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Lake Butler, Florida

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On Friday, the 2nd day of November, A. D. 1906.

OFFICERS OF THE ASSOCIATION.

Moderator—HON. T. W. GETZEN..... Ft. White, Fla.
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Next annual session to be held with Providence Village Baptist Church, Providence, Florida, beginning on Friday before the first Sunday in November, A. D., 1907.

ORDER OF EXERCISES.

1. Opening meeting with singing, scripture reading and prayer.
2. Reading letters from churches and enrolling messengers.
3. Elect moderator, clerk and treasurer.
4. Invite ministers to seats in the body.
5. Call for petitionary letters.
6. Call for correspondents.
7. Appoint committees on preaching, queries, finance, deceased ministers and deacons, publications, Sunday schools, temperance, missions, Christian education and woman's work.
8. Appoint correspondents.
9. Reports of committees.
10. Unfinished business.
11. Close with devotional exercise.

Minutes.

The Beulah Baptist Association convened in twenty-seventh annual session with Lake Butler Baptist Church, Lake Butler, Fla., on Friday, the 2nd day of November, A. D., 1906.

After divine services, conducted by Rev. S. S. Proctor, the body was called to order by the former moderator, Hon. T. W. Getzen. G. W. Alderman was elected clerk and C. M. Ray treasurer.

ROLL OF MESSENGERS.

Mt. Beulah.—R. H. Carver, Lawton Stansell, Miss Bessie Carver.

Lake City.—J. O. Harris, C. M. Ray and wife, Bro. Small, Sister Porter, Geo. B. Ellis and wife.

Providence Village.—John W. Berling, C. A. Mixon, G. W. Clyatt, W. H. Shallar, Mrs. C. A. Mixon, Miss Clara Odom.

Ft. White.—No letter or messenger.

Bethlehem.—No messenger or letter.

Mt. Pleasant.—J. E. J. Lee, W. W. Leggett, D. L. Jernigan and Miss Annie Lee.

Mt. Zion.—J. E. Wise, A. R. Moore.

Hagen.—No messenger or letter.

Elim.—Simion Harrell, T. W. Getzen.

Lake Butler.—J. L. Hill, G. W. Alderman, J. G. Purvis, John Croft, Sister M. M. McKinney, Sister Parish and Sister Susie Townsend.

Hopeful.—No messengers or letter.

Mt. Carmel.—H. C. Parker, M. H. Chambers.

Philippi.—J. N. Howell, M. H. Feagle, J. W. Cone.

Providence.—Charlie Eddenfield and wife, Sister Mary Ward, G. W. Bailey.

Oak Grove.—R. J. Knight, but no letter.

Watertown.—Mrs. J. T. Martin, Mrs. Geo. Dreher.

White Springs.—T. R. Woodson, D. O. Rivers, J. B. Parnell.

After the roll call the temporary organization was made permanent.

The moderator then invited visiting ministers and correspondents to seats in the body. Invitations were accepted by Rev. G. W. S. Ware, of New Santa Fe Association, Rev. D. O. Rivers, of White Springs, Fla., Rev. B. H. Damon, of Starke, Fla., Rev. F. C. Edwards, of the Southern Witness, Rev. H. C. Peelman, of Providence, Rev. R. F. Rodgers, of the Marion Association, Rev. S. S. Proctor, of the New Santa Fe Association, Rev. L. D. Geiger, of Apopka, Fla., who is corresponding secretary for the State Baptist Convention, and Miss Jennie L. Spalding, of the Ladies' Missionary Union.

Petitionary letter received from White Springs Baptist Church asking for membership in the Beulah Association. The letter was referred to the following committee: G. W. Clyatt, J. G. Purvis and R. H. Carver. After examining the letter, etc., the committee recommended that the First Baptist Church of White Springs be united with the Beulah Baptist Association.

The report of the committee was received and said church elected to full fellowship in this association.

APPOINTMENT OF COMMITTEES.

The following committees were appointed by the moderator:

Preaching.—J. G. Purvis, John Croft and J. N. Howell.

Association adjourned till 2 p. m.

At 2 o'clock p. m. the association was called to order by the moderator.

The letters were then read in full from the various churches.

The moderator continued the appointment of committees:

Queries.—J. E. J. Lee, S. Harrell and R. J. Knight.

Finance.—R. H. Carver, H. C. Parker.

Deceased Ministers and Deacons.—D. L. Jernigan, L. Stansell, W. H. Shallar.

Publications.—D. O. Rivers, H. L. Fowler, J. G. Purvis and G. W. Clyatt.

Sunday Schools.—J. G. Purvis, Miss Anna King, Miss Bessie Carver and Chas. Eddenfield.

Temperance.—J. N. Howell, J. W. Berling, Miss Annie Lee and J. L. Hill.

Missions.—M. H. Chambers, Sister M. M. McKinney and J. E. J. Lee.

Christian Education.—Rev. A. C. Odom, Jr., John Croft, Sister Croft and Sister Parish.

Women's Work.—Sister H. C. Peelman, Sister S. E. Townsend and G. W. Bailey.

Messengers to State Convention.—J. G. Purvis, T. W. Getzen, Rev. H. C. Peelman, Rev. D. O. Rivers and Rev. Clifton A. Owens.

Committee on Preaching reported as follows:

Rev. F. C. Edwards Friday night at 7 o'clock. Rev. H. C. Peelman at 11 o'clock a. m. Rev. A. C. Odom for Saturday at 7 o'clock p. m. Sunday at 11 o'clock Rev. R. F. Rodgers preached the regular missionary sermon.

Benediction Friday evening by Rev. D. O. Rivers.

Association adjourned till 10 o'clock a. m. Saturday morning.

SATURDAY MORNING.

The association was called to order by the moderator.

Divine services by Rev. B. H. Damon.

Rev. A. J. York and Rev. R. F. Rodgers reported from Marion Association.

CORRESPONDENTS APPOINTED.

J. G. Purvis to New Santa Fe Association.

R. H. Carver to Suwannee Association.

The following reports submitted:

DECEASED MINISTERS AND DEACONS.

We your committee beg to report that God in His infinite wisdom has seen fit to remove from his accustomed place one of our beloved deacons of the First Baptist church of Providence, Bro. Jesse Bevens. With the exception of this beloved Brother He has left the remainder of our beloved ministers and deacons to serve us and Him further.

Respectfully,

D. L. Jernigan.
A. L. Stansell.
W. H. Shallar.

Miss Spalding was given special hour, 2:30 o'clock, Saturday p. m., to show the progress and benefits of the Women's Missionary Societies.

Report on Women's Work received and read by Sister H. C. Peelman.

After discussions the report was adopted as read. Following is the report:

Woman has ever had her place in the Lord's work. The Savior commended Mary for choosing the better part.
Of a woman He said "She hath done what she could."

Who dares to measure the influence of a consecrated womanhood in the home and school by training the children committed to her care for the service of God. Her influence for good over individuals, and nation shall never cease. Her words and prayer and money have sustained many missionaries when hope was well nigh gone.

Boxes sent from W. M. S. have brought comfort and cheer to the home missionaries whose work is often difficult and poorly paid for.

The influence of W. M. S. is reflex. The meetings properly conducted are educating and uplifting. Women attending become broader in their views and sympathies and less self centered.

Your committee begs leave further to make the following recommendations: That every church in the Association sustain a W. M. S. and Sunbeam Bands if possible. That the pastors use their influence to encourage the meetings being mindful of Paul's injunction: "I entreat thee also, to help those women which have labored with me in the gospel."

That as the Association Vice-Presidents visit the different churches they prepare a way by arranging convenient time and

place for the meetings. That the Foreign Mission Journal and the Home Field be used in the meetings. Believing that there is no better paper of its kind published than "Kind Words" and as it contains programs for meetings and is missionary in spirit, we further recommend that special effort be made to place it in our Sunday Schools and in every home.

We would emphasize the importance of the work with children and young people, make the missionary conquest meeting the most interesting of all.

May the work of the women of Beulah Association be spoken of as a memorial to her.

Respectfully submitted,

Mrs. H. C. Peelman.
Mrs. C. M. Ray.
Miss Marshall Proctor.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON PUBLICATIONS.

After discussion by Rev. F. C. Edwards and Rev. R. F. Rodgers the report was adopted as follows:

Your Committee on Publications note the following:

We find that the Southern Witness is fast becoming one of our best periodicals published. The editorial staff deserves the hearty support and co-operation of every Baptist in the State. No well regulated Baptist family can afford to be without it.

We note wonderful advancement in our "Home Field" and "Foreign Mission Journal." The price of each is less than could be asked for. We heartily commend them to the public as being both instructive and inspiring to the human soul. Let each Baptist family provide themselves with The "Southern Witness," Our Home Field and Foreign Mission Journal.

We would also call the attention of our Baptist people to the growing inclination of the present age in neglecting to carefully study the sacred pages of the Bible.

Let every one drink from its sacred pages till the soul catches the holy inspiration, and at least be able to give and defend good reasons for being Baptists.

D. O. Rivers, Chairman of Committee.

Report of the Committee on Queries received and adopted. We, your committee, find that Providence Village Church and Philippi both ask for the association next year.

Your committee recommends that the Providence Village Church be the place of holding the next association.

On motion this recommendation was unanimously adopted.
Report on Missions read and adopted.

On motion the report on Missions was reconsidered and made special order for 7:45 o'clock Saturday p. m.
Committee on Temperance reported as follows:

We are glad to report that the cause of temperance is steadily advancing under our local option law. County after county is voting whiskey out. There are in our state now fifteen wet counties and thirty-one dry ones.

In our churches the sentiment against drinking is becoming very strong. It is getting harder all the time for a man to drink and be respectable at all.

We note with pleasure the crusade against whiskey in patent medicines as indicating the deepening sentiment against the demon of strong drink.

May we as Baptists be ever found helping to augment this rising tide of hostility against liquor in every form by word, pen and life. May we go on waging an unrelenting warfare until the platform of the Anti-Saloon League. "Whiskey must go" is fully realized.

Report of the Executive Board received and adopted.
Following is the report:

REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE, BEULAH ASSOCIATION.

Brother M. S. Knight chairman of the Executive Committee having been detained at home on account of sickness in his family, requests me to write and submit report for our committee.

We have tried faithfully to do the work devolving upon us since last meeting of our Association, but conditions have not favored the accomplishment of great results.

It was thought best with the limited funds at our command to attempt a similar work in the Association to that done by Brother W. F. Thompson last year in the evangelistic field, and the funds available would have justified this, but we found before making an engagement with an evangelist, that only a few of the churches desired such help, as most of them preferred to make their own arrangements. So Brother W. F. Thompson of Waycross, Ga., was engaged for a limited time at a salary of \$60.00 per month and \$15.00 or such part of it as he might be able to raise on the field.

Brother Thompson reports; work 18 days preaching and visit-

ing at Mt. Pleasant, Mt. Carmel and Watertown; the churches strengthened and 7 baptisms. For this work he has been paid \$36.00 out of our treasury, and some additional amounts by the several churches which was not paid into the treasury.

Brother Thompson's work was terminated abruptly when in the midst of the Watertown meeting by a telegraphic call from his home, much to our disappointment as we feel that more work was greatly needed, especially at Oak Grove church.

It is our opinion that the needs for increased mission work within Beulah Association are great and we are gratified to know that the funds that will be available will justify enlargement.

May God direct us all in this great work is our prayer.

Respectfully submitted,

C. M. Ray, for Executive Committee.

Treasurer's report received and referred to Committee on Finance.

The Finance Committee reported that \$89.60 was sent in from the various churches in the association.

The treasurer's report was examined and the Finance Committee reports everything O. K.

Following is the report:

TREASURER'S REPORT.

Beulah Baptist Association, 1905-'06.

Paid out.

Nov 4.—To G. W. Alderman, Preparing Minutes	\$ 10.00
Nov. 6.—To Gus. Padget	11.65
Feb. 5.—To E. O. Painter Printing Co, Printing Minutes	19.55
Feb. 19.—To G. W. Alderman, Mailing Minutes	2.40
April 27.—To L. D. Geiger, Loan to State Board	122.60
May 3.—To L. D. Geiger, for Home and Foreign Missions	117.00
May 3.—To Telegrams to Rev. L. D. Geiger75
May 5.—To Rev. L. D. Geiger, for Home and Foreign Missions	10.00
August 1.—To Rev. B. M. Bean, for Orphanage	14.68
August 6.—To Rev. W. F. Thompson, R. R. fare	6.72
Oct. 1.—To Rev. L. D. Geiger, for State Missions	9.35
Oct. 1.—To Rev. W. F. Thompson, Evangelistic Services	33.97
Oct. 29.—To Rev. W. F. Thompson, Evangelistic Services	2.03

\$360.70

Beulah Baptist Association.

Oct. 30.—Total Receipts	\$360.73
Oct. 30.—Total Paid Out	360.70
Balance in Treasury03
Balance Loan in hands of Sunday School Board	122.60
Balance Cash Available	\$122.63

Respectfully submitted,
C. M. Ray, Treasurer Beulah Association.

**BEULAH BAPTIST ASSOCIATION, TREASURER'S
REPORT, 1905-'06.**

Nov. 4.—By cash on hand	\$ 31.97
Nov. 5.—By cash collected for Asso. Missions	19.00
Nov. 4.—By cash from Churches	60.57
Nov. 5.—By cash collected for Gus. Padgett	11.65
Nov. 12.—By cash Lake City church	4.05
Nov. 17.—By cash Lake Butler Church	10.00
Dec. 10.—By cash Lake City Church50
Jan. 1.—By cash Providence Vil. Church	2.60
Jan. 22.—By cash Mt. Carmel Union (from Churches)	15.58
Feb. 5.—By cash Lake Butler Church	10.00
April 30.—By cash sent by Churches and collected for Home and Foreign Missions (Prov. U.)	115.75
April 30.—By cash C. H. Porter	10.00
April 30.—By cash Braxton Small	2.00
July 30.—By cash Eliam Union (from Churches)	27.84
July 30.—By cash Eliam Union for Orphanage	14.68
July 10.—By cash Carmel church	1.00
Sept. 30.—By cash Mt. Carmel Union (from Churches)	12.11
Sept. 30.—By cash Mt. Carmel collected for State Mis- sions	9.35
Oct. 23.—By cash Providence Vil. Church	2.06

\$360.73

Bro. C. M. Ray was elected treasurer for next year.
Association adjourned till 7 o'clock Saturday night.
The preaching service for this hour, 11 o'clock Saturday,
was enjoyed by all. The association had a rare treat in a ser-
mon from Rev. H. C. Peelman.

SATURDAY NIGHT.

Association called to order at 7 o'clock by the moderator,
Bro. T. W. Getzen.

Beulah Baptist Association.

After divine services the report on Christian Education was taken up, it having been made special order for this hour. Discussion by Rev. A. C. Odom, Jr., Rev. H. C. Peelman and Rev. B. H. Damon, after which the report was adopted. Following is the report:

REPORT ON CHRISTIAN EDUCATION.

In this modern day of marvelous progress and fierce competition, it goes without saying that our children must have education or be left in life's strenuous race.

More than this they need education that develops body, mind and heart. The neglect of the latter made the devil fall from his place of angelic privilege and purity. The neglect of this part of our children's nature will make them his trained followers. Because of this fact, parents should be very judicious in selecting schools in which to educate their boys and girls.

The best heart trainers are the Baptists. They bring the individual into closest heart contact with Jesus Christ as Saviour and Lord.

We are just now winning world recognition of the principles, for which our forefathers bled in the 16th and 17th centuries. The world is gravitating toward us. It remains for us to incarnate our principles in our children by thorough Baptist education and we will ere long bring the world to the feet of Jesus. May God speed that glorious day.

Our University has passed over the rough seas of internal strife and external opposition and is now sailing smoothly in the open sea of steady progress. She only needs a larger cargo of boys and girls and she will take them safely into the harbor of perfect equipment for life's services.

Our Southern Baptist Theological Seminary is the greatest distinctive Theological institution in the world. Its missionary days mark the high tide of Baptist missionary enthusiasm. With its Sunday School tutorship and chair of Sunday School pedagogy it is setting the pace for the world's Sunday School progress.

Let up glory in our two great institutions. Their glory and ours will be our childrens, trained by them and blessing the world with the gospel of the Son of God.

A. C. Odom, Jr.
John Croft.
Sister Parish
Sister Townsend.

Beulah Baptist Association.

Report on Missions was then taken up on special order for 7:45 o'clock. Discussion by Bro. Bob Rodgers and Bro. A. J. York.

On motion clerk was ordered to have printed 400 copies of minutes, and on motion ordered that clerk be paid \$15.00 for his services.

Report on Sunday Schools made special order for Sunday morning.

Benediction Saturday night by Rev. B. H. Damon.

Sunday morning the report on Sunday Schools taken up after divine services. Rev. L. D. Geiger and Rev. J. O. Harris were present on Sunday.

RESOLUTION OF THANKS.

Resolved, That we, the messengers and visitors attending the present session of the Beulah Baptist Association, by a rising vote tender our thanks for the generous entertainment given us by the people of Lake Butler.

Association adjourned to meet with Providence Village Church on Friday before the first Sunday in November, A. D., 1907.

Preaching of the missionary sermon by Rev. Robert Rodgers was very much enjoyed by all.

MINUTES OF W. M. U.

Woman's Missionary Union of the Beulah Association met in the Lake Butler Church Saturday, November 3rd, at 2:30 o'clock, Mrs. Ray presiding. The meeting opened with singing, followed by a scripture lesson by Miss Spalding, after which Bro. Peelman lead in prayer.

In response to call for reports the following societies responded:

Lake City reported good work with about forty members; contributions for missions, \$91.53.

For Providence Society Brother Odom made a short verbal report.

Beulah Baptist Association.

Eliam reported \$21.15 in cash for missions and a box for the Orphanage valued at \$25.00.

Lake Butler reported a membership of fourteen with good prospects.

Watertown, organized within the year, has ten members. They have made a thank offering of \$2.40; Orphanage box valued at \$10.00.

Miss Spalding reported the White Springs Society a good, working society.

Mt. Beulah sent a good report of work, their collections for the year being \$81.00.

Lake City reported a What I Can Society.

Miss Hatcher read a letter from Miss Heck. A letter of greeting from The Wekiva Association was read. Miss Spalding and Mrs. Peelman gave instructive talks upon the work. Mrs. Peelman and Mrs. Ray were elected vice-presidents for the ensuing year. An offering for State missions was taken amounting to \$4.06. The meeting was dismissed after singing "All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name."

MISS KATE HATCHER, *Secretary.*

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CHURCHES.	Pastor's Salary.	Building and Repairing.	Visiting Ministers.	Sunday School Expenses.	Foreign Missions.	Home Missions.	State Missions.	Associational Missions.	Orphanage.	At the Meeting for Minutes and Missions.	Mission from Sunday Schools	Totals.
Lake City	1000.00	100.00	50.00	50.00	\$60.96	\$21.80	\$180.79	13.00	\$25.00	\$2.40	\$1454.00	
Mt. Pleasant	100.00	35.00	5.00	5.00	10.00	6.00	6.00	13.00	25.00	21.00	231.00	
Mt. Beulah	112.50	22.00	6.50	5.00	19.46	11.06	17.00	17.00	58.28	1.00	231.00	
Providence Village	30.00	17.18	10.00	10.00	77.50	77.50	113.02	12.52	10.00	2.85	228.74	
*Hopetul	225.00										44.91	
Elim											284.62	
Providence	170.00	75.00	40.65	12.00	25.00	2.00	1.75	5.00	17.48		370.88	
Mt. Zion	125.00	91.41	2.50	3.00	6.80			6.50			255.01	
Lake Butler	75.00	3.00	6.80	50.00	14.00	15.62		4.55			69.45	
*Oak Grove	200.00	100.00	5.00	50.00				10.00	2.36		340.98	
Philippi												
*Hagen	120.00	16.10	5.00	1.60	3.20		6.95	8.75			167.60	
*Bethlehem												
*Ft. White												
Watertown	222.50	3.50	27.40	35.00	5.00	5.00	**	10.00	8.00		326.40	
White Springs	208.05	1500.00			28.59	28.59	28.60	18.00	97.00		2477.50	
* Absent.												
** Box.												
Aunt Carrie	\$1.00.											
The poor	\$5.00.											

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CHURCHES.	PASTORS.	PASTORS LAST YEAR.	CLERKS.	P. O. OF CLERKS.	Membership Last Year	INCREASE	DECREASE
Lake City	Clifton A. Owens	A. Harris	E. A. Hickson	Lake City	219	6	8
Mt. Beulah	W. H. Holmes	F. Q. Cason	A. P. Howell	Welborn	142	1	2
Providence Village	H. C. Peelman	A. C. Odom, Jr.	G. C. Odom	Providence	93	20	2
*Ft. White							
Bethlehem							
Mt. Pleasant	B. R. Mosely	W. C. Lee	L. Jernigan	Lake City R. F. D. No. 1	49	3	2
Mt. Zion	N. B. Plummer	N. B. Plummer	E. B. Everett	Lake City	157	2	2
Elim	A. C. Odom, Jr.	T. J. Evans	J. W. Getzen	Ft. White	130	3	6
*Hopetul			J. G. Purvis	Lake Butler	118	2	2
Lake Butler	A. D. Wilder	W. H. Homer	H. C. Parker	Lake City R. F. D. No. 1	61	2	2
Mt. Carmell	H. C. Peelman	G. W. S. Ware	P. D. Vinzant	Ft. White	2	4	1
Philippi	N. L. King	N. T. King	O. M. D. Weeks	Lake City R. F. D. No. 3	94	2	4
Providence	F. Q. Cason	D. C. Anderson	J. T. Williams	Watertown	43	1	4
*Oak Grove	O. J. Frier		B. O. Rivers	White Springs	105	15	7
Watertown					1	1	1
White Springs					18	2	106

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