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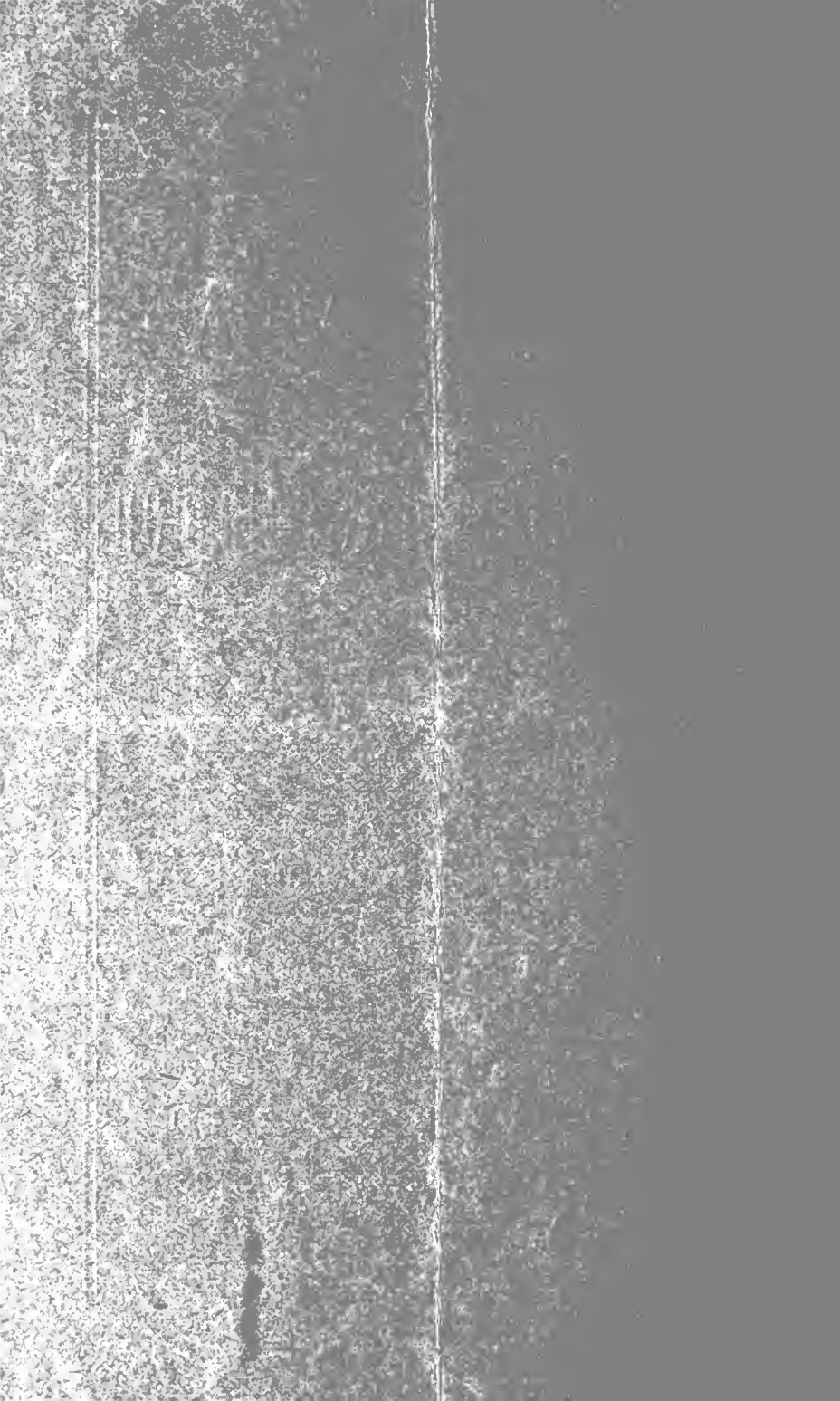
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The MT. ZION ASSOCIATION of the Primitive Baptist Faith and Order commenced her Sixty-ninth Annual Session with Brown's Creek Church, Marshall county, Ala., Friday before the second Sunday in September, 1892.

1. The Introductory Sermon was delivered by Elder A. Whitworth, from the following Scripture: Titus ii. 1, "Speak thou the things that become sound doctrine."

2. After a short intermission, the brethren composing the Association met at a house near by. Prayer by Elder J. T. Stewart.

3. Called for and read the letters from the different churches, and enrolled the names of Messengers.

4. Elder E. F. Gilland was chosen Moderator, and C. Q. Alldredge, Clerk.

5. Invited visiting ministers and brethren to seats.

6. Called for petitionary churches. Received none.

7. Appointed Brethren E. R. Murray, James Moore, G. F. Moon, together with the messengers of Brown's Creek Church, as a Committee to Arrange Preaching during this Association.

8. Called for correspondence from sister Associations. Received correspondence, with letter and package of minutes, from Flint River Association by the hands of Bro. W. R. Battles. No letter or minutes from Mt. Moriah Association.

9. Appointed Elder J. T. Stewart to write a corresponding letter to Flint River Association; Bro. E. R. Murray to write to our sister, Mud Creek Association.

10. Adjourned until Saturday morning, 9 o'clock. Prayer by Elder W. T. Moon.

SATURDAY MORNING, 9 O'CLOCK.

11. The Association met pursuant to adjournment. Prayer by Elder W. A. Lyon, of Mud Creek Association.

12. Called the roll and read the Rules of Decorum and Abstracts of Principles.

13. Renewed the call for correspondence. Received no letter or messengers from Mud Creek Association, but Elders W. A. Lyon, J. W. Martin, Brethren Silus Byrum, S. D. Kennamer as visitors, and J. R. Maulsby, from Whitewater Association, Indiana, all of which were cordially received and invited to seats.

14. Appointed Brethren H. Graves, E. P. K. Berry as a Committee on Finance. Reported \$13.05.

15. Our next Association will be held with Salem Church, Blount county, Ala., near Brooksville, Ala., nineteen miles north of Oneonto, Ala., to commence Friday before the second Sunday in September, 1893.

16. Moved and carried that the present Arranging Committee to Arrange Preaching, if any of them are present, together with the messengers of Salem church, appoint some one to preach the next Introductory Sermon.

17. According to previous arrangements of the several districts, Union Meetings will be held as follows:

First District—Siloam, Blount county, Ala., to commence Friday before the fourth Sunday in August, 1893.

Second District—Shiloh, Marshall county, Ala., to commence Friday before the third Sunday in August, 1893.

Third District—Sardis, Morgan county, Ala., to commence Friday before the first Sunday in August, 1893.

Fourth District—Clear Creek, Marshall county, Ala., to commence Friday before the first Sunday in August, 1893.

18. Appointed C. Q. Alldredge to superintend the printing of minutes, and he is hereby ordered to have 300 copies printed and to pay for same out of minutes' funds.

19. The letter to Mud Creek was read and received. Elders J. T. Stewart, W. T. Moon, A. Whitworth, Brethren D. B.

Abernathy, W. M. Moon, F. B. Moon, J. C. Graves agreed to bear said letter.

20. Moved and carried the Mt. Zion Association petition for correspondence with Hopewell Association, and appoint Bro. J. L. Dunn to prepare said letter and forward the same, with minutes, to said Association.

21. The sincere thanks of this Association are hereby most respectfully tendered to our sister, Brown's Creek church, and vicinity for their hospitality and kind treatment during this session.

22. The Association having finished its business in peace, adjourned. Prayer by Elder E. F. Gilland.

ELD. E. F. GILLAND, *Moderator.*

C. Q. ALLDREDGE, *Clerk.*

ORDER OF PREACHING.

Friday afternoon, by Licentiate J. R. Maulsby, Elder W. A. Lyon, closed by Elder J. W. Martin. Saturday morning, Elder J. W. Martin, Elder R. V. Hood, closed by Bro. D. A. Nation; afternoon, Licentiate J. R. Maulsby, Elder W. S. Holland. Sunday morning, Elders J. T. Stewart, W. A. Lyon; afternoon, Elder J. W. Martin, closed by Elder E. F. Gilland.

Abstract of Principles.

ARTICLE 1st. We believe in one true and living God—the Father, the Word and the Holy Ghost.

2d. We believe that the Scriptures of the Old and New Testaments are the word of God, and are the only rule of faith and practice.

3d. We believe in the doctrine of election by grace.

4th. We believe in the fall of man, and that he is incapable of recovering himself therefrom.

5th. We believe that sinners are justified in the sight of God only by the imputed righteousness of Jesus Christ.

6th. We believe that God's elect shall be called and regenerated by the Holy Ghost.

7th. We believe that the saints shall persevere in grace, and never fall finally away.

8th. We believe that Baptism and the Lord's Supper are ordinances of Jesus Christ, and true believers are the subjects, and we believe that the true mode of baptism is by immersion.

9th. We believe in the resurrection of the dead and a general judgment, and that the punishment of the wicked is everlasting, and the joys of the righteous will be eternal.

10th. We believe no minister has a right to the administration of the ordinances only such as are regularly baptized, called and come under the imposition of hands by the presbytery.

11th. We believe that none but the regularly baptized members have a right to commune at the Lord's table, and we believe that the saints should wash one another's feet after taking the Lord's Supper.

Constitution of Mt. Zion Association.

1st. Those members who are regularly chosen by the churches in our union shall compose the Association.

2d. The members so chosen shall produce letters from their respective churches, certifying their appointment, together with the state of the churches since the last Association.

3d. The members thus chosen and convened shall be denominated the Mount Zion Association of the Primitive Baptists.

4th. The Association shall have no power to lord it over God's heritage, nor to infringe on any of the internal rights of the churches.

5th. The Association shall have a Moderator and Clerk, who shall be chosen by the members present.

6th. Any church desiring admittance in this union shall petition by letter and messenger, and if found orthodox, shall be received by the Association, and manifested by the Moderator giving the messengers the right hand of fellowship.

7th. Any church in this union shall be entitled to three representatives, and no more.

8th. No query may be taken under consideration in this Association excepting where cases of serious difficulty are likely to arise, and cannot be settled

by the church, or the help of other churches which they shall call on, then they may send it to the Association.

9th. Every motion made and seconded shall be put to a vote, except withdrawn by the person who made it, and a majority shall decide.

10th. Every person who speaks in debate shall rise to his feet and address the Moderator.

11th. No person shall speak more than three times upon any subject in debate, without liberty from the Association.

12th. No member shall absent himself from the Association without liberty.

13th. The Association will not fellowship any church or churches, nor hold them in union, who are engaged in supporting any Missionary, Bible, Tract, or Sunday-school Union Society; who advocate State Conventions or Theological Schools; nor any other society that has been, or may hereafter be, formed under a pretense of circulating the Gospel of Christ; nor any secret organization; nor will she correspond with any Association that is engaged in supporting any of the above named institutions, they being without a "Thus saith the Lord" for them as to the church.

14th. Any amendments may be made to this Constitution at any time when a majority of the Association may deem it expedient.

List of Ordained and Licensed Ministers and their Post-Offices.

ORDAINED MINISTERS.

W. BARTLET.....	Bartlet, Ala.
W. S. HOLLAND.....	Sneed, Ala.
E. F. GILLAND.....	Clear Springs, Ala.
R. V. HOOD.....	Brooksville, Ala.
R. R. LOKEY.....	Bartlet, Ala.
A. WHITWORTH.....	Arab, Ala.
W. T. MOON.....	Leesdale, Ala.

LICENSED MINISTERS.

JAMES BLACKWOOD.....	Cleveland, Ala.
B. F. HOLLAND.....	Sneed, Ala.
BUTLER MOON.....	Sidney, Ala.

STATISTICAL TABLE.

NAMES OF CHURCHES	NAMES MESSENGERS.	PASTORS OF CHURCHES.	CLERKS AND THEIR POST-OFFICES	Baptized	Rec'd by Letter	Dis'm'd by Letter	Excluded	Restored	Deceased	Total Membership	Contributions	Day of Meetings
Mt. Moriah.....	*J. T. Stewart, James Moore, J. W. Mayfield.	J. T. Stewart.....	Wm. Hood, Huddah, Ala.....	3	2	1	1	...	...	28	\$ 1 55	2
Mt. Pisgah.....	Not represented.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
County Line.....	Not represented.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Bethlehem.....	*E. F. Gilland, J. A. Gilland.	E. F. Gilland.....	J. W. Matthews, Gallant, Ala.....	...	...	...	...	1	2	25	1 25	3
Mt. Joy.....	James A. Rebinett.	J. T. Stewart.....	T. W. Hood, Davis, Ala.....	...	...	...	...	1	1	41	65	1
Sileam.....	W. H. Whitworth, *R. V. Hood, A. J. Hood.	J. T. Stewart, R. V. Hood, A. Whitworth.	W. C. Hufstetter, Blountsville, Ala.	...	...	...	...	1	1	32	75	4
Mt. Pleasant.....	M. M. Perkins, Wm. Yong, Edward King.	R. V. Hood.....	M. M. Perkins, Olander, Ala.....	...	...	...	...	1	1	27	1 00	2
Shiloh.....	E. R. Murray, E. P. K. Berry, J. L. Warwick.	R. V. Hood.....	E. P. K. Berry, Red Hill, Ala.....	1	2	1	1	...	...	30	1 00	3
Brown's Creek.....	*A. Whitworth, W. C. Bodine, F. B. Moon.	A. Whitworth.....	W. C. Bodine, Sidney, Ala.....	2	...	1	1	1	1	24	1 00	4
Salem.....	H. Graves, J. L. Dunn, C. Q. Aldredge.	J. T. Stewart.....	C. Q. Aldredge, Liberty, Ala.....	4	2	2	2	...	...	62	1 25	1
New Hope, Chulman Co.	Not represented.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Sardis.....	*W. T. Moon, David Fields, R. M. Compton.	W. T. Moon.....	A. J. Fields, Leesdale, Ala.....	4	...	...	...	...	...	12	50	1
Little Vine.....	G. F. Moon, H. G. Patrick, R. A. Ryan.	A. Whitworth.....	G. F. Moon, Blue Springs, Ala.....	2	...	3	3	1	...	26	1 00	4
Mt. Carmel.....	J. C. Graves.	W. T. Moon.....	J. Barnett, Loretto, Ala.....	...	1	...	...	...	...	10	50	3
Clear Creek.....	*D. B. Abernathy, Calvin Scott.	E. F. Gilland.....	J. G. Davis, Friendship, Ala.....	...	1	...	...	...	...	23	75	1
Zion Hill.....	Not represented.	...	...	1	...	...	...	1	...	32	1 00	2
New Hope, Marshall Co.	T. D. Dendy, W. H. Haynes.	R. R. Lokey.....	T. D. Dendy, Bartlett, Ala.....	1	2	...	...	...	...	33	1 00	4
1st Dist.				17	12	6	7	3	12	405	\$13 00	

Ordained marked thus *; Licentiates †.



