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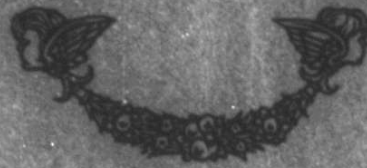
OF THE

**Suwannee Baptist
Association**

HELD WITH

Jennings Baptist Church

October 17-18, 1907



*Next Session Convenes with Orange Church on
Thursday before the Third Sunday
in October, 1908.*

COLUMBIA COLLEGE,
LAKE CITY, FLA.

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MINUTES
OF THE
Thirty-sixth Annual Session
OF
**The Suwannee Baptist
Association**

HELD WITH
JENNINGS CHURCH
October 17th and 18th, 1907

Officers

B. A. Geiger, Moderator *W. H. Mills, Clerk*
D. J. Mills, Treasurer

Missionary Committee

J. H. Dorman *J. M. Hall* *W. B. Collins*
J. H. Grant *T. C. Williams*

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Order of Business

1. Introductory Sermon.
2. Association Called to Order by the Moderator.
3. Reading Letters and Enrolling 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 Correspondence.
8. Appointment of Committees.
9. Fix Hour of Meeting and Adjournment.
10. Reports of Committees.
11. Appointment of Messengers to State Convention and Sister Associations.
12. Arrange for Printing Minutes.
13. Appoint Place for Holding Next Session.
14. Miscellaneous Business.
15. Adjournment.

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 an additional messenger for each twenty-five members, or fractional part thereof over fifty, and such members shall be received by the Association.

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

SEC. 4. The object 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 each 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 labors to supply these destitutions, and report the result of their labors for the approval of the Association.

SEC. 6. This Association shall invite correspondence and visiting brethren to seats when in session, who shall be entitled to the privilege of aiding the Association with their counsel, 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 up 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.

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

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 work of God, and the only rule of faith and practice.

3. We believe in election according to the fore-knowledge 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 only voluntary rejection of that grace.

5. We believe in the depravity of the human heart, and that the natural state of man is such that he can not 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 the 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 Savior Jesus Christ, and that they are kept by the power of God, through faith, until eternal salvation; and that not one of them will be 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 articles, and 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 Scriptural right to partake thereof.

11. We believe that the washing of the feet, according to the example recorded in the thirteenth chapter of John's Gospel, is a duty enjoined by the Lord Jesus 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 that the wicked shall go away into everlasting punishment, but 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 1. At the first meeting of each annual session of the Association, the Moderator of the previous session 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 the 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 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 the 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, which 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.

Minutes

THURSDAY MORNING.

OCTOBER 17, 1907.

The Suwannee Baptist Association met with the Baptist Church at Jennings, Fla. in its thirty-sixth annual session.

"All Hail the Power of Jesus Name" was heartily sang by the congregation. Prayer was offered by Dr. L. D. Geiger, after which a portion of the fifth chapter of Matthew was read by Rev. T. J. Euans.

The Moderator and Clerk not being present, the body proceeded to elect Rev. B. A. Geiger temporary Moderator, and W. H. Mills, temporary Clerk.

Revs. L. D. Geiger and T. J. Evans were appointed as Reading Clerks, and letters from the various churches was called for, and the following messengers with letters responded:

New Prospect—Rev. D. L. Norton, A. J. Ward and J. O. Inabnett.

Jasper—Rev. B. A. Geiger, E. P. Smith and J. W. Adams.

Philadelphia—D. J. Mills, J. Bradley Mills, Rev. T. L. Peacock and P. M. Lanier.

Tiger Lake—G. H. Dorman, W. A. Ambrose, Miss Patia Mills and Miss Belle Helton.

Mt. Pisgah—J. W. Williams and I. V. Lee.

Mt. Gilead—Henry Meeks.

Orange—L. A. Landen

Friendship—Rev. A. Bond and Miss Sallie Williams.

Oak Grove—M. R. Hurst and J. S. Hurst.

Jennings—L. A. Perkins, J. T. Robbins and W. H. Mills.

Clayland—J. D. Williams, W. D. Stinson and J. J. Platt.

Live Oak—Rev. T. J. Euans, Mrs. C. A. Ridley and Mrs. C. N. Hildreth, Jr.

The body then suspended business, to listen to the Introductory Sermon preached by Dr. G. A. Nunnally, president of Columbia College, from the text, "I am not ashamed of the Gospel of Christ," Roman 1:16. He preached a grand and instructive sermon, after which the body adjourned for refreshments 'till 2: P. M.

AFTERNOON SESSION

The Association met pursuant to adjournment. A call was made for letters and messengers from other churches, and the following delegates responded with letters and their names enrolled, to-wit:

Fairview—By letter.

Blue Springs—J. R. Smith.

Magnolia—I. W. Touchstone.

Corinth—Thomas Green.

Mt. Olive—J. B. Johns and G. F. Privett.

Union—C. B. Hains, Walter Cothran and S. M. Haines.

Rocky Sink—Rev. J. S. Parker.

Petitionary letters was called for, and a letter from New Prospect Church asking for admittance into the Association was read, and the right-hand of fellowship was extended to the messengers.

The body then elected Rev. B. A. Geiger, Moderator, W. H. Mills, Clerk of the Association. Bro. G. H. Dorman, former Treasurer resigned and Bro. D. J. Mills was elected Treasurer of the Association in his stead.

An invitation was extended to visiting ministers and brethren, and the invitation was accepted by Rev. L. D. Geiger, Corresponding Secretary State Board of Missions; Dr. G. A. Nunnally, President of Columbia College; Rev. J. W. Wheeler, of the Beulah Association. After accepting the invitation, Dr. Geiger gave a strong talk, setting forth the importance of Mission Work.

COMMITTEES.

The following Committees were appointed, to-wit:

On Finance—J. K. Beaty, Chairman; J. W. Adams, G. H. Dorman.

On Nominations—D. J. Mills, Chairman; J. B. Johns, Rev. J. L. Peacock.

On Orphanage—Rev. A. Bond, Chairman; J. T. Robbins, P. M. Lanier.

On Foreign Missions—Rev. T. J. Euans, Chairman; Rev. C. A. Ridley, I. V. Lee.

State Missions—Rev. J. S. Parker, Chairman; W. A. Ambrose, J. R. Smith.

On Woman's Work—Mrs. Maud Bracewell, Chairman; Miss Octavia Avriett, Miss Belle Helton.

On Deceased Ministers and Deacons—Rev. D. L. Norton, Chairman; W. D. Stinson, M. R. Hurst.

On Sunday Schools—G. H. Dorman, Chairman; L. A. Perkins.

On Home Missions—Rev. J. S. Hurst, Chairman; J. W. Williams, Henry Meeks.

On Ministerial Education—J. K. Beaty, Chairman; J. W. Adams.

On Associational Missions—Rev. C. A. Ridley.

On Temperance—P. M. Lanier, Chairman; G. F. Privett, Rev. J. S. Parker.

On Education—D. J. Mills, Chairman; L. A. Landen, W. D. Stinson.

On Periodicals—Rev. T. L. Peacock, Chairman; G. H. Dorman, Rev. T. J. Euans.

Rev. L. D. Geiger made a strong speech, presenting the need of a gospel tent for the State Board of Missions, to be used in Mission work, after which a collection was made and \$15.00 was raised to be applied on its purchase.

Dr. Nunnally then followed in a strong talk for missions, and the claims that Columbia College should have upon the Baptists of Florida.

Rev. B. A. Geiger gave a talk, telling us about "Aunt Carrie," that grand and great old servant of the Lord, who is now nearing the sun set of life. W. N. Chandoin or "Uncle Shad" as he was more familiarly known, has already gone to his great reward. This lone and lovely old saint is now standing in the fast falling shades of the evening of life, needs the love, sympathy and her bodily requirements supplied by every Baptist in Sunny Florida.

The body then adjourned 'till 7 o'clock P. M.

NIGHT SESSION

Was opened by singing "The Kings' Business."

A Scripture reading was given by Rev. B. A. Geiger, and prayer was offered by Rev. A. Bond.

Another song was rendered, and the rostum tendered Dr. G. A. Nunnally, who gave a powerful lecture on the importance of an education, and how to get it.

Lectures were also made by Rev's. L. D. Geiger, T. J. Euans and B. A. Geiger.

The body adjourned 'till tomorrow at 9:30 A. M.

FRIDAY MORNING

The Association met pursuant to adjournment. Prayer was offered by Rev. A. Bond, and the regular routine of business was resumed.

A renewed call for letters and messengers from the churches not present yesterday was made, and the following named messengers with letters responded:

Antioch---Daniel Roberson.

Suwannee---P. H. Lewis.

Live Oak---Mrs. C. N. Hildreth, Jr., Mrs. C. A. Ridley, Rev. T. J. Euans.

New Hope---R. J. Bush, G. W. Dempsey, Nat Smith.

A letter from Rev. B. D. Harrell was read asking for financial aid, was referred to the State Board with endorsement of the Association.

The regular order of business was suspended for a few minutes, and delegates to Sister Conventions and the State Baptist Convention was appointed:

The State Baptist Convention—E. R. Wise, J. W. Adams, J. B. Johns, Rev. J. S. Hurst, Rev. B. A. Geiger, Rev. T. J. Euans, D. J. Mills, Rev. C. A. Ridley, Rev. T. L. Peacock, G. A. Dorman, Mrs. C. N. Hildreth, Jr. and Mrs. C. A. Ridley.

Valdosta Association—Rev. B. A. Geiger,
Call for messengers and letters was renewed:
O'Brien—Mrs. W. A. Fleming.

The report of the Committee on Nominations was read as follows:

DEAR BRETHREN:—Your Committee on Nominations beg to report as having selected Orange Church as the place of holding the session of the Association, and have selected Rev. A. J. York to preach the Introductory Sermon, and Rev. T. J. Euans the Missionary Sermon on Sunday.

Respectfully submitted,

D. J. MILLS, Chairman,
J. B. JOHNS,
T. L. PEACOCK.

Upon motion report was adopted.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON ORPHANAGE.

DEAR BRETHREN:—Your committee report that our State Orphanage at Arcadia is now the home of more than fifty little orphans who are being fed, clothed and educated.

When we consider the happy state of these children and the pariential care and christian training that they are receiving, and consider what their conditions might be without this home, we are led to wonder why every Baptist in Florida is not an enthusiastic supporter of this grand institution.

We recommend that every pastor in the borders of this Association take upon himself a part of this noble

work by taking collections for the Orphanage and by assisting in gathering up the orphans and send them to father and mother Bean. A part of pure and undefiled religion is caring for the fatherless.

REV. A. BOND, Chairman,
J. T. ROBBINS,
P. M. LANIER.

Committee.

Motion to adopt. Spoken to by Rev's. A. Bond, D. L. Norton, B. A. Geiger, T. J. Euans and Bro. J. T. Robbins. The following amounts was pledged for the support of the Orphanage.

Rev. A. Bond.....	\$ 5.00
I. V. Lee, for Mt. Pisgah Church.....	5.00
E. R. Wise, for S. S. at Antioch.....	10.00
J. J. Platt, by quarterly col. in his church....	5.00
Miss Bell Helton, to be paid by B. Y. P. U.....	3.00
Rev. D. L. Norton.....	5.00
Mrs. W. H. Fleming, cash.....	2.00
P. M. Lanier.....	1.00
R. J. Bush, for New Hope Church.....	5.00
L. P. Geiger, for Bright Pond Church.....	5.00
W. M. S. paid \$2.00 and pledged.....	5.00
D. J. Mills, cash.....	1.00

At this juncture the report was adopted.

A call was made for letters and messengers from churches not heard from, and the following messengers responded:

Bright Pond—L. P. Geiger and J. M. Nunn.

Business was then suspended and a very instructive sermon was preached by Rev. T. J. Euans, from 2 Pet. 5:6-7. Adjourned 'till 2 o'clock in the afternoon.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The body met pursuant to adjournment, and session was opened by prayer led by Rev. A. Bond.

A call was made for messengers and letters from

churches not yet heard from, and a letter presented from Rose Mary Church with Bro. J. S. Alderman as messenger.

Report on Foreign Missions was read, and after being spoken to by Rev. T. J. Euans was adopted.

DEAR BRETHREN:—We, your committee to whom you have assigned the duty and pleasure of presenting to you some thoughts and views concerning our christian obligations to God and our fellow man connected with the subject and course of Foreign Missions, the same for your consideration, and we hope for your ready adoption, beg lief to present the folloing brief report.

It is not presumable that we make any effort to say one word or command anything of this, without divine authority, hence we claim that Foreign Mission work is christian duty, and a necessity. In the last verses of the 28th chapter of our Lords' Gospel recorded by Matthew, we find that Jesus Christ after his resurrection, in the last meeting with his disciples gave to them his great and final direction of duty, to him whom they thus worshiped as the recognized risen Lord. "Go ye therefore, and teach all nations, baptising them in the name of the Father, the Son and the Holy Ghost, teaching them to observe all things, whatsoever I have commanded you, and lo I am with you always, even unto the end of the world, Amen."

Is not this definite and unmistakably of Jesus our Lord, and does it not belong to us as the greatest commission ever given to men? Has it not come down the ages as a part if not an exclusive whole of that "whatsoever I have commanded you" given to the first disciples?

The Master based commission on the declaration of his power, which word rightly revised is authority. So, for this authority he has previously said: "As the Father has sent Me, even so I send you." So here we see that this command came from Heaven—from God.

"For God so loved the world that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believed on Him should not perish, but have everlasting life." Now, sure as those words were uttered by Jesus, the Son of God, just as surely has the duty been laid upon us, and we would call your attention to one word which this commission—which enlarges the alien idea in the universal word "Foreign." This word is baptism, and it lays a peculiar embargo on us as people. For those only who may be disciples by being taught are to be baptized.

In regard to this work, as it is in hand in these modern days, we get much encouragement out of the 62nd. and last annual report of the Foreign Mission Board. We see that last year there was contributed by the churches \$403,811.54. We have cause for thankfulness that we see that divine blessings has been bestowed on the men and women sent abroad from us to all our foreign plants, and upon the native churches, and co-makers with them, and that new and inviting fields are opening to them far greater indeed than they can supply.

We rejoice in the fact, that in answer to our prayers, and by the enlightened energies of the blessed truth and spirit of God, that many worthy, qualified young men and women are offering themselves to this work, by preaching, by teaching, by the distribution of tracts and bibles, bible reading, nurses, hospitals, consecrated practising physicians, by the press of civilization, and through the superintending arm of God.

The purposes of God and the kingdom of Christ is moving steadily on, so, dear brethren let us be encouraged, and let us as pastors and deacons, and as individual christian members of the churches exercise full faith in the blessed possibilities that lie before us, and pray more earnestly, and give more liberally than we have done, that we may have the fulfillment of the Masters' promise to us, as we cannot have. "Lo, I am with you always, even unto the end of the world, Amen.

Respectfully submitted,

J. M. EUANS, Chairman.

I. V. LEE.

Report on State Missions was read, and after being spoken to by Rev. A. Bond, the report was adopted.

REPORT OF STATE MISSIONS.

DEAR BRETHREN:—Your committee on State Missions reports as follows:

The fields was never whiter unto the harvest than they are today, and the call for men and means never came to people with a clearer ring than it comes to us today. Our Missionary record as an Association is a little slow to act. It is our judgment that the pastors are a little slow in regard to this matter by not preaching more and talking on this line.

It has been the experience that churches will respond to the call and wishes of their pastors when they lay before them Gods' will and their duty. So we appeal to the pastors to preach and talk on this line more than has been done in the past, as we believe there is a move forward at present. If they will do this, it will still improve the work in our bounds and also in other fields of duty. We recommend that the Executive Committee put a missionary in our home work, and let it be a portion of his work to instruct and educate our people on these important lines of duty.

J. S. PARKER, Chairman.

WALDEN AMBROSE.

S. R. SMITH.

Report of Home Missions was read, and after being spoken to by Rev. J. S. Hurst was adopted.

BRETHREN:—There is not a more potent factor for good in our great Missionary enterprises than the work of our Home Board. It is by the Home Board that the Gospel is sent to destitute parts of our South Land, and that the Banner of Jesus is planted by Baptist in many large cities where Papal Power is striving for Supremacy.

Our own State Work is also assisted by the Home Board. Brethren let us not forget our Home Board when working and giving to Missions.

J. S. HURST,

J. W. WILLIAMS,

HENRY MEEKS,

Committee.

At this juncture a resolution was unanimously passed by the body to employ an Associational Missionary. The Association agreed to pay one-half of his salary, the State Board will pay the other half.

Rev. B. A. Geiger gave an interesting talk on General Missions.

The report of Womans' Work was read, and after being spoken to by Rev. T. J. Euans, report was adopted.

REPORT OF WOMAN'S MISSIONARY UNION.

We are glad to report this years' work of the W. M. U. better than any previous year. Contributions are much larger and a greater interest is being taken by our women for the spread of the gospel. A greater desire for information, and active service is evident.

While we have only seven Woman's Missionary Societies, and four Children's Bands in our Association, we have cause for encouragement and thanksgiving to our Heavenly Father.

God is greatly blessing our efforts, and we long to see the day come when there will be a live Missionary Society in every church, for a church is dead without the Mission spirit.

With the increase of funds and workers we will press forward until every nation shall have heard of Christ.

Miss Octavia Avriett,
Mrs. Maude Bracewell,
Miss Belle Helton.
Committee.

A motion was made and adopted to have a full report of the Woman's Work, inserted in the Minutes of the Association.

Bellville Church at this juncture came forward with a letter, and Bro's. Geo. H. Perry and R. L. Outlaw as delegates.

Report on Deceased Ministers and Deacons was read and adopted.

DEAR BRETHERN:—Your committee on Deceased Ministers and Deacons beg to report, that so far as we can learn, all the ministers and deacons belonging to our Association have been spared to us through the tender mercies of our Almighty God since the last meeting of our body to remain in service here below. We trust that they may yet be spared to us through another year that they may do what their hands find to do for the Master.

We therefore give Almighty God the praise for his everlasting care over them.

Respectfully submitted,

REV. D. L. NORTON, Ch'm.
W. D. STINSON,
M. R. HURST.

Report on Education was read and adopted.

DEAR BRETHERN:—Your Committee on Education beg to report, that we deem education the true foundation of all Christian enterprises.

Nothing save religion so qualifies men and women for usefulness as an education.

Education better qualifies men and women for God's service. It has been truly said, that "education is the hand maiden of religion."

We are glad to note increased interests in education among our Florida Baptist.

Of all people, we think that the Baptist host of Florida have most cause to rejoice. We should rejoice, because of our great Baptist college at Lake City. The institution of this great school make possible, nay easy, the Christian education of every baptist boy and girl in Florida. It makes possible an educated ministry, which means nothing less than advancement along all lines in our great baptist cause.

We therefore earnestly urge that every pastor, and every Baptist in the bounds of this Association take upon

themselves, the task of making Columbia College a grand success in every sense.

D. J. MILLS,
L. A. LANDEN,
W. D. STINSON.

Report on Periodicals was read, and after being discussed by Rev's. T. L. Peacock, T. J. Euans, A. Bond and B. A. Geiger, the report was adopted.

REPORT ON PERIODICALS.

DEAR BRETHREN:—The production of the press is the most potent factor in moulding the character of our citizenship and sealing the destiny of our country. If all the ungodly influence of unchristian literature was displaced, and the influence of christian literature planted in its stead, how easy would be the task of taking this world for Christ.

The Bible is the most important of all books. The circulation and reading of other christian literature is the most potent factor in introducing people to study its sacred teachings.

We therefore recommend that every Baptist in our bounds subscribe for and read the Southern Witness—our own paper. Brethren, if we desire the advancement of the baptist cause in Florida; if we desire an increase of interest in State Missions, our State Missions, Home Missions, Foreign Missions, our State Orphanage, our grand Columbia College, and in State Evangelism let us rally to the support of our Witness, for we have no other means in our power that will advance all of these grand enterprises as will the reading of the Witness.

We are sorry to note that our associational printing has heretofore been done by the secular press, we suppose because it was the cheapest. Brethren, should we not use all our means for our great baptist cause? We beg you to remember that all the money paid to our Witness, over actual running expenses, goes to Missions.

We therefore recommend that regardless of prices, the printing of our minutes be given to the Witness. We further recommend that our Sabbath Schools use the S. B. C. literature, and that all Baptist take and read the Home Field, and Foreign Mission Journal.

T. L. PEACOCK,
G. H. DORMAN,
T. J. EUANS,
Committee.

NIGHT SESSION.

The body met pursuant to adjournment, and the session opened by singing, and prayer led by Bro. E. R. Wise.

Bro. W. A. Nevil was received as a delegate from Macedonia Church.

Finance Committee reported, and report adopted.

We, the Committee on Finance beg to make the following report:

We have received from all the churches which have been represented in this meeting of the Association for the different calls \$162.44 and have turned the same over to the Treasurer.

Respectfully submitted,

J. K. Beaty, Chairman,
J. W. Adams,
G. H. Dorman.

Bro. E. R. Wise, Treasurer for last year, reported a balance of funds on hand \$33.90.

An order was made by the body, that the Clerk be paid \$15.00 for his services.

It was ordered that the remainder of the funds received at this meeting for Minutes and Clerk, should be applied on the printing of Minutes, and what was lacking should be paid from the amount already in the treasury.

An order was made for 500 Minutes, and the Clerk was instructed to get the Minutes printed where he could get the work done to the best advantage.

Rev. T. J. Euans made a verbal report on Ministerial Support, and after being spoken to by Bro's. J. J. Platt, T. L. Peacock and T. J. Euans, the report was adopted. There were some fine talks on this subject.

Report on Temperance was read, and after being discussed by Bro's. T. L. Peacock, E. R. Wise, B. A. Geiger, G. H. Dorman and J. J. Platt, the report was adopted.

REPORT ON TEMPERANCE.

We, the Committee on Temperance, beg lief to report:

We can say, we are proud that we are able to say that public sentiment is growing in favor of abstinence from illicit use of alcoholic beverages. But we are sorry that we have so many who are using or selling patent medicines that intoxicate for a blind, and excuse themselves, that the law allows it. We hope that our laws in a few years become so stringent on these things, that the men will be afraid to violate.

We would urge of the Churches of this Association, that they be more stringent in their discipline on drinking members. Sometimes in our meetings the air is foul with the odor of strong drink. It is a shame that such is true. Let us work and pray, and use every influence that we can to break down this low-down, dirty, deadly and damning vice.

P. M. Lanier, Chairman.,
G. F. Privett
Rev. J. S. Parker.

Be it resolved, that it is the spirit of this Association concerning the presence and work of the saloons in the State of Florida, that candidates for the Legislature shall

have our approval and vote unless he publicly announces himself in favor of such a clause in the Constitution of the State, that it may be practicable to pass such a statute and law, as shall give to the State prohibition in every city and hamlet.

G. H. Dorman,
Rev. T. J. Euans,
Rev. T. L. Peacock.

The above resolution was unanimously adopted.

Report on Ministerial Education was read, and was discussed by Rev's. B. A. Geiger and T. J. Euans, after which the report was adopted.

REPORT ON MINISTERIAL EDUCATION

Your Committee on Ministerial Education beg to report:

Little is being done to advance the cause of Christ, in that of Ministerial education. We have young men among us that would be a power in the Ministry if they were properly equipped for the work, with that of a university and seminary education, who are financially unable to prepare themselves for the work. It is our duty to help them with our means, that they may be better able to advance the cause of our Master.

We urge that each of our Pastors speak of this matter to congregations, and urge it as a great and important duty of every Baptist.

Respectfully,

J. W. Adams, Ch'm.
J. K. Beaty.

Report on Sunday Schools was read, and after being spoken to by Bro's. G. H. Dorman, E. R. Wise and T. J. Euans, was adopted.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

We, your Committee on Sunday Schools beg to make the following report:

We are pleased to note that in this great body of Baptists representatives in the old Suwannee Association that a few Churches report Sunday Schools, one or two in flourishing conditions. While we are pleased, we are also pained to see so many Churches in the bounds of our Association without Sunday Schools.

Brethren in the name of all that is sacred and good, what shall we do? The old Suwannee Association has been organized over thirty years, and at every session Sunday School reports have annually been presented and discussed, and churches urgently requested to have Sunday Schools.

Our children are growing up to make men and women to take our places in churches and elsewhere. Brethren, for the sake of our children, we all love them, let us by the help of God raise them up in the way they should go, when the time comes that we will be called to cross over the cold stream of death. If we have complied with the great responsibility there is on us in raising our children we can say, son or daughter fill my place here on earth and meet me in that beautiful land, where there will be stars waiting to be placed in our crowns.

Brethren, we claim to be christians, we love our children, and why is it that we can't shake off this careless way we have of treating our children, and go with them to the Sunday School, assist the superintendent and teachers in teaching them the great truths of the Bible. The Sunday School is no improper place for children, but is the proper and right place to have them. The Sunday School is the stepping stone in the church.

Where is the man or woman of intelligence, who desires not the salvations of the souls of the very offsprings of their own bodies, their dearly beloved children. The

Sunday School is the place to instruct them to be God fearing, God honoring men and women. Brethren let this be one object in view in our petitions, that parents may become interested about the salvation of their children, and that there may be Sunday Schools rightly conducted in every church in our bounds, and that there may not be a single child left in reach who is not enrolled and instructed in the way they should go, that they may be fit subjects to fill good, proper and important places when we are gone.

Submitted,

G. H. Dorman,
L. A. Perkins.

Resolved, That we, the messengers and visitors to this Association extend to the people of Jennings and vicinity our sincere thanks for the unbounded hospitality bestowed upon us during this meeting with them. Hereby insuring them that our stay among them has been most pleasant and will be long remembered by us.

T. L. Peacock.

Resolved, That we, the messengers and visitors to this Association extend our sincere thanks to Rev. B. A. Geiger, our Moderator, and Bro. W. H. Mills, our Clerk, for their able service and christian courtesies extended to us during this session of our Association.

T. L. Peacock.

The above resolutions were adopted.

"God Be With You Till We Meet Again" was sung, and a farewell hand-shaking was participated in by everyone. The Moderator gave an impressive benediction, then the body adjourned to meet with Orange Church, in Suwannee County, Thursday before the 3rd, Sunday in October 1908.

Honored Dead by Churches

- Mt. Gilead—Joe Williams and Wm. Jackson.
 Philadelphia—Sister Laura Kirkland.
 Rocky Sink—J. R. Newlan.
 Evergreen—W. M. Anderson, Deacon.
 Antioch—J. W. Allison, Sister Ophelia Allison.
 Tiger Lake—Lucius Darley.
 • Mt. Pisgah—Jeptha Williams and Walter Parers.

Roster of Ordained Ministers

Oak Grove—Rev. J. S. Hurst	Live Oak, Fla.
Jasper—Rev. B. A. Geiger	Jasper, Fla.
Mt. Pisgah—Rev. J. F. Tatum	O'Brien, Fla.
Tiger Lake—Rev. W. H. Horne	Live Oak, Fla.
Friendship—Rev. A. Bond	Live Oak, Fla.
Friendship—Rev. R. D. Turner	Pine Mount, Fla.
Mt. Olive—Rev. Andrew Law	Welborn, Fla.
Live Oak—Rev. C. A. Ridley	Live Oak, Fla.
Live Oak—Rev. T. J. Euans	Live Oak, Fla.
New Prospect—Rev. D. L. Norton	Welborn, Fla.
Bellville—Rev. J. C. Bracewell	Lake Park, Ga.
O'Brien—Rev. J. W. Holmes, Sr.	O'Brien, Fla.
Union—Rev. J. J. Holmes	Columbia, Fla.
Union—Rev. W. H. Holmes	O'Brien, Fla.
Evergreen—Rev. S. D. Huggins	Columbia, Fla.
Rocky Sink—Rev. J. S. Parker	Live Oak, Fla.
Blue Springs—Rev. B. D. Harrell	Pine Mount, Fla.
Philadelphia—Rev. E. B. Mills	Luraville, Fla.
Philadelphia—Rev. T. L. Peacock	Kirkland, Fla.
Philadelphia—Rev. O. J. Revels	Pine Mount, Fla.
Mt. Gilead—Rev. R. E. Parnell	Wilbourn, Fla.
Antioch—Rev. A. K. Evans	Live Oak, Fla.
Mt. Olive—Rev. W. C. Lee	Welbourn, Fla.
Live Oak—Rev. A. J. York	Live Oak, Fla.

Report of Woman's Missionary Union

The Baptist Woman's Missionary Union was called to order at Jennings, Fla., October 17, 1907, by Miss Spalding.

Song—Congregation.

Scripture Reading—Mrs. Ewell Brown.

Address of Welcome—Miss Warren Battle.

Response—Miss Outlaw.

Miss Spalding gave a helpful one on how to trust God for all things, and how to get information about the word.

Reports were called for.

Live Oak—Foreign Missions, \$26.10; Home, \$39.00; State \$61.60. Members 40.

Jennings—Foreign Missions, \$4.00; Home, \$4.00; State, \$4.00. Members, 14.

Tiger Lake—Foreign Missions, \$4.40; Home, \$4.15; State, \$3.35. Members not reported.

Jasper—Home Missions, \$35.00; State, \$7.35.

By Sunbeams \$8.15. Members not reported.

Bellville—Foreign Missions, \$7.05; Home, \$6.00; State, \$27.40. 9 Members. Raised by Sunbeams \$4.50.

Mrs. A. W. Livingston of Jennings, Fla. and Mrs. C. D. Frink of Live Oak, Fla. were elected Vice-Presidents for next associational year.

A meeting for the children was held, and how interested they seemed.

Miss Spalding talked to them about their neighbor, and called special attention to the Indian and his form of religion; as mission work among the Indians is what the children are so much interested in.

A collection \$2.75 was taken to be sent to the Pawnee Indians.

Adjourned.

NUMERICAL STATISTICS

NAME OF CHURCH	PASTOR LAST YEAR	CLERK OF CHURCH	CLERK'S POST OFFICE ADDRESS	INCREASE THIS YEAR				DECREASE THIS YEAR				Net Increase	Net Decrease	What Sundays Have Preachings	
				By Baptism	By Statement or Letter	By Restoration	Total Membership Increase Last Year	By Letter	By Expulsion or Erasure	By Death	Total Membership Decrease This Year				
Rosemary	J. L. Parker	G. W. Shiver	Suwannee, Fla.				4	38			1	41		3	Fourth Second
Philadelphia	T. L. Peacock	A. C. Boatright	Kirkland				4	85			1	122		31	Fourth
Blue Springs	T. L. Peacock	J. M. Adams	Wilmington				4	24			1	23		1	Fourth
Mt. Gilead	R. E. Parnell	J. W. P. Page	Falmouth				4	69			1	74		5	Fourth
May Belle	A. Bond	J. P. Mixon	Live Oak				4	44			2	50		6	First
Rocky Sink	J. T. Farnell	H. B. Brown	Live Oak				9	71			4	73		2	Second
Mt. Olive	J. T. Evans	J. B. Johns	Wellborn				2	69			7	71		8	Third
Orange	J. S. Hurst	J. W. H. Robinson	Newbern				3	15			2	25		2	First
Friendship	O. J. Revels	J. F. Williams	Pine Mount				1	63			3	61		9	Fourth
Mt. Pisgah	W. H. Holmes	Thos. Bell	Live Oak				54	88			7	36		104	Every Sunday
Live Oak	C. A. Ridley	J. T. Carroll, H. E. Carter	Live Oak				4	216			7	320		3	Fourth
Jennings	B. A. Geiger	W. H. Mills	Jennings				1	14			1	15		1	Third
Suwannee	A. K. Evans	W. H. Day	Live Oak (R.F.D. 4)				2	73			11	75		16	Fourth
Bellville	T. J. Herring	G. W. Dempsey	Jennings (R.F.D. 1)				26	2			1	131		4	Fourth
New Hope	A. F. Sellars	L. H. Perry	Lake Park, Ga.				11	135			1	141		4	Fourth
Bellville	J. R. Clements	A. M. Moseley	Clayland, Fla.				11	5			3	114		14	Fourth
Antioch	C. A. Ridley	Sidney Allen	Live Oak				3	78			3	82		4	Fourth
Jasper	W. C. Caldwell	W. C. Caldwell	Jasper				13	19			14	77		4	Fourth
Oak Grove	B. A. Geiger	M. R. Hurst	Live Oak				2	50			1	59		9	Fourth
Corinth	J. S. Hurst	T. B. Raines	Jennings (R.F.D. 3)				2	10			1	64		6	Second
New Prospect	D. L. Norton	S. H. Roebuck	Jennings				11	86			1	20		13	First
Union	J. J. Holmes	Walter Cochran	O'Brien				2	6			4	54		9	Third
O'Brien	T. L. Peacock	L. B. Davis	O'Brien				6	45			1	64		15	Second
Bright Pond	J. O. J. Revels	L. B. Geiger	Jasper				11	4			1	42		10	First
Magnolia	J. M. Bell	W. F. Aderhalt	Bradford				2	31			1	63		2	First
Tiger Lake	L. Lee	C. H. Hornum	Live Oak (R.F.D. 3)				13	10			2	25		15	Second
Fair View	W. C. Lee	H. S. Harrell	Live Oak				3	84			3	81		3	Second
Evergreen	R. E. Parnell	J. H. Anderson	Columbia				3	1			1	8		1	Second

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FINANCIAL STATISTICS

The following Amounts have been Paid this year, and include amounts from S. S., W. M. S. and other Societies.

CHURCHES	Pastor's Salary	Repairing and Improving	Incidental and Expenses	For Visiting For the Poor	Associational Missions	State Missions	Home Missions	Foreign Missions	Columbia College	Orphanage	Ministerial Education	Education General	Aged Ministers	For Minutes and Clerks	Miscellaneous	Total	Value of Church Property	Home (Parsonage)	Value of Property	Total Value of Property
Rosemary	\$ 21 00	\$ 60 00	\$ 17 20	\$ 85 73 00	\$ 4 50	\$ 1 00	\$ 1 75	\$ 2 90	\$ 50	\$ 50	\$ 5 00	\$ 11 00	\$ 2 25	\$ 75	\$ 23 75	\$ 400 00	\$ 3,000 00	\$ 400 00	\$ 400 00	
Philadelphia	50 00	60 00	17 20	85 73 00	4 50	1 00	1 75	2 90	50	50	5 00	11 00	2 25	75	182 50	500 00	500 00	500 00	500 00	
Blue Springs	50 00	60 00	17 20	85 73 00	4 50	1 00	1 75	2 90	50	50	5 00	11 00	2 25	75	182 50	500 00	500 00	500 00	500 00	
Mt. Gilead	50 00	60 00	17 20	85 73 00	4 50	1 00	1 75	2 90	50	50	5 00	11 00	2 25	75	182 50	500 00	500 00	500 00	500 00	
May Belle	20 00	40 00	2 00	15 00	1 00	1 00	10 04	12 00	8 50	10 00	1 50	1 00	1 00	1 00	13 50	700 00	700 00	700 00	700 00	
Rocky Sink	20 00	40 00	2 00	15 00	1 00	1 00	10 04	12 00	8 50	10 00	1 50	1 00	1 00	1 00	13 50	700 00	700 00	700 00	700 00	
Mt. Olive	40 00	80 00	4 00	30 00	2 00	2 00	20 08	24 00	16 00	20 00	3 00	2 00	2 00	2 00	28 00	900 00	900 00	900 00	900 00	
Orange	40 00	80 00	4 00	30 00	2 00	2 00	20 08	24 00	16 00	20 00	3 00	2 00	2 00	2 00	28 00	900 00	900 00	900 00	900 00	
Friendship	25 00	3,000 00	657 25 00	2,445 00	169 00	4 50	182 62	95 05	135 49	248 50	1 05	40 00	1 00	1 00	38 96	300 00	300 00	300 00	300 00	
Mt. Pisgah	1,800 00	3,000 00	657 25 00	2,445 00	169 00	4 50	182 62	95 05	135 49	248 50	1 05	40 00	1 00	1 00	38 96	300 00	300 00	300 00	300 00	
Live Oak	200 00	134 00	14 50	85 73 00	1 00	1 00	15 31	9 00	20 75	4 00	1 05	40 00	2 00	60	404 14	200 00	200 00	200 00	200 00	
Jennings	100 00	400 00	2 00	15 00	1 00	1 00	22 40	11 80	15 05	8 50	5 00	5 00	2 00	1 36	10 50	300 00	300 00	300 00	300 00	
Suwannee	100 00	400 00	2 00	15 00	1 00	1 00	22 40	11 80	15 05	8 50	5 00	5 00	2 00	1 36	10 50	300 00	300 00	300 00	300 00	
New Hope	75 00	300 00	4 00	10 00	2 00	2 00	1 43	3 00	3 00	5 35	5 00	1 00	2 00	2 00	210 35	300 00	300 00	300 00	300 00	
Bellville	200 00	400 00	25 00	85 73 00	3 96	3 96	18 30	53 00	8 00	7 00	7 00	7 00	1 50	50	549 87	1,200 00	1,200 00	1,200 00	1,200 00	
Clayland	400 00	800 00	50 00	175 00	1 35	1 35	18 30	53 00	8 00	7 00	7 00	7 00	1 50	50	549 87	1,000 00	1,000 00	1,000 00	1,000 00	
Antioch	35 00	140 00	20 00	75 00	1 00	1 00	1 00	1 00	1 00	1 00	1 00	1 00	1 00	1 00	37 85	300 00	300 00	300 00	300 00	
Friendship	17 70	70 00	20 00	75 00	1 00	1 00	1 00	1 00	1 00	1 00	1 00	1 00	1 00	1 00	22 15	300 00	300 00	300 00	300 00	
Mt. Olive	50 00	200 00	20 00	75 00	50	50	6 20	2 60	1 00	1 32	5 00	1 00	1 00	1 00	5 00	300 00	300 00	300 00	300 00	
Union	60 00	240 00	24 00	96 00	3 50	3 50	4 15	1 91	4 15	7 00	7 00	7 00	1 50	1 50	176 45	400 00	400 00	400 00	400 00	
Bright Pond	60 00	240 00	24 00	96 00	3 50	3 50	4 15	1 91	4 15	7 00	7 00	7 00	1 50	1 50	176 45	250 00	250 00	250 00	250 00	
Magnolia	60 00	240 00	24 00	96 00	3 50	3 50	4 15	1 91	4 15	7 00	7 00	7 00	1 50	1 50	176 45	250 00	250 00	250 00	250 00	
Tiger Lake	60 00	240 00	24 00	96 00	3 50	3 50	4 15	1 91	4 15	7 00	7 00	7 00	1 50	1 50	176 45	250 00	250 00	250 00	250 00	
Fair View	38 75	155 00	15 50	61 75	1 35	1 35	2 61	1 35	1 35	1 35	1 35	1 35	1 35	1 35	41 90	400 00	400 00	400 00	400 00	
Evergreen	38 75	155 00	15 50	61 75	1 35	1 35	2 61	1 35	1 35	1 35	1 35	1 35	1 35	1 35	41 90	400 00	400 00	400 00	400 00	

SUNDAY SCHOOL STATISTICS

CHURCHES	SUNDAY-SCHOOLS										OTHER SOCIETIES		
	NAME OF SUPERINTENDENT AND HIS POSTOFFICE ADDRESS	No. of Schools	No. of Pupils	No. of Teachers	Scholars Bp'zd.	\$ S. S. Expenses	Missions and Benevolence	Total Amount Raised	Name of President and her P. O. address	Raised for M'ns and Benev'ce.	Name of Society	President's name	Raised for M'ns and Benev'ce
Rosemary	A. C. Boatright	1	54	4	9	\$	3 00	\$ 3 00			B. Y. P. U.		\$ 1 80
Philadelphia													
Blue Springs													
Mt. Gillead													
May Belle													
Rocky Sink													
Mt. Olive													
Orange													
Friendship													
Mt. Pisgah													
Blue Oak													
Jennings													
St. Paul													
New Hope													
Bellville													
Clayland													
Antioch													
Jasper													
Oak Grove													
Corinth													
New Prospect													
Union													
O'Brien													
Bright Pond													
Magnolia													
Tiger Lake													
Fair View													
Evergreen													
	J. J. Carter	1	20	2	2	85	77 34	85	Mrs. Dr. Brown	189 50	B. Y. P. U.	H. Sheppard	
	S. P. Mays	1	200	9	24	160 00	237 34	34	Mrs. J. K. Beaty	14 00			
	W. H. Mills	1	25	4	4	14 59	1 05	15 64					
									Mrs. J. C. Bracewell	45 25			
	J. W. Polhill	1	10	2	2	4 00							
	Samuel Duckworth	1	45	3	3								
	W. L. Murrow	1	35	4	4	25 00		25 00	Mrs. B. A. Geiger	41 35			
	L. B. Davis	1	34	3	3	3 88		3 88					
	G. H. Dorman	1	36	3	2	2 61	6 28	8 89	Mrs. W. H. Horne	16 55	B. Y. P. U.	W. Ambrose	9 85

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For information apply to:

G. A. NINNALLY, President.