

THIRTY-NINTH ANNUAL SESSION

Suwannee
Missionary Baptist
Association



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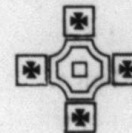


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MINUTES
OF THE
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OFFICERS

J. R. Wills, *Moderator*, Kathleen, Fla.
A. J. York, *Moderator, Pro Tem*, Live Oak, Fla.
S. D. Huggins, *Clerk*, Columbia, Fla., R. F. D. No. 1
D. J. Mills, *Treasurer*, Wilmarth, Fla.



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D. J. MILLS, *Wilmarth, Fla.* F. H. WATKINS, *Live Oak, Fla.*
S. S. MATHIS, *Jasper, Fla.*

ORDER OF BUSINESS.

1. Introductory Sermon.
2. Association Called to Order by the Moderator.
3. Reading Letters on Enrolling Delegates.
4. Call for Petitionary Letters.
5. Election of Moderator, Clerk and Treasurer.
6. Inviting Visiting Ministers and Brethren to Seats
7. Call for Correspondence.
8. Appointment of Committees.
9. Fix Hour for Meeting and Adjournment.
10. Report of Committees.
11. Appointment of Messengers to State Convention
and Sister Associations.
12. Arrange for Printing Minutes.
13. Appoint Place for Next Meeting.
14. Miscellaneous Business.
15. Adjournment.

CONSTITUTION.

SEC. 1. This Association shall be known as the SUWANNEE MISSIONARY 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 destination 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 correspondents 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 only one 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 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 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 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 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 Saviour Jesus Christ, and that they are kept by the power of God, through faith, until eternal salvation; and that no 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 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.

The Suwannee Missionary Baptist Association met in its 39th annual session Tuesday, Oct. 4th, 1910, with Antioch Church. The introductory sermon was preached by Rev. F. H. Watkins at 11 o'clock, his subject being "The Conscious Presence of the Holy Spirit."

The Association after recess for dinner re-convened at 1:30 p. m. and was formally called to order by the clerk, and on motion Bro. F. H. Watkins was elected moderator pro tem.

The call for correspondence and messengers with the following result:

CHURCHES REPRESENTED AND MESSENGERS ENROLLED:

Antioch—V. E. Bevan, C. H. Brinson, E. R. Wise and T. A. Mikell.

Blue Springs—Horace Tedder.

Bellville—J. W. Pollhill, Mrs. E. W. Mason.

Bright Pond—L. P. Geiger.

Clayland—W. L. Minims and J. W. Carmikel.

Corinth—Thos. Green, J. W. Green and Jno. Head.

Evergreen—S. D. Huggins, E. M. Kirby, Thos. Padgett and J. S. Goodbread.

Friendship—J. H. Espey, H. Hairgraves and R. D. Turner.

Fairview—M. C. Skeene.

Hopewell—David Herndon, Shem Hunter.

Jennings—L. A. Perkins and W. M. Ratliff.

Jasper—Rev. S. S. Mathis and J. W. Adams.

Live Oak—Rev. A. J. York, Rev. F. H. Watkins, Mrs. Mrs. C. N. Hildreth, Mrs. Willeford, Mrs. D. E. Byrd,

Mt. Gillead—Walter Holland and H. S. Williams.

Mt. Olive—J. H. Johns and A. S. Hogan.

Mt. Pisgah—W. R. Daughtry and wife.

Mary Bell—J. V. Johnson and J. J. Ramsey.

Magnolia—J. W. Aderholt.

New Hope—R. M. Bush and E. H. Sowers.

Orange—J. F. Landin.

O'Brien—L. B. Davis and wife, T. C. Williams and

Mrs. W. H. Flemming.

Philadelphia—A. C. Boatright and wife and J. O. Boatright.

Pimgroos—W. E. Privatt, Rafor Royals.

Rocky Sink—J. M. Brown and wife.

Rosemary—H. W. Turner.

Suwannee—Sisters Mattie Phillips and Lora Mickell.

Union—C. E. Webb and J. A. Douglas.

A petitionary letter from Pine Grove Church was received and on motion was admitted to membership in the body. The moderator extended the right hand of fellowship. Their messengers appear in the regular list.

The time having arrived for organization the rules were waived and Rev. J. R. Wells was elected moderator and S. D. Huggins, clerk, and D. J. Mills, treasurer. Elections were all made by acclamation.

Visiting brethren were welcomed to seats, among us as follows: Rev. J. R. Johnson, representing the Baptist Witness and Rev. H. A. Jordan, of Beulah Association, and the following committees were appointed by the moderator:

Committee on services: H. A. Jordan, J. H. Burnett, V. E. Bevan and J. W. Barnes.

Foreign missions: F. H. Watkins, T. C. Williams and W. E. Privett.

Home missions: J. R. Wills, T. A. Mikell, L. P. Geiger.

State missions: S. S. Mathis, D. Hurndon, J. A. Douglas.

Associational missions: F. J. Carter, A. J. York, S. D. Huggins.

General education and Columbia College: E. R. Wise, Horace Tedder, E. M. Kirby.

Ministerial education: H. E. Carter, Walter Holland, L. B. Davis.

Periodicals: J. W. Pollhill, J. R. Johnson, J. W. Adams.

Woman's work: Mrs. C. N. Hildreth, Mrs. W. H.

Flemming and Mrs. E. W. Mason.

On deceased ministers: J. W. Adams, J. W. Green and Thos. Padgett.

Temperance: H. A. Jordan, T. C. Williams and A. C. Boatright.

Sunday schools: A. C. Boatright, L. B. Davis.

Orphanage: R. D. Turner, A. S. Hogan.

Finance: R. M. Bush, J. S. Goodbread.

Nominations: P. M. Lanier, V. E. Bevan.

On motion the time for the meeting and adjournment were fixed as follows: Meet at 9:30 a. m. and adjourn at 4 p. m.. One hour and one half for dinner.

The Association now adjourned to meet at 9:30 Wednesday morning.

MORNING SESSION—WEDNESDAY.

The Association was called to order by the moderator. Devotional services by Bro. S. S. Mathis. Minutes of previous sessions read and adopted.

Call for messenger—no response.

REPORT ON FOREIGN MISSIONS.

Your committee on foreign missions beg leave to submit the following:

Our Lord says, "Go ye into all the world and lo I am with you always," and as we have gone in His name we have evidences of His presence. God has manifested Himself most when His people have heeded and obeyed His command to their utmost. The largest visitations of divine approval and grace rests today upon our foreign mission work. God has set His seal to it too plainly for any questioning mind to ever have another doubt as to the Father's will concerning it. To disbelieve in foreign missions now is to refuse to believe what our very eyes have seen. The growth and spread and success of the Gospel in heathen lands is evidence that can get but one verdict. Now as never before the command to give the gospel to all nations is pressing itself upon

the hearts and consciences of God's children, and God's people are arousing themselves as never before. The Baptist Churches of the South gave last year \$40,261 more than the year before and Florida Baptists gave \$1,175 more than the year before. The increase in our forces on the far-flung battle front grows each year and the increase in Baptism increases each year, besides the incalculable good done that only eternity can measure.

The Southern Baptist Convention report also shows our forces on the foreign field to be as follows: Africa—churches 51, out-stations 18, houses of worship 23, baptisms 117, membership 1,002, missionaries 15, native helpers 43, contributions \$1,521.80. Argentina—churches 6, out-stations 5, houses of worship 1, baptisms 60, membership 175, missionaries 12, native helpers 4, contributions \$1,507.83. Brazil—churches 97, out-stations 223, houses of worship 41, baptisms 1,249, membership 5,691, missionaries 41, native helpers 54, contributions \$19,901.05. China—churches 54, out-stations 126, houses of worship 67, baptisms 921, membership 6,669, missionaries 109, native helpers 214, contributions \$10,153.71. Italy—churches 33, out-stations 84, houses of worship 5, baptisms 91, membership 950, missionaries 4, native helpers 32, contributions \$1,420.60. Japan—churches 9, out-stations 9, houses of worship 8, baptisms 87, membership 456, missionaries 18, native helpers 16, contributions \$973. Mexico—churches 45, out-stations 94, houses of worship 17, baptisms 384, membership 1,653, missionaries 32, native helpers 52, contributions \$4,809.93. Total—churches 259, out stations 559, houses of worship 162, baptisms 2,905, present membership 16,596, missionaries 231, native helpers 375, in all 606, contributions \$40,287.93.

We have 128 day schools with 3,269 pupils; 9 boys' boarding schools with 428 pupils, 13 general boarding schools with 586 pupils, 2 colleges with 100 pupils, 4

workers' training schools with 37 pupils, 8 theological training schools with 176 pupils. Total—schools 142, students 3,864. We have 13 medical missionaries, 3 hospital buildings and 11 dispensaries. Our medical missionaries treated 42,659 patients.

Brethren God is blessing our efforts to bring to pass His will among the children of men and while we feel grateful to Him it ought to humble us at His feet and stir us to do our utmost for the cause for which He died.

Respectfully submitted,

F. H. WATKINS, Chm'n.

REPORT ON STATE MISSIONS.

From a business point of view, there is not a State in the Southern Baptist Convention with such varied and sundry resources as Florida.

Her fields of snow-white cotton in the north, her timber forests for turpentine and lumber in the center, her fruit and vegetable farms of its south and west, together with her many industries interspersed makes Florida an inviting field for business men and laborers of every class.

Therefore, her growth in population is rapid and varied, making her one of the most inviting States as a mission field.

But an earnest investigation provokes a frank confession that our growth religiously is not as rapid as one would desire, and sometimes we entertain some very grave fears that our religious growth is not keeping pace with the financial.

At least we are confronted with the startling facts that there are five counties in the State with only one resident preacher in each county, three with only two to the county, and three counties without even one. Therefore, there is a vast area of our State in those counties referred to, as well as a number of the rural districts in counties more favored, which is in utter destitution of the blessed Gospel.

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Many of our churches have imbibed the spirit of the Anti-Missionary, and are therefore in great need of intelligent training along lines of missionary endeavor.

Our State board is fully awake on the question and has in its employ 59 of the ablest men it could secure.

That these men have been active and accomplished much good is attested by their reports in office of State board, showing that they travel at least 50,000 miles per annum, or enough to twice circumscribe the Globe.

They preached last quarter one thousand one hundred sermons and received five hundred members into the churches, making an average of five members for every eleven sermons, a much higher average than that of the pastors.

So the Lord has set his seal of approval on this work.

There is a growing tendency on the part of our State board to lend help to our associations in taking care of their destitution and to weak and struggling churches in building houses of worship.

In fact, it was only through the State board that we have had the benefit of the service of our much beloved Bro. J. R. Wells as associational missionary.

So in this and many other ways the State board has proven to be our friend and is entitled to our most hearty and loyal support.

Let us insist that every church make a liberal contribution to this work and send it direct to Bro. Rodgers, our corresponding secretary.

Bro. Rodgers sounds the slogan for 1911—"one hundred men and \$25,000." Will you and your church help?

Respectfully submitted,

S. S. MATHIS, Chm'n.

On motion the reports on Foreign, Home and State Missions were read and discussed jointly; and the 11 o'clock hour was given Rev. S. B. Rodgers, secretary of State board of mission, to speak to all those reports, and after having the needs of Florida most impressively

put before us by Bro. Rodgers. A collection for State missions was taken amounting to \$16.41.

On motion the Woman's Work was given the hour immediately after dinner for their meeting on work.

The Association adjourned for dinner to meet at 2 p. m.

AFTERNOON SESSION—WEDNESDAY.

Association called to order by Bro. A. J. York, the moderator being sick.

Call for messengers—no response.

The committee on general education and Columbia College reports as follows:

Your committee appointed at the last session to report on general education and Columbia College, beg leave to submit the following: Baptists have ever been pioneers in education. We have schools and colleges and universities close on the heels of their churches. They have sought not only to evangelize the world but also to give to the world an intelligent Christianity and a trained Christian citizenship. Believing that the Baptists of the world alone are the conservators of the truth in its entirety, we can not but feel grateful that our forefathers in the faith have left us this emphasis upon education, nor can we fail to see the stupendous importance of a mind correctly trained and taught in the truths that make for our denominational welfare and upbuilding. We need to do more than emphasize general education. Do that by all means, but doubly emphasize Christian education. The hope of our country lies not as much in a trained citizenship as in a trained Christian citizenship. Many schools can give the former, but only Christian schools can give the latter. Baptists have ever stood for the truth both in belief and practical life that are, in their last analysis, distinctively our own. These principals have been, and are now, and must forever be the "light of the world." Our denominational prestige and power and usefulness depend

upon our intelligent fidelity to these distinctive Baptist principles. No other schools and colleges except our own, give to our young men and women this kind of intellectual training. The world needs Baptist manhood whose educational training has been in the closest touch with our denominational life and interests. We see then the importance of maintaining and patronizing our own institutions of learning. The Baptists of each State have seen fit to establish colleges or universities of their own and usually they are the best in the State. Here in Florida we have Columbia college, whose place among the best institutions of learning is assured, although but two years old. Dr. H. W. Tribble has been president only one year and his face is familiar from end of the State to the other, and the confidence he has inspired in the permanency of the college is not to be shaken. The college is on a safe, sound basis and its welfare guarded by a corps of the best men in the State. The institution is ours to take the largest pride in. The college has recently opened with twice the enrollment of last year, thus manifesting the magnificent work of the president and faculty, the loyalty of last year's students and the faith of Florida Baptists.

The institution is ours to support. In one Baptist to be disloyal to Columbia College is to be disloyal to the denomination and her principles. We must love it, we must pray for it and give our money to support it.

We not only recommend, but urge every church in the Association to have a "Columbia College day" and make a generous offering for its support.

Respectfully submitted,

E. R. WISE,
T. H. TEDDER,
E. M. KIRBY.

Motion to adopt spoken to by E. R. Wise and S. S. Mathis. Report adopted.

REPORT ON PERIODICALS.

Dear Brethren: We feel the necessity of arousing among our Baptist people a greater interest in bible teaching through our denominational papers and periodicals, especially we recommend the following: The Foreign Mission Journal and the Home Field. Especially do we recommend to the people of this Association that they read The Florida Baptist Witness, give it their support by their subscriptions, prayers and otherwise. for it is the reflector that throws the light throughout the length and breadth of our State, therefore it is a sweet privilege, as well as a duty to every Florida Baptist to have it come into their homes.

J. W. POLHILL,
J. W. ADAMS,
J. R. JOHNSON.

Motion to adopt spoken to by J. W. Polhill. Report adopted.

The finance committee reported that during this session there had been sent up for all purposes \$109.69, which amount would be duly turned over to our treasurer.

Respectfully,
R. M. BUSH,
J. S. GOODBREAD.

Report received and adopted.

COMMITTEE ON NOMINATIONS.

Report that the next session of this Association meet with Rocky Sink church. Date to be arranged.

Respectfully submitted,
P. M. LANIER,
V. E. BEVANS.

Adopted.

And on motion the date of the meeting of this Association be referred back to the executive committee and State board to be fixed not earlier than Thursday after the first Sunday in November, 1911.

The Association now adjourned to meet Thursday morning at 9:30 a. m.

The Association was called to order by Bro. A. J. York, moderator pro tem. Prayer by Dr. H. W. Tribble.

Invitation to visitors, and Dr. H. W. Tribble was welcomed among us.

REPORT OF TREASURER.

D. J. Mills, treasurer, in account Suwannee Association.

1909		RECEIPTS.
Oct. 16	Bal on hand	\$ 54.10
" "	From finance committee	105.71
" "	Total receipts	\$159.81
1909		DISBURSEMENTS
Oct. 16	Paid clerk	\$ 15.00
" 30	Paid foreign missions	3.80
" "	Paid home missions	5.10
" "	Paid State missions	11.86
" "	Paid orphanage missions	15.08
" "	Paid ministerial Education	5.86
" "	Paid general education	.50
" "	Paid aged ministers	4.71
Nov. 16	Paid State ministers	66.15
Dec. 27	Paid for printing minutes & pstg.	31.75
Total disbursements		\$159.81
Leaving no balance on hand.		

Respectfully submitted,

D. J. MILLS,
Treasurer.

Report received and adopted.

ASSOCIATIONAL MISSIONS.

To the Suwannee Baptist Association: Your committee appointed by this body to make report as to matters within the jurisdiction of said committee and affecting the question of mission work within the bounds of our Association, beg leave to report :

That for several years the question of more aggressive mission work within the bounds of our Association, has been upon the hearts and conscience of our people. More than ever, we have been grasping the true meaning of our Savior's command, that we should be witnesses for Him on the earth, and being confronted with the fact that there were some large sections within the bounds of our Association without Baptist churches, and that in many instances our churches were weak and struggling, and our people not sufficiently informed as to missions and our denominational work, this Association at its session in O'Brien, Florida, one year ago, wisely determined to place within the local field an Associational missionary, whose special business should be to try to reach and supply said destitution, and thereupon our Association authorized its executive committee, working in conjunction with the State Board of Missions, to employ a man as associational missionary.

Within a short time after the adjournment of our last Association, this committee, in conjunction with the State Board, employed Rev. J. R. Wells, then pastor at Jennings, Fla., for one-half time, and your committee would report that Bro. Wells has laid himself out for the Master's work, to which he had been appointed by your executive committee and State Board, and the State Board, from the time of his appointment, until the present.

With a territory comprising Hamilton and Suwannee counties, and some adjacent territory, with a population of from thirty to thirty-five thousand (at least, twenty

thousand of the Caucasian race) and with only about thirty Baptist churches scattered over this large territory, it becomes apparent at once that we are in great need of an Associational Missionary. As to the details of the work, your committee would respectfully invite your attention to the special report of Bro. Wells.

It is urgently recommended that we continue this work within our Association, and inasmuch as Brother Wells has recently resigned the pastorate at Jennings and moved to South Florida, it will be necessary for this Association to take steps, if deemed advisable, to continue this work and to supply this vacancy caused by the removal of Bro. Wells.

In conclusion we wish to commend the work done by Bro. Wells in behalf of our churches and people, and to thus express our regret at losing him from our midst. We can heartily recommend him to the Baptist brotherhood of South Florida, as being a faithful and efficient minister of the Gospel and one who carries his whole heart into every mission endeavor with Christian zeal and courage.

Respectfully submitted,

W. A. J. CARTER, Chairman.

A. J. YORK,

S. D. HUGGINS, Committee.

Motion to adopt spoken to by H. A. Jordan and S. S. Mathis. Adopted.

Partial report of Bro. J. R. Wells, associational missionary, was read and after being discussed, said report was referred back, and he requested to report completely to the executive committee on the numerical and financial part be printed in the minutes. Dr. Tribble was at this time given the floor and made a strong appeal for Columbia College, after which a collection was taken amounting to \$8.25 cash and a \$20.00 pledge from W. M. S. of Jasper.

Resolution to divide the territory of the Association

into two union meetings was referred to a committee, consisting of E. R. Wise, S. D. Huggins and J. S. Goodbread to take the matter under consideration and report to the union meeting fifth Sunday in Oct. 1910, at Philadelphia church.

The Association now adjourned to meet at 1 o'clock.

AFTERNOON SESSION—THURSDAY.

Association called to order by the moderator pro tem. Call for messengers. Rosemary church to respond. Messengers to appear in list.

Resolution to amend constitution, Art. 1, Sec. 1, so as to read as follows: This Association shall be known as the Suwannee Missionary Baptist Association.

REPORT ON SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

Dear Brethren: Your committee on Sunday schools beg leave to report in your committee's report, we feel that our Sunday schools has been greatly neglected by some of our churches. We find that only nine of our churches reported Sunday schools. We find our Sunday schools doing good work in church work. We find a goodly number of converts coming out of our Sunday schools. We find them harmonizing.

Brethren, we should, as fathers and mothers, take more interest in our Sunday schools. We should feed the bread of life more freely to our children. We should encourage them better. We should attend Sunday school better. When we get there, we should not stand around the doors—you should go in and take part in the Bible reading. Your boys will take steps after you, no matter what they are, if they be good ones or bad ones.

Brethren lend us a helping hand. Do your best for the Master's cause. Do all you can to bring our boys and girls nearer to Christ. Do it now—don't put it off until next month or next year.

Commence now. Let's make 1911 the banner year for Sunday schools. Don't get discouraged and say it's

of no use. Stand up for Jesus. Now show me a church, with a Sunday school, and I'll show you a live church.

Respectfully submitted,

A. C. BOATRIGHT,
L. B. DAVIS,
Committee.

Motion to adopt spoken to by H. A. Jordan, E. R. Wise, S. S. Mathis. Adopted.

The following chairmen of the sthanding committees were appointed by the moderator:

Foreign missions, S. S. Mathis; home missions, F. H. Watkins; State missions, Ira J. Carter; associational missions, E. R. Wise; Sunday schools, J. W. Adams; temperance, T. L. Peacock; woman's work, Mrs. C. S. Brown; Columbia college and ministerial education, H. E. Carter; orphanage, W. H. Holmes; young people's work, H. A. Jordan.

The following delegates to the State convention at DeLand, Fla., were appointed by the moderator:

S. S. Mathis, W. S. Murrow, F. H. Watkins, A. J. York, E. R. Wise, S. D. Huggins, T. L. Peacock

As delegate to the Southern Baptist Convention, E. R. Wise.

And the executive committee as appointed by the moderator are as follows:

Ira J. Carter, E. R. Wise, D. J. Mills, F. H. Watkins, S. S. Mathis.

REPORT ON TEMPERANCE.

Your committee on temperance beg leave to submit the following:

No question is so vitally before the Christian people of Florida today as the great question of temperance. We face one phase of it now as never before. The call has come unto God's people to decide whether Florida shall still be cursed and ruled by the liquor traffic or not. That's the only issue in regard to temperance that we

face today. We must respectfully urge that this Association put itself on record as favoring the amendment now before the voters of the State.

Respectfully submitted,

H. A. JORDAN,
T. C. WILLIAMS,
L. B. DAVIS.

Motion to adopt spoken to by H. A. Jordan S. S. Mathis, C. H. Brinson and E. R. Wise. Adopted.

On motion the clerk was paid \$15.00 for his services; and the matter of minutes was left to the clerk.

REPORT ON DECEASED MINISTERS.

Dear Brethren:—Having made inquiries as to deceased ministers, we find none, showing a manifestation of God's blessings and care upon our ministers, for which we so much lift our hearts in gratitude to Him for the privilege of having none to report.

J. W. ADAMS,
J. W. GREEN,
T. PADGETT.

On motion of Bro. F. H. Watkins the executive committee was instructed to arrange to supply another associational missionary as soon as possible and have him begin work in the field.

On motion the reading of the minutes were disposed with.

The following resolution was offered:

“Resolved, That this Association extend a vote of thanks to Antioch church and community for its kind entertainment and boundless hospitality during this session.”

There being no further business, the Association adjourned.

Attest:

S. D. HUGGINS, Clerk.

Sincerely,

A. J. YORK,

Mod. Pro Tem.

ROSTER OF ORDAINED MINISTERS—SUWANNEE
BAPTIST ASSOCIATION.

Philadelphia, O. J. Revels and T. L. Peacock.
Pine Mount,
Union, W. H. Holmes, O'Brien, Fla.
Union, J. J. Holmes, Columbia, R. F. D. No. 1.
Rocky Sink, J. S. Parker, Live Oak, Fla.
Mt. Pisgah, J. S. Tatem, Pine Mount, Fla.
Mt. Olive, A. T. Law, Wellborn, Fla.
Antioch, A. K. Evans, Live Oak, Fla.
Clayland, J. J. Platt, Dowling Park, Fla.
Blue Springs, B. D. Harrell, Pine Mount, Fla.
Mt. Gilead, R. E. Parnell, Wellborn, Fla.
Friendship, A. Bond, Live Oak, Fla.
Friendship, R. D. Turner, Pine Mount, Fla.
Jennings, R. R. Wills, Kathleen, Fla.
Live Oak, A. J. York, Live Oak, Fla.
Evergreen, S. D. Huggines, Columbia, R. F. D. No. 1.
Tiger Lake, W. H. Horne, Live Oak, Fla.

REPORT OF ASSOCIATIONAL MISSIONARY.

When called by the executive committee to the work of missionary in our missionary in our association it was agreed upon by said committee that I, the missionary, should formulate my plans and map out the work to be done and the way to do it as best I could according to my own judgment.

Although this was laying on me a heavy responsibility and one I would have much preferred to have others bear; yet I yielded to the suggestion of our committee and took up the work with a vim, feeling that I had at least one qualification for the work and that was that I was very deeply in love with it and that it lay very heavily on my heart.

My judgment was that the backwoods condition of our people along missionary and educational lines called for special work on the part of the missionary in dissemi-

nating missionary information and giving some information along these lines.

Hence, teaching missions and pastoral support and the support of our denominational institutions and enterprise has been the burden of my work. Also, I have done some doctrinal preaching, held some revival meetings with the pastor's and churches, held some meetings in destitute places and organized churches, etc.

I have made much of the fifth Sunday union meeting, resurrecting it by the help of the brethren and putting it on a live missionary platform.

However, many of the churches and pastor's so far, are very backward and indifferent toward the union meeting.

In my year's work, besides the visible results, I trust seed have been sown that will bring a rich harvest in the year's to come.

In my rounds I have met about all the pastors in our bounds, and without exception, they have treated me fraternally and cordially. Many of them together with your executive committee and numerous other brethren have given me many words of encouragement and commendation in my work, which have served to cheer my heart and nerve me to my arduous task.

Engaged for half time, I have actually and conscientiously given half of my time to the work.

The secretary of your State Board of Missions, according to contract, have sent promptly the check for my salary.

I have usually taken collections in connection with my meetings. These were taken for various benevolent causes, though mostly for State State or Associational missions.

I have remitted to our secretary, Rev. S. B. Rogers at Gainesville all funds for whatever purpose collected, except church-building and occasional ministerial help. These last were applied directly to said causes.

I have requested receipts to be sent the treasurers' or clerks of each church contributing, but I find that in many cases the itemized receipts were not so sent, but instead the receipt for the full months remittances were sent to me.

The conditions in our Association urgently demand that this work be continued for at least another year.

I give here a summary of my years work, excepting some details of the last month, which work is not yet completed :

TABULATED REPORT OF MISSIONARY WELLS—

Giving half time to the Suwannee Association.

Days of service 61, miles traveled 2,215, services held 217, sermons preached 235, addresses 104, churches visited 42, institutes held 11, tracts distributed 128, papers distributed 106, letters written 275, received by letter 38, received by baptism 52, churches organized 3, Sunday schools organized 2, subscriptions for denominational paper 20, revivals held 10, visits to homes 45, money collected for all purposes \$541.57.

Expenses by the board—Hotel \$7.50, printing \$2.75, livery \$5.25, clerical help \$25.13, postage and stationery \$6.55, telegrams \$1.85, tent expenses \$44.40, railroad fare \$50.90. Total \$144.33. Salary received from board \$600.00.

Respectfully and fraternally,

J. R. WELLS,
Missionary.



MEETING of the WOMAN'S MISSIONARY UNION of Suwannee Association



Song—"Tenderly Calling," which was followed by a short talk by Mrs. Peelman. Other passages read from the Bible by ladies present. Prayer by Mrs. Peelman for God's blessings upon Woman's Work, that they should do what their hands find to do.

Song—"I Love to Tell the Story," after which Mrs. Peelman, in a very feeling way, presented the Woman's Work.

Then a call for reports:

Bellville—W. M. S., reported \$34.60 for Home and Foreign Missions.

Jennings—W. M. S., reported \$25.15 for Home and Foreign Missions.

O'Brien—W. M. S., reported \$16.81 for Home and Foreign Missions.

Live Oak—W. M. S., reported \$95.40 for Home and Foreign Missions.

Associational Superintendent, Miss Mamie Griffin, Jasper, Fla., was elected for the coming year.

Respectfully submitted,

MRS. W. R. WILLEFORD,
Rec. Sec'y.

STATISTICAL TABLE—NUMERICAL

NAME OF CHURCH	PASTOR'S AND P. O. ADDRESSES	CLERKS AND P. O. ADDRESSES	Increase This Year			Decrease This Year			Net Increase	Net Decrease	What Sundays Have Preaching
			By Baptism	By Letter or Statement	By Restoration	Total Increase	By Letter	By Expulsion or Refusal			
Antioch	H A Jordan, Lake City	R J Allen, Live Oak	3	6		8	1	22	16	3	Second
Blue Springs	L L Peacock, Pine Mt. Rd	J M Adams, Williamth	1	1		2	1	3	3	3	Third
Bellville	H Brooks	J W Polhill, Bellville	5	1		3	2	2	3	2	Fourth
Bright Pond	A D Witter, O'Brien	L P Gjelger, Jasper	1	3	1	4	1	6	4	2	Fourth
Clayland	J L Peacock, Pine Mt	A M Mosely, Newbern	20	2		22	28	101	103	18	Second
Evergreen	J S Hurst, Live Oak	Jessie Green, Jennings	23	3	2	28	23	3	108	25	First
Friendship	J S Parker, Lake City	Thos Padgett, Olin's Bl	17	6		23	1	3	72	30	First
Fairview	A J York, Live Oak	W R Turner, Pine Mt	8	2		10	1	1	23	8	Fourth
Hopewell	J F Bond, Live Oak	W F Harrell, Live Oak	28	10	1	38	1	4	48	19	2nd and 4th
Jasper	J R Wells, Kathleen	W H Rendon, A x ville, Ga	4	5		9	9	10	96	1	2nd and 4th
Live Oak	Jno A Wray, Live Oak	W A Beatty, Jennings	12	30		42	1	1	10	42	Every
Mt. Gilend	J A L Cook, Lake City	H E Carter, Live Oak	3	5		8	3	4	112	1	Third
Mt. Olive	R E Parnell, W. O'Brien	W P Page, Falmouth	5	1		6	3	4	6	47	Second
Mary Bell	W H Holmes, O'Brien	G E Daughtry, Pine Mt	10	2	1	13	1	1	138	13	Second
Magnolia	W B Lister, Harch Bend	J V Johnson, Live Oak	3	1		4	1	6	7	14	First
New Hope	A J York, Live Oak	R J Bush, Jennings	30	2	1	33	21	5	1	1	Third
Orange	I R Clements, Day	W H Robinson, Newb'n	8	4		12	12	4	140	6	Fourth
O'Brien	G N Traywick, Mayo	C W Williams, O'Brien	2	1		3	3	4	19	9	Second
Philadelphia	J F Farnell, Day	AC Boatright, Wilm'th	1	1		2	1	4	63	3	Second
Pine Grove	N F Pasor	Raford Royals, J'nings	1	1		2	1	4	24	3	First
Rocky Slink	J F Farnell, Day	J A Mitchell, Live Oak	3	1		4	1	5	79	5	First
Rocky Slink	Joe Bass, Wellborn	H W Turner, Live Oak	3	1		4	1	4	5	5	First
Rosemary	J S Hurst, Live Oak	P H Lewis, Live Oak									
Suwannee	J S Hurst, Live Oak	J A Holmes, O'Brien									
Union											

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STATISTICAL TABLE—FINANCIAL
THE FOLLOWING AMOUNTS HAVE BEEN PAID THIS YEAR AND INCLUDE:

NAME OF CHURCH	Pastor's Salary	For Building	Incidental and Improving	For Visiting Ministers	Associational Missions	State Missions	Home Missions	Foreign Missions	Current Ex. and Endowment	Columbia College	Ministerial Education	Educational (General)	Aged Ministers	Orphanage	For the Poor	Minutes and Clerk	TOTAL	Value of Home	Value of Church Property	Total Value of Property	
Antioch	150 00			3 00	2 00	10 03	5 10	2 00					1 10	7 45	5 00	1 50	178 00	1 000 00	1 000 00	2 000 00	
Blue Springs	50 00		2 00			6 35	1 40	5 50				1 00	2 00	1 10	5 00	3 75	70 25	500 00	500 00	1 000 00	
Bellville	38 00		10 00			10 00	8 75	17 50					1 00	1 10	5 00	2 00	48 00	500 00	500 00	1 000 00	
Bright Pond	40 00					1 00	1 00	2 00					1 40	1 00	2 50	1 50	10 10	300 00	300 00	600 00	
Clayland																					
Corinth	50 00																				
Evergreen	60 00																				
Friendship	25 00																				
Fairview																					
Hopewell	40 00																				
Jasper	50 00	130 00	14 45	82 25	16 83	16 65	17 50	4 25					5 20	33 22		2 00	876 16	1 500 00	1 500 00	3 000 00	
Live Oak	100 00		42 50	54 75	18 20	50 84	24 58	12 25					2 00	10 40		2 00	969 97				
Mt. Gilend	1200 00	4 184 12	264 67	2 50	100 30	48 22	137 50							65 21		1 00	6 630 05	2 000 00	8 000 00	10 000 00	
Mt. Olive	50 00																				
ML Pisgah	81 00																				
Mary Bell	14 80		7 35																		
Magnolia																					
New Hope	100 00		26 50	10 00	1 25	21 50	3 50	3 70													
Orange	30 00																				
O'Brien	75 00																				
Philadelphia	75 00																				
Pine Grove																					
Rocky Slink	54 38		4 00	1 40	2 00	35 15	3 00	15 50													
Rosemary																					
Suwannee																					
Union	50 00		20 00	4 00	1 00	6 35	1 00	1 00					25	2 30			83 13	800 00	800 00	1 600 00	

SUNDAY SCHOOL STATISTICS

NAME OF CHURCH	SUNDAY SCHOOLS							WOMAN'S MISSIONARY SOCIETY				OTHER SOCIETIES				
	Names of Supt.	No. of Schools	No. of Pupils	No. of Teachers	Scholars Baptized	Sunday school Expenses	Mission and Benevolence	Total for all Purposes	Name of President's and their Postoffice Addresses	Contributed for Mission & Benevolence	Value of Missionary Boxes	Total for All Purposes	Name of Society	Names of President's and their Post Office Addresses	Contributed Benevolence and Missions	
Antioch	E. R. Wise,	1	47	2			19 00	19 00	Mrs. Maud Eracwell, Belleville	34 60	1 75	36 35				
Bell Springs																
Bellville																
Bright Pond																
Clayland	W. J. Mims	1	39	4												
Corinth																
Evergreen	T. Padgett, k	1	30	4		3 00	4 00	7 00								
Friendship																
Galview																
Hopewell																
Immanuel	W. W. Winn	1	78	7		56 55	1 070 62	1 070 62	Mrs. J. A. Perkins, Jennings	24 81	21 27	46 08	Lady's Aid			
Maple	W. S. Morrow	1	114	6	1	45 45	748 10	748 10	Mrs. E. C. Horne, Jasper	78 50	18 00	96 50	B. Y. P. U.	Mrs. L. A. Perkins, Jennings	118 73	
Maple Oak	Ira J. Carter	1	130	15	8	1 327 464 26	465 61	465 61	Mrs. C. S. Brown, Live Oak	85 40	20 10	105 50	B. Y. P. U.	C. R. Jordan, Jasper	25 30	
McGillevad																
McL. Olive																
McL. Pisgah	B. Howell	1	61	3		3 00		3 00								
Mary Bell																
Magnolia	M. W. Revels	1	26	3					M's R. J. Bush, Jennings		5 00	5 00				
New Hope																
Orange																
Orion																
Philadelphia	A. C. Bontright	1	56	5	5	8 50		8 50								
Pine Grove	W. S. Mitchell	1	60	3												
Rocky Sink																
Rosemary																
Swannee																
Union																

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