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SEC. 9. This constitution may be amended only by a two-thirds vote of the messengers present; provided the amendment be reduced to writing.

CONSTITUTION.

SECTION 1. This Association shall be known as "The Suwannee Baptist Association."

SEC. 2 This Association shall be composed of messengers elected by the several churches connected with the Association, each church being entitled to two messengers, and one additional messenger for every twenty-five members, or fractional part thereof, over fifty; and such messengers shall be received by the Association.

SEC. 3. This Association shall at their annual meeting elect from their members, by ballot, a Moderator, Clerk and Treasurer, who shall serve for one year.

SEC. 4. The objects of this Association shall be, first, to promote unity and brotherly love among the churches; second, to promote gospel discipline; third, to encourage the universal spread of the gospel and practical religion throughout our bounds and elsewhere.

SEC. 5. A Missionary Committee shall be appointed by the Moderator at the annual meeting of the body, subject to the approval of the Association, whose duty it shall be to diligently inquire into the destitution within our bounds, make contracts with ministers of this Association, or other Associations in correspondence with this, for ministerial laborers to supply these destitutions, and report the result of their labors for the approval of the Association.

SEC. 6. This Association shall invite correspondents and visiting brethren to seats when in session, who shall be entitled to the privilege of aiding the Association with their counsels; and this Association may also withdraw from any church that may be in disorder when the same cannot be restored.

SEC. 7. The annual meeting of this Association shall begin on Thursday before the third Sunday in October, and by appointment there shall be an Introductory Sermon preached the first day, and on the Sabbath a collection taken for missionary purposes.

SEC. 8. This Association shall not lord it over God's heritage, nor infringe upon any of the internal rights of the churches, but shall only act as an advisory body.

ARTICLES OF FAITH.

1. We believe in one only true and living God, the Father, Son and Holy Ghost; and that these three are one.

2. We believe that the Old and New Testament Scriptures are the word of God, and the only rules of faith and practice.

3. We believe in election, according to the foreknowledge of God, through sanctification of the Spirit and belief of the truth.

4. We believe that the grace of God that bringeth salvation hath appeared unto all men, and that nothing prevents the salvation of the vilest sinner on earth but his own voluntary rejection of that grace.

5. We believe in the total depravity of the human heart, and that the natural state of man is such that he cannot prepare himself for divine favor without the assisting grace of God, enabling him to act according to the good pleasure of His divine will.

6. We believe in justification by faith, which gives peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ.

7. We believe that the gospel of Christ is a means of divine appointment, to bring sinners to repentance and faith in Jesus Christ, and therefore should be preached to all.

8. We believe that all those who are regenerated by the Spirit of God are made heirs of God and joint-heirs with our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ, and that they are kept by the power of God through faith unto eternal salvation, and that not one of them will be finally lost.

9. We believe that baptism is the immersion of the whole body in water; that the only proper subjects are described in the preceding article; and that the only proper administrators are those who have been regularly ordained by a church of Christ by the imposition of hands of a presbytery.

10. We believe that the Lord's Supper was instituted by our Lord Jesus Christ, to be commemorated by His followers, and that none but "baptized believers" have a spiritual right to partake thereof.

11. We believe that the washing of feet, according to the example recorded in the thirteenth chapter of John's gospel, is a duty enjoined by the Lord Jesus Christ upon His

followers, and should be observed immediately after the Lord's Supper; but in no case shall this article be so construed as to make it a test of fellowship.

12. We believe in a general resurrection of the righteous and the wicked; and the wicked shall go away into everlasting punishment, and the righteous into life eternal.

13. We believe that infants and idiots are saved through the merits of our Lord Jesus Christ.

RULES OF DECORUM.

ARTICLE I. At the first meeting of each annual session of the Association, the Moderator of the previous Association shall call the messengers to order, and after singing and prayer he shall declare the Association ready for business; the first item being the election of a Moderator and Clerk, after the messengers have enrolled their names. In case of absence of the Moderator, the messengers present shall elect a Moderator pro tem., who shall proceed as aforesaid.

ART. 2. Each meeting of the Association shall be opened and closed with singing and prayer.

ART. 3. The Moderator shall preserve order and decide all questions in debate, subject to an appeal to the body; and, when speaking on any subject, shall call some member to the chair, and in case of a tie may give the casting vote.

ART. 4. All committees shall be appointed by the Moderator, subject to a vote of the body.

ART. 5. The Clerk shall keep a careful record of the proceedings of each meeting, and in the absence of the Moderator shall call the Association to order and preside until a Moderator pro tem. is elected.

ART. 6. No business shall be transacted without a quorum present, who shall consist of a majority of the registered members.

ART. 7. All members wishing to speak shall arise and respectfully address the Moderator, confine themselves strictly to the subject, and no unkind allusions shall be made while speaking.

ART. 8. No motion shall be debated until seconded, nor voted upon until stated by the Moderator or read by the Clerk.

ART. 9. When a question is under debate, no motion shall be received, except to adjourn, lay on the table, amend, indefinitely postpone, refer to a committee, or otherwise call for the previous question.

ART. 10. Any member voting in the majority may move a reconsideration at any time during the session.

ART. 11. The rules of decorum may be amended at any annual session of the Association by a majority vote of the members present.

ORDAINED MINISTERS.

E. B. Mills.....	Luraville
O. J. Revels.....	Pine Mount
B. D. Harrell.....	Pine Mount
A. Bond.....	Pine Mount
T. J. Kelly.....	Call, Lafayette county
J. W. Fleming.....	Little River
J. J. Holmes.....	McAlpin
R. D. Turner.....	Obrine
W. C. Lee.....	Welborn
J. F. Tatum.....	McAlpin
A. K. Evans.....	Live Oak
T. L. Peacock.....	Pine Mount
B. M. Bean.....	Live Oak

ORDER OF BUSINESS.

1. Introductory Sermon.
2. Association Called to Order by the Moderator.
3. Reading Letters and Enrolling Names of Delegates.
4. Call for Petitionary Letters.
5. Election of Moderator, Clerk and Treasurer.
6. Invite Visiting Ministers and Brethren to Seats in the Body.
7. Call for Correspondents.
8. Appointment of Committees.
9. Fix Hours of Meeting and Adjournment.
10. Reports of Committees.
11. Appointment of Messengers to State Convention and Associations.
12. Arrange for Printing Minutes.
13. Appoint Place for Holding Next Session.
14. Miscellaneous Business.
15. Adjournment.

MINUTES.

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 14, 1897.

The Suwannee Baptist Association met with the Rocky Sink Baptist Church on Thursday before the third Sunday in October, A. D. 1897, at 11 o'clock A. M. The Introductory Sermon was preached by Elder A. Bond from the following text: "Set thine house in order." (Isaiah xxxviii., latter clause of first verse.) The Association was called to order by the Moderator, Elder R. W. Phillips. Prayer by Rev. R. F. Hacker.

On motion J. R. Newlan was made Clerk pro tem., after which letters from the following churches were read and the names of the messengers enrolled, to wit:

Rocky Sink—J. R. Newlan, J. S. Parker, J. M. Brown.

Clay Land—John O. Ross, W. N. McLeod, H. E. Sealy, H. Brown.

Pine Mount—H. C. Sealy, W. H. Brown, J. W. Raney.

Mount Gilead—N. H. Clayton, W. P. Page, T. J. Ammons, H. S. Williams, J. W. Myers.

Live Oak—B. M. Bean, Mrs. Jennie Bean, J. W. Lloyd, J. M. Williams.

Ethel—John Joiners, Barney Carroll.

Philadelphia—J. H. Walker, Jasper Johnson, W. T. Stokely.

Pleasant Hill—D. F. Jenkins, W. W. Leggett, D. F. Jenkins, Jr.

Mount Olive—W. C. Lee, J. B. Johns, D. B. Richardson.

Blue Springs—John H. Grant, J. M. Adams.

Suwannee—R. W. Phillips, Edward Mikell, J. J. Murphy.

Obrine—T. C. Williams, E. D. Blanchard, J. M. Hall, W. L. McInnis.

Mount Pisgah—O. J. Revels, D. C. Copeland, Jephth Williams, Richard Carter

Petitionary letter from Oak Grove Baptist Church. On motion the delegates were received into fellowship, the church made one in the Association, and the delegates enrolled, viz.: H. J. Warren, Richard Hurst.

Adjourned to meet at 5 o'clock P. M.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

5 P. M.—The Association met pursuant to adjournment, was called to order by the Moderator, and proceeded to the election of officers, to wit: R. W. Phillips, Moderator; J. R. Newlan, Clerk; C. L. Mills, Treasurer.

Letters were received from Branford, Friendship and Mount Sinai Churches, and the delegates enrolled, viz.:

Branford—F. M. Pinkston, R. F. King, B. B. Newbern.

Friendship—C. L. Mills, D. W. Ross.

Mount Sinai—W. H. Ezell, J. D. Mercer.

Invitation was extended to visitors to seats with the body. Elder R. F. Hacker was enrolled as correspondent from the Florida Association; Elder D. F. Ward and Bro. Robert Delany were enrolled as correspondents from the Lafayette Association.

The Moderator appointed the following committees:

On Preaching—John H. Grant, H. C. Sealy, J. W. Lloyd, J. W. Raney, J. M. Hall.

On Missions—B. M. Bean, E. D. Blanchard, W. H. Brown, D. F. Jenkins, C. L. Mills.

On Temperance—O. J. Revels, J. Williams, W. W. Leggett, H. J. Warren, T. C. Williams.

On Sabbath Schools—W. C. Lee, J. M. Adams, H. E. Sealy, J. M. Brown, R. Hurst.

On Ministerial Education—B. D. Harrell, T. C. Williams, T. L. Peacock, J. W. Myers.

On Ministerial Support—John W. Raney, W. H. Brown, John S. Parker.

On Education—J. M. Adams, H. C. Sealy, J. M. Hall, T. C. Williams, John O. Ross.

On Deceased Ministers—A. Bond, C. L. Mills, R. D. Turner, R. Hurst, E. D. Blanchard.

On Finance—J. H. Grant, H. C. Sealy, C. L. Mills.

On Woman's Mission—Mrs. Jennie Bean, Mrs. J. R. Newlan, Mrs. J. M. Brown, Mrs. B. R. Ingram.

The Committee on Preaching reported Elder Bean to preach at 11 o'clock Friday, with Elder T. L. Peacock as alternate; 3 o'clock P. M., Elder W. C. Lee with Elder B. D. Harrell as alternate.

JOHN H. GRANT,
H. C. SEALY,
J. W. LLOYD,
J. W. RANEY,
J. M. HALL,
Committee.

On motion of Bro. Lee, the time for meeting and adjourning was fixed as follows: Meet daily at 9 o'clock A. M., adjourn at 4:30 P. M.

It was agreed to hold the next session of the Association with Obrine Church, beginning on Thursday before the third Sunday in October, A. D. 1898.

The Association adjourned to meet Friday at 9 A. M.

SECOND DAY—MORNING SESSION.

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 15, 9 O'CLOCK A. M.

The Association met pursuant to adjournment, and was opened with prayer by Elder T. L. Peacock.

On motion of Bro. Bean, Bro. Porter of the Baptist Witness was introduced, and gave the Association a fine talk in behalf of the Witness and ministerial education, after which a collection was taken for the benefit of ministerial education, amounting to \$5.15.

The report on Preaching was amended, viz.: Preaching at 7 o'clock P. M.; daily, also. Committee on Missions reported. On motion, set for discussion Saturday, 9 o'clock A. M. A letter was received from Union Church and delegates enrolled: J. T. Crawford, O. W. McCormick. A letter was received from Rosemary Church and the delegates enrolled, viz.: J. S. Alderman, J. R. Bassett. The Committee on Temperance made the following report, to wit:

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON TEMPERANCE.

We read in God's word that no drunkard hath eternal life abiding in him, and that no drunkard shall inherit eternal life; we are therefore admonished to look not on the wine when it is red; and again, to touch not, taste not, handle not the unclean thing. These, with many other passages, teach us that it is sinful for us to lend any encouragement to this fearful evil by using it, even in the least quantity, as a beverage. And again we are forbidden to aid in any way the sale of intoxicating drinks; for "Woe unto him that giveth his neighbor drink, that putteth thy bottle to him, and maketh him drunken also!" We know it is sinful to make, buy, sell, give away, use, or cause to be used, as a beverage, anything that will intoxicate. We admonish our brethren to do all in their power to put down

this monstrous evil; for we look upon it as being one of the greatest evils that curse our land.

[Signed]

O. J. REVELS,
W. W. LEGGETT,
H. J. WARREN,
T. C. WILLIAMS,
JEPHTHA WILLIAMS,
Committee.

The report was spoken to by Brethren Lloyd, Hacker, Bean, Harrell, Bond and Kelly. At this point a beautiful poetical recitation was rendered by Sister Bean, amid the best of order and attention. The report was adopted.

On motion preaching at 3 o'clock was dispensed with.

The Committee on Sabbath Schools reported, viz.:

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

We ask to submit the following as our report: We are glad to see our churches fall into line on Sabbath school work, and recommend that every brother so work in the interest until every church within the bounds of this Association shall have an evergreen Sunday school.

W. C. LEE,
J. M. BROWN,
J. M. ADAMS,
R. HURST,
HERBERT E. SEALY,
Committee.

Bro. J. D. Johnson was enrolled as correspondent from the Hamilton Association. The Committee on Education reported, to wit:

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION.

There is nothing that can take the place of education. It is every man's pressing duty to give his children the best possible advantages of education within reach. Property laid up may be swept away in a night. The same invested in an education can never be lost, and under God may be the means of usefulness through unborn generations. The best thing a parent can do for his child is to give it an education. The salvation of the child is first in importance, and he should be instructed in Bible truths. Everything should be done to teach children the word of God—to make them servants of the Lord. But, along with this, let all parents use their best efforts to avail themselves of all

the advantages found in our common schools; next, in high schools; and, when at all practicable, send to the Stetson University at DeLand, where the best advantages for mental and spiritual training can be had.

[Signed]

J. M. ADAMS,
J. O. ROSS.
H. C. SEALY.
J. M. HALL,
Committee.

Upon motion the report was adopted.

The Committee on Deceased Ministers made the following report:

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON DECEASED MINISTERS.

After careful inquiry we find that our kind Heavenly Father, through His parental care, has preserved the lives of our beloved ministers and deacons through this, another Associational year, for which we return our heartfelt thanks to His Majesty on high.

Respectfully submitted,

(ELDER) A. BOND,
C. L. MILLS,
R. HURST,
Committee.

Prayer of thanksgiving was offered by the Moderator, and the report adopted.

The following resolution was adopted, viz.:

While we join with the committee in thanks to God for preserving the lives of our ministers, we desire to extend our sympathy to our beloved Moderator in the loss of his beloved companion, and pray God to bless and comfort him in his loss.

The Association took recess until 2 o'clock P. M.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

2 P. M.—The Association was called to order and resumed business.

On motion the Clerk was authorized to have the minutes printed where he could secure best terms, and was also allowed \$10 for his services. Elder Phillips, Elder Revels and Bro. W. H. Brown were appointed as correspondents to the Hamilton and Lafayette Associations. Brethren Peacock, Phillips, Turner and Bond were appointed correspondents to the Florida Association.

The following committee was appointed to draft suitable resolutions on the death of Bro. Robert A. Reid, viz.: Elders B. D. Harrell and O. J. Revels and W. H. Brown.

Bro. W. H. Brown, Elder B. D. Harrell and Elder A. Bond were appointed as delegates to the Baptist State Convention. On motion the funds in the hands of the Ex-Treasurer were divided between Blue Spring, Oak Grove, Mount Sinai and Union Churches; amount, \$10 each. Adjourned to meet Saturday, 9 o'clock A. M.

Prayer by Elder Revels.

THIRD DAY—MORNING SESSION.

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 16, 9 A. M.—The Association met pursuant to adjournment and opened with prayer by Elder Revels. A letter was read from Salem Baptist Church and the delegate enrolled, viz.: W. V. Howard. The committee on Woman's Mission Society made its report.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON WOMAN'S MISSION SOCIETY.

Woman's Mission Societies are among the most forceful agents for advancing every branch of mission work. The grand results throughout its history since its origin in 1800 testify the power of organized Christian effort. The union of the societies of the Baptist women of the South, known as the Woman's Missionary Union, auxiliary to the Southern Baptist Convention, marks a new era in the mission work. This work has far surpassed the most sanguine expectations. Florida's women were identified with this organization, and during its nine years have contributed for foreign missions \$5,590.29, and for home missions \$9,109.18. Of the 109 societies in our state we have three in our Association. We do pray that our Association very soon will more than double that number. It is every pastor's experience that where there is a live Woman's Mission Society there is a live church. It does not decrease the pastor's salary, but invariably the pastor is better paid. Pastors, Missionary Baptists, faithfully and prayerfully present this to your sisters and organize them, that they may take part in this great work, that has come to stay and be a blessing

to the thousands in destitute places, by sending the gospel to them.

Respectfully and prayerfully submitted,

MRS. B. M. BEAN,
MRS. J. R. NEWLAN,
MRS. W. A. PARKER,
MRS. B. R. INGRAM,
MRS. J. M. BROWN.

Committee.

The report was adopted.

The report on Missions was now taken up and read, as follows:

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON MISSIONS.

Christ was a missionary. The apostles were missionaries, because they had the spirit of Christ, who was the Father's missionary to a lost world. Christ said to the Father in His prayer (John xvii. 18), "As thou hast sent me into the world, even so have I also sent them into the world." It is as if Christ had said, "As I am my Father's missionary, even so also are these, my followers, my missionaries." He said, "Ye are the salt of the earth;" "Ye are the light of the world." The church is Christ's organization to save the world. In Luke xxiv. 47 Christ said, "And that repentance and remission of sins should be preached in His name among all nations, beginning at Jerusalem." Moreover, in His commission to the church, he said, "Go ye into all the world, and preach the gospel to every creature." We must begin at Jerusalem—at home; but we will not have obeyed our Lord's command till we have gone into all the world and preached the gospel to all nations. Now, what are you doing in obedience to our Saviour's command to give the gospel to all nations? It is manifest that some of the churches of our Association give nothing either for home or foreign missions. Most of the churches give but little. Will not our pastors preach constantly on missions, and take regular collections for missions? We desire to build up our Association, and make it stand among the first in the work of missions. By the Lord's blessing we can do it. Will we do it? We are sure there is but one way for us to have true and healthy growth in our churches,

and that is by teaching and developing them in the work of missions.

Submitted,

B. M. BEAN,
W. H. BROWN,
D. F. JENKINS,
C. L. MILLS,
Committee.

The report was adopted. The following churches pledged the amounts set opposite their names for missions, to be paid during the year, viz.: Mount Pisgah, \$1; Pine Mount, \$2; Branford, \$1; Live Oak, \$75; Obrine, \$1; Suwannee, \$3; Ethel, \$5; Mount Gilead, \$1; Rocky Sink, \$5; Friendship, \$5; Blue Springs, \$1; Mount Olive, \$2; Tiger Lake, \$5; Philadelphia, \$1; Rosemary, \$1; Clay Land, \$5; Salem, \$1; Mount Sinai, \$2; Total, \$117.

The Association took a recess until 2 o'clock p. m.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

2 P. M.—The Association was called to order by the Moderator. A letter was read from Tiger Lake Church and the delegates enrolled, viz.: M. V. Mills, J. F. Dorman.

The Committee on Resolutions of Respect to Bro. Reid reported, to wit:

Whereas, It has been the will of our Heavenly Father to take from earth to rest our beloved brother and faithful defender of the truth, and former Clerk of this Association, Hon. Robert A. Reid, who died on February 20, 1897; and

Whereas, The Suwannee Association feels it to be its duty to express in this way its high appreciation of his worth and ability as an officer of this Association, and his fidelity to Baptist principles and the cause of our Redeemer; and

Whereas, His voice will no longer be heard in the church or in the councils of this Association, or in the State; therefore be it

Resolved, first, That we bow in humble submission to Him who doeth all things well, who giveth, and hath taken away.

Resolved, second, That as an evidence of our appreciation of his valued services as Clerk of this Association, these resolutions be spread upon the minutes of this Association, and a blank page left sacred to his memory; also,

that a copy be sent to his family, and one to the Baptist Witness for publication.

[Signed]

B. D. HARRELL, Chairman,
W. H. BROWN,
O. J. REVELS,
Committee.

On motion the report was adopted.

A resolution of condolence was offered on the death of Bro. H. J. Dorman, viz.:

Whereas, God in His inscrutable providence has taken from our midst our beloved brother, Henry J. Dorman, who in his every-day walk in life deputed himself as a good citizen, faithful public servant, dutiful and obedient son and exemplary Christian; therefore be it

Resolved, That this Association does hereby extend its sincere sympathy to his heart-broken father and dear brothers and sisters in their sad affliction.

Adopted.

The Committee on Ministerial Education made the following report, to wit:

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON MINISTERIAL EDUCATION.

One of the greatest necessities of our denomination is an educated ministry. The various heterodox doctrines that are springing up in the world, and the utter inability of the majority of our ministers to refute the arguments put forth by the enemies of sound doctrine, put our denomination at a serious disadvantage as compared with other denominations. While a great many of our ministers are divided among themselves about the interpretation of the Scriptures, other "churches" are agreed as to doctrine. If our ministers had a thorough theological training in the Southern Baptist Seminary or the John B. Stetson University, they would be so much better qualified so indoctrinate the churches and meet our foes with convincing arguments. We would recommend that our Association take up at least one minister who has made, or can give, full proof of his call and consecration to the ministry, and pay his expenses to one of the above schools for a two years' course of training. We would also recommend the churches to be very careful how they lay hands on improper material for the

gospel ministry, as they might commit a grave error by so doing.

Respectfully submitted,

B. D. HARRELL,
T. C. WILLIAMS,
T. L. PEACOCK,
J. W. MYERS,
Committee.

Report adopted.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

In Account with Suwannee Association.		DR.
To amount on hand last report.....	\$30	04
To Minute Fund, 1896.....	21	15
To Foreign Mission Fund, 1896.....	2	30
To Associational Fund, 1896.....	14	41
To Home Mission Fund, 1896.....	4	60
To State Mission Fund, 1896.....	6	13
To amount Sunday collection.....	8	00
Total.....	\$86	63
By amount paid Clerk, Minute Fund.....	\$21	15
By Clerk's salary.....	10	00
By Bro. Reid's expenses to State Convention.....	8	50
By amount paid Bro. Ward.....	5	00
By amount on hand to balance.....	41	98
	—————	\$86 63

Report adopted.

The following report of the Woman's Meeting was prepared and ordered spread on the minutes:

REPORT OF THE WOMAN'S MEETING.

The first Associational meeting of the Woman's Mission Societies of our Association met in the school house near the church. The meeting was presided over by Mrs. B. M. Bean. After devotional exercises a letter of greeting from Miss J. L. Spalding, Corresponding Secretary of the Woman's Baptist Missionary Union of Florida, was read by the leader. Some interesting missionary papers were read, showing the work and its progress throughout the Southern States. Three societies of the Association—Live Oak, Suwannee and Clay Land—and one Children's Band of Live Oak were represented in the meeting. Each society gave encouraging reports. The sisters of Rocky Sink Church were organized. Miss Fannie Ross of Clay Land Society and Mrs. B. M. Bean of Live Oak were elected Vice-Presidents of the Association for the next Asso-

ciational year. Mrs. B. M. Bean was elected delegate to the Woman's Meeting of the State Convention. The meeting was closed with a song and an earnest prayer by the leader for a blessing on the societies, and that soon every church would have a society.

MRS. B. M. BEAN, President.

MISS FANNIE ROSS, Secretary.

The Committee on Finance reported as follows:

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON FINANCE.

	Forwarded During Year.	Home Missions.	Associat'n Missions.	Foreign Missions.	Minute Fund
Mount Pisgah	\$ 50	\$ 50			\$ 75
Pine Mount	1 50		65		1 00
Branford	\$11 81		95		50
Live Oak	28 95		1 50		1 00
Obrine	12 85	90	1 00	\$ 1 00	1 60
Suwannee					1 00
Ethel	1 00		50	75	1 10
Mount Gilead		10	1 60		1 30
Rocky Sink			90	25	50
Friendship			50		1 05
Pleasant Hill			45		50
Blue Springs			75	1 00	50
Mount Olive			2 10		2 00
Union					40
Philadelphia		25	70		1 10
Rosemary		1 25	23		20
Clay Land			1 00		1 25
Mount Sinai			50		50
Tiger Lake	70		50	50	50
Oak Grove		50	50		1 00
Salem		1 15	45	10	1 00
Total	\$54 31	\$ 7 15	\$15 30	\$ 3 60	\$18 75
Grand total—all funds	\$99 11				

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN H. GRANT, Chairman.

Report adopted. Resolution of thanks was extended to the members of Rocky Sink Church for courtesies extended to the messengers of the Association during session, and adopted.

The Moderator made the following appointments: Elder W. C. Lee to preach the Introductory Sermon at the open-

ing of the next session, and Elder B. M. Bean to preach the Missionary Sermon on the Sabbath.

The Association adjourned to meet with Obrine Church on Thursday before the fifth Lord's day in October, 1898.

R. W. PHILLIPS, Moderator.

J. R. NEWLAN, Clerk.

Sacred to the Memory

—OF—

Bro. ROBERT A. REID,

Clerk of Circuit Court, Suwannee County, 8 years;

County Commissioner 4 years;

Member of House of Representatives 2 years;

Elected to State Senate in October, 1896, for the term of 4 years; died in harness.

He was Born

in the State of Alabama, June 24, A. D. 1843;

Died

at Pine Mount, Florida, February 20, 1897,

Aged

53 years, 7 months and 27 days.

Requiescat in Pace.

GENERAL STATISTICS.

CHURCHES AND PASTORS.	GAIN.										LOSS.				SUNDAY SCHOOL SU- PERINTENDENTS AND POSTOFFICES.
	Baptism.	Letter.	Restoration.	Experience.	Exclusion.	Letter.	Treasure.	Death.	Males.	Females.	Total Membership.	Meeting Days	Saturday Before Sunday.	Value of Church Property.	
Mt. Pisgah, R. E. Parnell	4	5	2	2	2	4	1	1	22	29	88	51	2	500 00	36
Pine Mount, R. E. Parnell	7	1	1	1	1	2	1	1	22	29	51	4	4	500 00	94
Beauford, B. M. Beall	12	12	4	1	3	7	3	3	23	38	61	70	4	500 00	30
Live Oak, B. M. Beall	12	3	1	1	1	6	1	1	34	36	70	42	2	200 00	41
Obrine, B. D. Harrell	11	5	6	1	1	4	1	1	53	70	40	40	2	1000 00	37
Suwannee, R. F. Hacker	44	6	9	46	1	4	1	1	27	80	123	57	1	900 00	81
Ethel, A. Bond, C. Lee	14	8	1	1	1	21	1	1	22	35	63	1	1	150 00	54
Rocky Sink, R. W. Phillips	8	1	1	1	1	4	1	1	12	15	27	26	1	300 00	68
Friendship, R. E. Parnell	7	3	1	1	1	2	1	1	14	24	38	38	1	300 00	68
Pleasant Hill, R. E. Parnell	9	1	1	1	1	2	1	1	14	24	38	38	1	300 00	68
Blue Spring, R. D. Harrell	9	1	1	1	1	2	1	1	14	24	38	38	1	300 00	68
Mt. Olive, W. G. Lee	9	1	1	1	1	2	1	1	14	24	38	38	1	300 00	68
Union, J. J. Holmes, Peacock	4	7	1	1	1	2	1	1	18	20	106	44	4	150 00	57
Philadelphia, T. Mills	4	7	1	1	1	2	1	1	18	20	106	44	4	150 00	57
Rosemary, E. B. Mills	4	7	1	1	1	2	1	1	18	20	106	44	4	150 00	57
Clay Land, R. F. Hacker	4	7	1	1	1	2	1	1	18	20	106	44	4	150 00	57
Mt. Sinai, O. Revels	4	7	1	1	1	2	1	1	18	20	106	44	4	150 00	57
Tiger Lake, R. F. Hacker	4	7	1	1	1	2	1	1	18	20	106	44	4	150 00	57
Oak Grove, T. L. Peacock	7	3	1	1	1	2	1	1	13	18	31	29	1	200 00	36
Salem, A. Bond	31	1	1	1	1	4	1	1	23	42	74	29	1	50 00	36
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1175 Total members etc.

7 months