

SAMPSON LIBRARY  
JOHN B. STETSON UNIVERSITY  
DeLAND ❖ FLORIDA

In 1906 the Minutes were printed as being the "Thirtieth" Annual when it should have read Thirty-Seventh (37th).

## Minutes Forty-Sixth Annual Session Mekiwa Baptist Association



Held With the Winter Garden Baptist Church  
Winter Garden, Fla., Oct. 17-18-19, 1916



REV. O. B. FALLS, MODERATOR, Kissimmee, Fla.  
J. M. WILLSON, JR., CLERK, Kissimmee, Fla.

The Next Session will be held with the First Baptist  
Church of Kissimmee, Fla., on Tuesday, Before  
the Fourth Sunday in October, 1917  
at 7 O'clock p. m., Being Oct. 23rd.

## Officers of the Association

Moderator, Rev. O. B. Falls, Kissimmee.

Clerk, J. M. Willson, Jr., Kissimmee.

Treasurer, Alfred H. Link, Orlando.

### Executive Committee

A. W. Hurley, Winter Garden, Florida.

Dr. Trovillian, Winter Park, Florida.

J. A. Lowry, Montverde, Florida.

W. P. Miller, Orlando, Florida.

J. W. Matchett, Pine Castle, Florida.

### Standing Committees.

Education and Columbia College—Hon. C. A. Carson.

Missions—E. Lee Smith.

B. Y. P. U.—A. H. Link.

State of Religion and Digest of Church Letters—E. A. Milton.

Temperance—Dr. R. T. Jones.

Sunday School—A. W. Hurley.

B. M. A. A. and Deceased Ministers—M. E. Weeks.

Religious Literature—W. L. Story.

Nominations—J. M. Willson, Jr.

Woman's Missionary Society—Mrs. E. Lee Smith.

### Delegate to the Southern Baptist Convention.

O. B. Falls, Kissimmee, Florida.

## CONSTITUTION OF THE WEKIWA BAPTIST ASSOCIATION Changed and Adopted October 18, 1916.

Article 1. This union of churches shall be known and distinguished by the style and title of The Wekiwa Baptist Association.

Article 2. The Association shall be composed of representatives from the churches in the union. Each church shall be entitled to three delegates, and every additional twenty-five members above the first fifty shall be entitled to an additional delegate; and shall also be entitled to an additional delegate for each \$25 or fraction thereof contributed to missions.

Article 3. The delegates, when convened, shall organize themselves into a deliberative body by the appointment of a moderator and clerk; these officers shall be chosen by ballot at each annual meeting, and continue in office until new ones are chosen.

Article 4. This Association shall not interfere with the rights of the churches of which she is composed. She shall regard them as independent bodies in all measures of internal government and shall act only as advisory council, assuming no authority but what is expressly delegated to her by the churches. She, nevertheless, claims authority over her own members, the delegates of the churches, and shall have power to withdraw from and disown all churches that depart from the principles of this compact by becoming heterodox in faith or disorderly in practice. She should, therefore, regard all the churches, united under the constitution, with a vigilant eye for good. Her principal business shall be to promote the declarative glory of God, by extending His kingdom of grace on earth, through the medium of preaching the gospel, and other means in accordance with that gospel; to cultivate union and fellowship with all the churches of Christ and especially with those united in this Association.

Article 5. Newly constituted churches, or churches dismissed from other Associations of the same faith and order, may be admitted into this union on their sending up delegates to an annual meeting with a petition, and by those delegates agreeing to the abstract of principles adopted by this Association.

Article 6. The nominating committee shall nominate an executive committee to consist of five members, who shall be elected by the body and whose business it shall be to act as steering committee for the Association when in session, and when requested, to see to the time and place for the meetings of the body, and use their best efforts to promote the Lord's cause in the bounds of the Association in the intervals between the meetings of the body.

Article 7. The churches in this union shall transmit to every annual session of the Association written communication specifying the names of the delegates, number and fellowship, baptized, received by letter, dismissed, excluded, restored, deceased and all other information which churches may deem of importance, which shall be compiled and minuted accordingly.

Article 8. The Association shall furnish the churches with the minutes of every session.

Article 9. The Association shall take cognizance of no query sent up by the churches unless they have endeavored to solve the same and have failed, nor of any difficulty between churches unless they have pursued the direction contained in the eighteenth chapter of Matthew, and have not been able to settle them. Then the Association shall take such matters into consideration and act upon them at her discretion.

Article 10. The duty of the treasurer, who shall be elected at each session by ballot, shall receive all money and manage the funds according to the order of the Association, presenting annually for insertion in the minutes a clear and full statement of all receipts and expenditures.

Article 11. It shall be the duty of the clerk to make and keep a regular file of printed minutes of every session of this body and deliver the same to his successor in office.

Article 12. This Association, when convened, shall be governed by proper rules of decorum, which she is authorized to make and amend according to her own views.

Article 13. This constitution may be altered or amended at a regular meeting of the Association by a concurring voice of two-thirds of members present.

Article 14. The moderator shall keep order and conduct the business of this Association in accordance with recognized rules of parliamentary law and practice.

Article 15. Each delegate to this Association shall be expected to remain in attendance until the close of the session, unless expressly excused by the body.

Article 16. The moderator shall appoint the chairman of all committees for the ensuing year, at each session.

#### Ordained Ministers of the Association

O. B. Falls, Kissimmee. E. A. Milton, Kissimmee.  
J. J. Farmer, Kissimmee. J. A. McDougle, Orlando.  
B. H. Guy, Keauville. Dr. E. T. Poulson, Orlando.  
B. A. Guy, Ft. Drum. E. Lee Smith, Orlando.  
John Melmaker, St. Cloud.

#### Licensed Ministers

W. S. Stone, Orlando, R. F. D. No. 2.  
DeWitt Taylor, Winter Park. R. H. Wright, Orlando.

#### List of Delegates.

Apopka—By Letter.  
Astatula—Mrs. Lizzie King.  
Beulah—J. G. Reaves, M. B. Reaves, Mrs. J. S. O'Berry.  
Campbell—By Letter.  
Clermont—W. S. Entzinger, R. P. Seaver.  
Ft. Drum—By Letter.  
Kissimmee—Rev. J. J. Farmer, Rev. O. B. Falls, Rev. E. A. Milton.  
C. A. Carson, Mrs. C. A. Carson, Miss Ann Carson, Miss Inez Carson, Mrs. E. A. Milton, J. M. Willson, Jr., S. L. Lupter, Jr., and wife, A. S. Gilbert and wife, Miss Ethel Gilbert, Mrs. E. J. Lupter.  
Kissimmee Park—By Letter.  
Lake View—Miss Mattie Baisden.  
Mt. Carmel—G. L. Sullivan, Miss Callie Sullivan, Mrs. Delia Hay, Howard Tison.  
Montverde—J. M. Cox, J. A. Lowry.  
Narcoosee—By Letter.  
Orlando—Rev. Dr. E. T. Poulson, Rev. E. Lee Smith, Mrs. E. Lee Smith, W. P. Miller, C. M. Titchener, W. E. Stevenson and wife, Charles Phillips and wife, G. L. Huxtable and wife, S. A. Newell, Mrs. M. O. Overstreet, Alfred H. Link, Mr. Richards, Mrs. Mary A. Cox.  
Pine Castle—J. G. Tynes and wife, J. W. Matchett and wife.  
Rosalie—Keneth Tyson.  
St. Cloud—Rev. John Melmaker, Geo. S. Brinkerhoff and wife, Mrs. S. Davis, Samuel Cobb, Mrs. Gladys Scofield, Miss Ina Garner.  
Winter Garden—Rev. C. M. Brittain, H. A. Connell, C. A. Roberts, J. H. Cooper, Mrs. J. A. Davis, A. W. Hurley, W. L. Story and wife, Mrs. T. T. Capperman, Mrs. G. T. Smith, R. P. Wright.  
Winter Park—Rev. Dr. R. P. Jones and wife, Mrs. B. W. Stone, R. L. Betts and wife, Mrs. Trovillian, A. J. Mostellar and wife.  
West Apopka—S. H. Crawley and wife.  
Conway—Burt Scott, W. M. Williamson, M. Simmons, Rev. J. A. McDougle.



tution in every respect. We recommend that the Churches of our Association continue to give it their loyal and liberal support.

E. A. MILTON,  
C. M. BRITTIAN,  
R. T. JONES, Committee.

Report discussed by E. A. Milton, W. P. Miller, J. A. McDougle, John Melmaker, Geo. S. Brinkerhoff, Dr. Rodgers and Dr. Holt, and adopted.

Rev. John Melmaker read

#### REPORT ON TEMPERANCE

As representatives of the Baptist Churches of the Wekiwa Association assembled in our annual gathering we hereby express our continued hostility to the Liquor traffic. We remember the waste of wealth, health and the crime for which the saloon is responsible.

While your Committee feels sure that the Baptists of Florida may fairly be numbered among the good people of the state who believe in temperance it is well for us to again re-affirm our loyalty to the prohibition cause and express our gratitude to God for the advancement already made toward National prohibition. The situation was never so encouraging as it is today. In less than two years, ten great states have adopted state-wide prohibition. "Our cause is marching on," now is the time to press the work to the complete extermination of the Liquor traffic.

Therefore, be it resolved that we do all that lies within our power to educate and enlighten both young and old in regard to the nature and effects of alcohol upon the individual, society, our country, and the cause of Christ.

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN MELMAKER,  
J. J. FARMER

Report discussed by John Melmaker, O. B. Falls, Dr. Rogers, J. A. McDugle, W. P. Miller and adopted.

W. P. Miller read

#### REPORT ON RELIGIOUS LITERATURE.

Your committee beg leave to make the following report:

The printing press is the most potent factor in our civilization. Properly diffused information is necessary to the support of any proposition of general interest. "As a man thinketh in his heart so is he" is just as true today as it was in Solomon's day. And his thoughts are largely determined by what he reads. "Evil communications corrupt

#### MINUTES OF THE FORTY-SIXTH ANNUAL SESSION OF THE WEKIWA BAPTIST ASSOCIATION HELD WITH THE WINTER GARDEN BAPTIST CHURCH, WINTER GARDEN, FLA., OCT. 17, 18 & 19TH, 1916.

The Forty-sixth Annual Session of the Wekiwa Baptist Association convened with Winter Garden Baptist Church on Tuesday October 17, 1916 at 7:00 o'clock p. m.

A song service conducted by the Pastor C. M. Brittian followed by devotional services by Dr. W. M. Burr.

The Association was called to order by Moderator Rev. E. Lee Smith. Church letters called for and names of delegates enrolled.

Rev. O. B. Falls was elected Moderator, J. M. Willson, Jr., Clerk and Alfred H. Link, Treasurer. Then followed a well rendered solo by Miss Denton. Dr. A. J. Holt preached a most excellent sermon in a very impressive manner, taking as his text the Great Commission. Adjournment until 8 a. m., Wednesday.

#### Wednesday Morning.

Devotional services led by Rev. B. H. Guy.

On motion it was voted that no finance committee be appointed this year, but that the Treasurer take charge of the funds.

That the Constitution be changed and do away with the finance committee. That the Constitution as changed be printed in the Minutes this year.

Rev. E. A. Milton read

#### REPORT ON ORPHANAGE

Our Florida Baptist Orphanage is located at Arcadia, Fla. The property consists of 80 acres of land, divided as follows: 20 acres in lawn and playground on which we have 3 two-story brick buildings, A Superintendent's home, Laundry, Canery, smoke house and barn. Our buildings are all furnished neatly and comfortably, and we have room for one hundred Children. We maintain our own school on the premises. The property is worth about \$40,000.

Our home is twelve years old and has cared for 160 children since it was started. There are now 96 children in the home.

The home is supported by voluntary contributions from churches Sunday schools, Ladies Societies, Young People's Societies and individuals. It costs about \$9.70 per month for each child in the home.

We believe our Florida Baptist Orphanage to be a worthy insti-



good morals," said the apostle. "Out of the heart are the issues of life." It behooves us to be careful in the kind of literature we read and cause our brethren to read. The Bible is the book of all books for all men to read. And where it is read and studied most, the Baptist cause there the most abounds. But in the selection of all our other reading we need to bear in mind the great Apostle's injunction, "Take heed to thyself and unto thy doctrine, for in so doing, thou shalt both save thyself and those that hear thee."

The Baptists are the only people that teach the whole gospel of Christ, therefore Baptist literature is to be commended above all others. The Florida Baptist Witness, our state organ, is necessary to our growth and success as Baptists. We recommend it to every Baptist as both sound and instructive. Also, the publications of our Sunday School Board, we solicit the patronage of all our brethren.

W. P. MILLER, Chairman.  
B. H. GUY.  
W. M. BURR.

Discussed by W. P. Miller, B. H. Guy, Dr. Holt, E. Lee Smith, Dr. Poulson, Dr. Burr. And adopted.

On motion the Moderator appointed Dr. Poulson, E. A. Milton and E. Lee Smith as a Committee to secure the promised deed for a lot at Taft for a church.

After a splendid sermon by Rev. O. B. Falls, the new pastor at Kissimmee, the Association took recess until after dinner.

#### WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON.

Devotional services conducted by Rev. J. A. McDougle. Visiting brethren present, and welcomed to sit in Council with Association:

Dr. S. B. Rogers, Secy. of State Mission Board.  
Dr. A. J. Holt, Editor of Baptist Witness.  
W. W. Williams, Secy. of B. Y. P. U. and Sunday School Work.  
Wm. Stone of the Seminole Association.  
A. P. Pugh of the Tampa Bay Association.  
Bro. McCloud of the Alachua Association.

Dr. Poulson read

#### REPORT ON MISSIONS

More and more are we impressed with the fact that if the Church of our Lord had been in any adequate measure pure in her spirit and faithful to the trust committed to her in giving the Gospel to the world, her history would have been the history of Missions and Evangelism. But on the contrary, her history in a very large degree has

been a record of corruption in doctrine and life, and of failure to render obedience to Him whose right it is to command. In many ages we find only a scanty brook well nigh lost to view, when there ought to have been the great river of God's salvation flowing out to the millions of thirsty, dying souls both at home and abroad! But God be praised that a better day has dawned and His church everywhere is coming to realize her great and true mission in the world. The true church of our Lord in her organization and in the purpose of God is essentially a missionary institution, for she was established for the purpose of keeping alive and extending Christianity in the earth and thus glorify God in the salvation of men.

In His dealings with this world, God has made His supreme glory to depend upon the influence and final triumph of Christianity; and the ultimate triumph of Christianity is largely dependent upon man's loyalty to Christ's Great Commission. Thus in the economy of redemption, man is regarded both as the object and the agent. As the object his eternal salvation is proposed; as the agent he is to be occupied in extending the knowledge of this salvation wherever man is found.

The true Christian man is, in the very constitution of his character missionary; for that same Spirit and Divine power which bring him into the Christian life, also endow him with the missionary spirit and influence. "If ye love me, keep my commandments," is the great test of Christian character and obedience. The question is sometimes asked: "When does a preacher cross the dead line? When does he lose his power and usefulness as a pastor and preacher?" Be young or old, he has lost that power and usefulness when he refuses or fails to preach and teach the great doctrine of Missions to his people. Thank God, the day is already here when our strong, wide-awake and aggressive churches positively refuse to have pastors and officers who are not out-and-out missionary in spirit, doctrine and practice. A pastor or officer who teaches his people to be indifferent to the cause of missions, teaches them to be dishonest with God and disobedient to the Christ! "Go ye into all the world and perch the Gospel to every creature—and lo I am with you," is the language of standing, sovereign law. True, it was uttered to that little band of earnest believers in the long ago, but it was addressed primarily to the Christian Church and for every member of the Church, and he who would excuse himself from its obligations it announces. It is the great law to the last Christian, even until that day when the "kingdoms of this world shall have become the kingdom of our Lord and of His Christ."

Thus we present to the churches and members of this Association our renewed and earnest appeal that they stand by and loyally support our great Missionary enterprises, classified as divided into State, Home and Foreign Missions.

**SAMPSON LIBRARY**  
**JOHN B. STETSON UNIVERSITY**  
**DeLAND ❖ FLORIDA**

MINUTES WEKIWA BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

Tyron school house, .....	\$400.00
Reulab, Aid Pastor Salary, .....	60.00
Narcoosee, Aid on Building Debt, .....	50.00
Narcoosee, Aid Pastor Salary, .....	100.00
Campbell, Aid Pastor Salary, .....	40.00
Astattula, Aid Pastor Salary, .....	60.00

In regard to the churches referred to your committee at last session we report as follows: Campbell seems to be waking up. They have called a pastor and are having regular meetings once a month. We are sorry to report that nothing is being done at Taft, Bassenger is having regular services once a month. We have held 5th Sunday meetings at Whittier, Narcoosee, and Finney Point.

E. A. Milton,  
 R. L. BETTS,  
 A. W. HURLEY,      Committee.

Report adopted.    Adjourned to 7 p. m.

**WEDNESDAY EVENING.**

Devotional services conducted by Rev. John Melmaker.  
 Hon. C. A. Carson read report on

**EDUCATION AND COLUMBIA COLLEGE.**

Nobody any longer questions the old saying "That knowledge is power." No one doubts the wisdom of securing an education. Some form of education is easily within the reach of practically every child of the present day. The parent who refuses to permit his child to enjoy educational facilities is nothing short of criminal.

A thorough education puts one in lines of success. To master a subject is to have power to understand and present the intricacies of that subject.

Every State in the Union has wisely provided a public school system. Some of them have advanced to the stage of a compulsory educational law; others are discussing it. The future of the State and the Nation demand the enactment of such a law. Ignorant and prejudiced parents should not be permitted to deny a liberal education to their helpless children. The public school brings these facilities to the door of every child whose parents permit it to attend the schools.

As a Denomination we have always encouraged and used every effort within our reach to extend its beneficial influences to all the children in our commonwealth.

The public school system is necessarily limited in its scope: beyond that lies higher education, which must be obtained through the colleges and great Universities of the land. Many of these are maintained at public expense, and placed within the reach of the youth of

MINUTES WEKIWA BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

The official representative of the State Mission Board is Dr. S. J. Rogers, Corresponding Secretary, with headquarters in Jacksonville. This Board employs a large number of missionaries who labor among the weak churches and in the destitute sections of the state; establishes churches and Sunday Schools; assists in the building of houses of worship, etc.

The Home Misison Board is located in Atlanta, Ga., and has as its efficient Secretary, Dr. E. D. Gray. This Board co-operates with the State Boards of our Southern Convention and conducts and maintains Misisons on the frontiers; in the mountains; in some of our larger cities; among the negroes and foreigners in our Southland; and in Cuba and Panama.

The Foreign Misison Board has its general office in Richmond, Va., with Dr. J. F. Love as Corresponding Secretary. Never were the opportunities of this Board so great, and perhaps never the call so urgent as at this present time. May the Lord help us as individuals, as churches, and as an Association to do our part nobly and well.

EDWARD T. POULSON, Chairman.

Report discussed by Dr. Jones, Dr. Rogers, Dr. Poulson. And adopted.

E. A. Milton read

**REPORT ON STATE OF RELIGION AND DIGEST OF CHURCH LETTERS**

We, your committee, find there have been 127 baptized into the churches the past year.

We find the churches have given the following amounts to missions:

State Missions, .....	\$ 592.87
Home Missions, .....	300.81
Foreign Missions, .....	594.61

This is more for Foreign Missions but less for Home and State Missions. We have no report from 5 churches.

E. A. MILTON,  
 J. A. McDougle.

Discussed by E. A. Milton, W. W. Williams, B. H. Guy, O. B. Falls. And adopted.

E. A. Milton read

**REPORT OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE**

Your executive committee has held 2 meetings this year with every member present at the first meeting.

The following applications for aid were indorsed. B. A. Guy, aid in Misison work at Fort Drum, Bassenger, Fr. Kissimnee, Midway and

the country at the minimum cost, advantages and opportunities unheard of fifty years ago.

Advancement is the watchword of the age in educational, as well as in every other department of life. It is a business of the Churches to lead in everything good, morals, education and religion. One of the chief functions of the Church, as we understand it, is to encourage religious education; to equip and qualify men and women called of God for the duties to which they are called, whether these duties lead along the line of business, professional or religious life. The denomination which fails to live up to its opportunities in an educational way must necessarily fall far short of accomplishing one of its chief functions: this to our mind renders necessary a Denominational school. It is fundamental, it is basic, it is essential to the progress and development of a Denomination. But for the Denominational Schools, Colleges and Seminaries religious thought, if not actually retarded certainly would not occupy the high position of leadership, which is its right.

With this idea in view the Baptists of Florida have established and do now own and control Columbia College, situated at Lake City. The influence of this great school upon the Denominational life of Florida cannot be over estimated. Its future power for the spread of the Gospel, the maintenance of the cause of the Denomination cannot be computed. It would take a man of rare vision to foretell the influences for good to be exercised by this Institution during the next Century. What Baylor University has been to Texas, what Mercer University has been to Georgia, Columbia College must and shall be to Florida.

The prospects of the Institution were never so bright. The present session opened with an enrollment greater than last year by eighty-three per cent. Students continue to arrive almost daily. The enrollment today is greater than it has ever been at a corresponding date of the year since the lowest grades have been cut from the Curriculum.

If we might get a correct vision of the power and influence for good of the leadership fostered and encouraged by our Denominational Colleges, and especially by our own Columbia College, there would be no retrogressive movement. It would mean a strong, united backing of all the Baptists of Florida, with their interests, their prayers, their finances, their children.

God speed the realization of this hope.

Respectfully submitted,

C. A. CARSON,

J. H. COOPER. Committee.

Spoken to by C. A. Carson. And adopted.

S. L. Lupfer read

### REPORT OF THE WEKIWA B. Y. P. U. FEDERATION TO THE WEKIWA ASSOCIATION

The Wekiwa B. Y. P. U. Federation was organized July 13, 1916. The object or purpose of this Federation is the fostering of a closer relation and fellowship between Unions composing the Federation and get inspiration, help, enthusiasm, interchange ideas and methods and help each Union to become more efficient, to create friendly rivalry between the various Unions thereby lading them on to a greater B. Y. P. U. activity.

The officers of the Federation are:

President—Alfred Link, Orlando.

Vice-President—C. A. Roberts, Winter Garden.

Secretary—Sam. L. Lupfer, Kissimmee.

Cor. Sec.—Marion Eldredge, Winter Park.

Treasurer—W. S. Entzminger, Clermont. (Resigned.)

There are seven Unions in the Federation and these have sixty-eight officers with a membership of 225 of which 205 are Active members and 50 are Associate members.

We have one A-1 Union in the Federation and there are five working for the A-1 honor and two expect to attain the Standard in the next few months.

The Federation is endeavoring to do Extension work and also making plans to attend the Baptist Assembly at Lake City next July.

At the Annual meeting of the Federation next July there will be a banner awarded to the Union giving the best report of work done during the year according to the Standard of Excellence.

Each Union in the Federation is requested to make a report to the Annual meeting of the Federation next July.

Respectfully Submitted,

The Executive Committee

Wekiwa B. Y. P. U. Federation  
Report discussed by W. W. Williams, A. H. Link, J. W. Matchett,  
Miss Stone. And adopted.

H. A. Connell read report of

### COMMITTEE ON NOMINATIONS

We the Committee on Nominations do hereby recommend that the Annual Sermon be preached by Dr. E. T. Poulson with Dr. R. T. Jones alternate.

For State Mission Board Representative, Bro. C. A. Carson.

We further recommend that meeting of Wekiwa Association shall meet with Kissimmee church, Tuesday before the fourth Sunday in October 1917, at 7 p. m.



For Executive, A. W. Hurley, Dr. Trovillian, J. A. Lowry, W. P. Miller, J. W. Matchett.

For Messenger to Southern Baptist Convention, Dr. O. B. Falls.

For Messenger to State Convention—Dr. E. T. Poulson, W. L. Story, E. A. Milton, E. Lee Smith, John Melmaker.

Signed by

H. A. CONNELL,

W. L. STORY,

J. M. WILLSON, Jr.,

J. W. MATCHETT, Committee.

Report adopted.

The Moderator suggested that the ladies have their meeting next on the afternoon of the first day of the Association—so they would then be free to attend all of the sessions of the Association.  
Adjournment until 8.30 a. m., Thursday.

#### THURSDAY MORNING

Devotional services conducted by Rev. E. A. Milton.

J. M. Willson, Jr., read

**Report of the Clerk and Treasurer of the Wekiwa Association.**

To Amount reported by the Treasurer.....\$65.40  
Subscription not paid ..... 1.00

Total ..... \$64.40

Disbursements:

By Amount Chas. L. Wing printing 350 minutes \$40.00

Postage and Mailing ..... 2.25

J. M. Willson, Jr., services as Clerk ..... 25.00 \$67.25

To Amount due the Clerk ..... \$ 2.85

In the 1915 meeting of the Association the WAYS and MEANS COMMITTEE, recommended that the Clerk when sending to the Churches the blanks for annual reports include an estimate of the amount necessary to meet the expenses of the association for the next ensuing year including the cost of minutes, clerk's compensation, and any other incidental expenses that may be necessary; that he make an apportionment of this sum among the churches according to membership.

In compliance with the above the Clerk estimated the expense would be four cents per member reporting in 1915, and so sent out the request accordingly.

Respectfully submitted,

J. M. WILLSON, Jr., Clerk.

#### The Amount requested from the Churches for 1916:

Apopka .....	\$ 4.44	Astatula .....	\$ 1.12
Bassinger .....	1.08	Barton Lake .....	.64
Beulah .....	1.56	Campbell .....	1.52
Clermont .....	1.44	Conway .....	1.64
Ft. Drum .....	1.64	Kissimmee .....	17.41
Kissimmee Park .....	.48..	Lake View .....	2.41
Lochhart .....	160	Mt. Carmel .....	1.04
Mont Verde .....	1.04	Narcoossee .....	1.04
Orlando .....	19.76	Pine Castle .....	3.36
Plymouth .....	.84	Rosalie .....	.72
St. Cloud .....	2.56	Taft .....	.56
West Apopka .....	.88	Winter Garden .....	4.60
Winter G. Central .....	1.12	Winter Park .....	2.92

Report Adopted.

The Clerk read the

#### REPORT OF TREASURER

The following amounts have been received from the Churches of the Association for printing minutes and other incidental expenses for 1916:

Apopka .....	\$ 4.44	Orlando .....	\$10.00
Astatula .....	1.12	Pine Castle .....	3.36
Beulah .....	1.60	Mont Verde .....	1.25
Barton Lake.....		Mt Carmel .....	1.20
Campbell .....	.50	Narcoossee .....	1.04
Clermont .....	2.50	Rosalie .....	1.00
Conway .....	1.00	St. Cloud .....	2.60
Ft. Drum .....		West Apopka .....	1.00
Kissimmee .....	17.00	Winter Garden .....	4.60
Kissimmee Park .....	.50	Winter Park .....	3.00

\$28.66

Total, \$57.71.

Respectfully submitted

ALFRED H. LINK, Treasurer.

Discussed by W. P. Miller, J. A. McDougle, A. W. Hurley, John Melmaker, J. M. Willson, Jr., Geo. S. Brinkenhoff. And adopted.

On motion, Clerk be paid \$25.00 for his services, and that Minutes be printed within the cost of funds contributed and that Minutes be apportioned to the churches according to money sent in by churches.  
Carried.

A. W. Hurley read

### REPORT ON THE BAPTIST MINISTERS' ASSURANCE ASSOCIATION.

The object and workings of the B. M. A. A. was thoroughly stated in the report on this organization at the last association, and it was suggested that the matter of advancing the work by increasing its membership be taken up before the State Convention.

We recommend that this association, now, adopt a resolution asking that the representatives from each church take this up and let us increase very materially the benefits of this organization to the families of our worthy pastors have been called from the service.

**Deceased Ministers:** Our beloved Bro. C. T. Douglas has been called home during the past year.

Report discussed by A. W. Hurley, W. W. Willian, John Melmak-er, and adopted.

Rev. E. Lee Smith read

### Report of W. M. U. A.

Greetings from the Woman's Missionary Union Auxiliary to the Wekiwa Baptist Association.

Since the body is one and all the members of the body being many are one body. When one member is honored, all the members rejoice with it."

Let us assure you that the Union and all its several members are thinking and rejoicing in the great work which our Association is reporting and the ideals towards which it aim.

This is indeed a year when our workers need especially to gather together for prayer and mutual encouragement. Our times are in his hands and it is helpful to visit and remind each other of this assurance. It is also a time to go forward for the Christ who gave the command to advance, knew all things that were to befall us, and yet he gave an unconditional promise.

There can no evil befall thee if His Glory is thy goal. "Expect great things from God."

Our Wekiwa Union have assumed during the past year to take these inspiring words of Wm. Cary as their motto, and they have wrought well, ever seeking Divine aid in study, offerings and prayer, and return gratitude for that has been accomplished.

We heartily recommend the Royal Service, The Home, Foreign Journal, the Baptist Witness and the Mission study Classes.

The work of our Societies and Union are growing more education each year. Faithfully and lovingly our Societies have planned for the women attending them, visiting societies and organizing new ones, the Master who knoweth all things will reward each one's faithful

labors. We rejoiced when the reports were given in at the Union "to know of the preservation of all the lives of our Members of the Union, for the organization of a girls Auxiliary."

To God be all praise and glory for the work accomplished.

MRS. E. LEE SMITH,

MRS. E. A. MILTON. Committee.

Report discussed by E. Lee Smith, J. A. McDougle, and adopted.

Rev. O. B. Falls read report on

### SUNDAY SCHOOL

Your Committee on Sunday School begs leave to report that we believe there is no more important and valuable part of the Church work and none so fruitful as that of the Sunday School. And we would recommend that Pastors, Superintendents, Teachers, and all Church workers pay most particular attention to, 1. Adequate Building and proper Equipment for the best teaching. 2 That as far as possible we adhere to the Graded System of doing our Work. 3. That we urge each Church to train their officers and teachers for the best and most efficient service in teaching God's Word, and to use only Baptist literature.

4. And that the pastor, superintendent and teachers arrange special services for and be at all times alert to lead their Sunday School pupils to Jesus Christ.

O. F. FALLS, Committee.

Spoken to by O. B. Falls, W. W. Willian, E. T. Poulson and adopted.

Suggestion to Executive Committee offered for the Association to have an Associational Teacher's Training Class, at some central place—in place of the 5th, Sunday Meeting. Adopted.

A standing vote of thanks given to Winter Garden for its bountiful hospitality.

Resolution passed to have the report of the W. M. U. work printed in the minutes.

Motion that the Association go on record favoring the Unit System—Carried.

Rev. Dr. E. T. Poulson preached an able sermon from the text Luke 24:32.

The Association then Adjourned to meet at Kissimmee, Oct. 23, 1917, at 7 p. m.

O. B. FALLS, Moderator.

J. M. WILLSON, Jr. Clerk.





STATISTICAL

NAME OF CHURCH	PASTOR AND POST OFFICE ADDRESS	CLERK AND ADDRESS.	Church Organized—Year	NUMERICAL										Net Increase	Net Decrease	What Sundays Have Preaching
				Increase					Decrease							
				By Baptism	By Letter or Statement	By Restoration	Total Increase	By Letter	By Expulsion or Erasure	By Death	Total Decrease	Membership this Year				
Apopka	J. A. McDugle, Orlando.	Meakin Moore, Apopka.	1880	14	12	1	28	9	1	6	108	3	13	2nd & 4th		
Astatula	E. A. Milton, Kissimmee.	A. J. Newton, Astatula.	1884	14	12	1	17	13	4	4	41	3	13	1st		
Beulah	J. A. McDugle, Orlando.	J. H. Reaves, Winter Garden.	1913	2	1	1	2	2	2	39	2	39	3rd			
Campbell	E. Lee Smith, Kissimmee.	J. H. Leiner, Ft. Kissimmee.	1906	2	1	1	3	4	4	38	1	38	2nd			
Conway	B. H. Guy, Keenanville.	Dan M. Barber, Kissimmee Park.	1908	8	13	2	15	28	13	13	13	1	3	2nd		
Cross Prairie	W. M. Barr, D. D. Winter Park.	Annie T. Brown, Ft. Drum.	1885	13	17	2	19	28	13	15	16	1	16	1st		
Ft. Drum	O. E. Falls, Kissimmee.	J. W. Wilder, Kissimmee.	1913	35	14	1	50	18	6	7	23	7	7	3rd		
Grace	E. A. Milton, Kissimmee.	Randolph Young, Keenanville.	1902	14	14	1	16	52	2	1	1	1	1	2nd & 4th		
Kissimmee	B. Lee Smith, Orlando.	Mrs. J. E. Lison, Kissimmee.	1914	12	14	1	13	13	1	2	28	35	2	2		
Lake View	B. A. Guy, Whitflor.	D. E. Proper, Narcoossee.	1878	8	5	1	13	13	1	2	28	35	2	2		
Mt. Carmel	B. T. Poulson, Orlando.	John J. Stevenson, Orlando.	1896	19	37	7	63	20	8	31	526	1	13	2nd		
Mont Verde	E. T. Poulson, Orlando.	J. W. Matchett, Pine Castle.	1871	1	5	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	2nd		
Narcoossee	E. M. Smith, Avon Park.	W. J. McClelland, Rosalie.	1915	8	5	1	13	13	1	1	1	1	1	4th		
Orlando	John Melmaker, St. Cloud.	G. M. Hollenbaugh, St. Cloud.	1909	4	10	2	16	7	1	9	30	13	13	1st		
Pine Castle	F. A. Bryant, Trilby.	H. E. Crawley, West Apopka.	1889	3	4	1	4	1	1	1	1	1	1	All		
Rosalie	M. Brittain, Lake City.	L. W. Hurley, Winter Garden.	1888	16	17	7	33	8	3	8	22	1	7	All		
St. Cloud	Robt. T. Jones, Winter Park.	J. W. Stone, Winter Park.	1913	2	7	1	9	3	1	4	78	23	23	2nd		
West Apopka				130	128	15	273	150	154	16	317	157	112	3rd		
Winter Garden				130	128	15	273	150	154	16	317	157	112	All		
Winter Park				130	128	15	273	150	154	16	317	157	112	All		
Totals				130	128	15	273	150	154	16	317	157	112	All		

No report from Barton Lake, Bassenger, Lockhart, Plymouth, Taft, and Central Church at Winter Garden.

FINANCIAL

Name of Church	Pastor's Salary	For Building	Incidental and Improving	For Visiting Ministers	Associational Missions	State Missions	Home Missions	Foreign Missions	Columbia College	S. B. T. Seminary	Ministerial Education	Aged Ministers	Orphans' Home	For the Poor	TOTAL	Value of Pastor's Home	Value of Church Property	Total Value of Property
Apopka	46 25	64 40	240 50	79 01	4 92	42 64	90	13 00	31 97	44	529 72	4000 00	300 00	4000 00	4000 00	300 00	4000 00	4000 00
Astatula	41 57	200 00							2 31	1 12	61 36	800 00	800 00	800 00	800 00	800 00	800 00	800 00
Beulah	96 00									1 60	299 91	1000 00	1000 00	1000 00	1000 00	1000 00	1000 00	1000 00
Campbell	23 25	14 00								1 50	165 00	1200 00	1200 00	1200 00	1200 00	1200 00	1200 00	1200 00
Conway	144 00									1 00	131 50	900 00	900 00	900 00	900 00	900 00	900 00	900 00
Cross Prairie	80 00	19 00								1 64	233 69	200 00	200 00	200 00	200 00	200 00	200 00	200 00
Ft. Drum	120 00	98 85								1 50	523 99	4000 00	4000 00	4000 00	4000 00	4000 00	4000 00	4000 00
Grace	406 00	82 00								1 00	1056 73	2500 00	2500 00	2500 00	2500 00	2500 00	2500 00	2500 00
Kissimmee	406 00	85 12								3 36	581 62	71000 00	71000 00	71000 00	71000 00	71000 00	71000 00	71000 00
Lake View	1332 50	424 72								2 60	1056 73	4000 00	4000 00	4000 00	4000 00	4000 00	4000 00	4000 00
Mt. Carmel	41 00	3 00								1 00	66 00	4000 00	4000 00	4000 00	4000 00	4000 00	4000 00	4000 00
Mont Verde	120 00	5 75								4 60	1649 70	5000 00	5000 00	5000 00	5000 00	5000 00	5000 00	5000 00
Narcoossee	180 00									3 00	2282 15	5500 00	5500 00	5500 00	5500 00	5500 00	5500 00	5500 00
Orlando	96 00									3 00	19574 04	7500 00	7500 00	7500 00	7500 00	7500 00	7500 00	7500 00
Pine Castle	2000 00	4465 02	1171 11	206 20	133 11	55 22	105 22	25 00	28 25	73 10	10 00	65000 00	65000 00	65000 00	65000 00	65000 00	65000 00	65000 00
Rosalie	170 75	345 09							10 41	1 00	136 61	2500 00	2500 00	2500 00	2500 00	2500 00	2500 00	2500 00
St. Cloud	76 20	65 31							1 30	2 00	1056 73	4000 00	4000 00	4000 00	4000 00	4000 00	4000 00	4000 00
West Apopka	668 00	214 31							3 75	2 30	98 12	5 00	5 00	5 00	5 00	5 00	5 00	5 00
Winter Garden	60 00	132 27	178 59	434 96	67 74	116 57	215 20											
Winter Park	645 50	325 27	30 81	19 87	19 87													
TOTALS	1000 19 57	87 30 96	27 710 29	724 58 23	81 465 77	334 60	27 26	16 00	63 20	469 57	78 10	59 35	19574 04	7500 00	100350 00	108150 00	108150 00	108150 00

1876

## SUNDAY SCHOOLS

Name of Church	Superintendent and P. O. Address	Number of Schools	Number of Pupils	Number of Teachers	Scholars Baptized	Sunday School Expenses	Missions and Benevolence	Total for All Purposes
Apopka	A. C. Starbird, Apopka	1	85	10	10	49 56	48 05	97 61
Astatula	M. M. Sellers, Astatula	1	40	6	6	8 97	.....	9 74
Beulah	J. G. Reaven, Winter Garden	1	36	5	5	8 50	.....	8 50
Campbell	W. A. Lee, Orlando, R. 1	1	36	6	6	6 00	.....	6 00
Conway	Dan M. Barber, Kissimmee Park	1	30	4	4	6 50	.....	6 50
Cross Prairie	Charles Bryant, Fort Drum	1	70	12	12	10 45	.....	10 45
Ft. Drum	S. E. Brambley, Clermont	1	72	8	8	.....	.....	.....
Grace	N. C. Bryson, Kissimmee	2	414	30	30	161 40	.....	236 40
Kissimmee	John Bairden, Keenanville	1	25	5	5	10 50	.....	12 50
Lake View	Mrs. Della Hays, Kissimmee	1	25	5	5	9 50	.....	13 19
Mont Verde	D. E. Propper, Narcoossee	1	21	4	4	188 68	.....	475 22
Narcoossee	S. A. Newell, Orlando	1	524	25	25	19 42	.....	32 45
Orlando	J. W. Matchett, Pine Castle	1	63	8	8	.....	.....	30 60
Pine Castle	W. E. Hargraves, Rosalie	1	101	10	10	78 11	.....	102 81
Rosalie	R. G. Widwig, Mt. Cloud	1	33	5	5	95 39	28 58	124 37
St. Cloud	H. E. Crawley, West Apopka	1	160	14	14	54 67	100 16	154 83
West Apopka	A. W. Hurley, Winter Garden	1	114	8	8	.....	.....	.....
Winter Garden	DeWitt Taylor, Winter Park	1	114	8	8	.....	.....	.....
Winter Park								
		Total	171893	1683	17176	17176	191534 30	

## WOMAN'S MISSIONARY SOCIETIES

NAME OF CHURCHES	PREMIDENT AND P. O. ADDRESS	Missions and Benevolence	TOTAL
Apopka	Mrs. W. G. Fitch, Apopka	64 24	64 24
Kissimmee	Mrs. H. S. Gaiser, Kissimmee	.....	296 25
Orlando	Mrs. E. Lee Smith, Orlando	72 52	72 52
Winter Garden	Mrs. J. A. Davis, Winter Garden	.....	89 35
Winter Park	Mrs. S. P. Shepherd, Winter Park	17 00	17 00
Total		153 76	153 76

1916  
SAMPSON LIBRARY  
SAMPSON UNIVERSITY  
JOHN B. STETSON  
FLORIDA  
DeLAND

BAPTIST WITNESS PUBLISHING CO.,  
ARCADIA, FLORIDA

