

MINUTES

OF THE

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OF THE

Orangeburg Baptist Association,

HELD WITH THE

WILLOW SWAMP BAPTIST CHURCH,
ORANGEBURG COUNTY, S. C.

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TIME AND PLACE OF NEXT MEETING.

Friday, before Third Sunday in October, 1888, at Four Holes Church.

Introductory Sermon: B. P. ESTES, alternate, J. S. HAYDEN

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WILLOW SWAMP BAPTIST CHURCH, ORANGEBURG COUNTY, S. C., OCTOBER 14, 1887.

The Orangeburg Baptist Association convened with the Willow Swamp Baptist Church, and was called to order by the Moderator, Rev. S. B. Sawyer, 10 o'clock Friday, October 14th.

Hymn 982 was sung; the 4th chapter of Ephesians was read, and Bro. T. M. Galphin led in prayer.

Letters from the churches were then read by T. M. Galphin and A. J. S. Thomas, and the delegates enrolled as follows:

America—Rev. D. F. Speigner, D. P. Sharp.*

Antioch—No report.

Beaver Creek—G. W. Chavis, C. W. Gleaton, J. E. Hutto.

Bethany—Rev. Geo. E. Bohg, W. W. Rutland, A. R. Bates.

Bethel—A. P. Gue, J. Wm. Reed, E. W. Blake.

Willow Swamp—L. J. Sturkie, Jno. F. North, J. W. Reed, P. D. Fryday.

J. H. Price.

Oratory—H. E. J. Blume, G. Blume, E. W. Hutto, Henry Young.

Bro. Sturkie.

Canaan—Rev. J. A. Hoffman, J. D. Bonnett, C. C. Elzey, D. M. West.

Only—A. R. Stabler.

Concord—Rev. J. M. Herlong, D. Brady, M. E. Herlong, A. A. Staker.*

Ebenezer—Rev. W. F. Chaplin, Rev. J. S. Hayden, J. P. Smoak, L. W. Snodak.

Four Holes—Rev. T. M. Galphin, T. E. Rickenbaker, J. F. Barton,*

J. C. Heener, A. M. Bozard.

Lewisville—W. B. Mack, M. M. Metts, J. A. Wolfe, B. F. Antley, J. McCluskey.*

Mount Carmel—Rev. B. P. Estes, R. H. Rice, J. M. Bell, W. D. Moore, Jr.

M. Taylor—J. A. Kneese, Carson Garoin.

Orangeburg—Rev. A. J. S. Thomas, B. Williamson, I. M. Riley, D. R. Finer, T. M. McMichael.

Pleasant Hill—Rev. J. P. Bolen, J. B. Fuller, J. P. Salley, F. J. Williams, Thos. Williams.

Providence—Rev. E. H. Graves, D. Bates, D. Gardner.*

Selem—Rev. J. M. Jefferson, B. J. Hooper, G. A. Harley, B. W. Reed, Joseph Sharp.*

St. George's—G. A. Binnicker, J. C. Binnicker, S. C. Hayden.

Two Mile Swamp—B. Williams, H. A. Rutland, W. G. Sanford, H. W. Jamison, Rice Prooker.

Willow Swamp—Rev. S. B. Sawyer, B. B. Williams, J. W. Sanford.

*Not present.

The special order, the consideration of State Missions, having arrived, Bro. Galphin read the following

Report on Bible and Colportage Work.

This work is in its infancy. The last State Convention instructed the Board to begin it as soon as funds could be secured, without interfering with State Mission work. Hence, at the opening of the year there was not a cent in the treasury for this work. A good beginning has been made. The Secretary suggested the propriety of raising permanent funds in each Association; these funds to be used as a "Capital Fund" for carrying on this work. Seventeen Associations have entered heartily into the work and a number have completed their funds. Nine hundred dollars worth of Bibles and Testaments, two or three thousand dollar worth of books have been sold, and seventeen men have been employed. We heartily commend this work to the brethren. We hope that the importance of this work will be pressed by our Corresponding Secretary.

Respectfully submitted, T. M. GALPHIN, Chairman.

The subject was further discussed by Brethren Galphin, Bailey, and Thomas, and the report adopted. A collection was taken for State Missions amounting to \$17.25.

At the same hour Bro. Estes preached at the stand, and after the sermon a collection was taken for State Missions amounting to \$3.65.

Brother Holt was then invited to address the Association. He presented the claims of *The Baptist Courier*, securing some new subscribers.

Bro. Thomas gave notice that next year a motion would be made to change Article XI of the Constitution, so as to read "Thursday," instead of "Friday before the third Sunday," &c.

Adjourned an hour for recess.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The Association met, and after singing, resumed business.

Rev. J. M. Herlong preached at the stand.

The Moderator announced the following

Standing Committees.

Executive Board—A. J. S. Thomas, President; T. M. Galphin, E. Williamson, W. B. Mack, R. H. Riley; Geo. E. Bolen, and Treasurer Rickenbaker.

On State Missions—T. M. Galphin, W. B. Mack, E. H. Graves.

Home Missions—B. P. Estes, J. S. Hayden, J. A. Hoffman, C. C. Elvey.

Foreign Missions—A. J. S. Thomas, W. F. Chaplin, J. M. Herlong.

Education—T. M. McMichael, B. P. Estes, Stiles R. Mellichamp.

Temperance—B. P. Estes, J. S. Hayden, J. E. Fulmer, T. M. McMichael, T. M. Galphin.

Geo. E. Bolen read the following

Report on Digest of Letters.

Willow Swamp—Preaching monthly; good Sunday School; weekly prayer meeting; greets and welcomes the Association.

Lewisville—Greatly revived; flourishing Sunday School; weekly prayer meeting.

Canaan—Prosperous condition; received by baptism 25; good Sunday School, and two branch schools.

St. George—Church represented, but report: nothing of interest.

Salem—Nothing cheering.

Orangewyck—Church in good working order; regular preaching; weekly prayer meeting, and young people's meetings; a good mission Sunday School.

Four Holes—Greatly revived; received 30; good Sunday School; three branch schools; invites next Association.

Providence—Trying to rebuild house of worship; church revived; mourns the death of Dr. Hildebrand.

Pleasant Hill—Mourns the death of some valuable members; protracted meeting and baptism; invites the Association next year.

Mount Carmel—Steady growth in numbers and spirituality; heartily commends Brother W. D. Moore, Jr., as worthy of aid in preparing for the ministry.

Elbow—Rejoices in returning prosperity; good revival; six baptized; preaching twice a month; greatly encouraged.

Two Mile Swamp—Increase of 9 by letter; 3 by baptism.

Congaree—In prosperous condition; preaching twice a month; happy protracted meeting; 14 additions.

Amelia—Encouraged, thankful, hopeful; good Sunday school.

Hall Swamp—Requests prayers of Association; invites next Association.

Mt. Tabor—Mourns the death of Sister McGrew; few in numbers but rejoicing in hope; church door open every Sunday for divine service.

Richmond—Reports ordination of Geo. E. Bolen to full work of Gospel ministry; few in numbers but strong in faith and good works.

Traver Creek—Increase by letter 1; Sunday school prospering.

Bethel—In cold condition.
Respectfully submitted, GEO. E. BOLEN, Chairman.

The following was read by Bro. Chaplin and adopted:

Report on Obituaries.

We are thankful to our heavenly Father for the health we have been blessed with, and that we have had so few deaths in our Association the past year. We report the death of our brother, Dr. Hildebrand, from Providence, and our aged Sister McGrew, from Mt. Tabor.

W. F. CHAPLIN, Chairman.

The report on Home Missions was read by J. S. Hayden, and, after

STATE OF THE CHURCHES.

CHURCHES.	NAME OF PASTOR.	POST OFFICE.	Organized.	Increase by Decrease by					Present Membership.	Singing Capacity.	Preaching Days.	NAME OF CLERK.	POST OFFICE.
				Membership Last Year.	Letter.	Baptism.	Restoration.	Letter.					
1. Ametha	D. P. Speigler	St. Matthews	1872	38					8	34		N. E. Carroll	Fort Motte.
2. Antioch	A. P. Norris	Orangeburg	1872	56					1	101	30	J. H. Felder	Feldersville.
3. Beaver Creek	J. S. Hasler	Orangeburg	1872	87	5	1				93	125	G. W. Chavis	Pou.
4. Bethany	J. A. Hoffman	Midway	1872	29						19	30	George E. Bolin	Orangeburg.
5. Bethel	H. J. Baggett	Durhamville	1874							78	50	J. Wm. Reed	Graham's.
6. Bull Swamp	S. B. Sawyer	Graham's Store	1871							3	119	John F. North	Knott's Mill.
7. Calvary	W. H. Gleaton	Blackville	1839	148	1	1				3	172	W. R. E. Bonnett	Graham's.
8. Canaan	W. D. McMillan	Orangeburg		150	5	5				1	138	J. W. Antley	Midway.
9. Congaree	A. P. Norris	Orangeburg		149	1	1				1	177	W. E. Huxley	St. Matthews.
10. Ebenezer	S. B. Sawyer	Graham								2	152	J. G. Zeigler	Orangeburg.
11. Four Holes	T. M. Galphin	Orangeburg								1	102	A. M. Rozard	Orangeburg.
12. Lewisville	T. M. Galphin	Orangeburg								1	177	John McLaughlin	St. Matthews.
13. Mount Carmel	B. P. Estes	Jamison	1838							4	10	W. A. Hoffman	Jamison.
14. Mount Tabor	A. J. S. Thomas	Orangeburg	1860							1	135	J. A. Nees	Maplewood.
15. Orangeburg	W. H. Gleaton	Gleaton's Store	1868							1	9	Oscar R. Lowman	Orangeburg.
16. Pleasant Hill	E. H. Graves	Center Hill								1	43	J. R. Fulmer	Gleaton's Store.
17. Providence	E. H. Graves	Center Hill								1	43	W. E. Thomas	Advance.
18. Salem	J. J. Giesinger	Williston	1881	192	12	1				1	229	Charles Williamson	Wright's Mills.
19. St. Georges	J. S. Hasler	Orangeburg	1884	194	12	3				5	255	G. A. Binnicker	Orangeburg.
20. Two Mile Swamp	W. F. Chaplin	Orangeburg	1844	194	13	3				5	198	A. E. Rutland	Orangeburg.
21. Willow Swamp	H. J. Baggett	Durhamville	85							1	86	B. B. Williams	Graham's.
				47	116	12	69	8	36	219			

SUNDAY SCHOOL STATISTICS.

SCHOOLS.	Misses and Teachers.	Scholars.	Total.	Average Attendance.	Baptisms.	Church Members in School.	Cutting Money that Found.	Papers Collected.	Sabbath School in Months in Session.	Missions.	Expenses.	Total Contributions.	SUPERINTENDENT.		
													NAME.	POST OFFICE.	
1. Ametha	5	12	27						4	12			D. P. Sharp	St. Matthews.	
2. Ametha	2	23	25	15					4	8			G. W. Chavis	Pou.	
3. Beaver Creek	2	27	29	20	9	2	60		4	12	\$ 2 00		W. W. Rutland	Orangeburg.	
4. Bethany	29	22	27	15					12				J. E. Garby	Knott's Mill.	
5. Bethel	5	23	28	15	12				12				M. M. Bolton	Phillips.	
6. Bull Swamp	6	50	56	40					12				A. R. Shuler	Midway.	
7. Calvary	10	103	113	70	50	1	10		12		7 00	8 10	J. P. Smook	Orangeburg.	
8. Canaan	9	40	49	30	100				12		\$ 5 50	15 00	F. M. Galphin	Orangeburg.	
9. Congaree	9	72	81	59					12		15 00	35 50	M. M. Metts	St. Matthews.	
10. Ebenezer	20	125	145	93	15	11	25	50	1	12	20 00	32 25	M. A. Riley	Jamison.	
11. Four Holes	10	70	80	50	6		10	25	4	12	10 00	15 00	R. J. Riley	Orangeburg.	
12. Lewisville	8	68	76	43		1	60		12				M. J. Wallchamp	Orangeburg.	
13. Mount Carmel	10	80	90	60					12		20 00	25 00	Kirk Robinson	Orangeburg.	
14. Mount Tabor	6	43	51	35	16				12		6 00	20 00	J. R. Fulmer	Gleaton's Store.	
15. Orangeburg	4	50	51	35	1	1			12		1 00	5 00	J. P. Bates	Advance.	
16. Orangeburg Mission	9	35	41	25					12				E. D. A. Jelfcoat	Jones Bridge.	
17. Pleasant Hill	3	25	23	15					12				G. A. Binnicker	Orangeburg.	
18. Providence	10	70	89	63		1	00		12		5 00	20 00	H. A. Rutland	Orangeburg.	
19. Salem	10	118	127	70	55	1	23		12		15 00	17 60	J. C. Smith	Graham's.	
20. St. Georges	9	53	62	39	7				12		13 00	1 60			
21. Willow Swamp	9	33	42	30	7				12						
Totals	119	405	454	275	64	153	418	45	479		\$12 50	\$163 20	\$254 15		

Six branch Sunday schools not reporting.

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