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BEULAH BAPTIST ASSOCIATION



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MINUTES

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THIRTY-FIFTH ANNUAL SESSION

---OF THE---

Beulah Baptist Association

CONVENED WITH

FORT WHITE BAPTIST CHURCH October 16th, 1914

OFFICERS

C.	Μ.	Brittain	, Mod	erator	 ٠.	 	 	. Lake	City,	Florida
М.	A.	Wood,	Clerk		 	 	 	Lake	City,	Florida
		Persons.								

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

W. B. Jones W. H. Shallar
A. P. Smith E. G. Persons
J. R. Eubanks M. A. Wood

The Next Session will be held with Providence Village Church October 15th, 1915

Citizen-Reporter Job Print, Lake City

ORDER OF BUSINESS

- 1. Devotional exercise.
- Present letters and enroll messengers.
 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 Foreign), Christian Education, Woman's Work, Orphanage.
- 8. Appoint correspondents.
 9. Report of committees.
- 10. Unfinished business.
- 11. Close with devotional exercises.

MINISTERS HOLDING MEMBERSHIP IN BEULAH ASSOCIATION

Rev. C. M. BrittainLake City,	Florida
Rev. W. P. BetheaLake City,	
Rev. S. D. DupreeLake City,	
Rev. J. R. EubanksLake City,	
Rev. T. J. EuansLake City,	
Rev. B. A. GuyLake City,	
Rev. R. M. LewisLake City,	Florida
Rev. D. O. RiversLake City,	Florida
Rev. M. A. WoodLake City,	
Rev. H. A. JordanPine Mount,	
Rev. R. E. Parnell	
Rev. R. Strickland	
Rev. N. WilderColumbia,	Florida

LICENSED MINISTERS

H.	C.	Bennett	٠.	 	 				 .Lake	City.	Florida
T.	E.	Cochran		 	 				 .Lake	City,	Florida
		Davis									
		. Markham									
		P. Montague									

MINUTES

The Thirty-fifth Annual Session of the Beulah Baptist Association called to order by Moderator C. M. Brittain at 10:30 a. m., October 16, 1914, convened with the Fort White Baptist Church.

A brief devotional exercise was conducted by Dr. Wilbur B. Parshley of Live Oak, Florida.

MESSENGERS

Bethlehem-Rev. B. A. Guy, A. P. Smith.

Elim—T. W. Getzen, D. M. McNair, M. G. Dennis, Ephraim Polk, S. J. Edwards, J. J. Swails.

Fort White—A. J. Green, E. G. Persons, M. T. Ballard.

Hagen-D. L. Tyre, Virgil Powell.

Hopeful-John Dicks, Mrs. Dicks.

Lake City—M. A. Wood, Mrs. Wood, C. M. Brittain, Mrs. Brittain, Dr. A. P. Montague, Mrs. Montague, W. B. Jones, Clarence Kirby, H. W. Markham, Mrs. Markham, A. R. Wise, J. R. Eubanks, G.W. Clyatt, C. C. Rawls, Mrs. N. D. Dicks.

Mount Beulah—H. A. Jordan, R. H. Carver, J. E. J. Lee, J. V. Stansel, W. E. Hunt.

Mount Pleasant-G. W. Helton.

Mount Carmel-

Mount Zion-

Oak Grove-

Providence—George Bailey, Miss Ella Bailey, S. W. Lamb, Mrs. Lamb.

Providence Village—W. H. Shallar, J. W. Ostien.

Philippi—J. R. Pope, P. D. Vinzant. Shiloh—E. P. Dubose.

Watertown-C. M. Ray, Mrs. Ray, Miss Julia Crouch.

Wellborn—Miss Pearl Mosley, Miss Willie Everett, R. M. Silas.

White Springs-

On motion, the reading of the letters being dispensed with, a committee consisting of H. W. Markham, Dr. W. B. Parshley and A. J. Green was appointed to prepare a digest of the letters from the Churches.

The messengers present being enrolled, the election of officers was next in order. On motion, waiving the rules, Rev. C. M. Brittain was re-elected Moderator by acclamation.

Rev. M. A. Wood was elected Clerk by ballot.

On motion, waiving the rules, E. G. Persons was re-elected Clerk by acclamation.

At 11 o'clock, after song and prayer, the introductory sermon was preached by Rev. H. A. Jordan from Matthew, 28:19, 20. Prayer by Rev. A. J. York.

The following committees were appointed:

On Preaching-The deacons of Fort White Church and Rev. A. J. York

On Christian Education-Dr. A .P. Montague, T. W. Getzen, E. G. Persons.

Deacon E. G. Persons of Fort White Church spoke kindly words of welcome on behalf of the Church and the citizens. A brief response was made by the Moderator.

FRIDAY AFTERNOON

The Association convened at 1:45 p. m. Song, "At the Cross."

Prayer by Rev. B. A. Geiger.

Visiting brethren were welcomed. Those present during part of, or through the entire session, are as follows: Rev. B. A. Geiger, Jasper, Fla.; Rev. W. B. Parshley, Live Oak, Fla.; Rev. A. J. York, Moderator Suwannee Association, Live Oak, Fla.; Mrs. H. C. Peelman, Secretary Woman's Missionary Union of Florida; Rev. S. B. Rogers, Secretary Florida Baptist State Mission Board.

During regular business, R. Strickland insisted on raising the question of "alien immersion." During discussion names of Bethlehem and Lake City churches

were called. A resolution offered last year was read, which was understood to settle that question. H. A. Jordan persisted still and offered a motion "That Lake City church answer charge of practicing alien immersion, according to my best information Lake City church has been guilty of alien immersion." made by E. G. Persons to lay same on the table. tion carried. Brethren Jordan and Strickland leading a few others, left the house at once apparently in a bad spirit. A motion was made immediately by Dr. A. P. Montague to appoint a committee to bear fraternal greetings and ask those brethren who withdrew to return and remain during the Association. Motion carried and chairman appointed W. B. Jones, C. C. Rawls, W. H. Shaller, A. J. York and B. A. Geiger. The brethren outside refused to hear the committee and would not return.

Call for correspondents was responded to by Rev. A. J. York and Rev. W. B. Parshley, of the Suwannee

Association.

Committees announced as follows:

On Queries -- G. W. Clyatt, G. W. Helton, W. B. Jones.

Finance—C. C. Rawls, A. P. Smith, D. L. Tyre. Deceased Ministers and Deacons-C. M. Ray, B. A. Guy, Ephraim Polk.

Publications-R. M. Lewis, Mrs. H. W. Markham, W. H. Shallar.

Snuday Schools-J. R. Eubanks, Mrs. M. A. Wood, C. M. Ray.

Temperance — B. A. Guy, B. A. Geiger, Clarence Kirby.

State Missions-Mrs. A. P. Montague, J. J. Swails, John Dicks.

Foreign Missions-W. B. Jones, W. E. Hunt, E. P. Dubose.

Home Missions-Mrs. A. R. Wise, Virgil Powell, Mrs. C. M. Brittain.

Woman's Work-Mrs. H. C. Peelman, Mrs. N. D. Dicks, G. W. Helton.

REPORTS

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

At the call of the chairman, the committee was held two special meetings during the year at which a majority of its members were present. At the first meeting, in December, two applications which came before the committee were approved, but on account of direct information (which we did not have) in the hands of the State Board, these were declined later by that Board.

A resolution was adopted: "That the members of the Executive Committee available should visit among the churches for the purpose of speaking on Bible giving, and on the subject of Missions, as the opportunity affords during the Associational year."

Through the chairman and by correspondence with Secretary Rogers and Mrs. Peelman, a Missionary Institute program was arranged with Pastor J. R. Eubanks, at Elim Church, on the date of the fifth Sunday Union meeting in August. This was said to be a meeting of most profitable character.

At the second meeting three applications for ministerial aid at Columbia College and three for missionary aid from the State Board were approved. The committee notes that the amount of aid asked for is more than the total amount contributed by the Churches of this Association to State Missions during the year. Ought this condition to prevail? Let the Churches arouse themselves to the work and care for all the needs within our borders, and also lend a hand to help others in the greater mission sections of our State.

Respectfully submitted,

W. B. Jones, Chairman Martin A. Wood, Sec'y

M. S. Knight R. Strickland

G. B. Smithson.

DIGEST OF LETTERS

The Committee on Digest of Letters reported an increase in all lines of the work of the Churches. (See statistical tables.)

Mrs. H. C. Peelman spoke briefly on Woman's Work.

EDUCATION

The report on Christian Education was read by Dr. A. P. Montague. Pending its adoption Dr. A. P. Montague, President of Columbia College at Lake City delivered an able address.

To train our own preachers to declare with added power the truths of the Gospel, and to lead our people into wider fields; to prepare our laymen for more efficient and intelligent service, for the apprehension and comprehension of opportunity as citizens and followers of Christ; to make our women readier for the duties of home and Church, Christian education is not only desirable, but absolutely essential.

Development is the watchword of our time; development in business, in government, in law, in medicine. God's people must develop if they would march ahead of secular progress and lead it to Jesus Christ.

We commend to the support of this Association our college—ours in a peculiar sense, as we are its own home body.

We urge our people to give our college their prayers, their money, and their children. Without our support, lonely indeed would our college be.

Columbia is doing its best; let us so cherish and support it that it will do better than its present best.

We urge our Association to give generously to the Ministerial Student Fund for our college and our seminary. By means of this fund we shall enable our young men who are called to preach to obtain the edu-

cation which shall equip them for larger service, and for the work which more than ever demands not only the consecrated soul and the willing heart, but also the trained and expanded mind.

Respectfully submited,

A. P. Montague

T. W. Getzen

E. G. Persons

Committee.

Following the splendid address of the chairman of the committee the report was adopted and pledges were taken for the Ministerial Fund of Columbia College:

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FRIDAY NIGHT

Song service and prayer. Rev. B. A. Geiger preached at 7:30 o'clock.

SATURDAY MORNING

At 10 a. m. Rev. B. A. Geiger read the Report on Temperance.

TEMPERANCE COMMITTEE

That the great cause of temperance has made great strides in the last two decades can not be denied. But it has not yet reached the desired goal. We long to

see the day when it will mean more to us than it does today. But even now when we speak of what men call the failures of the temperance movement, when you stand aside at the express offices and see them converted into bars, does not signify that the movement is a failure. You must roognize the fact that every half-pint of whiskey sold in dry territory is an outlawed act.

It is a fact today that two-thirds of our national territory is now dry terrietry. The movement is now becoming world wide. At the beginning of the present great war, the Emperor of all the Russias closed the liquor traffic in his empire. So immediate was the good results that he has just issued an edict making it permanent. The day is not far distant when men will see the power for good in the temperance movement, and it will be made national and world wide. To this end let us work while we pray and pray while we work.

Respectfully submited.

B. A. Guy

B. A. Geiger

C. L. Kirby

Committee.

Pending the motion of adoption brief speeches were made by brethren B. A. Geiger and C. C. Raw's. Report adopted.

REPORT OF TREASURER Year Ending October 18, 1914

RECEIPTS

Fifth Sunday Meeting Elim Church

1913

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Oct. 18	Rec'd from Fin. Com. Beu-	4
	lah Association	\$49.47
Oct. 28.	Rec'd from A. B. Brown	4.00
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"	Philippi Church		2.07
ч	Hopeful Church		1.50
**	Bethlehem Church		1.00
"	Providence Vil Cl		1.00
"	Providence Vil. Church		2.65
**	Elim Church		17.20
	Mrs. E. G. Persons		1.00
	Total receipts DISBURSEMENTS		\$80.39
1010	DISBURSEMENTS		

1913
Oct. 25. Baptist Orphanage\$ 8.15
1914

Jan. 7. H. A. Jordan, Minutes 30.00

Jan. 21. H. A. Jordan, on Clerk's salary (\$6.50 paid by C.

M. Brittain) 13.50

Aug. 31. Paid E. B. Rogers 26.42

Total disbursements . \$78.07
Cash on hand 2.32
Respectfully submitted,
E. G. Persons,

Treasurer.

Report received and adopted.

PUBLICATIONS

Inasmuch as Christian publications are necessary for the furthering of Christian progress, and a means for giving the Christian people correct information regarding the progress of His kingdom; believing that all denominations should own and operate publishing houses of their own for the progress of their own denominational work, we the committee wish to recommend:

1. That our denomination patronize our own pub-

lishing house, the Baptist Sunday School Board, Nashville, Tenn., for their Sunday school literature and books as needed.

- 2. We recommend The Home Field, published in Atlanta, Ga., which gives information of the work of the Home Board.
- 3. We recommend the Foreign Mission Journal, published at Richmond, Va. Believing that when the Master said "Go ye into all the world, and preach the Gospel to every creature," that He included all mankind, and the Foreign Mission Journal tells us monthly of the progress of the Master's kingdom in the foreign field.
- 4. We recommend the Florida Baptist Witness, published at Arcadia, Fla., and urge that all Baptists subscribe to this paper and read it from week to week. Believing that we should all be informed on the proggress that our own dear State is making and knowing that this is the only way by which we may keep the State work before the people.

Respectfully submitted,
Roy M. Lewis
W. H. Shallar
Mrs. H. W. Markham
Committee.

Pending its adoption, Moderator Rev. C. M. Brittain spoke on the report, after which it was adopted as read.

NOMINATIONS

Report on Nominations received and adopted as follows:

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

 The First Baptist Church of Providence cordially invites and urges the Association to hold its next annual session with that body. No other invitations having been received, we recommend that this invitation be accepted.

We recommend further, that the next annual session be held on Friday before the third Sunday in October.

We respectfully recommend that Dr. A. P. Montague be elected our representative to the State Board of Missions.

4. Finally, we recommend that Dr. A. P. Montague be appointed to preach the introductory sermon at the next session, with Rev. L. A. Rawls as alternate.

Respectfully submitted

W. B. Jones

G. W. Clyatt

Committee.

DECEASED MEMBERS

We recommend that a page be affectionately dedicated to the memory of our dead, as follows:

Rev. W. C. Lee, Mount Pleasant Church.
Brother S. W. Hodges, Hopeful Church.
Brother J. W. Bell, Welborn Church.
Brother J. H. Harrell, Sr., Elim Church.
Sister Sarah Collins, Elim Church.
Sister A. H. Helveston, Lake City Church.
Brother D. W. Brown, Lake City Church.
Brother H. N. Gaylard, Mount Beulah Church.
Sister Rebecca Edge, Old Providence Church.

C. M. Ray
E. Polk
B. A. Guy
Committee.

The report adopted and followed with the song, "Shall We Gather at the River?"

FOREIGN MISSIONS

Never since the Great Commission was given by our Lord has so much been said and written concerning man's part in spreading the Gospel to the nations that know not God. Never since Christian people awoke to a realization of the fact that the chief business of the Church is to fulfillthis Great Commission has the truth that "He will be with us to he end" so impressed them as it is doing today. Yet despite the truth of both of these statements Churches, Baptist Churches, in our own Association are falling far short of their privileges and of what God expects of them in this great cause. While as a body our work in missions has steadily progressed, have all of us measured up to our responsibility? Ought not our gifts to foreign missions, as well as to other forms of missionary enterprise, have been many times what we have made them? And can we deny that our contribution to this cause is in a large measure an expression of our interest and zeal in the work?

Let no one take comfort in the fact that the total contributions to the cause of missions made by this Association are larger year by year, but rather let each Church and each member answer this question solemly before God, "Have we been obedient to the Commission?"

The committee wishes to emphasize the suggestion made last year in the report on foreign missions, that the churches give systematically and frequently to the cause of missions. We would urge, too, that the pastors would emphasize the Bible plan of giving, and

all phases of missionary work.

W. B. Jones

W. E. Hunt

E. P. Dubose

Committee.

Pending adoption, Bro. W. B. Jones spoke briefly on the report, which was adopted.

STATE MISSIONS

The State Mission report was read by Mrs. A. P. Montague.

When our Savior gave directions about carrying on His work He said, "Beginning at Jerusalem," hence our authority for State missions is supreme. In Dr. Rogers' splendid report before the 1913 Convention at Arcadia he showed wonderful progress in all departments of the State work. And yet before us is a great opportunity for further progress.

If we do not support State missions, the base of supplies is neglected and foreign and home missions will languish and fail. It is the work of the State Mission Board that arouses the Churches to give to the other causes of missions and plants Churches that, growing, become supporters of foreign and home missions.

Seventy-seven State missionaries under the direction of the State Board are working in Florida. Churches which have no houses of worship look to this agency for the means to build church homes; ministerial education derives support through the work of the State Board; and Columbia College must depend upon this Board for collection of a fund which shall furnish current support.

Realizing the necessity of this great Board, its vast service and its needs, we urge the Churches of this Association to give during October and November as never before, and in their support to show a spirit of sacrifice which, relying upon God, gives and gives freely, even when giving is hardest.

The Board must have before December 1 \$20,000. Let us of the Beulah Association do our part in meeting this obligation and in helping our great Secretary, who, with all his rare powers and gifts of mind and soul, cannot alone bring to pass an end which is vital.

Mrs. A. P. Montague Chairman

J. J. Swails John Dicks

Committee.

A motion pending for its adoption, Dr. S. B. Rogers, Secretary of the State Board of Missions, delivered a great address.

Report adopted.

SATURDAY AFTERNOON

Song service and prayer.

The report on home missions was read by M. A. Wood.

Motion for adoption pending, remarks were made by Moderator C. J. Brittain, Brethren B. A. Guy, J. R. Eubanks, W. B. Jones, C. M. Ray, C. C. Rawls and Roy M. Lewis.

Report adopted.

HOME MISSIONS

Mission activity is the expression of a consecrated Christian life. Home missions finds a ready response in the faith and works of the majority of Christians. Hence a brief report of the work done by our own Home Mission Loard during the last year particularly ought to awaken peculiar interest. This report gives specifically, first, the results; second, conditions to be met; third, the special need this Association can sup-

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ply.

Results: 30,000 baptisms; 56,000 additions to the Baptist Churches; \$400,000 raised.

Conditions to be met today: 22,000,000 lost souls in the South; rapid progress of civilization; closed and mutilated Bibles as found in Catholicism and false faiths such as Russelism, Christian Science and others; press and public attacks upon Christ's deity.

The special need this Association can supply: (1) Use of free home mission tracts; (2) form study classes, using the Board's new book, "Baptist Home Missions"; (3) subscribe for Our Home Field; (4) pray and request pastor to preach on home missions.

Respectfully submitted,

Mrs. A. R. Wise Virgil Powell

Mrs. C. M. Brittain

Committee.

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FINANCE COMMITTEE

Following report of the Finance Committee was adopted:

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

We have received funds from the several Churches of the Association for the following purposes:

Watertown, Minutes and Clerk.....\$ 5.00 Providence Village, Mins. and Clerk... 5.00

Hopeful, Minutes and Clerk	1.00
Bethlehem, Minutes and Clerk	1.00
Hagen, Minutes and Clerk	2.00
Lake City, Minutes and Clerk	5.00
Elim, Minutes and Clerk	3.70
Fort White, Minutes and Clerk	4.00
Providence, Minutes and Clerk	1.50
Philippi, Minutes and Clerk	1.00
Shiloh, Missions, Mins. and Clerk	3.60

Fort White, Fla, Oct. 17, 1914.

Received from the Finance Committee of Beulah Baptist Association, thirty-two and 80.100 dollars.

E. G. Persons, Treasurer.

The Moderator appointed the following as Executive Committee:

W. B. Jones, E. G. Persons, J. R. Eubanks, A. P. Smith, W. H. Shallar, M. A. Wood.

Rev. J. R. Eubanks was nominated to represent Beulah Association at the Southern Baptist Convention, to receive credentials from Secretary S. B. Rogers.

The Moderator appointed as Messengers to the Baptist State Convention: Dr. A. P. Montague, Mrs. Montague, C. M. Brittain, M. A. Wood.

A motion was made to have 300 copies of the Minutes printed and distributed, and that the Clerk receive the usual fee for his work. Adopted.

BAPTIST ORPHANAGE

This Home for Orphan Children is one of the noblest, best and humane institutions ever started by any denomination. It should appeal to the heart and pocket-book of every loyal, true-hearted Baptist in the state. Here are being raised, trained, educated and

brought up under careful Christian methods, seventyone children. What a great work is this! Brethren, don't stint these children in your means, prayers and sympathies.

Respectfully submitted,

E. G. Persons,

A. J. York,

J. W. Ostien,

Committee.

Brief remarks were made by the Chairman, E. G. Persons, and the report was adopted.

Brother C. M. Ray read for the Committee the

SUNDAY SCHOOL REPORT

We would again impress the importance of Sunday Schools, trained teachers, and of up-to-date methods. It is the school of the Church and of such vital importance that every live Church must have a live Sunday School.

We are glad to be able to report, as we see it, there has been some awakening and increased interest in this department of our Church work. However, we would again urge our adult members to an increased interest and participation, both for the example of the children, many of the older of whom are tempted to drift out and away from its influence, and for their own personal spiritual good.

May God give us wisdom and consecrated teachers who can lead a great host of children to the foot of the Cross, for with them is the greatest of all Christian work, and they must become the ministers,, teachers and consecrated workers who will help to carry the Gospel to every creature.

J. R. Eubanks, Mrs. M. A. Wood, C. M. Ray, Committee.

WOMAN'S WORK

With pleasure your committee reports progress for the Florida W. M. U. Our women are growing in intellectual interest, consecration and constructive ability. Missionary programs and study classes have led to intercessory prayer, tithing and proportionate giving. The special seasons of prayer are more generally observed. The moneyed aim for last year was realized. Twelve thousand dollars, an advance of 20 per cent., is the amount desired this year.

Two Florida young women are being supported in the training school. The W. M. U. contributed to every object fostered by the State Convention and the training school in addition. It is the desire of the Florida women to complete the \$5,000 Chipley Memorial Building Loan Fund next year.

Our Mission Fields, formerly the organ of the W. M. U., has been succeeded by Royal Service, a splendid monthly magazine. The history of the Florida W. M. U., by Mrs. E. Van Hood, is accurate and interesting.

Through the faithful efforts of the Association superintendents and officers of societies, new societies, larger gifts and increased membership are reported for Beulah Association.

We are proud to claim for our Association, one of the three Honor Societies of the State, viz., Lake City.

While we rejoice in the successes of the past year, we realize that not yet has all been attained. There are Churches having no societies, bands or auxiliaries. Many children and young people that might be trained for loyal service are growing up careless and indifferent to the Master's cause.

We recommend:

1. That every society adopt the Standard of Excellence. This will give the vision necessary to development, lead to mission study which will arouse active sympathy and form habits of service, such as giving, personal effort, and the organization of societies in weaker Churches.

That every member subscribe for a missionary magazine and purchase a copy of the "History of the Florida W. M. U."

3. That we seek to deepen the prayer life of our women, ever remembering our watchword, "Be strong

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in the Lord and in the strength of His might." Respectfully submitted Mrs. H. C. Peelman Mrs. N. D. Dicks G. W. Helton

Committee.

This report was heartily adopted as read.

A vote was taken to extend the sincere thanks of the body to the Church at Fort White and to the citizens for the splendid entertainment.

Brief and appropriate closing remarks were made by the Moderator. This was followed by the song, "Blest Be the Tie That Binds." After handshaking the benediction was pronounced by Rev. A. J. York.

The Association was declared adjourned with the completion of its annual business.

SUNDAY MORNING

Preliminary exercises were conducted in the Sunday school. After reading the regular lesson, brief addresses were made on the importance of Sunday school work.

At 11 o'clock the missionary sermon was preached Ly Rev. Martin A. Wood, on II Cor., 8, 9, "The Grace of Giving." Pledges and a cash collection were taken for State missions.

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	R. F. Persons.											.\$	2.50
	A. J. Green												2.00
	W. H. Shallar.												1.00
	Lake City											,	50.00
	S. A. Cottman												2.00
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	J. F. Dennis												1.00
	R. A. Persons.												5.00
	Mrs. Harrell .												50
	Mrs. J. Dennis												1.00
	G. M. Ellis												5.00
	G. W. Helton .												1.00
	E. G. Persons												2.50
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MINUTES OF WOMAN'S MISSIONARY UNION

The Eleventh Annual Session of the Beulah Woman's Missionary Union met at Fort White, October 17th, 1914, Mrs. A. P. Montague presiding. Opened with song "Bringing in the Sheaves." Mrs. Peelman led in prayer. Mrs. Montague read Psalms 27, followed by another song.

After the roll call of the Societies and report of Associa-tional Superintendent, Mrs. Montague; the officers for the following year were elected as follows: Mrs. A. P. Montague and Mrs. J. N. Howell, Superintendents; Mrs. C. M. Ray, Secretary; Mrs H. C. Peelman presented the matter of better organization and it was decided to appoint a committee to consist of the Superintendent, Secretary and three others, to draft a Constitution and By-Laws, to be presented at the next Union Meet-

Mrs. Peelman gave an interesting and instructive talk on our work and methods, giving many valuable suggestions, clos-

ing with Florida's Jubilate Hymn.

REPORTS FROM SOCIETIES.

Bethlehem-Mrs. A. P. Smith president. Just recently organized. Have held but two meetings. State Missions \$1.50, Home Missions \$1.25. Total \$2.75.

Eliam-Miss Gussie McNair president. State Missions \$10.15, Home Missions \$3.25, Training School \$2.50, Orphanage \$2.50. Total \$18.40.

Fort White-Mrs. E. G. Persons president. Home Missions \$1.00, State Missions \$1.00, Aged Ministers \$1.00. Total \$3.00.

Number of members, ten.

Lake City-Mrs. T. H. Owens president. Foreign Missions \$25.20, Christmas offering \$23.85, Home Missions \$7.70, Thank offering \$19.70, State Missions \$31.10, Chipley Memorial \$10.00, S. S. Bible Fund \$1.00, Aged Ministers \$3.00, Ministers Assurance \$4.00, Orphanage cash and box \$53.95, Training School \$5.00, Columbia Collège \$12.00, Ministerial education \$1.00, Jubilate Fund \$26.82, Local work \$152.90. Total \$377.22. Number of members, thirty-nine.

Mount Beulah—Mrs. W. L. Rogers president. Foreign Missions \$1.50, Home Missions \$3.00, State Missions \$1.00, Aged Ministers \$1.00, Orphanage, cash and box \$15.90. Total \$22.40. Number of members, twenty.

Phillippi—Mrs. J. N. Howell president. Foreign Missions fifty-seven cents, Christmas Offering fifty-two cents, Home Missions fifty-eight cents, State Missions \$1.40, Chipley Memorial \$1.26, S. S. Bible Fund 67 cents, Training School \$1.30. Total \$6.30. Number of members, twenty-five.

Watertown—Mrs. C. M. Ray president. Home Missions \$2.35, Foreign Missions \$5.00, State Missions \$6.05. Total \$13.-40. Number of members, ten.

Wellborn-Mrs. M. L. Hawkins president. Home Missions \$7.00, have quilt ready for Orphanage. Number of members ten.

Y. W. A., Columbia College—Miss Mary Pimm president. Foreign Missions \$1.25, Home Missions \$1.25, Jubilate Offerings \$5.00, Box to Missionaries \$40.00. Total \$47.50. Number of members, thirty.

White Springs—Mrs. T. W. Smith president. Foreign Missions \$11.00, Home Missions \$12.00, State Missions \$10.00, Ministers Assurance \$2.00, Other Purposes \$1.65. Total \$36.25.

Report of Association Superintendent, Mrs. A. P. Montague Letters and cards written 11; Letters and cards received 6; Programs for Fifth Sunday meetings planned 1; Churches visited 2; Missionary societies organized 2; Subscriptions to our Mission Fields and Royal Service secured 12; Large numbers of tracts and leaflets sent out; Number of Churches in Association 18; Number of Missionary Unions in Association 11; Number of Y. W. A's. 1; Number of R. A. Chapters 1; Number of Sunbeam Bands 2.

CONSTITUTION

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

Sec. 2. This Associaton 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 discipline; 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 and 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.

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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 discipline

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 advi-

sory 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 Ghost, 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 acording to the for knowledge of God, through sanctification of the Spirit and belief of the truth. 2nd Thes., 2:13-17.

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, 16:16.

- 8. We believe that all those who are regenerated by the spirit of God are made heirs of God and joint heirs with Lord Jesus Christ, and that they are kept by the power of God through faith unto eteranl salvation. John, 8:31; 1st Peter, 1:5; Romans, 8:28; Phi., 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 hose 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 right-

into everlasting punishment, but the righteous into life

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subject, and shall not be allowed to make any unkind

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, indefinitely postpone, refer to a committee, or call for the previous question.

Art. 10. Any member voting with the majority on any question in debate may move a reconsideration at any time during the session.

Art. 11. Visiting brethren and correspondents from other assiciations 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 subjectin debate with 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. by a majority vote of the members of the body.

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 io order, when the Messengers present may elect a Moderator pro tem., who shall preside until the letters from the churches are read, including the peitionary 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

eternal. Acts, 24:15; Matt., 25:46.

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