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MINUTES

OF THE

THIRTY-FOURTH ANNUAL SESSION

OF THE

Beulah Baptist Association

CONVENED WITH
BEULAH BAPTIST CHURCH
OCTOBER 17, 1913

OFFICERS

C.	M.	Brittain,	Moderator, Lake City,	Florida
			Clerk,	Florida
			Treasurer, Fort White	

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

W. B. Jones, R. Strictland,
M. A. Wood, G. B. Smithson,
J. T. Williams, M. S. Knight.

THE NEXT SESSION WILL BE HELD WITH FT. WHITE CHURCH

WRIGGLESWORTH, JOB PRINTER

ORDER OF BUSINESS

- 1. Devotional exercise.
- 2. Present letters and enroll messengers.
- 3. Elect moderator, clerk and treasurer.
- 4. Invite visiting ministers to seat.
- 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, Woman's Work and Orphanage.
- 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
Rev. T. J. Euans	Lake City, Florida
Rev. H. A. Jordan	Wellborn, Florida
Rev. N. Wilder	Columbia, Florida
Rev. W. C. Lee	Wellborn, Florida
Rev. W. P. Bethea	Lake City, Florida
Rev. S. D. Dupree	_ Lake City, Florida
Rev. C. M. Brittain	Lake City, Florida
Rev. R. E. Parnell	
Rev. R. M. Lewis	
Rev. P. G. Alford	Benton, Florida
" Of Straited and -	Lake City.

LICENSED MINISTERS

Dr. A. P. Montague	Lake City, Florida
	Lake City, Florida

MINUTES

The Thirty-fourth Annual Session of the Beulah Baptist Association convened at 10:30 a.m., being called to order by Dr. A. P. Montague, chairman executive committee. The association met on October 17, 1913.

The moderator being absent, Rev. C. M. Brittain

was elected moderator pro tem.

Reading of letters dispensed with.

Brethren W. B. Jones, Roy Chapman and E. G. Persons were appointed on committee to tabulate church letters.

DELEGATES

Bethlehem-

Blounts Ferry-

Elim-J. J. Swailes.

Ft. White—E. G. Persons, A. J. Green, Miss Mamie Ellis, Marietta Ellis.

Hagan-D. L. Tyre, B. A. Powell, J. R. Barnes, P. J. Tyre.

Hopeful-

Lake City—Dr. A. P. Montague, Mrs. A. P. Montague, W. B. Jones, C. M. Brittain, Dr. Roy E. Chaker, Selvyn Clarke, Roy H. Chapman, Rev. M. A. Wood, Mrs. M. A. Wood, Mrs. A. R. Wise, Mrs. N. D. Decks, Lyman Helveston, H. W. Markham, G. W. Clyatt.

Mt. Beulah-J. E. J. Lee, S. R. Hunt, W. W. New-

some, E. J. Dosher, G. P. Howell.

Mt. Carmel—M. H. Chambers, J. W. Brennen, G. E. Hunter, T. J. Euans.

Mt. Pleasant-G. W. Helton, Dr. G. B. Smithson,

L. M. Chambers, D. L. Jernigan, J. R. Cason.

Mt. Zion-J. E. Wise, W. H. Ogden.

Oak Grove-M. L. Knight.

Old Providence-Wallace Bailey, Eathan Lamb.

Providence Village-C. B. Harden, L. F. Fralick, W. C. Shallow.

Phillippi—J. A. Carroll, J. N. Howell, Mrs. J. N. Howell.

Shilo-

Watertown-C. M. Ray, Mrs. C. M. Ray.

White Springs-Mrs. R. B. Parnell.

Wellborn-R. H. Carver, Miss Pearl Moseley.

C. M. Brittain was elected permanent chairman and H. A. Jordan clerk.

The regular custom of an introductory sermon was dispensed with and the association proceeded with regular order of business.

The following committees were appointed:

Sunday School-R. Strickland, G. P. Howell, Mrs.

A. P. Montague.

Education - Dr. A. P. Montague, A. J. Green, J. E. J. Lee.

Publication-M. A. Wood, M. S. Knight, J. R. Cason.

Report on publications read and, pending adoption, was spoken to by Rev. M. A. Wood and Dr. Montague. Report was then adopted.

REPORTS ON PUBLICATIONS

There is a tendency in human nature to grow like that which we think about.

As our thoughts largely influence our lives so are we responsible to ourselves and to others for their proper direction. Right thinking has to do with right living. Christian people should be much inclined to the printed page. The Bible stands first of all books. Every Baptist should be more familiar with it from year to year and help to spread copies of it in every home of our association. Each Christian should have a copy of the Bible.

The Baptist Sunday School Board, at Nashville, Tenn., is our own publishing house for denominational literature for Sunday Schools, and books for general circulation. We commend it to all individuals and Sunday Schools needing supplies of a Baptist publishing house, and recommend that our schools make their purchases there.

The Home Mission Board, at Atlanta, Ga., issues the Home Field, which is the best medium for giving information about the work of the board. It offers free tracts on its work, and various mission study books, which are sold at a low price, and are very valuable for special courses in Mission Study classes.

The Foreign Mission Board, at Richmond, Va., issues the Foreign Mission Journal every month, and also offers a series of books covering a vast study of mission fields. We recommend the use of the Free Tracts of both the Home and Foreign Mission boards, and call attention to their Mission Study books for all active Christians.

The Florida Baptist Witness, published at Lakeland, in our own State, gives expression to the work in general and of Florida in particular. We need our religious papers for the information about what Baptists are doing in the world. There is inspiration in their pages of things wrought and achieved that will nerve those who keep themselves informed to do greater things in their own churches in the work for the Master. We recommend heartily all these means provided to

attain so desirable an achievement for Christ.

Respectfully submitted,

M. A. WOOD, M. S. KNIGHT, J. R. CASON,

COMMITTEE ON FOREIGN MISSIONS

C. M. Brittain, C. M. Ray, H. W. Markham, Home Missions; J. A. Carroll, J. J. Swailes, Selwyn Chalker, Committee on Preaching, Pastor and Deacons of Church. Adjourned for dinner.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Meeting called to order at 1:30.

Song.

Prayer by Dr. Mahon.

Some letters arriving late.

Permanent committee to solicit students for Columbia College—E. G. Persons, G. B. Smithson, R. Strickland, J. E. J. Lee.

Report on State Missions discussed by Dr. Montague and Dr. Mahon, of Jacksonville, representing State Board of Missions. Adopted.

REPORT ON STATE MISSIONS.

In perhaps no State within the bounds of the Southern Baptist Convention, certainly in no State east of the Mississippi, is this phase of the mission enterprise so important. The population of Florida is increasing by leaps and bounds, settlers are coming in vast numbers, a large proportion of them sadly needing the gospel, and they are planting their homes, in most cases, in sections of the State where church buildings are not to be found; or, if found where the religious development of the community is entirely inadequate to take care of the large numbers in some of the counties of our state, whose population is already between 10,000 and 20,000, and this number increasing by the thousands each year, there is sometimes not to be found more than one self-sustaining Baptist Church. Think of these conditions! Thousands of people in our own State, our own neighbors, who not only do not have a church-home, but who have not the opportunity to hear the preaching of the gospels in months. According to the latest census report seventy-five and a half per cent of the population of Florida is without the pales of evangelical churches. Does it not behoove us, brethren and sisters, to be busy concerning this part of God's work? Our State Mission Board is doing all it can to

make better conditions in Florida, but its members are only our appointed representatives. The work is ours; they can carry it forward only as we furnish the means. Hundreds of church buildings and at least twenty missionaries are needed, and needed greatly. Realizing the great task the State Board has undertaken during this convention year to raise \$40,000. Our year ends Dec. 1st, and we have yet to raise \$10,000. Our leader, Dr. Rogers, has been ill the greater part of the year, and is even now, on account of his strength, unable to attend our associations.

Brethren, it is our solemn obligation as Soldiers of the Cross to rally to the support of our state secretary and to make good the loss sustained by his enforced absence from the field. The work is large and the time is short, but if each church will resolve to do its best from now until December we shall come to the State Convention having completed the task. May the Lord lay it upon the hearts of us who love Him, our deep and solemn responsibility in this important matter.

W. B. JONES, WALLACE BAILEY, S. R. HUNT,

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON NOMINATIONS

We, your Committee on Nominations, beg leave to submit the following report:

The church at Ft. White very cordially invites the association to meet with that church at its next annual session. Your committee has received no other invitations.

We respectfully recommend that Dr. A. P. Montague be elected a member of State Board of Missions, and also that Dr. Montague, Rev. C. M. Brittain and four other brethren be elected as messengers to the State Convention. We further recommend that Rev. H. A. Jordan be appointed to preach the introductory sermon at the next association, with C. M. Brittain as alternate.

Respectfully submitted,
W. S. KNIGHT, Chairman.

REPORT ON FOREIGN MISSIONS

Read by C. M. Ray, spoken to by Rev. Scott Patterson, a returned missionary from Africa. Adopted.

The chairman of this committee did not have before him the latest statistics with reference to our foreign mission work. However, the minutes of last year contained statistics, and most of us are familiar in a general way, at least, with the work that is being done on the foreign fields. Glorious reports have come to us through the papers during the year and we greatly rejoice at the success that has been ours under God's grace and mercy.

As figures are sometimes cold, and statistics often uninteresting, your committee will present their report

in the nature of an exhortation or appeal.

When Christ said "go," we take it that he meant what he said, or just as much so as when he said, "I am with you until the end of the world." As he spoke these words to the disciples in their organized capacity the command applies to us as surely as it applies to those who heard him speak. It was the organization, of course, as represented today by His church, against which, he said the gates of Hades should not prevail.

We have no right to disobey the command or even dispute it. The only question for us to discuss is the means of carrying out this command of our Lord and

King.

Not the "why" but the "how" we are confronted today by the sad fact that a large portion of the Lord's people are making absolutely no effort to send the gos-

pel to the heathen.

We have in our prosperity either forgotten the command or ignored it. Or, worse still, we have rejected it outright. In either case we have committed a grievous error, and one for which, in some way, we will be called into account by the Lord of the Harvest.

With a confession of our short comings in our

hearts let us take up the burden now, and with rene wed vigor and interest, each one of us should shoulder his share of the work and support it with all his might and means.

The committee suggests that the churches in the Beulah association take up the matter of systematic giving to this cause, as well as to others for which we stand.

The Lord's plan, as given to us by the Apostle Paul is, "Let each lay by in store as the Lord prospers him, on the first day of the week." Systematic and regular givings will supply our needs easily and give us a good conscience.

It is our opinion that every church, whether city or country, should make at least a monthly offering for some phase of mission work if we would obey our

Lord's instructions.

We earnestly urge that a missionary committee be appointed in every church to have this work and see to it that mission offerings are made regularly and consistently, both for the good of the churches, themselves and the cause at large.

Respectfully submitted.

C. M. RAY, C. W. BRITTAIN. Committee H. W. MARKHAM,

REPORT OF HOME MISSION.

Read by J. J. Swailes. Pending adoption was spoken to by Dr. Mahon. Adopted.

J. J. SWAILES, Committee J. A. CARROLL, SELWYN CHALKER,

HOME MISSIONS

The founders of the Republic desired that this should be a Christian nation. They set forth their

ideas in many of the earlier state papers. They refused to bolster up religious institutions by the state patronage. History has justified their wisdom. The oppressed of every nation today looks to America to show the way to better things. We have tried and know of a truth that "Righteousness exalteth a nation." But our best efforts have been imperfect. We also know that "sin is a reproach to a nation." Of 94,000,000 people in America only about 21,000,000 are members of any evangelical religious body. Of 31,000,000 people in the Southern Baptist Convention territory fewer than 11,000,000 are members of evangelical bodies.

There remains a large task of pioneer mission work in our territory. After all the successful efforts of Home and State Missions, scores of communities in many States do not hear the gospel message. There has come about in addition a pioneer work of a new kind. It has to be found in the slums of the cities and sometimes along the fashionable boulevards. With the old task unfinished many new ones are being added that are more difficult.

Three thousand unhoused churches in our convention territory, with thousands of others in buildings that are not adequate to their needs, mutely appeal to the Home Board in raising the Million-Dollar Church Building Loan Fund.

REPORT ON HOME MISSIONS.

In the Southwest, in Cuba and Panama, among the Southern mountains, in destitute city places, and in needy rural districts throughout the South, among the Indians and Negroes and foreigners, through evangelism, church building work and enlistment endeavors, our Home Mission Board is today doing the greatest work of all its fruitful history.

The Home Mission Board apportionment for the whole South is this year \$431,750.

That pastors and workers urge churches to subscribe for the Home Field, the monthly Home Mission Magazine, and to make the largest use of the excellent Home Mission tracts, which are free on application.

That our churches remember Home Missions during the year and give with more regularity to meet the constant needs of the board.

That earnest prayer be made for the cause of Home Missions in all the churches, and that our pastors be requested to preach on this subject as often as practicable. The address of the Home Mission Board is Third National Bank Building, Atlanta, Ga.

Passed to miscellaneous business. Adjourned till Saturday, 9:30 a. m.

SATURDAY.

Association called to order at 9:30 by moderator. Devotional exercises led by Dr. Montague. Song No. 56. Prayer by H. A. Jordan.

Report on Sunday Schools read by Mrs. A. P.

Pending adoption, was spoken to by M. S. Knight and E. G. Persons.

Adopted.

REPORT ON SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

The statement is made that some of the churches of this association has no Sunday School, though interest in the Sunday School is on the increase in the majority of the churches.

A Sunday School, or as it is better named, a Bible School, is a very important factor and an essential part of church life and development. No church can possibly be said to meet its obligations or realize its opportunities which has no training school for its young.

In the Bible School the young, the middle-age, and the old study systematically God's word.

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For these reasons we urge upon every church in

this association the imperative necessity of establishing without delay a school for the study of the Bible.

In the second place, we urge very earnestly that all the teachers in the Bible School of this association take the teacher's training course prepared by experts in S. S. work published by Sunday School Board at Nashville. We all know of the necessity of trained workers in every place of our work.

Thirdly, we urge all teachers while giving in the history of the Bible to make it their highest aim and their constant purpose to save souls. In every lesson let us remember that souls must be saved and that this is the high duty of Christians.

MR. R. STRICKLAND, MRS. A. P. MONTAGUE, MR. G. P. HOWELL,

RESOLUTION.

On resolution by Dr. Montague the rules were waived for regular business and Bro. J. A. Carroll offered the following resolution:

WHEREAS, Information comes to this association that one or more of the churches of the Baptist churches in our bounds are receiving and have received members who have not been baptized by any minister of the gospel who was ordained by any regular organized church of the same faith and order. And, whereas, we believe this practice to be contrary to Baptist principles and usages.

Therefore, be it resolved, by this Association, That any church continuing such practice or permitting such to remain members without proper baptism shall be considered out of order.

Substitute was offered by Dr. Montague, discussed by Brethren E. G. Persons and Dr. Montague in favor of substitute, and T. J. Euans, M. S. Knight and H. A. Jordan in favor of original resolution. Substitute withdrawn by Dr. Montague. Resolution adopted as read.

REPORT ON TEMPERANCE.

Read by M. Knight. Pending adoption was spoken to by M. S. Knight. Adopted.

Sometimes we are disposed to congratulate ourselves on the onward march of prohibition and we like to believe that temperate habits are increasing among all the people of our country, and most especially among our own people, and yet statistics reveal the sad. sad fact that there is more money spent annually for each of the following articles of intemperate use, intoxicating liquors, cold drinks, cigarettes and tobacco, than is contributed by all religious denominations for the spread of the word of Him who said, "Be ye temperate in all things." This being true, your committee beg to urge upon our people the importance of both teaching and practicing temperance in all things, and we wish also to urge upon our brethren the importance of keeping up the fight so nobly made thus far until there shall not be a legalized saloon in our country. We might add that while in our home land prohibition has and is decreasing the sale and use of intoxicants, the leadings governments of the world, including our own, are permitting the increasing traffic of intoxicants in heathen lands, which debauches these helpless people and hinder all missionary work.

> M. S. KNIGHT, MRS. C. M. RAY, J. N. HOWELL,

REPORT ON BAPTIST ORPHANAGE.

Read by E. G. Persons. Spoken to by Persons and Knight. Adopted.

The orphanage at Arcadia is a visible expression of the Great Throbbing Human Heart of Florida Baptists.

We consider it a living monument to Florida Baptists and to the glory of God. We believe that angels rejoice over the establishment of such institutions.

This institution is entitled to the prayers and sympathies of all Florida Baptists, and should receive their liberal, loyal and unstinted financial support, and not only financial support, but the support of our daily prayers. From this home we are expecting useful christian citizens in the future. Perhaps many ministers and missionaries, many a child will be trained into christian lives that otherwise would be wasted lives.

Respectfully submitted.

E. G. PERSONS, W. H. ODGEN, MRS. C. M. RAY,

REPORT ON EDUCATION.

It is not only desirable but absolutely necessary that a denomination of Christians have their own college, their own institution of higher learning, for these purposes:

- 1. To educate their preachers. The day of the uneducated preacher has come to its sunset hour. The world has grown so greatly in intelligence, education has become so general that the man who is untrained can no longer lead. Conversion, consecration and clear faith in God come first, as these virtues must ever be foremost in the Christian life; but education must follow closely behind, since no matter how good and earnest and consecrated the preacher may be, he cannot command the respect or hold the intelligent confidence of his people unless he adds to consecration knowledge, and to faith and righteousness the culture which our day and time and the conditions of life demand.
- 2. To train their laymen, to the end that the preacher may have intelligent, developed members to advance with him the cause for which he lives and labors. The boy or girl who goes to the secular college too often comes home not only with no understanding of

religious work, with no conception of Christian methods, but also with a mind indifferent to God's word, even with the unfaith and the doubts that mean a life ruined here, doomed hereafter.

3. To lift the whole Denomination of a plane of higher intelligence and to give it a wider vision of world needs and world activities.

The influences going forth from the Denominational College through its students, its Faculty, and other channels, inform and elevate the thousands, and thus add to the efficiency of the whole Denomination.

If these are facts, and no reasonable man will dispute them, our duty is to support denominational education, to support in Florida the concrete exponent of denominational education, Columbia College, the only school in this state which belongs to the Baptists of Florida.

This support, to be effective, must be in students and in money. Our College is worthy and it is needy. There is no other corps of teachers in this state superior to the Faculty of Columbia College. Products of our best colleges, our teachers there know what education is, and they are prepared to teach our boys and our girls, to train them not only in mind but also in spirit, to the end that mental growth may have the safeguard of spiritual development.

If the Baptists of Florida were doing their duty by Columbia College, our school would have five hundred students.

Secondly, the College needs money. No college on the American continent pays it's way from student fees, or is, in other words, self-supporting. It must have an actual endowment of \$300,000 or \$400,000, which is the one safe plan of conducting a college, or an annual allowance from the Baptists of the state sufficient to meet the needs of an institute of learning.

The State College receives every year a sum run-

ning from \$25,000 to \$100,000. If our Baptist College is to do all its work properly, it must have annually from \$12,000 to \$18,000, in addition to the amount paid by its students.

We ask of you your prayers that God will bless our College, your support in the gifts of your children and your money, that your deeds may be in consonance with your prayers.

We further recommend to our Association the faithful support of our Seminary at Louisville, an institution worthy in every way of the confidence and the loyalty of our people and a necessary part of our Baptist Educational system, if our preachers are to be fully equipped for the greatest service that man can perform.

A. P. MONTAGUE, J. E. J. LEE, A. J. GREEN.

Report on Education was ably discussed by Dr. Montague and collection amounting to \$64.00 was taken for ministerial Education. Adjourn for dinner.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Association met at 1:30 o'clock, called to order by Moderator. Report of Finance Committee read by J. J. Swailes.

We, the Finance Committee, have examined the accounts of the Treasurer and find them correct for the past year.

We have also received funds from the several churches of the Association sent by messengers for the purposes as follows.

Mt. Pleasant, Minutes and Clerk \$2.50 Old Providence, Minutes and Clerk \$1.45

Orphanage.....5.66
State Missions4.6011.67

Phillipi, Minutes and Clerk 1.00

Ft. White, Minutes and Clerk	\$3.00
	\$18.17
Brought over	\$18.17
Elim, Minutes and Clerk	1.00
Providence Village, Minutes and Clerk	
Hagan, Minutes and Clerk \$1.50	
State Missions	
Home Mission 1.00	3.05
Oak Grove, Minutes and Clerk	
Beulah, Minutes and Clerk	
Hopeful, Minutes and Clerk	1.00
Wellborn, Minutes and Clerk	
Lake City, Minutes and Clerk	
Mt. Carmel, Minutes and Clerk	
Bethlehem, Minutes and Clerk	
By Public offering for orphanage	
Total	\$49.47
J. J. SWAILES R. H. CARVER	Committee

Received of Finance committee, \$49.47.

E. G. PEARSONS

G. W. HELTON

Treasurer Beulah Association

RERORT ON DECEASED MINISTERS AND DEACONS

Your committee is happy to report that only one death has occurred in the bounds of the Association during the past year. Brother Fred Cone, for (22) twenty-two years a deacon of Philippi church, has answered the call of the Reaper and entered upon his heavenly reward.

Brother Cone was a faithful man of God, one who measured up to the Bible Standard for a deacon.

He was a man of Spiritual power and influence in his church and community and is sadly missed.

May the grace of God sustain those who are left behind and keep us all ready for the Master's use until we shall be called to meet him face to face.

G. W. CLYATT.

Chairman of Committee.

REPORT OF WOMAN'S WORK Read by H. A. Jordan and adopted.

The W. M. U. Auxiliary to (that is to say a helper of the Southern Baptist Convention) meets at the time and place of the Convention meeting, annually. In all of the 17 states and the District of Columbia, embracing the territory of the Southern Baptist Convention, our women are organized in State W. M. U's, and these all work in harmony.

We also have the Associational Unions and the local Woman's Missionary societies, and it is in the last named where most of our efficient workers find their sphere of loving service.

We find that in many localities there is a lack of information, and because of that little interest in a work, the blessings of which have never been experienced or seen; but the interest is growing, and the work is enlarging, and now we are able to present a few figures showing the rapid growth of the work:

Annual increase in ten years 193,000
This showing indicates a great awakening. The

total receipts for twenty-four years are reported in round numbers, \$2,607,000.00. This is for the general work, much state and local work not being included.

During last year the organized women of Florida gave to Missions more than \$5,000.00.

These figures reveal a growth that thrills the hearts of our Christian women everywhere, for they show that the tendency is for rapidly increasing zeal and efficiency, which means much for the future of our work, and for the Kingdom of our Lord.

Every Church should have a Missionary Society, if possible, and if any desire information the Associational Superintendent, or the State Secretary of the W. M. U., will gladly help. Interest may be lacking at first; but the zeal of a few, or of one, is the entering wedge for a glorious work.

Sister, this call may come to you, as the conscious call comes to man for the ministry; then we would impress upon you that a love for the Master's service is the first and most important qualification.

Our purposes are to distribute Missionary information, to secure the co-operation of women and children in collecting money for Missions, and the education and and inspiration of new Missionary forces.

Behold the fields are ripe unto the harvest, and we pray the Lord of the harvest that He will send more laborers.

REPORT OF WOMANS MISSIONARY UNION.

The Womans Missionary Union of Beulah Association met Oct., 18th, 1913.

Mrs. Montague called the meeting to order and after song service read the scripture lesson, "The value of united work," John 15:1-12. Mrs. Peelman lead in Prayer. Six societies sent reports. Wellborn reported a society just organized and Watertown only a few months old. The following reports were read.

LAKE CITY.

Foreign Missions		\$99.10
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BEULAH	BAPTIST	ASSOCIATION
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Chipley Memorial	5.00
Ministers Assurance	
Orphanage	16,50
Value of Orphanage Box	25,20
Columbia College	11.00
Local	54.95
	\$278.70
WHITE SPRINGS.	
Foreign Missions	\$10.00
Christmas Offering	5.25
Home Missions	18.26
Thank Offering	2.50
State Missions	10.00
Ministers Assurance	2.00
Orphanage	10.00
Value of Orphanage Box	35.00
W. M. U. School	5.00
Other Purposes	4.80
	\$102.81
MT. BEULAH.	4
Foreign Missions	\$1.00
State Missions	4.50
Ministers Assurance	3.00
Orphanage	1.00
	\$9.50
FT. WHITE.	,
State Missions	\$1.00
Orphanage	12.00
	\$13.00
WATERTOWN.	,
Foreign Missions	\$1.20
Home Missions	1 20

State Missions	 3.50
	\$5.90

Mrs. A. P. Montague and Mrs. J. A. Howell were elected superintendents for the ensuing year and Mrs. C. M. Ray, secretary.

Mrs. Peelman gave a most interesting talk on Woman's Work and Missions in the different fields, encouraging the women to continue the work with renewed zeal and greater earnestness.

Mrs. A. P. Montague, Supt. Mrs. C. M. Ray, Sec.

TREASURER REPORT.

For the year ending October 16th, 1913.

RECEIVED, 1912.

Oct. 20. Elim church, Clerk and Minutes,	\$1.00
Mt. Beulah church, Clerk and Minutes,	2.47
Phillippi church, Clerk and Minutes, \$1.	
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Shilo church, Clerk and Minutes,	1.70
Watertown church, Clerk and Minutes,	5.00
Mt. Pleasant Church, Clerk and Mintes,	
Hopeful church, Clerk and Minutes,	1.00
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Hagan church, Home Missions, 1.	00 1.75
Mt. Carmel church, Clerk and Minutes,	2.00
Bethlehem church, Clerk and Minutes,	1.50
Lake Butler church, Clerk and Mintes,	1.00
Lake City church, Clerk and Minutes,	5.00
Dec. 29. Mt. Carmel church, State Missions,	1.25
Phillippi church, State Missions,	1.00
	3.50
Hopeful church, State Missions,	
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Watertown church, Foreign Missions, 4	90
Apr. 29. Watertown W. M. S., Home Missions, 1.	30

BEULAH	BAPTIST	ASSOCIA	TION
DESCRIPTION	DAI TIDI	ADDUCE	MOIL

	Watertown W.M.S., Foreign Missions	s, 1.25	
	Watertown church, Home Missions.	2.10	4.65
Jan. 30	. Watertown Union, State Missions.		8.56
Sept. 5	. Wellborn Union, State Missions,	3.69	0.00
	Mt. Beulah church, State Missions,	.40	
	Bethlehem church, State Missions,	1.00	
	Bethlehem church, Orphanage,	.50	
_	Watertown church, State Missions,	2.50	8.09
	Miscellaneous Receipts,		4.48
		\$"	70.22

PAID OUT.

Dec. 4. To Rev. S. B. Rogers, State Missions, \$	3.00
To Rev. S. B. Rogers, Home Missions.	1.00 4.00
20. To H. L. Dodd, Printing Minutes.	27.00
30. To Rev. S. B. Rogers, State Missions,	5.75
Apr. 14. To Rev. S. B. Rogers, Home and For-	
eign Missions,	11.72
28. To Rev. S. B. Rogers, Home Missions,	2.10
To A. B. Brown, for Rev. M. A. Wood,	
for work on Association Minutes	3.00
July 7. To Rev. S. B. Roger, State Missions,	8.56
Sept. 11 To Rev. S. B. Rogers, State Missions.	7.59
To Rev. S. B. Rogers, for Orphanage,	.50
Respectfully submitted,	\$70.22

C. M. RAY, Treasurer.

Motion carried to have printed 300 Minutes and pay clerk \$20.00.

Motion by G. B. Smithson to have expense of Minutes and clerk printed in Minutes. Adopted.

Messengers to State convention, Dr. A. P. Montague, Rev. A. M. Brittain, Rev. T. J. Euans and Rev. H. A. Jordan.

On motion a vote of thanks was given to Beulah

church and community for its kindness and hospitality in its entertainment of the Association. Adjourn.

SUNDAY MORNING.

On account of inclement and threating weather, Association was not called to order Sunday morning, as but few came out. Rev. H. A. Jordan preached a missionary sermon at the 11 a.m. Collection taken for state missions, \$5.05. Adjourn.

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 the 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 fore-knowledge of God, through sactification 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.
 - 4. We believe in the depravity of the human

heart, and that the natural state of man is such at the 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.

We believe in justification by faith, which gives peace with God, through our Lord Jesus Christ. Acts 13:99; Romans 5:12.

We believe that the Gospel of Christ is a means of grace to bring sinners to repentence and faith in Jesus Christ, and therefore should be preached to all the world. John 3:16: Mark 19:16.

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; Phi 1:6.

We believe that baptism is the immerson 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.

We believe that the Lord's Supper was in-10. stituted by Jesus Christ to be commemorated by His followers and that none but baptised believers have a Scriptural right to partake thereof. Luke 22:18, 19, 20; I. Cor. 14:26-28.

We believe in the resurrection of the right-11. eous 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

At the first meeting of each annual session of the Association, the Moderator of the prev-

ious 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.

When the letters from the churches shall Art. 2. 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.

Each day's session of the Association Art. 3. 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.

The Moderator shall appoint all commit-Art. 5.

tees, subject to approval by the body.

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.

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.

When a motion is under consideration no Art. 9. other motion shall be entertained except to adjourn, lay on the table, to amend, indefinitely postpone, refer to a committee, or call for the previous question.

Any member voting with the majority Art. 10.

on any question in debate may move a reconsideration at any time during the session.

Art. 11. Visiting brethren and correspondents from other associations of the same faith shall have a right to speak on any and all subjects under consideration, but shall not be entitled to vote.

Art. 12. No brother shall speak more than twice on a subject in debate without the consent of the Association.

Art. 13. These rules of Decorum may be altered or amended at any regular session of the Association by a majority vote of the members of the body.

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Nhite.	E. C. Sheridan H. A. Jordan A. J. York	Lake Ctiy Wellbom Live Oak	A. P. Smith J. J. Swailes A. J. Green	Lake City, R. 4 Ft. White Ft. White	8=85	3 - 1 - 2 - 3 - 6 - 6 - 6 - 6 - 6 - 6 - 6 - 6 - 6	22 22 22 22 22 22 22 22 22 22 22 22 22	2	1 1-6	3	25.88	25 3rd Sunday 139 1st Sunday 36 4th Sunday 38 4th Sunday
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NAME OF CHURCH	PRESIDENT	ADDRESS	MISSIONS AND BENEVOLENCE	VALUE OF MISSIONARY BOXES	TOTAL
Bethlehem Elim Hagan Hopeful Lake City Mt. Beulah Mt. Camel Mt. Zon Old Frovidence Providence Village Philippi	Mis. J. H. Owens	Lake City.	\$278.70 \$278.70 9.60		\$ 73.00 278.70 9.60
Watertown Wellborn White Springs	Mrs. C. M. Ray. Mrs. G. E. Hawkins.	Lake City Wellbom	3102 87		3.50 X 5.70

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SUNDAY SCHOOL

Total Cifts	\$11.00 158.63 5.50 11.95
Expenses	\$5.00. 74.66. 5.50.
enoissiM	\$1.00.
Columbia	\$10.00
Teachers and officers	33 3 3 4 4 4 7 7 7 7 7 7 7 7 7 7 7 7 7 7
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SUPERINTENDANT	C. D. Hedrick S. J. Edwards E. G. Persons D. L. Tyre. John Dicks. H. W. Markham J. E. J. Lee Joe Bass. D. L. Jernigan J. W. Brelling C. S. Clyatt R. A. Y. Roberts Perry D. Williams J. T. Williams R. H. Carree
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