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Order of Business:

1. Devotional exercises.
2. Read letters and enroll Messengers.
3. Elect Moderator, Clerk and Treasurer.
4. Invite visiting Ministers to seats.
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 (State, Home and Foreign), Christian Education and Woman's Work.
8. Appoint correspondents.
9. Report of committees.
10. Unfinished business.
11. Close with devotional exercises.

Ministers Holding Membership in Beulah Association:

REV. M. A. WOOD	Lake City, Florida
✓ DR. H. W. TRIBBLE	Lake City, Florida
✓ DR. S. H. THOMPSON	Lake City, Florida
REV. T. J. EUANS	Lake City, Florida
REV. F. A. BONE	Lake City, Florida
✓ REV. W. J. SULLIVAN	Lake City, Florida
REV. J. R. JOHNSON	Lake City, Florida
REV. J. C. JOHNSON	Lake City, Florida
✓ REV. H. A. JORDAN	Wellborn, Florida
REV. N. WILDER	Columbia, Florida
REV. W. C. LEE	Wellborn, Florida
REV. W. P. BETHEA	R. R. No. 4, Lake City
REV. S. D. DUPREE	R. R. No. 5, Lake City
REV. GEO. A. BLOUNT	Lake Butler, Florida

Licensed:

HARRY BENNET	Lake City, Florida
H. W. MARKHAM	Lake City, Florida
R. E. LEWIS	Lake City, Florida
P. G. ALFORD	Benton, Florida

MINUTES.

The Thirty-second Annual Session of the Beulah Baptist Association was called to order by C. M. Ray, Chairman of the Executive Committee, in the absence of both the former Moderator and Clerk, meeting with the First Baptist Church, Lake City, Florida, at 10 o'clock a. m. Friday, October 20th, 1911.

Mr. Geo. W. Clyatt was called to act as Moderator pro tem. and C. M. Ray served as Clerk pro tem.

After short devotional service and reading part of the letters from churches—adjourned for preaching service, to reconvene at 2 p. m.

At 11 a. m. the introductory sermon was preached by Rev. T. J. Euans.

At 2 p. m. Association was called to order, and after devotional service Messengers were enrolled as follows:

Elim Church—E. Polk, T. W. Getzen and J. W. Gray.

Hopeful Church—John Dix.

Lake City Church—Prof. W. B. Jones, G. W. Clyatt, Dr. H. W. Tribble, Rev. Martin A. Wood, C. M. Ray, Mrs. Julia Owens, W. N. Cone and Rev. T. J. Euans.

Lake Butler—Rev. Geo. A. Blount, T. P. Register, Miss Mary Ryherd and Mrs. Jessie Andrus.

Mt. Beulah—R. H. Carver, W. H. Parker, J. E. J. Lee, G. P. Howell, W. W. Newsom.

Mt. Carmel—S. D. Dupree, M. H. Chambers.

Mt. Pleasant—S. M. Parker.

Mt. Zion—W. H. Ogden.

Oak Grove—J. B. Avery.

Old Providence—Letter sent by mail.

Philippi—J. W. Cone, Miss Beulah Cone, Miss Mattie Cone.

Providence Village—J. S. Shaller, Miss May Shaller, Rev. Geo. A. Blount.

Shiloh—Letter sent by mail.

Watertown—J. T. Williams, Mrs. J. T. Williams.

After roll call of Messengers the temporary organization was made permanent, and the Clerk was also elected Treasurer of the Association.

Visiting brethren were invited to seats, and Rev. L. E. McRae of St. Johns Association responded.

Petitionary letter from Welborn Church, which was organized May 10th, 1910, was received, and after the Church had been admitted into the Association the names of the following messengers were enrolled: Miss Georgia Carver and Miss Claudia Warren.

COMMITTEES APPOINTED.

- Preaching—R. H. Carver, M. H. Chambers and J. W. Cone.
 Order of Business—Rev. Martin A. Wood, R. H. Carver and S. M. Parker.
 Education—Dr. H. W. Tribble, E. Polk and W. H. Parker.
 Orphanage—Prof. W. B. Jones.
 State Missions—Rev. W. I. Sanders, G. P. Howell and J. W. Cone.
 Foreign Missions—Rev. G. A. Blount, W. W. Newsom and Hon. T. W. Getzen.
 Home Missions—Rev. W. J. Sullivan, Rev. H. A. Jordan and Mrs. Julia Owens.
 Temperance—Rev. C. M. Gordon, J. W. Cone and Rev. S. D. Dupree.
 Deceased Ministers and Deacons—Hon. M. S. Knight and A. A. Chambers.
 Sunday Schools—J. E. J. Lee, E. Polk and T. P. Register.
 Rev. J. R. Johnson was given the privilege of the floor to present the claims of the Florida Baptist Witness.
 The report on the Orphanage, read by Prof. W. B. Jones, discussed and adopted, is as follows:

REPORT ON THE ORPHAN'S HOME.

There is perhaps no phase of Christian activity that makes a stronger appeal to the Christian than the care of the orphan. In the earliest history of the Christian Church deacons were appointed, a specific part of whose duty it was to minister to fatherless and motherless children. This same duty today still falls upon the deacon, but the spirit of philanthropy has so developed in modern times that the deacons have had their work along this line lessened to a great extent, and out of this spirit which has caused the Church to make the best provision for the Orphans' Home, which is generally agreed to be the best place for these unfortunate and homeless children.

Realizing the need of a suitable place for the care of the orphans in our state, Florida Baptists in 1899 laid plans to provide for them a home. These plans were at first slow in maturing, but about four years later a house was built at Arcadia and Brother B. M. Bean, who only a few days ago passed to his reward, was superintendent of the home. During the eight years of his splendid guidance, and during the few months of the successful administration of his successor, Brother J. E. Trice, the institution has done a noble work and fulfilled a great purpose. Gradually the plant has been enlarged

and the work extended. Today we have three large brick buildings, one of which, the hospital building, has just recently been completed and dedicated. Besides these buildings, we have adjacent to them eighty acres of land, well located and well drained, with about thirty acres in cultivation. The ten-acre orange grove and the gardens are cared for by the boys of the home.

The training of the children here is the very best. The day-school continues its session during eight months of the year under the supervision of efficient teachers. Besides the instruction given along this line, each boy and each girl of the group of sixty-five children is taught to turn the hand to some useful kind of work. The girls learn to cook, to sew, and to perform all the other duties of an orderly and well-governed home. The boys learn to hoe, to plow, to plant, to use the hammer, the plane and the saw. Recently there have been started in the home several useful lines of industrial training, namely: telegraphy, stenography, poultry-raising, stock-raising. Thus we see that the boys and girls of our Home are prepared to take care of themselves when they go out to meet the world.

But this is not all. Added to the work of the school-room, the shop and the field there is careful training in religious work. Altogether, a well-balanced and full-rounded course of instruction is furnished. I dare say there are few homes within the broad expanse of our commonwealth that furnish so thorough and sympathetic training as is ordered by the Florida Baptist Orphanage.

When we think of the possibilities of a home like this, should we not be prompted to open our hearts and purses for its support? Some of the children in the Home are taken from bad environment, needy and neglected, and sent to the Home. Here they are given good educational advantages, taught the Word of God, and equipped to meet the duties of life. The possibilities wrapped up in the lives of some of our orphan boys and girls are equal to those of any other child, and we expect to see in the future noble achievements wrought by many of them. Let us therefore help the Home to become a still greater factor in our religious activities. Let us assist in making it in every respect, such an institution as we would have it be if we expected our own boy or girl to be placed there.

Respectfully submitted,

W. B. JONES.

On information of the death of Brother B. M. Bean, late superintendent of the Orphanage, motion carried that Brother M. A. Wood express the sympathy of this Association to Sister Bean.

Adjourned till 7 p. m.

Association called to order at 7 p. m.

Devotional service conducted by Rev. Geo. A. Blount.

The report on Christian Education by Dr. H. W. Tribble was ably discussed by him and afterward adopted.

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION.

Education today means more than the training of the hand or the mind. It comprises all the forces that are necessary for the full development of the character. The hand, the head and the heart must be developed in due proportion and to their full capacity before the work of education is complete. It is pleasing to note that there is great unanimity among our educators today in thought and purpose to reach the ideal of perfect character. All thinking people can see that the demand is growing daily for thorough education. Time was when the uneducated man who had a good mind could have a fair show in the race of life. Now even the men themselves who have succeeded with little or no education are strong advocates of a broad and liberal education for the rising generation; for they realize that the competition in the future will be between trained thinkers, and whatever business a man may pursue he will need the very best possible use of all his powers. There may be some scattered about in our land who are belated enough not to see the urgent demand for training and culture, but these are becoming fewer and fewer every day. The light is shining, and only those who will not see can fail to observe the index finger pointing up the road of education to success. Farmers and all others are waking up to the fact that intelligent effort and scientific treatment of the materials with which they work will yield them a manifold richer harvest than the unintelligent output of physical force. We are not only getting a great deal more out of the things that we have been using for many years, but we are bringing into our service forces that our fathers never dreamed of using. Every new invention and every new discovery are not only rewards of our efforts at education, but also bring with them increased demand for trained minds. It is the trained mind that invents and discovers, and we cannot get the best out of our inventions and discoveries without skilled hands and heads. Take the wonderful uses we are making of electricity today. Men must know what they are doing when they deal with this subtle agency. What is true of this force is to greater or less extent true of everything we are bringing into the service of man.

In the future conflict of mind with mind shall we meet shrewdness and ingenuity with greater shrewdness? Shall each man simply try to outwit his fellow and get the larger share of the world's wealth and glory, or shall it be the main aim to see who can do the most for the glory of his God and for the uplift of his brother? It seems to be the conclusion of the best thinkers that we shall so train and develop the youth of our land that the big word in their vocabulary shall be *service*. The greatest of all teachers said: "And whosoever of you will be chiefest, shall be servant of all." Of the things which we have said this seems to be the sum; let our homes, our schools and our churches do their best for the characters of our boys and girls in order to make full, rounded men and women of them, training them always to make the very best possible use of their powers, not merely to win success in a material way, but to use all of their efforts and all their success for the betterment of mankind. This will require nothing less than the very best efforts that all of us can put forth. It is pleasing to report that our schools all over the land are overflowing this year. There is a strong and steady tide coming in in favor of education. Shall we Christian people make this education serve our Christ and Lord, or shall we allow it to bow at the feet of mammon in degrading idolatry? We have the means and the people to do what God wishes us to do. Will we do our duty? The boys and girls are pouring into our schools. The people are in favor of education. There can be no question about the fact that a trained villain can do more villainy than one not trained. Let us educate, but educate the whole man and not simply the mind. No other school can do this thorough work but the school that fears God and tries to honor him. The only school that is safely religious is the denominational school. This is the school that is having the hardest struggle today, and yet this is the school that is doing the noblest work. Do we believe this? If we do, let us make our Christian schools what they ought to be. Let us equip them with money and everything necessary to make them the best institutions in the land. The Lord's people have money enough to take good care of all the Lord's work. If they had the willing mind of the Israelites in the wilderness, they would fill God's treasury to overflowing. Columbia College opened this year with an overflowing attendance.

We have about thirty per cent. more students than we had the same date last year. What a splendid student body we have! The school is now where the Baptists of Florida can easily make it one of the greatest institutions of learning in America. Will they give the money and hearty cooperation necessary?

H. W. TRIBBLE,
E. POLK,
W. H. PARKER,

Committee.

Adjourned to meet at 9:30 a. m., Saturday.

SATURDAY MORNING.

Association called to order, followed by a short devotional service, Invitation to visiting brethren was accepted by Rev. Geo. Hyman, S. S. and B. Y. P. U. Field Secretary.

Report on Foreign Missions as read by Rev. Geo. A. Blount, discussed and adopted, was as follows:

REPORT ON FOREIGN MISSIONS.

"If ye love Me, keep My commandments." This is the proof of discipleship. To obey through love. No one can claim to be a faithful follower of Christ who knowingly neglects, or refuses to follow His instructions. The last command of our Savior, "Go," is the marching, fighting and working orders of the Christian and of Christian churches.

Marching.—To "go" with the tidings of God's love; that men may hear the glad tidings of salvation.

To fight.—"To destroy the works of the devil;" not with "carnal weapons," but the "sword of the Spirit, which is the Word of God."

Working.—To build up the Redeemer's kingdom until all nations shall have the knowledge of the Truth.

For the first time in the history of Christianity is the whole world open to the Gospel. The last nation to be opened is Thibet, now under English influence. The great seat of heathenism, China, is now in a fearful revolution, trying to throw off the old order of things, and reaching out for a new and better life. The leaven of Truth has been permeating that great nation until Christian influence is felt all over the Empire. The knowledge of Christ is wider spread over the world than ever before. While this fact is encouraging, it is a sad truth that few have accepted Him as a personal Savior. To Christ's people is given the honor of being co-laborers with the Lord in this great work.

What does the cause need? Consecration of the individual; that

each Christian may realize a personal responsibility; men and women to go with the message of love to all lands; a breaking down of both the covetous nature and unbelief of our hearts. To obey. Either to go ourselves, or support others 'who are on the field.' An earnest supplication, backed by a faith that works and waits for the kingdom of the Lord to come.

GEO. A. BLOUNT, Chm'n.
T. W. GETZEN,
W. W. NEWSOME.

The Report on State Missions by Rev. W. I. Sanders, was discussed by him and Rev. Geo. Hyman, who also presented some features of the Sunday School work. Adopted.

REPORT ON STATE MISSIONS.

We cannot fully comprehend the magnitude of our State Mission work unless we first gain a knowledge of the field. State missions to us means the evangelizing of Florida. The Macedonian call comes from every part of our fair state, and as we look we see that the fields are already white unto harvest.

The opportunities for mission work in our state are rapidly increasing. Hence the responsibility is increasing in exact proportion to the needs of the field. People from other sections are coming in hordes into our borders each year to make this their home. Many of them are being impelled chiefly by the commercial spirit and know nothing of the love of Christ. Our hearts should go out for these in giving them the gospel of our Lord. SHALL WE FULFIL OUR MISSION? The task is a large one, requiring consecration, heroism and sacrifice. We should be encouraged by the work accomplished by our State Board during the past conventional year. Sixty-one missionaries have been employed either for all or part time. These have done work in every association but one. The future prospects are encouraging. Our State Secretary has the work well in hand, but he needs our help and co-operation.

Today we are the leading religious denomination in the State, having a church membership of over 45,000. From the Treasurer's report we are able to make the splendid showing of \$72,276.99 for all missionary enterprises. Let us thank God and take courage, but not be satisfied until we have done our best. We suggest that the churches in Beulah Association send their mission contributions direct to Secretary Rogers, and that we increase these gifts in proportion to the growth and needs of the field.

W. IRA SANDERS, Chairman.
G. P. HOWELL.
J. W. CONE.

After an offering, taken by Rev. Geo. Hyman for State Mission and Sunday School work, amounting to \$18.01, adjourned.

2 P. M.—Association called to order. Short devotional service. The report on Temperance by Rev. C. M. Gordon was read by Rev. Geo. Hyman, discussed and adopted.

REPORT ON TEMPERANCE.

The subject of temperance is being presented and studied by more people to-day than ever before. In the wondrous economy of God, the State-wide prohibition campaign of recent years and months have compelled the people to meditate upon the subject, and in many instances to act upon the proposition confronting them. In these campaigns the idea of temperance, or moderation, has largely been lost sight of in the desire to prohibit altogether. From this, we can clearly see that the "moderate drinker" has just about had his day. He can no longer defy public sentiment and hold up his head, take his daily or hourly toddy, and occupy the places of trust and honor that others occupy. All arguments for moderation along the liquor line have worn threadbare, and the sentiment that is thrilling this world to-day is, that if liquor is as debauching to our sons and daughters as it is painted daily, yes hourly, on the characters of these boys and girls and men, and on the pages of the far-reaching American press, then we will have none of it at all; we will see that its sale is legally prohibited. Whatever is intoxicating should be kept from the hands and lips and lives of all our boys and girls, our men and women.

There are other insidious evils against which we should train our guns, one of the most prominent of which is cigarette smoking in general, but more particularly upon the part of the young men. Now, this evil is productive of mental and physical harm. So very emphatically is this true, that many of the large railroads and other corporations, as well as hundreds of the smaller business houses all over this land are daily turning away applicants for positions whose stained fingers betray the fact that they use cigarettes. A prominent newspaper man said recently that he would not employ a cigarette smoker for the practical reason that he very soon would become dreamy and dilatory, and that his business would suffer as a consequence. Just observe, and you will be in a position to attest the truth of the newspaper man's statement within twenty-four hours.

But, the most serious proposition confronting us along this line, brethren, is that so insidious is this evil that it finds its devotees among even boys six years old, and up. These children grow up and become, sooner or later, burdens on the community, their mental powers blunted and blurred, their physical condition only keeping abreast of their mental; their moral sensibilities numb and inactive because

of the dethronement of their ambition, and, worst of all, they become spiritual vagabonds, whom neither God nor man can trust, and in whom all can clearly see the image of the great God dethroned, debauched and destroyed. Fathers, mothers, God has committed to you the case of the boys and girls, and he looks to you to keep the Divine image polished and beautiful. He stamped His image on your boy and your girl. What are you doing to keep that image bright? The devil is doing all he can to tarnish—are you rubbing and cleaning and polishing? Prohibition is the only safe proposition, for the Scripture is wise and good and true, which enjoins us to "avoid even the appearance of evil." Moderation means compromise. God says avoid the appearance.

Fraternally submitted,

COMMITTEE.

The report on Home Missions by Rev. W. J. Sullivan, as read and discussed, was adopted.

REPORT ON HOME MISSIONS.

As Baptists understand it, Home Missions has to do with supplying the Gospel to the destitution existing within the territory covered by the Southern Baptist Convention. How well we are doing this can be learned from the Home Field and the minutes of the annual sessions of the Convention.

No more important work confronts us to-day. To preach the Gospel to the heathen and send it to the uttermost parts of the earth is a privilege as well as a duty; but to preach it at home is a necessity from an economic stand-point, because as we build up the Gospel influences at home, we safeguard our own interests.

Respectfully submitted,

W. J. SULLIVAN,
H. A. JORDAN,
MRS. T. H. OWENS.

Adjourned for Woman's meeting.

SUNDAY 11:00 A. M.

After an able sermon by Dr. H. W. Tribble the Association was called to order and action taken as follows:

The Treasurer's Report was read and approved.

TREASURER'S REPORT

For the Year ending October 15th, 1911:

1910.	Rec'd.
Oct. 15, Balance on hand	\$ 38 34
Oct. 23, Oak Grove, Ch., Min. and Clerk	\$ 3 25
Oct. 23, Watertown, " " "	5 00
Oct. 23, Prov. Vil., Ch. " " "	5 00
Oct. 23, Blount's Ferry, Ch. " " "	4 00
Oct. 23, Lake Butler, " " "	5 00
Oct. 23, Philippi, " " "	2 50
Oct. 23, Providence, " " "	3 00
Oct. 23, Bethlehem, " " "	1 55
Oct. 23, Hopeful, " " "	1 50
Oct. 23, Mt. Carmel, " " "	3 00
Oct. 23, Mt. Beulah, " " "	5 50—\$ 39 30
Oct. 24, Gen. Col. at Assn. for State Mis.	12 32
Nov. 3, Mt. Pleasant	2 10
Nov. 13, Philippi Ch., Orphanage	3 65
Nov. 13, Shiloh Ch., State Missions	3 50—\$ 5 15
Dec. 4, Elim Ch., " " "	6 15
Jan. 29, 1911, Mt. Beulah Ch., State Mis.	1 55
Jan. 29, Mt. Pleasant " " "	2 00
Jan. 29, Mt. Carmel " " "	1 00
Jan. 29, Providence Vil. " " "	2 45
Jan. 29, Gen. Col. Mt. Pleasant Union "	14 25—\$ 21 25
Feb. 5, Elim Ch., Foreign Missions	7 01
April 30, Elim Ch., Home Missions	4 00
April 30, Prov. Vil. Ch., " "	2 00
April 30, Providence " " "	3 05
April 30, Lake City " " "	1 00
April 30, Philippi " " "	1 50
April 30, Lake Butler Ch., " "	5 00
Mt. Beulah Ch., " "	2 00
Mission Col. Philippi Union	6 71—\$ 25 26
July 30, Lake City, State Missions	15 00
July 30, Elim Ch., " " "	3 50
July 30, Mt. Beulah, " " "	2 00
July 30, Mt. Carmel, " " "	2 00
July 30, Lake Butler, " " "	3 00
July 30, Prov. Vil., " " "	3 00
July 30, Mt. Pleasant, " " "	2 00
Mission col. Mt. Beulah Union	9 50—\$ 40 00
Amt. carried forward	\$196 88

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Amt. brought forward	\$196 88
Miscellaneous receipts	19 28

\$216 16

1910.	Paid Out.
Oct. 21, To Rev. J. T. Jenner, Mission work at Blount's Ferry	\$ 15 00
Oct. 21, To Rev. L. A. Rawls, Mission work at Oak Grove	15 00
Oct. 24, To Rev. J. C. DuBose, Services as Clerk'	20 00
Nov. 15, To Rev. S. B. Rogers, State Missions	12 00
Nov. 15, To Orphanage	1 65
Dec. 12, To Rev. S. B. Rogers, State Missions from Shiloh Ch.	3 50
Dec. 12, To Rev. S. B. Rogers, State Missions from Elim Ch.	6 15
Jan. 30, 1911, Express on Minutes	50
Jan. 30, Cash to the Record Co., printing	27 50
Feb. 15, To Rev. S. B. Rogers, State Missions	28 26
May 1, To Rev. S. B. Rogers, State and Foreign Missions	46 00
May 1, Telegram to Rev. S. B. Rogers	25
July 31, To Rev. S. B. Rogers, State Missions	40 00

\$216 16

C. M. RAY, Treasurer.

REPORT OF FINANCE COMMITTEE.

We, your Committee on Finance, beg to report as follows:
We have examined the Treasurer's books and find them correct; and we also report money received from the churches by this committee as follows:

White Springs, State Missions	\$11 35
Providence Vil., Min. and Clerk	5 00
Shiloh, Min. and Clerk	1 75
Shiloh, Missions	1 00
Mt. Carmel, Min. and Clerk	1 00
Mt. Carmel, State Missions	1 00
Mt. Carmel, Foreign Missions	3 00
Hopeful, State Missions	1 00
Oak Grove, Min. and Clerk	1 50
Oak Grove, Home Missions	1 50
Lake City, Min. and Clerk	7 00
Lake Butler, Min. and Clerk	5 00
Wellborn, Min. and Clerk	1 00
Mt. Zion, Min. and Clerk	5 00
Mt. Zion, Foreign Missions	1 00
Old Providence, Min. and Clerk	5 00
Elim, Min. and Clerk	9 00
Mt. Pleasant, Min. and Clerk	2 35
Watertown, Min. and Clerk	5 00
Mt. Beulah, Min. and Clerk	4 00
Mt. Beulah, Orphanage	6 40
Hopeful, Min. and Clerk	1 00
Philippi, Min. and Clerk	50
Philippi, State Missions	50
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Not collected	\$80 85
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Total collected	\$78 87
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Collection for S. S. by Rev. Geo. Hyman, reported to us	\$18 01

J. E. J. LEE,
REV. T. J. EUANS.
P. T. REGISTER.

REPORT ON SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

But ten Sunday Schools are reported to this Association while we have twenty churches. The total number of pupils reported is 576. Number of baptisms during the year, 14. This showing is not what it should be, but it is encouraging.

J. E. J. LEE,
MRS. JULIA OWENS,
R. H. CARVER, Com.

Dr. H. W. Tribble was nominated for Member of the State Board of Missions.

On motion the Clerk was allowed \$20.00 for his services, and he was authorized to make contract for printing three hundred copies of Minutes.

The Moderator appointed the Executive Committee for the ensuing year as follows:

HON. M. S. KNIGHT.
J. T. WILLIAMS.
R. H. CARVER.
REV. GEO. A. BLOUNT.
C. M. RAY.

Dr. H. W. Tribble was elected correspondent to the Jacksonville Association, and J. E. J. Lee for like service to the Suwanee Association.

Rev. Martin A. Wood was chosen to represent this Association at the next State Convention, with Hon. M. S. Knight alternate. Others to be appointed by the Executive Committee.

By a rising vote the thanks of Messengers were extended to the Lake City Church and people for entertainment.

The claims of Elim and Wellborn Churches were presented for the next Association, and Wellborn was selected for the next meeting of this body Friday before the fourth Sunday in October, 1912.

Adjourned.

The W. M. U. of the Beulah Association met Saturday afternoon, October 21st, 1911.

Mrs. C. M. Ray, of Lake City, presided and conducted the devotional service.

The address of welcome was made by Miss Annie Simpson, of Lake City. Miss Ryherd, of Lake Butler, gave the response.

The following reports from the various societies were read:

REPORTS FROM WOMAN'S MISSIONARY SOCIETIES.

Lake City Missionary and Aid Society:

Foreign Missions	\$ 27 70
Home Missions	30 00
State Missions	37 75
Orphanage	65 00
Local work	21 50
To Columbia College	10 50
Total	\$192 45

Lake Butler Missionary Society:

Foreign Missions	\$10 00
State Missions	20 25
Home Missions	5 00
Columbia College	2 00
Local work	28 10
Total	\$65 35

White Springs Missionary Society:

Foreign Missions	\$32 00
State Missions	8 00
Orphanage	10 00
Total	\$50 00

Mt. Beulah Missionary Society:

Foreign Missions	\$ 2 00
Home Missions	2 00
State Missions	3 00
Orphanage	3 50
Pastor's salary	8 00
Total	\$18 50

Eliam Missionary Society:

Foreign Missions	\$.85
Home Missions85
State Missions	2 50
Orphanage	2 75
Total	\$7 95

Mrs. Martin A. Wood and Miss Mary Ryherd were elected superintendents for the ensuing year.

Mrs. A. R. Wise read the report on State Missions. The report was discussed by Miss McKenna.

The reports on Foreign and Home Missions were read by Mrs. Wood.

Following these reports Mrs. Ray made an interesting talk on the Age of Advancement; after which "Blessed Be the Tie That Binds" was sung, and we were dismissed with prayer.

MRS. W. B. JONES, Secretary.

OUR HONORED DEAD:

LAKE CITY.

DEACON F. B. MOODY	SISTER F. B. MOODY
BROTHER C. L. FRANKLIN	SISTER J. H. ROBINSON
BROTHER E. C. LAMB	SISTER ANNIE HUNT
	SISTER RUBY WALKER

LAKE BUTLER.

SISTER ELIZABETH HILL BROTHER MARTIN JOHNS

MT. BEULAH.

SISTER JULIA GODBOLT SISTER MYRA REID

MT. ZION.

SISTER J. W. BELL

WATERTOWN.

SISTER LONNIE WARREN

OLD PROVIDENCE.

DEACON ANGUS BEALING SISTER A. C. ODOM

OLD PROVIDENCE.

SISTER RUBY ADAMS

ELIM.

SISTER MOLLIE KOON	BROTHER ALLEN ELLIS
SISTER PINCHBACK	

We, your Committee on Deceased Ministers and Deacons, beg to submit that we find that it has pleased Almighty God to take from our ranks during the past year the following named Deacons: Brother F. B. Moodie, First Baptist Church, Lake City, and Brother Angus Bealing, Deacon in Providence Village Church. While we mourn their departure, yet we should rejoice in their victory through Christ.

Respectfully,

M. S. KNIGHT.

A. A. CHAMBERS.



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BEULAH BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

CONSTITUTION.

Section 1. This Association shall be known as the Beulah Baptist Association.

Sec. 2. This Association shall be composed of Messengers selected by the several churches connected with the Association. Each Church shall be entitled to one Messenger at large and one for every twenty-five members or majority fraction thereof.

Sec. 3. Any regularly organized Baptist Church of the same faith may become a member of this Association upon application by petitionary letter and Messenger as above provided.

Sec. 4. This Association shall at their regular meeting elect from their members, by ballot, a Moderator, Clerk, and Treasurer, who shall serve for one year.

Sec. 5. The object of the Association shall be: First, to promote unity and brotherly love among the Churches; second, to promote Gospel disciple; to encourage the universal spread of the Gospel and practical religion throughout our bounds and elsewhere.

Sec. 6. The Moderator shall appoint at each annual session of the Association an Executive Committee composed of five members, whose appointment shall be approved by the body. Their duties shall be: First, to inquire into the destitution within our bounds; second, to make contracts with Ministers of the Gospel of this Association, or other associations in correspondence with us, to supply such destitution with the Gospel; third, to draw from the treasury such funds as are available for missionary purposes to meet their contracts, and to exercise general supervision in the promotion of unity and brotherly love among the Churches and the universal spread of the Gospel throughout our bounds. They shall report the result of their labors at each annual session of the Association.

Sec. 7. The Moderator shall invite correspondents and visiting ministers and brethren to seats with the body when in session. They shall be entitled to the privilege of aiding the Association with their counsel.

Sec. 8. This Association shall have the right to withdraw from any Church that may be in disorder when the same cannot be restored by Gospel disciple to the unity of faith in the bonds of peace.

Sec. 9. The annual meetings of this Association shall be held at such time and place as may be designated by the body; and by appointment there shall be an introductory sermon preached the first day of the session at 11 o'clock, and on the Sabbath or last day of the session a collection taken up for missionary purposes.

Sec. 10. This Association shall not lord it over God's heritage

nor infringe upon any of the internal rights of the Churches, but shall act only as an advisory body.

Sec. 11. This Constitution may be amended at any regular session of the Association by a two-thirds vote of all the Messengers. Any amendment offered shall be in writing.

ARTICLES OF FAITH.

1. We believe in one only true and living God, the Father, Son and Holy Spirit, and that these are one. See Matthew 28:19; 2nd Corinthians 12:4-6.
2. We believe that the Old and New Testament Scriptures are the inspired Word of God and the only rules of faith and practice. See Timothy 3:16-17.
3. We believe in election according to the foreknowledge of God, through sanctification of the Spirit and belief of the truth. 2nd Thes. 2:13-14.
4. We believe that the grace of God that bringeth salvation hath appeared upon all men, and that nothing prevents the salvation of the vilest sinner but his own voluntary rejection of that grace. Isa. 55:1; Rev. 22:17; Acts 17:30.
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. Eph. 2:5; Matt. 18:11; John 4:10; 1st Cor. 3:5-7.
6. We believe in justification by faith, which gives peace with God, through our Lord Jesus Christ. Acts 13:39; Romans 5:12.
7. We believe that the Gospel of Christ is a means of grace to bring sinners to repentance and faith in Jesus Christ, and therefore should be preached to all the world. John 3:16; Mark 19:16.
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 Jesus Christ, and that they are kept by the power of God through faith unto eternal salvation. John 8:31; I. Peter 1:5; Rom. 8:28; Phil. 1:6.
9. We believe that baptism is the immersion of the whole body in water; that the only proper subjects are described in the preceding section, 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. Acts 8:36; Romans 6:4. Read Timothy and Titus.
10. We believe that the Lord's Supper was instituted by Jesus

Christ to be commemorated by His followers and, that none but baptized believers have a Scriptural right to partake thereof. Luke 22:18, 19, 20; I. Cor. 14:26-28.

11. We believe in the resurrection of the righteous and the wicked, and that the wicked shall go away into everlasting punishment, but the righteous into life eternal. Acts 24:15; Matt. 25:46.

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. In case of the absence of the Moderator, the Clerk shall call to order, when the messengers present may elect a moderator pro tem, who shall preside until the letters from the churches are read, including the petitionary letters for membership, and the names of messengers are enrolled.

Art. 2. When the letters from the churches shall have been read and the names of messengers enrolled, they shall elect from the body, by ballot, a Moderator, a Clerk and a Treasurer, who shall serve for one year and until their successors shall be duly elected.

Art. 3. Each day's session of the Association shall be opened with prayer.

Art. 4. The Moderator shall preserve order and decide all questions in debate, subject to an appeal to the body; and when he shall speak on any subject in discussion, he shall call some member to the chair, and in case of a tie, shall give the deciding vote.

Art. 5. The Moderator shall appoint all committees, subject to approval by the body.

Art. 6. The Clerk shall keep a careful record of the proceedings of each meeting, and in the absence of the Moderator shall call the body together and preside until a Moderator pro tem. shall be elected.

Art. 7. All members wishing to speak on any subject shall arise and address the Moderator as "brother," and shall confine themselves strictly to the subject, and shall not be allowed to make any unkind allusion to a brother while speaking.

Art. 8. No motion shall be debated until seconded and stated by the Moderator or read by the Clerk.

Art. 9. When a motion is under consideration no other motion shall be entertained except to adjourn, lay on the table, to amend, in-

STATISTICAL TABLE

FINANCIAL

THE FOLLOWING AMOUNTS HAVE BEEN PAID THIS YEAR AND INCLUDE AMOUNT FROM SUNDAY SCHOOLS, W. M. S. AND OTHER SOCIETIES IN THE CHURCH

NAME OF CHURCH	Pastor's Salary	For Building	Incidental and Improving	For Ministers	State Missions	Home Missions	Foreign Missions	Current Expenses and Endowment Col- umbia College	Education General	Orphanage	For the Poor	Minutes and Clerk	TOTAL	Value of Pastor's Home	Value of Church Property	Total Value
Bethlehem*																
Blount's Ferry*	\$ 157 00		\$ 9 00	\$ 18 25	\$ 2 50	\$ 85	\$ 85			\$ 3 75		\$ 9 00			800 00	800 00
Elim			150 00		1 00										500 00	500 00
Fort White*			42 50		48 55	31 00	53 95	\$ 410 50			31 53 4 00	1 00	\$ 103 1 15	\$ 250 00	10 000 00	\$ 12 500 00
Hagan*	30 00		42 50		48 55	31 00	53 95	\$ 410 50			31 53 4 00	1 00	\$ 103 1 15	\$ 250 00	10 000 00	\$ 12 500 00
Lake City	150 00		42 50		48 55	31 00	53 95	\$ 410 50			31 53 4 00	1 00	\$ 103 1 15	\$ 250 00	10 000 00	\$ 12 500 00
Lake Butler	150 00		42 50		48 55	31 00	53 95	\$ 410 50			31 53 4 00	1 00	\$ 103 1 15	\$ 250 00	10 000 00	\$ 12 500 00
Mt. Beulah	60 00		41 00		21 00	2 00	3 00			10 42		4 00	157 80	500 00	500 00	1 000 00
Mt. Carmel	60 00		41 00		21 00	2 00	3 00			10 42		4 00	157 80	500 00	500 00	1 000 00
Mt. Pleasant	75 00		12 00		5 00						22 00	2 35	114 35	800 00	800 00	1 600 00
Mt. Zion	50 00		35 00		5 00							1 50	110 70	300 00	300 00	600 00
Oak Grove	33 00		182 00		11 75	15 00	4 50					5 00	351 25	500 00	500 00	1 000 00
Old Providence	150 00		182 00		1 00	1 72	6 71	1 00				5 00	351 25	500 00	500 00	1 000 00
Old Providence Village	130 00		182 00		1 00	1 72	6 71	1 00				5 00	351 25	500 00	500 00	1 000 00
Phillippi	130 00	\$ 350 00												400 00	400 00	800 00
Shiloh																
Watertown	480 00															
White Springs*		707 00														
Wellborn																
*Last Report.	\$2513 00	\$1037 00	\$427 78	\$56 00	\$225 97	\$2 65	\$135 85	\$410 50	\$2 00	\$72 18	\$31 60	\$53 10	\$5081 30	\$350 00	\$19 400 00	\$22 000 00

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Sunday Schools

NAME OF CHURCH	Name of Sunday School Superintendent	Superintendent's Post Office Address	Number Pupils	Number Teachers	Scholars Baptized	Sunday School Expenses	Total for All Purposes
Bethlehem*							
Blount's Ferry*	S. J. Edwards	Fort White	1	40	3	\$ 15 00	
Elim							
Fort White*							
Hagan*							
Hopeful							
Lake City	H. W. Markham	Lake City	1	175	12	92 78	
Lake Butler	H. L. Fowler	Lake Butler	1	125	8	55 00	\$ 98 30
Mt. Beulah	J. E. J. Lee	Wellborn	1	50	4	6 40	
Mt. Carmel	C. C. Parker	R. R. 1, Lake City	1	60	3	8 00	8 00
Mt. Pleasant	L. M. Chambers		1	30	3		
Mt. Zion							
Oak Grove							
Old Providence	C. C. Odum	Lulu	1	40	3		
Providence Village	P. D. Vinzant	R. R. 1, Ft. White	1	45	3	10 00	
Phillippi	T. C. Hooper	High Springs	1	15	2	3 00	
Shiloh	J. T. Williams	Watertown	1	80	5	30 00	
Watertown							
White Springs*	J. P. Hatch	Wellborn	1	66	0	8 00	8 00
Wellborn							
*Last Report.			10 576 49	14 228 18	\$233 38		

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Woman's Missionary Society

NAME OF CHURCH	Name of President	President's P. O. Address	Contributions for Missions and Benevolence	Value of Missionary Boxes	Total for All Purposes
Bethlehem*					
Blount's Ferry*					
Elim	Mrs. M. A. Harrell	Fort White	\$ 7 95		\$ 7 95
Fort White*					
Hagan*					
Hopetal					
Lake City	Mrs. Julia Owens	Lake City	110 45	\$ 50 00	162 45
Lake Butler	Miss Hattie Fowier	Lake Butler	42 85		65 35
Mt. Beulah	Mrs. Lillie Rogers	Wellborn	10 50		18 50
Mt. Calvary					
Mt. Pleasant					
Mt. Zion					
Oak Grove					
Old Providence					
Providence Village					
Phillippi					
Phillip					
White Top					
White Springs*	Mrs. Livingston	White Springs	50 00		50 00
Wellborn	Mrs. Lizzie Griffin	Wellborn			
			\$163 80	\$ 50 00	\$213 80

*Last Report

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