Palmer.

This was brought to a close one of the best meetings of the Wekiva Association.

We give this letter, the only one this year, to the Association and believe if more or all of the churches would send letters of this character, they would be helpful. Just brief facts, but not to take the place of the printed form.

THE APOPKA BAPTIST CHURCH TO WEKIVA BAPTIST ASSOCIATION SENDS CHRISTIAN GREETING.

DEAR BROTHERN: We are pleased to meet with you again in associational capacity. You will find the names of our messengers in the appropriate blank.

During the past year the Lord has been very good to us. As a church, we have made decided progress. There have been some forty additions to our membership, and our contributions to missions have reached the high water mark of approximately \$262.

We have a good Sunday School, a flourishing W. M. S. and a Junior B. Y. P. Y. We very much need a Senior B. Y. P. U. and hope ere long to organize one. (Since the letter was written to Association, a Senior P. Y. P. U. has been organized.)

There are no factions among us and brotherly love prevails.

We have had the faithful services of Rev. J. H. Richardson as pastor the past year, but he has resigned and we are now without a pastor.

Our voice is for continuing the 5th Sunday meetings and for making the most of them possible. We believe they will become a great blessing to our churches if they are well attended.

We pray that the great Head of the church may preside over your deliberations and that this meeting of your body may be one of great profit and power.

Adopted by the church together with the accompanying statistical report this September 27, 1906.

J. H. RICHARDSON, *Moderator.*

JOHN H. WEAVER, *Clerk.*

#### WOMAN'S MISSIONARY UNION.

The Woman's Missionary Union of the Wekiva Association met in the lecture room, of the Presbyterian church, Orlando, October 12, at 2:15 p. m.

The meeting was in charge of Mrs. R. E. Merryman, vice-president. After the devotional exercises twelve delegates were enrolled from the following societies: Apopka, DeLand, Kissimmee, Orlando, and Pine Castle. The W. I. C. S. of Orlando and Kissimmee, Sunbeam Bands of DeLand and Pine Castle.

Miss Spalding told us of places in the State, where the women never heard of a missionary society. She asked us to give her some message to take to these women and pray that she might be able to help them. At the close of her talk the following reports were given:

Apopka.—Number of members, 18; number of meetings, 12; average attendance, 10; contributions, \$63.62; box, \$20.00.

DeLand.—Number of members, 46; number of meetings, 12; average attendance, 20; contributions, \$202.10; box, \$60.00.

Kissimmee.—Number of members, —; Number of meetings, 12; average attendance, —; contributions, \$110.60.

Orlando.—Number of members, 39; number of meetings, 24; average attendance, —; contributions, \$170.90; box, \$29.40.

Pine Castle.—Number of members, 9; number of meetings, 12; average attendance, 4; contributions, \$12.43.

Sanford W. M. S., contributions, \$19.01.

Victoria.—Number of members, 4; number of meetings, 5; average attendance, 4; contributions, \$2.60.  
 Winter Garden.—Number of members,—; number of meetings,—; average attendance,—; contributions, \$23.65.  
 W. I. C. S., Orlando.—Number of meetings,—; number of members,—; average attendance,—; for Pawnee Indians, \$56.10; on new pastorium, \$130.00.

DeLand, W. I. C. S., contributions for Pawnees, \$12.26.  
 Kissimmee.—Organized August 5, with 18 members, number of meetings held, 3; contributions, \$5.00.

Astatula M. Band, contributions, \$19.79.  
 Mission Band—DeLand.—Number of members, 31; average attendance, 22; contributions, \$24.90.

Juniors—Kissimmee.—Number of members, 50; average attendance, 35; contributions, \$5.00.

Orlando.—Number of members, 30; average attendance, 30; contributions, \$8.00.

Pine Castle, contributions, \$1.33.

The Vice-President made a fine report. She was nominated for re-election, but declined to serve, owing to other duties. Mrs. E. Lee Smith and Mrs. L. E. Amidon were elected Vice-Presidents. It was a great disappointment that Mrs. Merryman declined re-election.

Union adjourned,

Mrs. L. E. Amidon, Secretary.

#### EXTRACTS FROM ANNUAL REPORT OF VICE-PRESIDENT.

Before giving my report of work done during the past year I want to thank you for the very efficient help you have given me. You have done so willingly whatever I have asked, that I shall always have a very pleasant memory of my year as Vice-President of Wekiva Association, and my best wish for my successor is that you may be as kind and helpful to her as you have been to me.

The fifth Sunday meetings which have been so interesting and well attended, have enabled us to have five meetings of the W. M. U. during the year. Thus I have kept in touch with the organized work and have been able to reach the women in other churches and encourage them to enlist with the army of mission workers. The influence of these meetings has spread through the Association and many calls have come to me for

help. I could not go to all the calls, but have tried to do some extra work each time while going to or from the Fifth Sunday meetings. I have held ten meetings in this way.

During the year I have written 182 letters, ranging from one page to a dozen or more when directions were wanted for carrying on some line of the work. Ten postal cards, programs of Fifth Sunday Meetings, and literature have also been sent out. I have distributed a large number of tracts and have secured many subscribers to the Home Field and Foreign Mission Journal.

A Birthday Army for Aged Ministers has been started in ten churches and I wish I could say that we have one in every church, but we will hope that report will be made sometime.

We have reason to be thankful for the increase in the number of our organizations. A little more than a year ago there were only 5 W. M. S., 1 W. I. C. S., and 1 Sunbeam Band, 7 in all. Now there are 9 W. M. S., 3 W. I. C. S., 2 Mission Bands and 4 Sunbeam Bands, making eighteen in all.

The interest in growing and we have only to go forward, bravely and prayerfully, and the Lord will do the rest.

The financial side of the business is very encouraging. The collections taken at the meetings held in connection with the Fifth Sunday Meetings and Associational meeting, Oct. 12, have amounted to \$34.50.

Now that I have given you an account of my work and you have heard the reports of the separate organizations, I think you will like to know how much the Wekiva W. M. U. has given for each branch of the Mission work. These are the amounts, including the collections mentioned:

Foreign Missions .....	\$ 224.44
Home Missions .....	282.15
State Missions .....	221.76
Margaret Home for M. Children .....	8.00
Collections at meetings .....	34.50
Total for all objects .....	\$ 771.85

Value of boxes sent .....

109.40



**SUNDAY SCHOOL.**

NAME OF SUPERINTENDENT AND HIS P. O. ADDRESS	Number of Schools.	Number of Pupils.	Number of Teachers.	Scholars Baptized.	S. Expenses.	Missions and Benevolence	Total Amount Raised
C. B. Linn, Apopka	1	75	5	22	\$ 33.08	\$ 9.39	\$ 42.47
Geo. J. Dykes, Altoona	1	43	3	5	8.76		8.76
T. J. English, Astatula	1	28	3	8	4.00		4.00
M. J. Alderman, Sunbeam	1	40	2		4.60		4.60
Geo. G. Jacobs, Chuluota	1	35	4		10.00		10.00
D. M. Barber, Peg Horn	1	13	3		1.35		1.35
H. B. Stevens, DeLand	1	161	9			6.00	6.00
W. A. Enbanks, Whittier	1	32	2		127.15		133.15
N. C. Bryan, Kissimmee	1	250	11				
J. F. Williams, Lake View	1	62	4		5.00		5.00
Union Sunday School, W. A. Wilsey, Lockhart	1	15	2				
B. J. Wheeler, Oviedo	1	35	3	2	24.00		24.00
F. M. Baldwin, Orlando	1	11	7		106.00	1.00	107.00
Lemuel Hodges, Christmas	1	42	3		30.00		30.00
J. T. Chapman, Plymouth	1	24	3		43.00		43.00
J. W. Matchett, Pine castle	1	70	4		20.00		20.00
R. M. Anderson, Umatilla	1	65	6	2	21.35		21.35
A. W. Hurley, Winter Garden	1	68	8	15			
Total	18	1058	86	61	\$438.29	\$16.39	\$454.68

**WOMAN'S MISSIONARY SOCIETY.**

Name of President and her postoffice address and amount raised for missions and benevolence:

Mrs. L. D. Geiger, Apopka	\$ 105.12
Mary English, Astatula	1.45
Mrs. R. E. Merryman, DeLand	192.10
Mrs. N. C. Bryan, Kissimmee	350.00
Mrs. A. G. Fuller, Orlando	381.73
Dora Harris, Pine Castle	6.75
Mrs. J. N. Epps, Umatilla	
Mrs. S. T. Smith, Winter Garden	
Total	\$1047.16

**OTHER SOCIETIES.**

Name of society and President's name and postoffice address:

Jr. B. Y. P. U. and Ladies' Aid, Faust Weaver, Mrs.	
S. E. Tenny, Apopka	
Cheerful workers, B. Y. P. U., S. S. Walker, DeLand	\$ 24.90
Young Ladies' Society, B. Y. P. U., Miss Ruby Oliver, Kissimmee	7.25
W. I. C. and S. B., Miss Eunice Baldwin, Orlando	106.00
B. Y. P. U., Miss Olie Hansell, Pine Castle	
Total	\$138.15

NUMERICAL TABLE.

NAME OF CHURCH.	PASTOR LAST YEAR.	CLERK OF CHURCH.	CLERK'S POST OFFICE ADDRESS.	Church Organized—Year.	Increase This Year.			Decrease This Year.			Mem. This Year.	Net Decrease.	Net Increase.
					By Baptism.	By Let or Statement.	By Restoration.	Total Increase.	Mem. Last Year.	By Letter.			
Apopka	J. H. Richardson	J. H. Weaver	Apopka	1880	31	9	40	53	3	3	90	37	100 and 100
Altoona	D. W. Glisson	T. F. Johnson	Altoona	1894	9	1	10	48	0	0	54	0	20
Astatula	S. E. Butler	E. J. Newton	Astatula	1894	19	2	21	20	7	1	45	19	20
Bassenger	B. H. Guy	A. C. Sloan	Bassenger	1906	1	2	3	9	0	0	9	0	20
Boggy Creek	B. D. Collier	M. J. Alderman	Sunbeam	1881	4	0	4	52	6	6	45	6	20
Chuluota	R. W. Lawton	J. T. Jacobs	Chuluota	1875	4	0	4	41	1	1	45	4	20
Cross Prairie	R. H. Guy	D. M. Barber	Peg Horn	1885	15	5	20	18	2	2	37	19	20
Cassia	D. Palmer	L. J. Owens	Cassia	1878	0	0	0	31	1	1	20	2	20
DeLand	J. E. Oates	H. C. Baker	DeLand	1880	25	25	50	194	24	24	220	20	20
Elizabeth	B. H. Guy	L. J. Hancock	Whittier	1887	0	2	2	3	5	5	34	0	20
Kissimmee	H. P. Jackson and C. M. Brittain	J. M. Carson	Kissimmee	1882	38	25	63	267	20	2	308	31	20
Lake View	C. M. Brittain	A. C. Bass	Lake View	1882	6	1	7	49	0	0	56	7	20
Longwood	I. N. Entzinger	Mrs. G. M. Sumner	Longwood	1906	2	16	18	0	0	0	18	0	20
Lockhart	D. Palmer	H. B. Merritt	Lockhart	1868	3	4	7	19	0	0	26	0	20
Oviedo	I. G. Black	H. B. McCall	Oviedo	1868	3	1	4	40	1	1	44	0	20
Orlando	W. A. Nelson	D. D. Kinney	Orlando	1877	13	28	41	207	27	3	218	11	20
Pine Grove	T. J. Bell	C. M. Tucker	Christmas	1874	2	1	3	68	0	0	71	0	20
Plymouth	I. H. Richardson	I. T. Chapman	Plymouth	1873	0	0	0	25	1	1	21	0	20
Pine Castle	B. H. Guy	I. W. Matchett	Pine Castle	1887	23	7	30	38	28	1	63	13	20
Umatilla	I. W. Beck	W. A. Bayless	Umatilla	1871	2	6	8	75	3	3	80	0	20
Winter Garden	I. H. Richardson	W. L. Story	Winter Garden	1888	27	7	34	60	2	5	83	0	20
Sanford	I. H. Richardson	J. W. Singletary	Winter Garden	1884	8	19	27	108	15	2	116	0	20
Victoria					231	160	413	1445	131	15	1687	11	20
Total					231	160	413	1445	131	15	1687	11	20



FINANCIAL TABLE.

The following amounts have been paid this year and include amounts from Sunday School, W. M. S., and other societies in the church:

	Pastor's Salary.	For Building	Repairs and Improvements	U. S. Expenses	For Visiting Ministers	For the Poor	Associational Missions.	State Missions.	Home Missions.	Foreign Missions.	Orphanage.	Value Missionary Boxes.	Ministerial Education.	Education General.	Aged Ministers.	For Minutes and Clerks.	Miscellaneous.	Total.	Value of Pastor's Home (Parsonage).	Value of Church Property.	Total Value of Property.
Apka	\$ 240.00				\$ 75.00	\$ 3.25		\$ 88.45	\$ 54.80	\$ 13.62	\$ 35.39	\$ 20.00		\$ 30.00	\$ 1.25	\$ 5.00	\$ 15.00	\$ 687.26	\$ 2000.00	\$ 2000.00	\$ 2000.00
ona	50.00				40.00			1.45			30.31					2.45		183.76	800.00	800.00	800.00
tula	73.16				15.00	12.00	1.10									.90		224.79	300.00	300.00	300.00
enger	10.45				18.00			1.60								1.00		10.45	600.00	600.00	600.00
gy Creek	18.00				7.00			30.00							.31	1.50		204.50	1000.00	1000.00	1000.00
tuota	75.00				1.00			1.00	1.00		1.00					1.00		122.57	575.00	575.00	575.00
ss Prairie	72.00							1.00								1.00		2.00	600.00	600.00	600.00
sia								129.53	100.06	108.10	81.05				1.39			3587.53	\$3000.00	20000.00	20000.00
and	1350.00	\$ 615.66					1.00	2.00								1.00		26.81	3000.	3000.	3000.
abath	20.81				1.00			145.50	40.00	778.17	47.02	50.00	\$85.00		6.50	5.00		2660.	1000.	1500.00	1500.00
simnee	750.00				150.00					2.50						1.00		217.00	1500.00	1500.00	1500.00
e View	62.70	145.00														1.20		1.20			
gwood																					
khart	300.00						40.00		45.00							2.00		384.00	1000.00	1000.00	1000.00
edo	986.30	1231.80				27.00	228.20	197.44	332.14	65.25	73.55	30.00			8.64	5.00		3343.03	4500.00	5000.00	9500.00
ando	90.17	70.00			10.00		2.10				19.54					1.50		102.31	200.00	200.00	200.00
e Grove	150.00				77.45		2.60	27.87			.30				2.05	2.50		263.98	1000.00	1000.00	1000.00
mouth	62.80				33.80		1.00	16.62	1.00	2.00	31.90				3.67	2.00		157.97	1200.00	1200.00	1200.00
e Castle	150.00				78.75			2.85	13.33	5.00	29.00				4.65	2.00		254.00	700.00	700.00	700.00
atilla	200.25				70.90			5.00	28.00	10.00						4.50		411.10	600.00	600.00	600.00
nter Garden	409.20						4.50														
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	\$5080.93	\$209.10	\$174.00		\$107.17	\$42.25	\$280.50	\$649.31	\$516.33	\$485.46	\$321.65	\$100.00	\$85.00	\$30.00	\$28.46	\$43.15	\$15.00	\$1622.72	\$9200.00	\$39375.00	\$18575.00