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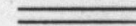
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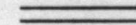
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## Order of Business.

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WEDNESDAY—10 00 a. m.

Temporary organization.

Enrolling names of messengers.

Permanent organization.

11 00 a. m.—Introductory sermon.

12 15—Dinner.

2 30 p. m.—Appointment of committees.

Reading petitionary letters.

Recognition of visitors and correspondents.

Report of Executive Committee.

Miscellaneous business.

Naming new Executive Committee.

Messengers to State and Southern Baptist conventions.

One member for State Board of missions, one member for Supt. of Foreign missions.

Preacher for next introductory sermon and Missionary sermon.

Adjourn for the afternoon.

## Evening Session.

7 30 p. m.—Song service and sermon.

Report on young peoples' work.

## Thursday Morning.

9 30 a. m.—Reading minutes of previous day.

Invite visitors and call for messengers.

Report of committee on education.

Report of committee on missions, state, home, and foreign.

11 00—Missionary sermon.

Dinner.

## Thursday Afternoon.

2 00 p. m.—Report of committee on nominations.

Report of committee on present-day evils.

Report on sacred literature.

Report on woman's work.

Miscellaneous business.

Adjournment.

## Evening Session.

7 30—Song service and sermon.

Report on Sunday schools.

## Friday Morning.

9 30 a. m.—Reading minutes previous day.

Report of committee on Orphan's Home.

Report of committee on obituaries.

Miscellaneous business.

Sermon conditional.

Dinner.

## Friday Afternoon.

2 30—Report of finance committee.

Report of treasurer.

Report of committee on place of next meeting.

Appointment of chairman of standing committee.

Adjournment.

## Constitution.

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Article 1. This organization shall be known as the Suwannee Missionary Baptist Association.

Art. 2. The specific objects of this association shall be:

1. To unite the influence and pious intelligence of the Baptists within its bounds and thereby facilitate their union and co-operation.
2. To form and encourage plans for the revival of experimental and practical religion and the spread of the gospel within the bounds of this association, and elsewhere.
3. To aid weak churches in our bounds.
4. To encourage and aid the education of our pious young men who may be called by the Spirit and approved by their churches for the work of the gospel ministry.
5. To promote pious and useful education among all Baptists.
6. To care for the needy orphans among us.
7. To aid in any work whose object is the saving and uplifting of humanity.

Art. 3. This association shall be composed of messengers from its several churches on the following basis: Three messengers from each church, and one additional messenger for every twenty-five members or major part thereof, in excess of fifty members and one messenger each from the auxiliary bodies of the church.

Art. 4. The messengers shall present to the association letters certifying their appointment, and giving also the statistics of the church and its auxiliaries for the current year.

Art. 5. Whenever the messengers appointed by a church shall fail to attend, or the number is not equal to the representation allowed by the constitution, the association at its discretion may accord seats to another member present from said church.

Art. 6. The officers of this association shall be a Moderator, clerk and treasurer, who shall be elected annually by ballot, and by a majority vote, but the association may by a unanimous vote, instruct someone to cast the ballot for the body as a whole.

Art. 7. The duties of the Moderator shall be to preside, keep order and appoint all committees not otherwise provided for.

The clerk shall keep the records of the association, supervise the printing and distribution of the minutes, and keep a regular file of the published proceedings of the association and deliver same to his successor in office.

The treasurer shall keep a correct account of all the money received and disbursed by him, paying out the same only on the order of the association or its executive committee, and report in full the transactions of his office at each annual session of the association.

Art. 8. The business of the association shall be transacted ad-interim by an executive committee consisting of seven members to be recommended by the

committee on nominations, and approved by the body. The moderator and clerk of the association to be members ex-officio, of the committee.

Art. 9. The annual meetings of this association shall begin on Wednesday before the third Sunday in October, and by appointment there shall be preached an introductory sermon on the first day.

Art. 10. Newly organized churches may be admitted into the association on petitionary letters presented by their messengers accompanied by a certificate of the presbytery as to their orthodoxy and proper organization.

Art. 11. This association shall be advisory only in matters of controversy between members of any of the churches or between different churches, but reserves to itself the right to withdraw fellowship from any church which it deems disorderly or heterodox, and concedes to its constituent churches the right to sever their connection with this body whenever they shall apply for letters of dismissal from the association.

Art. 12. The Moderator shall at each session appoint chairman of committees on the following subjects to-wit:

State missions, Home missions, Foreign missions, Education.

Orphanage, Woman's work, B. Y. P. U., Sunday schools, Periodicals.

Obituaries, Present-day evils, and such other questions as the association may deem proper.

Art. 13. All messengers officers and members of the executive committee shall be members of some of the churches composing this body.

Art. 14. When any church neglects to send up statistics to the annual meeting the clerk shall insert

the last reported total membership in the column containing said statistics.

Art. 15. This constitution may be amended at any annual session of the association, by a two-thirds vote of the members present.

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### Rules of Decorum.

1st. The first meeting of each annual session of the association the Moderator of the previous session shall call the messengers to order. 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.

2. Each meeting shall be opened and closed with singing and prayer.

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.

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

5. The clerk shall keep a complete 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.

6. No business shall be transacted without a quorum which shall consist of a majority of the registered members.

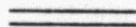
7. All members wishing to speak shall rise and respectfully address the Moderator, confine themselves strictly to the subject and no unkind allusions shall be made while speaking.

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

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 previous question.

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

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



### Articles of Faith.

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

Art. 2. We believe that the Old and New testament Scriptures are the Word of God and the only rule of faith and practice.

Art. 3. We believe in election according to the fore knowledge of God through sanctification of the Spirit and belief of the truth.

Art. 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 sinners on earth, but his own voluntary rejection of that grace.

Art. 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.

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

Art. 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.

Art. 8. We believe those that 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 lost.

Art. 9. We believe that the baptism is the immersion of the whole body in water, that the only proper subject are described in the preceding articles, and that the only proper administrator are those who have been regularly ordained by the Church of Christ by the imposition of hands of a presbytery.

Art. 10. We believe 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.

Art. 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.

Art. 12. We believe in the general resurrection of the righteous and the wicked and that the wicked shall go away into everlasting punishment, but the righteous into Life eternal.

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

## MINUTES.

Thursday, Oct. 17, 1912.

The Suwannee Missionary Baptist Association met in its forty-first annual session with Antioch Baptist church, Oct. 17, 1912.

The introductory sermon was preached by Bro. W. R. Ivey, from Philippians, 3rd Chapter, 13th and 14th verses. After preaching Bro. York appointed a committee of credentials as follows: H. B. Brown, R. J. Bush, and R. Jas. Allen.

Adjourned one hour for dinner.

### Afternoon Session.

The Moderator opened the association by reading the 23rd Psalm. Prayer by Bro. Ivey.

Committee on credentials report the following churches, to wit: Live Oak: A. J. York, W. R. Ivey, J. C. Rogers, R. H. Hadduck, R. W. Price, Mrs. W. R. Ivey, and Mrs. C. S. Brown.

Rock Sink: H. B. Brown and S. J. Brown.

Tiger Lake: G. H. Dorman and H. J. Horn.

Mt. Pisgah: P. M. Mabley and wife, J. W. Carver and Nellie Carver.

Beulah: J. V. McMullen and W. J. Starling.

O'Brien: W. L. McEnnis.

New Hope: R. J. Bush, G. W. Robertson, G. O. Bush.

New Prospect: John Brantley and W. F. Bulliard.

Rosemary: T. N. Hardie and J. C. Dixon.

Antioch: V. E. Bevan, Geo. Lurman, J. H. Burnett and R. Jas. Allen.

Petitionary letters called for.

Pleasant Hill reponded. Delegate came forward and right hand of fellowship extended Bro. W. W. Legget by the Moderator.

Bro. A. J. York was reelected Moderator of the association, R. Jas. Allen, Clerk, and D. J. Mills, Treasurer.

Report of the committee on order of business for the Suwannee Association adopted as read.

Visiting brethren were invited to seats with us. Bro. W. L. Overstreet, from Valdosta, Ga., association responded.

Report that new Constitution be read by Bro. Wise and adopted by sections; after reading the same, it was adopted as a whole.

Moderator appointed the following committees:

Present-day Evils: R. J. Bush, Chairman, J. W. Carver and G. H. Dorman.

Orphanage: G. H. Dorman, Chairman, W. L. McEnnis and G. O. Bush.

Nominations: W. L. McEnnis, Chairman, H. B. Brown and G. W. Robertson.

Report of Executive Committee adopted as follows:

### Report of Executive Committee.

To the Suwannee Baptist Missionary Association:

Dear Brethren:

We, your Executive Committee, beg to submit the following report:

After the last meeting of the association at Rocky Sink church, and before our committee could hold a meeting, we were pained by the death of one of our committee, Bro. M. V. Mills. We had expected some very efficient work from him, being a man of ripe experience and deep interest in the Lord's work, however, we humbly bow to the will of the Almighty.

In January, 1912, we held our first meeting in the Pastor's study of the First Baptist church, of Live Oak, at which time we elected Bro. R. J. Bush, of New Hope church, to fill the vacancy caused by the death of Brother Mills.

It was decided at this meeting that we would hold meetings quarterly in January, April, July, and October.

The thing of first importance was the election of an associational missionary, Rev. J. C. Rogers, of Live Oak, was unanimously elected, and your committee recommended to the State Board of missions that he be paid \$50.00 per month, with the privilege of serving Tiger Lake church for one Sunday each month for whatever remuneration he and the church agree upon. Bro. Rogers entered upon his duties at once and the wisdom of our choice of him as missionary is attested by copies of his reports on file in the hands of our secretary. We regard him as a man safe, sound and spiritual, and with all, a man of progress.

It was further moved by Brother Watkins that the salary of Rev. S. S. Mathis, pastor of the First Baptist Church of Jasper, be supplemented to the amount of \$200.00 by the State Board. This seemed necessary to the committee on account of the fact that the work at Jasper was growing in other ways more than in a financial way, and further on account of the fact that they are in the midst of a great struggle in selecting a new and commodious house of worship.

Your committee further recommend that the salary of Rev. F. A. Jordan be supplemented \$75.00 for the Branford work, this being a weak church but with prospects of great advancement under the leadership of an efficient man like Brother Jordan. We feel that this recommendation has been amply warranted by the results that have come from Brother Jordan's work.

Your committee next took up the work in connection with your special Sunday school committee of organizing an associational Sunday school convention with the assistance of Rev. George Hyman, our state Sunday school field secretary. We arranged an institute which was held at Live Oak, March 31st to April 3rd, and on account of bad weather and other causes this meeting was not well attended, yet we believe that as a starter, we shall derive benefit from it in days to come. Several Sunday school teachers were graduated at this institute. We had hoped to combine these institutes with our Fifth Sunday meetings at an early date, but have found it impracticable until at the Fifth Sunday meeting in June. It was arranged that at the next quarterly meeting our Sunday school convention would be permanently organized. We regard this as a decided step forward, and urge upon the churches to co-operate with us in the work of this convention, for the furtherance of the Sunday school work.

Your committee arranged for an apportionment of amounts for mission purposes to be asked for from each church, and Bro. Watkins was appointed to make the



apportionment, but owing to his removal it was not done. We hope, however, that we shall be able next year to make these apportionments early, and that the churches will co-operate with us in every way possible for increasing our gifts to the various missionary enterprises.

We note with much regret the removal from our association and from our state, of Rev. F. H. Watkins, former pastor of Live Oak church, as he has rendered to this committee very faithful and efficient service, but we are delighted to note also the coming of Rev. W. R. Ivey, to occupy the pastorate of Live Oak church, and we extend to him a cordial welcome and shall expect great things from a man of his ripe experience and marked ability.

We note further, with regret, the removal of Bro. Ira J. Carter, who was a former member of this committee, and also a member of the Florida State Board of missions, which necessitates the election of a member to represent this association on the State Board of missions.

#### RECOMMENDATIONS.

We would most heartily recommend first of all, that the churches of our association, as rapidly as possible, become missionary churches in reality as well as in name, and we believe that your earnest co-operation in the work of our Sunday school convention will be conducive to this end.

We further recommend that two good live men, full of the missionary spirit, be elected as associational superintendents of Home and Foreign missions, respectively, and that they be requested to distribute literature and in any other way possible stimulate interest in the work of our Home and Foreign Boards, and that these men be the chairman of our Standing committee on Home and Foreign missions.

We note with much pleasure that the entire evangelistical force of our Home Board is to be in Florida

during the first three months of next year, January, February, and March, and we hope that it will be possible for a number of our strongest churches and others, for that matter, to co-operate in a state-wide evangelistic campaign with these men. This is an indication of the Home Board's friendly attitude, and will, besides, be a season of spiritual uplift for our churches.

Last, but by no means least, we urge upon each member of this association the necessity of studying to improve the meetings of our associations. Let old worn out plans be laid aside and such plans be persued as will give the greatest inspiration and encouragement to those in attendance.

Respectively submitted,  
E. R. WISE, Chairman.  
S. S. MATHIS, Secretary.

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### Report of Our Missionary for Suwannee Association.

Spoken on by Brother York and adopted as follows:

Dear Brothers:—I herein present you my report for work done in this association beginning November 1st, 1911 and ending October 17th, 1912. I was recommended by the executive committee of this association and employed by the State Board of Missions, to work as missionary for three-fourth times during the year.

I have put in forty-five weeks labor, preached at twenty-five churches and two other stations; preached

three hundred and twenty-three sermons and delivered eight other addresses; attended twenty-eight prayer meetings; thirty-six received for baptism; eleven by letter; organized one Sunday school; travelled 1771 miles in the performance of my labors, and made four hundred and fifty-two religious visits to persons and families; repaired one house of worship at a cost of \$53.00; collected state missions \$207.40; secured three subscribers to the Baptist Witness.

I have visited most of the churches in the association, but could not get to all of them, and have been cordially received by pastors and people. I think if the board could see their way clear and put a man in the field for full time, it would be so much better. A man could do so much better work, if he could give his full time.

I have enjoyed the work very much, while it has been hard, yet I have realized the importance of the work so much, it seems easy.

Brother S. B. Rogers our corresponding secretary has been prompt in sending me my salary each month. I am so sorry the church has fell so far behind this year with their collecting for state missions. I hope they will all come up by November 30. May the Lord help us to do our part.

Fraternally,  
J. C. ROGERS,  
Live Oak.

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Committee on preaching E. R. Wise, chairman, J. W. Carver, Geo. Zurman.

Motion that report on nominations be changed from the first day until Friday afternoon just before present day evil report. Motion adopted:

Committee on finance.—V. E. Bevan, chairman, W. J. Starling and P. M. Mobley.

Motion we meet at 9:30 a. m. and adjourn at pleasure. Motion carried.

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Friday Morning, Oct. 18.

After singing and prayer by Bro. J. L. Peacock, the Moderator opened the association—call for letters the following responded:

Philadelphia—T. L. Peacock and D. J. Mills.  
Union—D. B. Douglass and A. J. Agee.

Committee on Sunday Schools and B. Y. P. U.—W. S. Murrow, chairman; E. R. Wise, I. N. Hardee, R. W. Price.

Committee on missions—Geo. Hyman, chairman, J. C. Rogers, T. L. Peacock.

Motion that the committee on present day evil report. Chairman reported and spoken on by G. H. Dorman, J. C. Rogers and A. J. York. Report adopted.

As read we your committee on Evils of the day beg leave to report:

Report on Present Day Evils.

We find ourselves surrounded by environments of such a nature as to cause one to first consider righting the so-called moral evil, which tends so much to retard the spread of the gospel abroad, and cripple the influence at home. We find in Proverbs, 12.21 "No evil shall happen to the just," tends to give us as believers in Christ, renewed hope, that if, we as professed followers of Christ, continue in the faith, no evil we

should fear. We think our so-called moral law, some-time conflict, so much with the Spirit of God teaching, until we find it rather tedious to conform to their practice, therefore we would urge the church to just strive to right the evil judiciously as well as morally, among the churches; and then we feel that a lot of the evil will necessarily right themselves, and until we as a church, do more converting the church to duty and righteousness we fear the evil will continue to grow upon us.

Paul says in Romans, 7-19 "the evil which I would not that I do" Romans 7-21 "I find a law that when I do good, evil is present with me." Paul saw the manner of the law, knowing the nature of the man, he found it so hard to do both. But let us pray that God's mercy provide the way, that we as a church be more clearly understood by the world in an effort to capture it for God and morality. Let our aim be first, to serve the Lord "and His righteousness and all these things will be added." Let us do now as individuals for God and throwing our efforts together collectively, we know we will accomplish more reforms by first doing our duty as believers and receive greater blessings than our hearts contain. May we as a church, have our lives wrapped up in the work, that we can be made to feel, that we are free indeed in the truth. We feel that much could be said upon this great question, but hasten to give time to some other of as great importance, we ask that our very lives be such as to enable us to speak the words of the inspired Poet, when he said

"From over the hills of Judea,  
Down through the long lines of years,  
That voice of affectionable sweetness  
Still comfort the mother's tears.  
Oh! heart that has bled for our sorrows,  
Oh! voice that quiet the sea,

Come often to us with others whispers;  
May the little one come unto thee."

Respectfully submitted,  
R. J. BUSH, Chairman.  
G. H. DORMAN.  
J. W. CARVER.

Call for letters—the following churches responded:

Mt. Gilead: Mary Bell, O. S. Hurst, J. O. Robertson.

Mt. Olive: Wm. P. Page, Sam Helton, Walter Blain.

Orange: H. V. Johns, J. B. Johns, T. H. Hines.

Committee appointed on Temperance: T. L. Peacock, W. A. Robertson, W. W. Leggett.

Adjourn until 1:30 p. m.

Preaching by Bro. W. L. Overstreet, from the text found in the 4th Chapter, 17th verse of James. After preaching there was a motion that the report on Sunday Schools be taken up first thing after we open after dinner.

Adjourn for dinner.

Afternoon session opened by singing, and prayer by Bro. Griffin.

Call for letters—the following churches responded:

Jasper: Geo. Hyman, W. S. Murrow, and L. E. Tomlinson.

Jennings: James Beaty, Miss Lenora McCall, and J. H. Griffin.

Friendship: R. D. Turner and C. B. Haynes.

### Report on Sunday Schools.

Chairman of Sunday Schools made his report as follows:

Your committee on Sunday School work have to report that while there does not appear to be as much interest manifested in this work of the churches as should be, yet there are some things for which we can give thanks and take courage and press forward. We are church folks and as such believe the Bible, the word of God. If then we appreciate our Father's message we certainly ought to concern ourselves about understanding it, and seeing that it is made known unto others, and especially to our little folks, in order that they too, will become teachers and witnesses of these same truths. This is in accord with the great commission, "Teach All Nations."

Through the untiring efforts of our efficient Sunday school secretary, Bro. Geo. Hyman, preparations for such teaching has had prominence so far the past year. As a result there are two hundred and fifty diplomas in the state; thirty-six in our own association, and few of these are blue seal graduates. Only one association has more diplomas than this. Let us give thanks, take courage and press on in the work, until every teacher and officer of every school, and a school in every church in the association, has made this special preparation for this the most important work of the churches, the teaching service of the church in the Sunday school.

Your committee beg to call attention to the superintendent's association recently organized at Lake City, and would urge that all who are eligible become members of this association and attend the next session.

Your committee beg to call attention to the Sunday school convention of this association which was or-

ganized on last Fifth Sunday meeting, at Tiger Lake. This is a very important and wise move and we would urge all Sunday School workers to attend these conventions and put all the inspiration into them that they can, for he who would reap must sow.

Fraternally,

W. S. MURROW, Chairman.

I. N. HARDEE.

E. R. WISE.

R. W. PRICE.

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### Report on Missions.

Motion that the regular order of business be suspended and the committee on missions report be read. Spoken on by Bro. Geo. Hyman, J. C. Rogers and T. L. Peacock. Report adopted as read, to-wit: Christ said to His followers to "carry this message to all the world." We are His followers; we must obey His command. Florida needs evangelization. Our State Mission Board has a force of seventy-two men working for this end. Much good has been accomplished this year. We need more workers and more money to hasten this work. Our board at present is about \$12,000 in debt. We recommend that every church and every Sunday school within the bounds of the association take a collection at once for state missions, and send to Bro. Rogers. The work of missions in the South is in charge of Dr. D. B. Gray, of Atlanta, Ga. Foreign missions is in charge of Dr. R. J. Willingham, of Richmond, Va. We recommend that each church place a system of study in our churches on mission topics, and that a systematic method of giving be inaugurated. If we love Christ

we will do what he wants us to do. He wants us to tell the world of His love, not only in Florida but to all the world.

May God bless us in doing his will.

Fraternally,

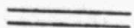
GEO. HYMAN, Chairman.

J. C. ROGERS.

W. R. IVEY.

T. L. PEACOCK.

Motion we adjourn until Saturday morning 9:30.  
Motion carried.



### Saturday Morning, Oct. 19th.

Association opened by singing and prayer by Bro. Turner. Minutes of yesterday read and adopted with a change in the delegation to the state convention to add ten instead of three.

Motion we adjourn to 1:30 p. m.

At 11:00 o'clock Bro. J. H. Griffin preached from the text found in Psalms 121-1.

### Afternoon.

At 1:30 the association opened by singing and prayer by Bro. J. C. Rogers.

Report on Temperance was read and spoken to by Bros. Peacock, Ivey, York and Griffin. Report adopted to-wit:

### Report on Temperance.

We rejoice that we are able to report some progress and great good accomplished by those interested

in the great cause of temperance. We note with pleasure that two of our sister counties have recently voted the demon saloons out of their bounds. We also note with much pleasure that our association last year took a firm stand against Christians drinking alcoholic drinks, or in anyway aiding intemperance and its accursed work.

We rejoice to know, that some of our churches have indorsed the action of the association and adopted resolutions to withdraw fellowship from members who persist in drinking, or by their vote advocate, or encourage the sale of strong drink.

We recommend that this association adhere strictly to the resolution adopted last session. We further recommend that every member of every church in this association, do their very best all the time to drive the curse of intemperance from our country by working, praying and voting against it.

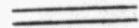
Respectfully submitted.

T. L. PEACOCK.

J. U. McMULLEN.

R. D. TURNER,

Committee.



Letters called for—Bellville church responded, Bro. J. W. Pallhill as messenger.

Motion that Bro. W. R. Ivey be superintendent of Foreign missions and Bro. T. L. Peacock be superintendent of the Home board. The Moderator appointed the following chairmen on the committees:

Foreign missions: W. R. Ivey.  
Present day evils: S. S. Mathis.

Sunday schools: Geo. Hyman.  
Temperance: R. J. Bush.  
Home missions: T. L. Peacock.  
Association missions: J. C. Rogers.  
Religious literature: W. S. Murrow.  
Woman's work: Mrs. C. S. Brown.  
Nominations: R. M. Bush.  
Education: J. H. Griffin.  
Orphanage: E. R. Wise.

Motion that the treasurer turn over all the money to S. B. Rogers, in his hands, for the different causes that goes to him.

Motion that the clerk be paid \$15 for his labor; also that the treasurer turn over to the clerk all funds for the minutes.

Motion the clerk have the minutes printed by the Baptist Witness people.

Bro. Peacock offered a resolution as follows:

Resolved, that we extend to Antioch church and community our sincere thanks for their kind, courteous treatment to us during this session, and we extend our thanks to the young organist, Miss Nellie Carver, and the choir for their noble and faithful work.

T. L. PEACOCK.

Motion that the Constitution be changed to read seven instead of five members on the executive committee, and that Bros. S. S. Mathis and D. J. Mills be added to the committee.

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### Report on Nominations.

Report of chairman committee on nominations.  
Motion that Bro. Harrell be taken off and Bro. Murrow

put in his place; also that Bro. Jordan be changed and Bro. E. R. Wise put on the executive committee as chairman. Bro. Jordan was taken off and Bro. W. R. Ivey was to preach the introductory sermon.

Report reads as follows after the changes, to-wit:

Your committee on nominations beg leave to make the following report; that the next annual association convene with the Baptist church at Jasper, to convene on Wednesday before the third Sunday in October, 1913, and Bro. W. R. Ivey preach the introductory sermon, and that Bro. J. C. Rogers be alternate.

Messengers to state convention: Bros. A. J. York, T. L. Peacock, D. J. Mills, W. R. Ivey, J. C. Rogers, E. R. Wise, Mrs. A. J. York, J. W. Carver, J. H. Griffin and R. Jas. Allen.

Southern Baptist convention: Bro. W. R. Ivey.

Executive committee: E. R. Wise, chairman, T. L. Peacock, S. D. Huggins, T. C. Williams, R. J. Bush, S. S. Mathews and D. J. Mills.

State board of missions: W. S. Murrow.

Report adopted as read.

Respectfully submitted,

W. L. McENNIS, chairman.

H. B. BROWN.

G. W. ROBINSON.

Committee.

Committee on preaching report that Bro. T. L. Peacock preach at 7:30 p. m. and Bro. J. H. Griffin preach at 11 a. m. to-morrow morning.

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### Report on Finance.

The Finance committee reported the amount turned over to them \$94.40. Report adopted.

### Treasurer's Report.

Received from Executive Committee.....	\$141 35
Received from Bright Pond Church.....	3 50
Total.....	144 85
Nov. 3rd, paid H. B. Brown.....	\$15 00
Nov. 16th, printing minutes.....	35 97
"    "    State Missions.....	60 60
Orphanage.....	7 66
Foreign Missions.....	5 00
Ministerial Education.....	5 00
Columbia College.....	10 00
Aged Ministers.....	2 11
Total expenditures.....	141 34
Balance on hand.....	3 51

Respectfully submitted,  
S. D. HUGGINS, Treasurer.

### Report on Orphanage.

Was read and spoke on by Bros. Dorman, Hyman, Griffin and York. Report adopted to-wit:

The statement of James, "pure religion and undefiled, before God the Father, is this, to visit the fatherless and widows in their affliction" has found expression among the Baptists in the beautiful Home we have established for our orphan boys and girls at Arcadia, Fla.

To the credit of our brotherhood it can be said, that what we have done for our boys and girls we have done well. As a result of the past eight year's work, we have our eighty acres of property at Arcadia well improved, and have three nice brick buildings, a girl's building, a boy's building and a dining room, with hospital room above.

There have been many improvements made during the last year and a half, in the way of furnishing the dormitory with new beds, the school room with new desks, screening the building and enlarging and improving the lawn.

Superintendent Trice, has turned three rooms into a beautiful chapel and seated it with one hundred and fifty nice new chairs. He has also added to the industrial equipment of the Home a nice cannery.

It should be gratifying to every Baptist in our association to know that there are seventy-one orphans, boys and girls, enjoying the benefits of our Home. God has given us these children to train and prepare for the future and place the burden of their support upon our hearts.

A school is maintained in the Home for the benefit of the children and they are taught how to work, and taught different things that will enable them to be self supporting when they leave the Home.

The maintainance of this work requires now not only our co-operation and prayers, but regular systematic contributions from churches and Sunday schools, societies and individuals in order to meet the regular current expenses.

The Orphanage work day has been changed from the first Sunday in October to the first Saturday in December, in order not to interfere with the State Mission effort during October and November. This change makes it right trying on the superintendent to raise the current expense through October and November. So we urge our friends to remember our Orphanage with contributions during these two months.

Respectfully submitted,  
G. H. DORMAN, Ch'man.  
W. L. McENNIS.  
G. O. BUSH.

Motion the clerk was instructed to add the collection Sunday to the finance report.

Bro. J. C. Rogers talked a short time on the outlook of the associational work.

Motion that the constitution be changed so it would read, Wednesday instead of Thursday as our first day for the association to meet.

Committee on preaching reported Bro. J. C. Rogers lead the Sunday service from 10 to 11 o'clock.

Motion the minutes of to-day be adopted as read.

Motion we adjourn to meet with Jasper Baptist church on Wednesday before the third Sunday in October 1913.

R. JAS. ALLEN,  
Clerk of Ass'n.

A. J. YORK,  
Moderator.

### Sunday Oct. 20.

Service was lead by Bro. J. C. Rogers, from 10 until 11 o'clock, then the service was turned over to Dr. Wm. D. Nowlin, who preached an able sermon, from the text found in Luke 16-23. "And in hell he lifted up his eyes, being in torment, and seeth Abraham afar off and Lazarus in his bosom."

After preaching a collection was taken up for for state missions, received \$13.50. Adjourned one hour for dinner.

Two O'clock p. m.

Returned to the church and Bro. S. B. Rogers preached one of his big sermons from the text Hosea, 11-4.—"I drew then with a cord of a man with bands of love; and I was to them as they that taken off the yoke on their jaws and I laid meat unto them."





MINUTES  
OF THE  
WOMAN'S MISSIONARY UNION  
OF THE  
Suwannee Association.

The Union convened at the home of Mrs. J. R. Allison, near Antioch church, at 1:30 p. m. Friday October 18th, 1912.

The meeting was called to order by Associational Superintendent Mrs. W. R. Ivey, who read for scripture lesson, John 15, 14-15, and Matthew 12-46. The Theme, "Close Relationship" was presented in a most interesting and instructive manner.

Mrs. C. S. Brown led the opening prayer.

Mrs. Addie Faulk was appointed Secretary, after which the following messengers were enrolled from their respective churches:

Antioch—Misses Effie Wise, Kathleen Burnett, Erie Brinsen, Nean Allison, Mesdames J. R. Allison, E. R. Wise, C. H. Brinson, A. K. Evans and R. J. Allen.

Jasper—Mesdames W. S. Murrow, P. H. Sandlin, B. Small, R. A. Altman and Addie Paulk.

Live Oak—Mesdames C. S. Brown and W. R. Ivey.

Pleasant Hill.—Mrs C. S. Haines.

Pisgah.—Miss Nellie Carver and Mrs. P. H. Mobley.

Mrs. W. R. Ivey delivered an address on "Woman in the Church"—giving a brief sketch on scriptural record of her work. The message was full of hope and encouragement and at the same time impressed the need for greater efforts on the part of the women.

The objects for which Baptists work were each presented, explained and discussed seperately.

Interesting leaflets were read by the following ladies:

Woman's work in the Church—Mrs. B. Small.

ChIPLEY Memorial Fund—Mrs. C. S. Brown.

Our training School—Miss Effie Wise.

Our Equipments—Mrs. R. A. Altman.

Prayer for our work was offered by Mrs. Addie Paulk.

Reports from the churches were called for and the following, Live Oak, Jasper, Jennings, and Bellville handed in satisfactory written reports of the year's work, showing a total contributed for all objects of \$487.80.

By motion Mrs. C. S. Brown took the chair and the following associational superintendents were elected: Mrs. W. R. Ivey, Live Oak and Mrs. B. Small, Jasper.

An offering was taken amounting to \$3.15, which by vote, was ordered sent in from the Antioch church for Aged ministers.

After singing "I Love to Tell the Story" the meeting was closed with prayer by Mrs. B. Small.

MRS. W. R. IVEY, Supt.  
MRS. ADDIE PAULK, Sec'y.

FINANCIAL TABLE.

Churches.	Pastor's Salary.	For Building.	Incidental and Improving.	Visiting Ministers.	Associational Missions.	State Missions.	Home Missions.	Foreign Missions.	Current Expenses and Endowment Columbia College.	Ministerial Education.	Aged Ministers.	Orphanage.	Minutes and Clerk.	Total.	Value of Pastoriums.	Value of Church Property.	Total Value of Property.	Church Organized, Year.
Antioch	\$130 00																	1882
Bellville	50 00																	1875
Friendship	342 05	62 18	28 42	50 00	1 50	21 88	6 98	10 70	83 00	18 46	1 47	29 00	1 45	51 45	500 00	250 00	1200 00	1877
Jennings	783 35	3,863 05		81 74	15 00	63 36	75 04	65 88	30 00	5 00	50 32	50 32	1 50	5034 64	3000 00	7000 00	18000 00	1871
Live Oak	1187 50	81 75				134 08	120 93	94 67	160 00		55 00	55 00	2 00	1858 92		15000 00		1875
Mt. Gilford	50 00	20 00				3 30					1 30		4 00	76 30		700 00		1892
Mt. Olive	80 86												1 50	85 86		350 00		
Mary Bell													2 00	2 00				1876
New Hope	120 00												2 60	131 10		800 00	905 00	1897
Bulah	40 00					3 50	2 50	2 50					1 50	44 50		400 00		1899
Orange	66 00					3 00	4 00						2 25	73 00		200 00		
O'Brien	200 00					75							3 50	203 50		800 00		1876
Philadelphia	75 00	25 00				14 05	2 50	2 50			5 15		3 00	177 20		800 00		1883
Rocky Sink	100 00					18 55					18 85		5 00	92 50		200 00		
New Prospect	100 00	3 35				3 20	3 20	2 25					1 75	113 50		300 00	395 00	1878
New Lake						5 47							2 00	107 47	95 00			
Mt. Pisgah	100 00												3 00	3 00				
Union	13 15			4 00	3 00	4 25	4 25						1 75	14 90				
Rosemary Hill	100 00					294 39	226 35	184 00	273 25	23 91	25 02	134 57	1 55	117 05				
Total	3,487 91	4,055 33	28 42	125 74	20 00	294 39	226 35	184 00	273 25	23 91	25 02	134 57	49 60	8841 15	3575 00	23660 00	21695 00	

## SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

Churches.	Name of Superintendent and P. O. Address.	No. Schools.	No. Pupils.	No. Teachers.	Scholars Baptised.	Sunday School Ex.
Antioch	E R Wise, Live Oak	1	35	5		
Bellville		1	150	12		
Live Oak	S P Mays, Live Oak	1	78	15	19	\$67 59
Jasper	W S Murrow, Jasper	1	75	8		
Jennings	J L McDaniel, Jennings					
New Hope						
New Prospect						
Bulah						
Union	W N Hunt, O'Brien					
Friendship		1	56	8	2	
Philadelphia	A C Boatright, Wilmarth	1	54	6		
Rocky Sink	L D Newland, Live Oak	1	45	4		
Mt. Pisgah	R H Howell, Pine Mount					
Mt. Olive						
Mt. Giliard						
Rosemary			51	8		
Orange	W A Robinson, Newburn					
Mary Bell						
O'Brien						
Pleasant Hill		1	22	4		
Tiger Lake	G H Dorman, Live Oak					

### WOMAN'S MISSIONARY SOCIETIES.

- Bellville. Mrs. Maude Barcewell, President, Lake Park, Ga., Miss Lucy Perry, Secretary, Lake Park, Ga. Contributed for all purposes, \$24.85.
- Live Oak. Mrs. C. L. Hildreth, President, Live Oak, Mrs. M. K. Jones Secretary, Live Oak.
- Jasper. Mrs. M. P. Hunter, President, Jasper, Mrs. W. C. Caldwell, Secretary, Jasper.
- Jennings. Mrs. J. C. Barnes, Pres., Jennings, Mrs. J. L. McDaniels, Secretary, Jennings.

Our honored dead. Mrs. Lena Edward, Jasper; A. J. Dempsey, New Hope; Sandford Bonds, Friendship; James Williams, Rocky Sink; Mary Law, Maude Starling, Mt. Olive; G. A. Meeks, Rosemary; M. V. Mills, Warren Mills, Tigar Lake.

## NUMERICAL TABLE.

Churches.	Pastor and P. O. Address.	Clerk and P. O. Address	Increase this year.				Decrease this year.				Membership This Year.	Net Decrease.	Net Increase.	What Sundays have Preaching.		
			By Baptism.	By Letter or Statement.	By Restoration.	Total Increase.	By Letter.	By Expulsion or Erasure.	By Death.	Total Decrease.						
Antioch.....	W R Ivey, Live Oak.....	R J Allen, Live Oak.....														
Bellville.....	W R Ivey, Live Oak.....	J W Pallhill, Bellville.....					7				7			56	7	2nd Sun. and Sat. before.
Live Oak.....	W R Ivey, Live Oak.....	M E Brown, Live Oak.....	9	16		25					24			230		Each Sunday.
Jasper.....	S S Mathis, Jasper.....	W C Caldwell, Jasper.....	39	13		52				22	22			152	3	Each Sunday.
Jennings.....	J H Griffin, Lake City.....	G M Stephens, Jennings.....	3			3				11	5			17	35	Each Sunday.
New Hope.....	E T Todd, Hahisa, Ga.....	R J Bush, Jennings.....	3	3		6				2				77	1	2nd and 4th Sundays.
New Prospect.....	J T Rutherford.....	S H Roebuck.....		2		2				2				143		3rd Sun. and Sat. before.
Bulah.....	T L Peacock, Pine Mount.....	J U McMullen, Dowley.....	3	5		8				3	1			23		3rd Sun. and Sat. before.
Union.....	W R Lison.....	B D Douglass, O'Brien.....	2	7	3	12				12				54	4	4th Sun. and Sat. before.
Friendship.....	W H Holmes, O'Brien.....	C W Haynes, Live Oak.....		1		1				4				85		
Philadelphia.....	T L Peacock, Pine Mount.....	A C Boatright, Wilmarth.....	6	1		7				4	1			83	3	1st Sun. and Sat. before.
Rocky Sink.....	J S Hurst, Live Oak.....	J A Mitchel, Live Oak.....	6	5		11				3	3			146		2nd and 4th Sundays.
Mt. Pisgah.....	R Strickland, Lake City.....	Jessie Carver, Pine Mount.....	11	6	5	22				2				75	9	2nd Sun. and Sat. before.
Mt. Olive.....	R S Parnell, Wellborn.....	J B Johns, Wellborn.....	1	1		2				1	1			106	21	4th Sun. and Sat. before.
Mt. Giliard.....	J S Hurst, Live Oak.....	W P Page, Falmouth.....	5		4	9				5				110	1	2nd Sun. and Sat. before.
Rosemary.....	W L Overstreet, Milltown, Ga.....	J C Dixon, Live Oak.....	22	3	5	30				2	6	1		86	4	4th Sun. and Sat. before.
Orange.....	J R Clements, Day.....	W H Robinson, Newburn.....	1	6	1	8				1	1			70	22	4th Sun. and Sat. before.
Mary Bell.....	J S Hurst, Live Oak.....	J O Robinson, Live Oak.....												45	6	2nd Sun. and Sat. before.
O'Brien.....	H A Jordan, Wellborn.....	W L McEnnis, O'Brien.....								4	26			71		
Pleasant Hill.....	W H Holmes, O'Brien.....	J W Jenkins Live Oak.....												50	30	2nd Sun. in each month.
Tiger Lake.....		G H Dorman, Live Oak.....			1	1				3		2		23		
												5		62	4	1st Sun. and Sat. before.

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