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THE NEXT MEETING

to be held with Shiloh Missionary Baptist Church in Carroll County, Tennessee, beginning on Friday before the second Sunday in October 2022, at 10:00 a.m.

2022 SERMONS

Introductory Sermon -----	Eld. Michael Butler
Alternate -----	Eld. Randy Thompson
Doctrinal Sermon -----	Eld. Rick Jones
Alternate -----	Eld. Ron Stewart

New Hope Missionary Baptist Church History

New Hope Missionary Baptist Church was organized in 1870. The church house was built in 1872. The first sermon was preached by Elder J.W. Brewer. He was appointed as Moderator. The first church clerk was R.C.A. Thomason. Church was held on the third Saturday evening of the month. On Saturday, September 7, 1873, the members voted on and moved to change service time to eleven o'clock. The church burned on October 17, 1943. Judah Gooch and children donated the land to rebuild the church at the current location. Sunday School was organized in October, 1958. New Hope Baptist Church burned a second time in September, 1992. While the new building was being built, services were held in the fellowship hall that had been saved from the fire. Through many donations from members, fellow churches, and the community as a whole, the building was able to be replaced. Services were able to be held in the new building in November, 1994. A baptistry was built in the new church, but many still choose to be baptized in the nearby Maple Lake. Many improvements have been made since that completion. Most recently being the addition on the fellowship hall in 2008 and the blacktopping of the parking lot in September, 2010.

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Order of Business






FRIDAY, OCTOBER 07, 2022

- Call Association to Order
- Appoint Committee on Divine/Hospitality Service
- Appoint Finance Committee
- Appoint Topics Committee for 2023 Session
- Appoint Obituary Recorder
- Reading Of the Rules of Decorum
- Call For Reception of Church Letters
- Call for Petitioning Church Letters
- Roll Call of Messengers
- Elect Moderator, Clerk, and Assistants
- Select Host Church for 2023 Session
- Select Brethren to Preach 2023 Annual Sermons
- Love Offering for Associational Missionary
- Introductory Sermon - 11:00 A.M.
- Call for Correspondence
- Call for Report on *Can Tracts be a useful tool? How are some tracts deceptive? And How can Tracts be used positively to reach souls? Submit a Doctrinally sound tract that Churches in our Association could use to witness that does not deceive.*-Bro. Bryan Oakes, Randy Thompson, Bro. Lynn Stapleton, Alternate.
- Call for Report on *Explain the statements and principle described in our 10th Article of Faith. "We believe that all who are called to be saints through sanctification of the Spirit and belief of the truth shall never finally be lost."*-Bro. Michael Butler, Phillip Gulledege, Bro. Dennis Lunsford, Alternate.

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 08, 2022

- Roll Call of Messengers
- Call for report of Finance Committee
- Call for report of Obituary Recorder
- Call for report of Historical Committee
- Call for Report of the Topics Committee
- Report from Missionaries
- Doctrinal Sermon—11:00 A.M.
- Call for Report on *Explain the statements and principle described in our 10th Article of Faith. "We believe that all who are called to be saints through sanctification of the Spirit and belief of the truth shall never finally be lost."*- Bro. Ron Stewart, Kenny Medlin, Bro. Chris Wallace, Alternate.
- Call for Report on *Explain the statements and principle described in our 10th Article of Faith. "We believe that all who are called to be saints through sanctification of the Spirit and belief of the truth shall never finally be lost."*- Bro. Steve Sablan, Jeff Simmons, Bro. Clint Ezell, Alternate
- Call for New Business
- Reading of the *Vote of Thanks*
- Song and parting hand

Elected Officers for 2021-2022

Moderator		<p>Bro. Ray Smith</p> <p>19950 East Main Street Huntingdon, TN 38344 (731) 986-4717</p>	Huntingdon Church
Assistant Moderator		<p>Eld. Andrew Stokes</p> <p>310 Westport Road Huntingdon, TN 38344 (731) 986-1052 andrewstokes@att.net</p>	Bible Grove Church
Clerk		<p>Eld. Scott Carter</p> <p>400 Chickasaw Drive Huntingdon, TN 38344 (731) 415-1688 cell clerk@swdmba.org</p>	Shiloh Church
Assistant Clerk		<p>Eld. Trey Crews</p> <p>45 Hwy 22 North Yuma, TN 38390 (731) 415-4745</p>	Huntingdon Church
Associational Missionary		<p>Eld. Dennis Lunsford</p> <p>19990 Hwy 22 North Wildersville, TN 38388 (731) 968-2842</p>	New Cross Roads Church

Friday October 08, 2021

We opened the session by standing and singing from the Heavenly Highway Hymns “Heavens Jubilee” and “Since He Gave Me This Heart of Love” lead by Bro. Scott Gallimore, New Hope Church, with Sis. Kim Carter, Shiloh Church, playing the piano. Bro. Ray Smith welcomed all to the 173rd session and asked Bro. Randy Thompson, Cross Roads Church, to open us in prayer. The temporary moderator read from I Corinthians 13:1-13 and called the association to order.

The Moderator made the following appointments:

Finance Committee:

Bro. Larry Pritchard – Shiloh Church
Bro. Dennis Stokes – Concord Church
Bro. Myron Kirk – Cross Roads Church

2022 Topic Committee:

Bro. Randy Thompson (Chairman) – Cross Roads Church
Bro. Steve Sablan – Oak Grove Church
Bro. Phillip Gulledge – New Hope Church

Obituary Recorder:

Bro. Kenny Medlin – Landmark Church

The temporary moderator called for the temporary clerk to read *Rules of Decorum*.

Committee on Divine Service and Hospitality:

The moderator asked Bro. Phillip Gulledge, pastor of New Hope Church, to introduce this committee. Bro. Gulledge was thankful for the opportunity to be here today. He asked the deacons to stand and be recognized. The following deacons were introduced: Bros. Scott Gallimore, Michael Montgomery, and Dale Seagraves. He told the association that New Hope Church voted to not serve lunch and to dismiss the services after a half day for the session. After a few remarks, he turned the podium back to the temporary moderator.

Call for the reception of church letters was made. Marlsboro Church did not correspond.

Call was made for petitioning churches; none came.

Roll call with 32 messengers. **Motion and second** was made to seat these messengers; **motion carried**.

The association then proceeded to the election process:

Bro. Ray Smith, Huntingdon Church, was nominated as Moderator. **Motion and second** was made that nominations cease and elect by acclamation; **motion carried**.

Bro. Ray Smith assumed the role as the permanent moderator.

Bro. Andrew Stokes, Bible Grove Church, was nominated as Assistant Moderator, and being the only one nominated, a **motion and second** was made to elect by acclamation; **motion carried**.

Bro. Scott Carter, Shiloh Church, was nominated as Clerk, and being the only one nominated, a **motion and second** was made to elect by acclamation; **motion carried**.

Bro. Trey Crews, Huntingdon Church, was nominated as Assistant Clerk, and being the only one nominated, a **motion and second** was made to elect by acclamation; **motion carried**.

Four churches requested the Association to meet with them for the 2022 session. A **motion and second** was made to select Shiloh Missionary Baptist Church in Carroll County as the host site; **motion carried**.

Introductory Sermon

Bro. Steve Sablan

The moderator asked Bro. Steve Sablan, pastor of Oak Grove Church, to come deliver the Introductory Sermon. He told how it is common for him to get nervous before preaching. Bro. Sablan told how as an eight year old boy, he was saved at home in Bowling Green KY. He told how the Lord put it on his heart to join Drakes Creek Missionary Baptist Church. He moved to Louisville, and he explained about how he ran from the Lord and finally surrendered to the call to the ministry. He has been pastor at Oak Grove



Church for two years. He believes in Holy Ghost pastors and how God works.

Bro. Sablan stated that he served the same God in Kentucky as in West Tennessee. He believes in “One Lord, one faith, one baptism,” and one church as set up by Jesus during his ministry. He began by reading from Matthew 16:13-19 and titled his thought “The Church – One In Kind and Many In Number”. As Jesus walked on this earth, there was a lot of confusion. There is still confusion today. He was not a prophet. He was the Messiah, Lord of Lords, King of Kings, and Son of God. He was the only one that could fulfill the laws of the prophets.

Today, there are a lot of religious institutions that say there are multiple ways to get saved. There is only one way – Jesus. There is so much deceit in the world today, and many things happening that do not line up with the Bible. In Psalm 127:1, “Except the Lord build the house, they labour in vain that build it.” The church of the living God is not built on man, or deacons but upon the rock, Jesus Christ. As the church, we need to strengthen each other and remind the world there is only one plan of salvation which is the shed blood of Jesus. The church was given power, and that power did not come from our government, it comes from God. We need Holy Ghost pastors that are not ashamed to proclaim the gospel.

The church must be built with the right people. Churches seem to not have any power, and they wonder why. They need people that are saved by the grace of God. He told of his thankfulness for people that are willing to stand up and proclaim the gospel. Why are there so many beliefs? Because people want to believe so many things. We must not rely on man, but rather rely on God to tell and direct beliefs. The Bible is a map to guide our paths. The Articles of Faith must follow the Bible and not men’s thoughts and beliefs.

He told how the church must be established with love. We must love our neighbors as ourselves. Sometimes we get concerned about things that are not eternal. God is not pleased with us losing our focus on things that are eternal and allowing division in the church over worldly things. Jeremiah tells us to stand in the old paths. God has not changed. He is the same today, yesterday, and forever. We should be encouraged to stand up for what is right.

Bro. Sablan referenced Jude 1:3, “Beloved, when I gave all diligence to write unto you of the common salvation, it was needful for me to write unto you, and exhort you that ye should earnestly contend for the faith which was once delivered unto the saints.” The world is trying to indoctrinate our children against the truth because there is a bunch of wolves out there. We must be grounded in the truth. We believe that the church today is part of the church which Jesus established. The church should bring people in and preach the Gospel and allow God to make the change in their lives. He wanted to encourage us to support and strengthen one another and stand up for what is right. There is only one way to salvation which is the very best that Heaven had to offer – God’s own son.

As the church of the true and living God, he has given us the opportunity to serve Him. The least that we can do is be willing to stand. We have been given the great commission to preach and teach all the world.

He turned the service back over to the moderator. Bro. Smith thanked Bro. Sablan for his message.

Bro. Smith asked for election of the brethren to preach the 2022 sermons.

Bro. Michael Butler, Pleasant Hill Church, was nominated to preach the Introductory Sermon, and being the only one nominated, a **motion and second** was made to elect by acclamation; **motion carried.**

Bro. Randy Thompson, Cross Roads Church, was nominated to be the alternate for the Introductory Sermon, and being the only one nominated, a **motion and second** was made to elect by acclamation; **motion carried.**

Bro. Rick Jones, Craighead Old Timey Missionary Baptist Church, Craighead, Jamaica, was nominated to preach the Doctrinal Sermon and being the only one nominated a **motion and second** was made to elect by acclamation; **motion carried.**

Bro. Ron Stewart, Landmark Church, was nominated to be the alternate for the Doctrinal Sermon, and being the only one nominated, a **motion and second** was made to elect by acclamation; **motion carried.**

The moderator asked for all visitors to stand and be recognized:
Bro. Rick Jones from Craighead Old Timey Missionary Baptist
Church, Craighead, Jamaica

The clerk gave an update on the Historical Committee. The committee is still working to add prior year minutes to the website. Any volunteers to assist are needed and appreciated.

The clerk read correspondence and a **motion and second** was made to include in the minutes; **motion carried**.

Bro. Smith ask for report from missionaries. Bro. Rick Jones gave a report on the work that is going on in Jamaica and in the Bahamas. He told of the health issues he has had, and his thankfulness to be doing as well as he is. He told how he has returned to the Bahamas and is facing strict restrictions due to Covid. He is working with an attorney to obtain a work permit to work on the Bahamian Island. He told how he was in Jamaica in May 2021 and that Covid had restricted the services. While there, they were able to have some services outside and felt God's mighty hand while doing so. He stated that we should not forget the assembling of ourselves together. Bro. Jones expressed his thanks to the association for their support through the years and turned the service back over to the moderator.

The moderator asked Bro. Dennis Lunsford to come give a report as our Associational Missionary. Bro. Lunsford told how he has enjoyed being the associational missionary this past year. In 2020, many of our churches were facing difficult times. He told how during the pandemic he still tried to visit the churches. He told how during those times he could tell God was still working. After a few more remarks, he read from Isaiah 6:8 then turned the service back over to the moderator.

Motion and second was made to elect Bro. Dennis Lunsford as the associational missionary for another year; **motion carried**.

The moderator asked for a song and for the opportunity to take up a love offering for Bro. Lunsford. The congregation stood and sang "I Want to Know More About My Lord."

Due to the Covid-19 Pandemic, a **motion and second** was made to suspend the afternoon sessions on Friday and Saturday, and that the messengers be given a copy of the topics to be approved on Satur-

day; **motion carried.**

Bro. Andrew Stokes reported on the Missionary Baptist Literature which he is now editing and publishing. He told the assembly that all the lessons are written by Missionary Baptist and available to all churches.

Bro. Randy Thompson spoke about Bro. Eugene Brown and how he attended our association several times and loved to give a report on the Words of Hope Ministry. He wanted to report that Bro. Eugene passed away recently.

We were dismissed in prayer by Bro. Arzell Douglas, Cross Roads Church.

Saturday, October 09, 2021

We met together on a beautiful fall morning for the second day of the 173rd annual session of the Southern District Missionary Baptist Association. We began the service by singing from the Best Loved Songs and Hymns number 367 “The Old Country Church” lead by Bro. Michael Montgomery, New Hope Church, with Sis. Kim Carter, Shiloh Church, playing the piano. The moderator welcomed all present and called on Bro. Ron Stewart, Landmark Church, to open us with a word of prayer. Bro. Smith asked for another song and the congregation stood and sang number 8 “He Set Me Free.” He then asked Sis. Lisa Higdon, Cross Roads Church, to sing a special “Another In The Fire.”

The moderator read from I Corinthians 15:12-18. He thanked everyone for coming today and called the session to order.

Roll call was made with 33 messengers to be seated for the Saturday session. A **motion and second** were made to sit these messengers; **motion carried.**

The moderator called for the Finance Report. The report was read, and a **motion and second** was made to accept the report; **motion carried.**

The moderator called on Bro. Kenny Medlin to give the Obituary

Report. He came and told how important it is to do something to give glory and honor to our Lord and Savior. “Sainted” means to be anointed, and Bro. Medlin spoke about a day he was anointed by the power of God. He read from Revelation 14:13 “And I heard a voice from heaven saying unto me, Write, Blessed are the dead which die in the Lord from henceforth: Yea, saith the Spirit, that they may rest from their labours; and their works do follow them.” Bro. Medlin continued by referencing when Jesus was on the cross in Luke 23:43 “Today shalt thou be with me in paradise.”

Bro. Medlin read the list Sainted Dead of those from our churches who have passed from this life during the year. He stated that we should celebrate that they are at rest. He also encouraged everyone to consider what they will leave behind – their legacy. We should also help others to consider and know where they are going after this life. He then turned the service back over to the moderator.

Motion and second was made to place the Obituary Report in the minutes; **motion carried.**

The moderator ask if there was any additional Report from Missionaries. Bro. Scott Carter announced that he is continuing the weekly Bible studies at The University of Tennessee at Martin. He also told that he will be traveling to Jamaica the following week to visit the church and handle some business affairs. He also has plans for a trip around Christmas to deliver gifts to the orphanage.

The time had come for the Doctrinal Sermon, and the moderator called on the same song leader and piano player to lead us in another song. After singing “When The Roll Is Called Up Yonder,” the moderator asked for a report from the Topics Committee. Bro. Randy Thompson, in the absence of the chairman Bro. Bryan Oakes, presented the following topics for 2022 session:

- Can Tracts be a useful tool? How are some tracts deceptive? And How can Tracts be used positively to reach souls? Submit a Doctrinally sound tract that Churches in our Association could use to witness that does not deceive. Bro. Bryan Oakes & Bro. Randy Thompson, Alt. – Bro. Lynn Stapleton
- Explain the statements and principle described in our 10th Article of Faith. "We believe that all who are called to be saints through sanctification of the Spirit and belief of the

truth shall never finally be lost." Bro. Michael Butler & Bro. Phillip Gullledge, Alt. – Bro. Dennis Lunsford

- Some churches have taken liberties to modernize the verbiage in the Church Covenant (Adding to abstain from Drugs and pornography as an example). Is the Church Covenant in its original format still relevant and an important Document for our Churches to adhere to, or, does or should it be updated? Bro. Ron Stewart & Bro. Kenny Medlin, Alt. – Bro. Chris Wallace
- Identify types or ways to express Personal Evangelism outside the four walls of the Church. Bro. Steve Sablan & Bro. Jeff Simmons, Alt. – Bro. Clint Ezell

Submitted by 2021 Committee

Bro. Bryan Oakes (Chairman), Bro. Randy Thompson, and Bro. Steve Sablan

A **motion and second** was made to include the four topics in the minutes; **motion carried.**

Doctrinal Sermon

Bro. Andrew Stokes

The moderator asked Bro. Andrew Stokes, pastor of Bible Grove Church, to come give the Doctrinal Sermon. He told of his appreciation to be at the association and to fellowship with everyone even under these conditions. He was glad to see faces and to know that we are still perserving.

Bro. Stokes told of being saved when he was nine years old at Concord Church. He surrendered to the ministry at the age of 15. He pastored at Pleasant Grove Church for a few years beginning at the age of 17. He then pastored Clarksburg Church for 13 years and has been at Bible Grove as pastor since 2015.



Bro. Stokes read from II Kings 22:1-13 stating that this was an Old Testament Sermon and titled his thought "The Hidden Doctrine". He then read from John 6:66 "From that time many of his disciples went back; and walked no more with him." Looking back at II Kings 22, he told how this was in Josiah's 18 year as king. Josiah was in an up-hill climb in dealing with the people and getting them to do what was

right. This was a testament of Josiah to do God's will which he took seriously. Bro. Stokes told how they went to repair the temple, and they found a book. Josiah wanted to please God, so when he heard the words of God he rent his clothes and went to work abiding by the words he had heard.

Bro. Stokes spoke about Josiah's great-grandfather by the name of Hezekiah. In II Kings 18:1-6, we are introduced to Hezekiah and the work he did for God. Hezekiah was one of the good ones and did right in the sight of the Lord. He then read from II Kings 20:14-21 and spoke about the mistakes made by king Hezekiah. He continued reading in II Kings 21:1-12 which tells about the reign of Manasseh, and how he did "that which was evil in the sight of the Lord." Manasseh reigned for 55 years and put idols in God's house.

Bro. Stokes continued by reading II Kings 21:19-22 which speaks of Amon. Verse 20 states "And he did that which was evil in the sight of the Lord, as his father Manasseh did." Amon served for two years, and the servants conspired against him and slew him.

The lesson text of II Kings 22 tells about Josiah's reign. He wanted to do right in the sight of the Lord. However, he was in the minority because the nation was evil due to the reigns of Manasseh & Amon. The nation that had gotten in such a shape that Josiah had not even seen the words of God.

Bro. Stokes told about the struggle of his calling to preach and that he was so young when it happened. He expressed that Bro. A.G. Hayes would mention Josiah and that an eight year old should not have been king, but he was. Someone in King Josiah's life must have been an influence to get him on the right path. He read from II Kings 23:20-26 and reminded us how the damage done by Manasseh could not be fixed. Bro. Stokes stated that it only takes one generation to lose all, but also only a single generation to regain something.

It is alarming to see there are no young people and preachers. The doctrine must be protected and stood upon. We need the word written in our hearts and pass it down like it has been passed to us. The gospel must stay pure and be passed on. Children must know the importance of the responsibility of carrying the doctrine.

Bro. Stokes read from Ephesians 4:14-16. God will carry us

through. His word will stand as promised in the word of God. We have to stay true to the word of God and not compromise. Do not hide the doctrine. He encouraged everyone to trust in Him and hold fast to the doctrine.

Bro. Stokes turned the service back over to the moderator. Bro. Smith thanked Bro Stokes for his message today.

New Business:

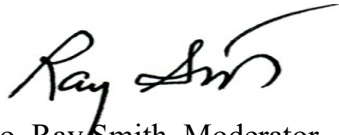
Motion and second was made to give our Associational Missionary \$500 offering from the Association checking account; **motion carried.**

Motion and second was made to approve the topics as presented in written form and include them in the minutes; **motion carried.**

Clerk read the Vote of Thanks

Motion and second was made to adjourn until October 7, 2022, at 10:00 AM at Shiloh Missionary Baptist Church; **motion carried.**

We were dismissed in prayer Bro. Ray Smith, Huntingdon Church.



Bro. Ray Smith, Moderator



Bro. Scott Carter, Clerk

Vote of Thanks

The Southwestern District Missionary Baptist Association, its officers, and the messengers of this association wish to extend our sincere thanks and appreciation to New Hope Church in Carroll County for serving as host for this session. Our fellowship is always needed, but this year seemed to be extra special. We last met with you in 2010, and it was a pleasure for us to meet with you once again and enjoy sweet fellowship one with another.

We thank God for Bro. Steve Sablan and his message on “The Church-One In Kind and Many In Number” and for Bro. Andrew Stokes and his sermon “The Hidden Doctrine” from II Kings 22. We were once again blessed with ministers being lead of the Spirit.

I once again give thanks to the Topic Committee for their selecting the topics and the ones to prepare them. May we use this information for the spiritual growth of us all. Thank you for selecting topics that are food to our souls and that make us stronger in the army of the Lord. We are looking forward to hearing the topics next year.

I thank God for those who serve as the Finance Committee, and the Obituary Recorder, and a special thanks to Bro. Trey Crews for serving as the assistant clerk. These brethren make the work of the Clerk much easier.

May our Moderator and Assistant Moderator receive many blessings from God for their efforts to serve this association.

Our appreciation is offered to the members and friends of New Hope Missionary Baptist Church for your hospitality. Again, we see evidence of Christ’s love for us being shown through the efforts of the Church.

As plans are underway for next year’s sessions, may we all pray God’s will be done with us all, as individual church members, as individual churches and as a united group of churches.

Please begin to pray for Shiloh Missionary Baptist Church as she prepares to host the Association next year.

I anxiously await, if it be God’s will, the next session and look forward to meeting with all of you as we gather together at Shiloh Missionary Baptist Church for the 174th annual session on October 07-08, 2022 at 10:00 am ready to receive another blessing from the Lord.

Under His wings,
Scott Carter, Clerk

2021 Topics

How To Reach Out To A Lost World & Also Rebound From This Covid Virus

How do we reach out to a lost world? That question has been a frequent topic of discussion in past Association meetings. In our present world corona virus has been causing considerable health and economic concerns. The church has been considered a hot spot and even a super spreader event for this deadly virus. Which has been largely unfounded.

The irony is, the church should be a super spreader event for the gospel, not covid-19. The fields are whiter than they have ever been for the spread of the gospel. Jesus said in John 4:35, "Say not ye, there are yet four months, and then cometh harvest? Behold I say unto you, Lift up your eyes and look on the fields; for they are white already to harvest."

In New Testament times, persecution became a catalyst for church growth and evangelism in towns and villages throughout the Roman empire. Clearly, the covid pandemic has negatively affected church attendance. However, it has also compelled pastors and church leaders to find alternative methods of reaching out to people during times of quarantine or social distancing. Technology and social media have provided platforms for churches to carry the gospel to far away places in ways never before imagined.

Many Bible scholars believe Mark's Gospel was the first to be written. Mark opens with the statement: "The beginning of the Gospel of Jesus Christ, the Son of God." The gospel according to Mark tells us God sent His messenger before the face of His Son, Jesus Christ, declaring that he was "The voice crying in the wilderness" foretold by Isaiah the prophet.

The Apostle John says in John 1:6-7, "There was a man sent from God whose name was John. The same came for a witness, to bear witness of the Light that all men through Him might be saved." And this John, we know was John the Baptist, the forerunner of our Lord and Savior. John came preaching in the wilderness of Judea, challenging men to repent and be baptized in preparation for the coming of the

Lord. Luke 1:17 says John's mission was to "Make ready a people prepared for the Lord."

This is the pattern set forth in Scripture telling us how the church of Jesus Christ is to evangelize a lost world. If we will faithfully follow the pattern given to us in Scripture, we are assured of success. Through the years the church has developed multiple worship services, Sunday school programs, youth ministries and more to preach and teach and spread the gospel. In this modern age of technology, we now have the world wide web, personal computers & smart phones through which we can both send and receive the good news of the Gospel without leaving the comfort of our own homes. However, nothing will take the place of the personal evangelism shown in this example.

Educators have discovered that face-to-face classroom settings are the best way to engage students in the learning process. Data shows that virtual instruction is unsatisfactory and that schools maintaining regular classroom schedules have greater success. God said in Genesis 2:18 "It is not good that the man should be alone." Men are social creatures and quarantine takes its toll on everyone isolated at home and away from classroom or church.

John the Baptist's ministry set the stage for the coming of the Church age in which, Jesus Christ would establish His church and commission them to go into all the world and preach the gospel to every creature. In His parable of the Great Banquet in Luke 14:23, Jesus commanded His servants to go into the highways and hedges and compel men to come in to His feast. These and other Scriptures emphasize the absolute necessity of personal evangelism. There just isn't a more effective way to reach this lost world.

Schools and businesses are fully aware that first impressions are vital for success. Meeting people at the door of our churches also pays big dividends in encouraging greater and more meaningful participation in worship and other church functions. The psalmist David said in Psalm 84:10, "For a day in thy courts is better than a thousand. I had rather be a doorkeeper in the house of my God, than to dwell in the tents of the wicked."

The world at this present time is struggling with many confusing and troubling issues. This age is marked by tremendous skepticism. There is great moral, spiritual and political confusion making it ex-

tremely difficult to know who or what to believe. That is why involvement in people's lives through personal evangelism is essential. It is absolutely necessary in order to be an effective witness for Christ to live exemplary lives. In that way we will gain the trust of those we hope to win through the gospel.

It goes without saying that the Corona virus is still impacting everyone's life and strikes absolute fear in the hearts of many around the world. Covid 19, the lethal illness spawned by the corona virus has wreaked havoc with the world's health organizations, economies, businesses and, as we all know, in our churches as well.

The story is the same in every church, Every pastor you speak to is frustrated and discouraged because of corona virus fatigue. We must all understand, the threat of Covid 19 is very real, and there is a dangerous uncertainty about this disease that effectively causes tremendous paranoia. Every precaution should be taken to maintain health safety, particularly in public worship services. In Leviticus 13, masking and social distancing were biblical practices as evidenced by God's instructions to Israel regarding the contagious and potentially deadly disease of leprosy. We should wisely consider the effectiveness of this ancient practice as prescribed in Scripture.

For reasons unknown, some people are more susceptible to the deadly effects of the virus, and no one can fully explain why this is so or who is the most vulnerable. Initially, the elderly were most effected but as the virus replicates itself it also mutates. At the present time, the very young are effected by its latest variant. With so much misinformation being circulated by supposed experts, no one knows for certain where this will lead.

With that said, the greater frustration for the church in general and pastors in particular is that many have found in the corona virus pandemic the perfect excuse not to attend church. In most cases, church attendance following the corona virus shutdown has not returned to its former level. And efforts to encourage their return have largely proven unsuccessful.

The answer to each point of this topic is the same. Personal evangelism is the most effective means to reach a lost world and also to rebound from corona virus. In many cases, it is easier to reach the unsaved than it is to reach those who have grown complacent and even disinterested in church attendance altogether. However, close person-

al contact with the unsaved and the unchurched is the most effective avenue to church growth and stability.

We absolutely cannot stop and give up by closing our doors and postponing services for extended periods of time. Those measures will not rid us of this deadly virus. We need to faithfully continue to assemble ourselves together, preach the gospel to everyone we can and follow the Lord's mandate to go into the hedges and highways in search of lost souls in need of God's saving grace.

Satan is relentless. This malevolent demonic spirit is persecuting the Lord's church and using Corona virus to his advantage. Let us not be fearful and give in to his lies. Take Paul's advise in Ephesians 6:11 and put on the whole armor of God and stand fast against this scheming devil who is seeking to devour us all.

In closing, there are no easy answers or quick fixes for these difficult issues. Church leaders, pastors, deacons and Sunday school teachers need to do everything that can be done to overcome discouragement brought on by the growing apathy in the church today. The Apostle Paul warns in 2 Thessalonians 2:3 about a coming apostasy. We are seeing a tremendous falling away in our time. Corona virus may be a test to see where the believer's priorities lie. But let us not let the apathy of others bring us down. Let us work while it is day. We shall reap in due season if we faint not.

Respectfully submitted,

Bro Lynn Stapleton & Bro Trey Crews

Report on Sabbath Breakers

According to our thirteenth Article of Faith, "*We believe the first day of the week, called the Lord's Day, is sanctified or set apart for the public worship of God, and that it is the duty of Christians to abstain from all unnecessary visiting, trifling conversation, and labor, except so much as is devoted to works of necessity and mercy.*"

We all agree the Lord instructed His people to honor the Sabbath. The Sabbath is a day of worship and rest. It was first mentioned in scripture in Genesis 2:1-3. God completed the act of creation in six days and rested. To commemorate His completed work, He sanctified that seventh day. Recognition of the Sabbath was passed down

from Adam. God even demonstrated His willingness to help the Hebrews keep the Sabbath holy when He fed them miraculously with manna. He sent a double portion of manna on Friday to prevent the children of Israel from gathering on Saturday (Exodus 16). The manna showed how God provided their needs, in the same way he provides our needs in Jesus Christ. Likewise, the sabbath provides rest for our physical needs in the same way Jesus provides rest for your souls. Then, on Mount Sinai, God carved in stone the fourth commandment regarding the Sabbath (Exodus 20:8-11). It is clear God meant for man to have one day of the week sanctified for rest and worship.

The ministry of Jesus continued to emphasize the importance of the Sabbath. He taught that the Sabbath was intended as a gift. The Sabbath served as a reminder that a life lived with God would lead to eternal rest for the weary soul. Even in His burial the Sabbath was honored. Luke 23:56 tells how the women attending His body rested on the Sabbath and returned to His grave on the dawning of the First day of the week. It was on this First day of the week that Jesus arose victorious over death.

After His resurrection, His disciples continued to honor the spirit of the Sabbath. However, they shifted the day on which it was observed. We see this clearly in scriptures like Acts 20:7 “And upon the first day of the week, when the disciples came together to break bread, Paul preached unto them, ready to depart on the morrow; and continued his speech until midnight.” (KJV); and 1 Corinthians 16:2 “Upon the first day of the week let every one of you lay by him in store, as God hath prospered him, that there be no gatherings when I come.” (KJV)

The day on which it is observed changed, but the purpose of the Sabbath remained the same. It was meant as a day of rest and worship. God’s people were to have a time where no unnecessary labor was done. This allowed for time to reflect on the grace and power of the Saviour and to look forward to the eternal rest that comes from being a child of the King. The benefits of this are explained in Scripture. Read Isaiah 58:13-14 “If thou turn away thy foot from the sabbath, from doing thy pleasure on my holy day; and call the sabbath a delight, the holy of the Lord, honourable; and shalt honour him, not doing thine own ways, nor finding thine own pleasure, nor speaking thine own words: Then shalt thou delight thyself in the Lord; and I will cause thee to ride upon the high places of the earth, and feed thee with the heritage of Jacob thy father: for the mouth of the Lord hath spoken it.” (KJV) See also Isaiah 56:2-8.

Within His ministry, Jesus taught the deeper purpose of the Sab-

bath and demonstrated how to honor it. On the Sabbath, He healed (Matthew 12:10-14, John 5:1-18 and John 9) and even gathered food with His disciples (Matthew 12:1-2). These were just a few examples of acts of compassion or necessity He performed on the Sabbath. Jesus was ridiculed and scorned for doing things the Pharisees considered violations of the Sabbath. Each time, He tried to teach His accusers about the true purpose of the Sabbath, and pointed out their abuse of it. He explained to His persecutors their concept of the Sabbath was distorted. Acts of necessity were permissible on the Sabbath. Notably, in Mark 2:27, Jesus tries to make it clear to the accusing Pharisees that "the Sabbath was made for man, and not man for the Sabbath..." Jesus was trying to teach these men that the Sabbath was not intended to be a yoke of burden or a limitation. It was meant to be a blessing and a help to the child of God. During these acts of kindness or moments of necessity, the spirit of the Sabbath was still honored. There was time left in the day for worship and rest. And, the beneficiaries of the acts of compassion were blessed not only physically but spiritually.

Unfortunately, the Bible also gives examples of the harm from completely ignoring the Lord's Sabbath and violating His fourth commandment. In Ezekiel 20, we read how God led his people into bondage in order to receive an equivalent of the Sabbath days they had so long neglected. It is one thing to receive a command, it is another to obey it. Their neglect of the Sabbath was the result of their hearts being very far from God and His will. The hypocrisy and cruelty of the Pharisees in Jesus time came from the same lack of faith in their hearts. Those Pharisees remembered the Sabbath physically but abandoned it spiritually. Jesus described them as "whited sepulchres...full of dead men's bones" (Matthew 23:27).

The danger of breaking the Sabbath today originates from the same places of trouble we find in Ezekiel and the accounts of the Pharisees. How serious was it to break the sabbath? In Numbers 15:32-36 we are told those that break the sabbath will be stoned until death. When people reject God as the creator, they make no effort to rest and honor Him. When the wants and needs of the people become more important than taking time to reflect upon God's gifts, the Sabbath is neglected. When the pursuits of the flesh take priority over the nourishment of the soul, the Sabbath is forgotten. Also, just as the Pharisees did, the Sabbath can be recognized physically but broken spiritually. When one's heart is very far from God it does not matter that their feet are under a pew.

One of God's greatest gifts to us was a day of rest. We should treat this day as holy and honor it for our Lord's sake. The dangers of

breaking the Sabbath are apparent. We observe it in the decay of our society, family values and our nation's spiritual well being. Thankfully we can go from Sabbath breakers, to Sabbath keepers.

Humbly submitted,
Elder Andrew Stokes
Elder Scott Carter

Report On Revilers

We spend much of our time studying many biblical topics and phrases however some words contained within such are read but hardly considered. Some of us are unaware that we commit the sins described by certain unstudied expressions. The term revile is so often disregarded yet when spoken of in the Bible is mentioned alongside fornicators, idolaters, drunkards, and thieves in 1 Corinthians 6: 9-10. While the concepts of some of these words are well understood the explanation of reviling should be examined.

The definition of revile is "to criticize in an abusive or angrily insulting manner". It is comparable to the words hate, loathe, attack, curse and blame. A reviler is someone who takes it upon themselves to misuse speech to not only verbally attack, but also blame their victim for the aggression to justify themselves. Too many times we find ourselves saying things that may be true (latest news on brother or sister so and so) but with the wrong intent. We should ask ourselves what are our motives? Are we spreading news with the godly intent or are we just tearing our brother or sister down? If we see our fellow brother or sister in a fault, we should take Paul's admonition instead. "Brethren, if a man be overtaken in a fault, ye which are spiritual, restore such an one in the spirit of meekness; considering thyself, lest thou also be tempted." Gal. 6:1 Emphasis should be placed on spiritual.

Reviling behavior is advised against in God's Word. James 3:10-13 teaches us that blessing and cursing should not proceed from the same mouth, and that we should "shew out of a good conversation" our "works with meekness of wisdom." Paul also instructs us to put off all anger, wrath, malice, blasphemy, and filthy communication from our mouths in Colossians 3:8. The scriptures in Ephesians 5:4 as well as 1 Corinthians 15:33 warn us of the dangers of foolish talking and evil communications. A conversation often takes a wrong direction when nonsense is spoken, which can then build into a disa-

greement potentially becoming malicious. An argument between two people can easily escalate becoming so intense that either or both of the parties involved not only revile one another, but also curse God as is demonstrated in Leviticus 24: 10-16. In this instance the actions were punishable by death. Though we as God's children might not suffer fatally for altercations, we must remember Psalm 89:30-32 teaches us that we will receive chastisement for sinful behavior, and that discipline could be severe.

To circumvent being disciplined we must practice expressing ourselves in a godly manner. In Colossians 3:16-17 we are taught ways to accomplish this. Paul expresses plainly for us to be "forbearing one another in love;" (Eph. 4:2) Proverbs 25:11 likens fitly spoken words to precious metals. It is of necessity that "your speech *be* always with grace, seasoned with salt, that ye may know how ye ought to answer every man." (Colossians 4:6) We should prayerfully seek godly communication within society no matter with whom we are speaking. This should be an objective for which we strive daily. For God's influence on lost humanity to have its greatest effect, we should strive for godly behavior and speech rather than a reviling tongue.

Submitted,
Chris Wallace
Jeff Simmons

Jealousy (especially between Brethren – in the Kingdom of God)

Jealousy is a complex emotion that encompasses feelings ranging from suspicion to anger to fear to humiliation. It strikes people of all ages and gender.

Jealousy is defined by words like: Envy, covetousness, and resentment. (Proverbs 14:30) says, "³⁰ A sound heart *is* the life of the flesh: but envy the rottenness of the bones."

The Bible is full of examples of jealousy.

(Genesis 37:4) **tells us about the jealousy of Joseph's brethren.**

Genesis 37:4 (KJV)

⁴ And when his brethren saw that their father loved him more than all his brethren, they hated him, and could not speak peaceably unto him. (They sold him into slavery).

(1 Samuel 18:8) **tells us about the jealousy of King Saul toward David.**

1 Samuel 18:8 (KJV)

⁸ And Saul was very wroth, and the saying displeased him; and he said, They have ascribed unto David ten thousands, and to me they have ascribed *but* thousands: and *what* can he have more but the kingdom?

(Matthew 20:12) **tells us about the jealousy of the laborers in the vineyard.**

Matthew 20:12 (KJV)

¹² Saying, These last have wrought *but* one hour, and thou hast made them equal unto us, which have borne the burden and heat of the day.

(Luke 15:28) **express the jealousy of the brother of the Prodigal Son that returned.**

Luke 15:28 (KJV)

²⁸ And he was angry, and would not go in: therefore came his father out, and intreated him.

When it comes to jealousy among Christians, and specifically among the Brethren, those in the ministry, there is absolutely no place for it. It is not a proper attitude for Christians (as expressed in (Romans 13:13). As children of God, who are led by the Spirit, we are to put away such attitudes of jealousy as works of the flesh (Galatians 5:20-21). As imitators of the love of Christ, we must learn that jealousy is not consistent with the true love (1 Corinthians 13:4).

When I first acknowledged my call to the ministry and began to preach. I often wondered when I was going to be able to preach like this brother; or that brother or those brethren. I learned and accepted early in my ministry, that God calls all different kinds of men to carry His Gospel in order to reach all people with the Gospel message.

And He equips each of us to do His work according to His “will” ...

What a shame it is when something as beautiful as the gospel message, and as noble as the work of preaching it, is tarnished by jealousy that resents the God-given talents of other ministers of the gospel. What does jealousy among our brethren do? What impacts or damage does it leave behind? Perhaps resentment, discord, splits in God’s Churches, hatred, hurt feelings...could possibly cause a preacher to leave the ministry.

Instead, we should be encouraging, complimenting, endorse, approve, acclaim, commend.

In our fleshly nature, we have a tendency to question God and our abilities. That is what Moses did when the Lord called upon him to lead Israel out of bondage. **(Exodus 4:10-11 (KJV)):**

¹⁰ And Moses said unto the LORD, O my Lord, I *am* not eloquent, neither heretofore, nor since thou hast spoken unto thy servant: but I *am* slow of speech, and of a slow tongue.

¹¹ And the LORD said unto him, Who hath made man's mouth? or who maketh the dumb, or deaf, or the seeing, or the blind? have not I the LORD?

We just need to remember what Paul said in **(1 Thessalonians 5:24 (KJV))**, “²⁴ Faithful *is* he that calleth you, who also will do *it*.”

Never forget as Jesus said in (John 15:16 (KJV)).

¹⁶ Ye have not chosen me, but I have chosen you, and ordained you, that ye should go and bring forth fruit, and *that* your fruit should remain: that whatsoever ye shall ask of the Father in my name, he may give it you.

Brothers and Sisters, we’re all on the same team with the same purpose...

That purpose is to reach the unsaved, the lost, with the Gospel truth; and as our Church Covenant states: “To strive for the advancement of this Church, in knowledge, holiness and comfort; to promote its prosperity and spirituality; to sustain its worship, ordinances, disciplines, and doctrines...”

There is no room for jealousy if we are to accomplish our goal, our purpose.

In (1 Corinthians 3), Paul addresses the Corinthians immaturity as Christians. How he fed them with the milk of the Word instead of the meat because they were not ready for it. They were still carnal. (v. 3-4) Paul said, “³ For ye are yet carnal: for whereas *there is* among you envying, and strife, and divisions, are ye not carnal, and walk as men? ⁴ For while one saith, I am of Paul; and another, I *am* of Apollos; are ye not carnal?”

He continued in (v. 5) “**1 Corinthians 3:5-9 (KJV)**

⁵ Who then is Paul, and who *is* Apollos, but ministers by whom ye believed, even as the Lord gave to every man? ⁶ I have planted, Apollos watered; but God gave the increase.

⁷ So then neither is he that planteth any thing, neither he that watereth; but God that giveth the increase. ⁸ Now he that planteth and he that watereth are one: and every man shall receive his own reward according to his own labour. ⁹ For we are labourers together with God: ye are God's husbandry, *ye are* God's building.

The point is: God's work involves many different individuals with a variety of gifts and abilities. There are no super stars in this task, only team members performing their own special roles. Brethren, always strive to put forth your best. At the same time be content with your abilities or style of preaching and pastoring that God has given each of you.

A jealous attitude needs to be purged from the hearts of many Christians, and some preachers ought to lead the way. We become useful members of God's team by sitting aside our desires to receive glory for what we do. **Brethren, we are not to seek the praise that comes from people because it is comparatively worthless; instead seek the approval that comes from God.** Whatever abilities a person exercises, God is the one to receive all the glory and honor.

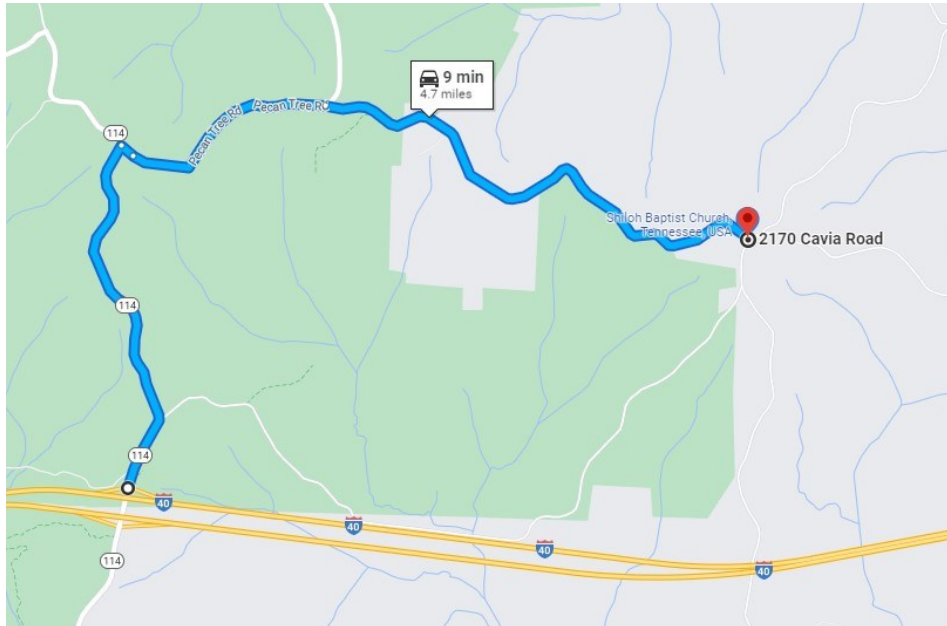
Respectfully submitted,

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Friday– Represented by letter
Saturday– Represented by letter

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Friday– Andrew Stokes, Melanie Stokes
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Friday– Jenny Moon, Kay Grooms
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Clarksburg:

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Saturday– Represented by letter

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Friday–Russell Tucker, Dennis Stokes, Alvin Boyd
Saturday– Ricky McAlexander, Dennis Stokes, Alvin Boyd

Cross Roads:

Friday– Randy Thompson, Steve Markham, Jim Dungan
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Friday– Trey Crews, Lynn Stapleton, Kenny Rush
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Friday– Represented by letter

Saturday– Represented by letter

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Friday–Tony Boyd

Saturday– Tony Boyd

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Financial Statement

2021 Minute Fund

Balance October 12, 2020 \$ 4,460.80

EXPENDITURES:

First Bank (lock box) \$ 60.00

Peterson Printing (minutes) \$ 950.00

O’Neil Enterprise (CD’s) \$ 217.94

Website \$ 311.04

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Minute Fund 2021 \$ 1,970.00

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Clerk Contributions \$ 1,125.00

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May 28, 2021

Southwestern District Missionary Baptist Association:

We trust everything is going well with you and your lost are being saved. We also trust God is continuing to bless you.

This past October, we convened for the One Hundred Eighty-Fifth Annual Session with Mt. Nebo Missionary Baptist Church. We had 13 churches reporting an increase of 7 with 3 of those being by baptism. We had a decrease of 21 with a total membership of 981. We still need to see many souls saved for the Lord.

We are truly thankful for the visitors that were able to be with us. We invite each one to join us for the 186th Annual Session to be held with Friendship Missionary Baptist Church in Franklin County, Alabama. The church is located east of Russellville, Alabama, on Highway 48. This session will be held October 09, 10, 11, and 12, 2021. The service Saturday morning will begin at 11:00 a.m.

In Christ's love,



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2022 Summer Revival Schedule

Church	Start Date	Revival Helper	Sunday Starting Time	Monday – Friday Starting Time
Landmark	06/05/22			
Marlsboro				
Pleasant Hill	06/05/22		6:00 PM	10:30 AM; 7:00 PM
New Hope	06/12/22		7:00 PM	10:30 AM; 7:00 PM
Shiloh	06/19/22		7:30 PM	10:30 AM; 7:30 PM
Huntingdon	06/26/22		7:00 PM	10:45 AM; 7:00 PM
Pleasant Ridge	06/26/22		6:00 PM	7:00 PM
New Cross Roads	06/26/22		6:00 PM	10:30 AM; 7:00 PM
Westport				
Mixie	07/10/22		5:30 PM	7:00 PM
Center Point	07/10/22		6:00 PM	7:00 PM
Concord	07/10/22		7:00 PM	7:00 PM
Pleasant Grove	07/10/22		7:00 PM	7:00 PM
Cross Roads	07/10/22	Arzell Douglas	6:00 PM	10:30 AM; 7:00 PM
Bethel	07/17/22		6:00 PM	10:30 AM; 7:00 PM
Bible Grove	07/17/22		7:00 PM	10:30 AM; 7:00 PM
Oak Grove	07/24/22	Doug Skinner	6:00 PM	10:30 AM; 7:00 PM
Clarksburg	07/24/22		7:00 PM	7:00 PM
New Spring Hill	07/31/22		6:00 PM	7:00 PM
Rushing Creek	9/11 to 9/14		6:00 PM	7:00 PM

Historical Table

Before 1846, this was part of the Western District Association. The Western District Association was organized in 1822 and is one of the oldest Associations in the state. From this, we go back into North Carolina and West Virginia where they were colonies under England. It was in these colonies that the Baptist patriot, Patrick Henry, defended the Baptist preachers before the colonial officers who were appointed by England, and it was here in these colonies that we find Thomas Jefferson who wrote the Declaration of Independence, making inquiry about the Government of Baptist Churches and Associations that he might get a model after which to assist in forming the Government of the United States. The oldest Baptist Association in the United States is the Philadelphia Association which has done more for Missions than perhaps any other.

<u>DATE AND CHURCH HELD WITH</u>	<u>MODERATOR</u> ---- <u>CLERK</u>
1846-Mt. Comfort, Carroll County-----	E. Autry -----J. P. Arnold
1847- Mt. Pisgah, Henderson County-----	E. Autry -----J. P. Arnold
1848-Ramble Creek, Benton County -----	E. Autry -----B. W. Foster
1849-Pleasant Hill, Benton County -----	E. Autry -----B. W. Foster
1850-Hopewell, Henderson County-----	E. Autry -----J. P. Arnold
1851-New Prospect, Decatur County -----	E. Autry -----J. P. Arnold
1852-Beaver Dam, Benton County-----	E. Autry -----J. P. Arnold
1853-Union, Benton County -----	E. Autry -----J. P. Arnold
1854-Bible Union, Carroll County -----	E. Autry -----J. P. Arnold
1855-Concord, Carroll County-----	M. S. Corbett-----J. P. Arnold
1856-Pleasant Grove, Henderson County ----	E. Autry -----J. P. Arnold
1857-Mt. Comfort, Carroll County-----	M. S. Corbett-----J. P. Arnold
1858-Union, Benton County -----	J. P. Arnold-----W. C. McAuley
1859-Holly Springs, Henderson County ----	J. P. Arnold-----B. W. Foster
1860-Ramble Creek, Benton County -----	J. P. Arnold-----J. P. Doherty
1861-New Prospect, Decatur County -----	J. P. Arnold-----Geo. Hollowell
1862-1864-----	No Association during Civil War
1865-Union, Benton County -----	J. P. Arnold-----W. C. McAuley
1866-Salem, Decatur County-----	J. P. Arnold-----B. W. Foster
1867-Mt. Comfort, Carroll County-----	W. Pugh-----Geo. Hollowell
1868-Ephesus, Carroll County -----	J. P. Arnold-----Geo. Hollowell
1869-Concord, Carroll County-----	J. P. Arnold-----Geo. Hollowell
1870-Chalk Hill, Benton County -----	J. P. Arnold-----G. C. Thomas
1871-New Prospect -----	J. P. Arnold-----G. C. Thomas
1872-Mt. Nebo, Carroll County -----	J. P. Arnold-----Geo. Hollowell
1873-Marlsboro, Carroll County -----	Geo. Hollowell-----G. C. Thomas
1874-New Hope, Carroll County-----	J. H. Park -----G. C. Thomas
1875-Tom's Creek, Perry County-----	J. W. Brewer -----J. F. Rogers
1876-Rushing Creek, Benton County-----	J. Richardson-----J. F. Rogers
1877-Oak Grove, Carroll County-----	J. P. Arnold-----J. F. Rogers
1878-New Prospect -----	J. P. Arnold-----J. F. Rogers
1879-Bethel, Carroll County -----	J. C. Park-----J. F. Rogers
1880-Wildersville, Henderson County -----	J. C. Park-----J. H. Thomas
1881-Ramble Creek-----	J. P. Arnold-----D. J. Allen
1882-Cross Roads, Benton County-----	J. C. Park-----D. J. Allen
1883-Prospect, Carroll County-----	J. C. Park-----D. J. Allen

1884-Sardis Ridge, Decatur County ----- Geo. Hollowell-----D. J. Allen
1885-Concord, Carroll County----- Geo. Hollowell-----C. H. Rogers
1886-Trace Creek, Humphreys County ----- J. C. Park-----D. J. Allen
1887-Liberty, Carroll County ----- J. C. Park-----D. J. Allen
1888-Unity, Benton County ----- J. C. Park-----D. J. Allen
1889-Holly Springs ----- J. F. Rogers-----D. J. Allen
1890-Mt. Nebo, Carroll County ----- J. C. Park-----D. J. Allen
1891-Rushing Creek, Benton County----- E. M. Joyner-----D. J. Allen
1892-New Hope, Carroll County ----- E. M. Joyner-----D. J. Allen
1893-Chalk Level, Benton County----- E. M. Joyner-----D. J. Allen
1894-Mt. Comfort----- E. M. Joyner-----C. H. Rogers
1895-Flatwoods, Benton County ----- E. M. Joyner-----D. J. Allen
1896-Marlsboro, Carroll County ----- E. M. Joyner-----D. J. Allen
1897-Bethel, Carroll County ----- E. M. Joyner-----D. J. Allen
1898-Shiloh, Carroll County ----- N. L. Joyner -----D. J. Allen
1899-Pleasant Hill, Benton County ----- W. S. Roney-----C. H. Rogers
1900-Salem, Decatur County----- W. S. Roney-----C. H. Rogers
1901-Chalk Hill, Benton County ----- N. L. Joyner -----C. H. Rogers
1902-Cross Roads, Benton County----- E. Z. Newsom-----C. H. Rogers
1903-New Prospect, Decatur County ----- E. M. Joyner-----C. H. Rogers
1904-Ephesus, Carroll County ----- E. M. Joyner-----C. H. Rogers
1905-Pleasant Grove----- E. M. Joyner-----C. H. Rogers
1906-Ramble Creek----- T. M. Boyd -----C. H. Rogers
1907-Oak Grove, Carroll County----- T. M. Boyd -----C. H. Rogers
1908-Concord, Carroll County----- T. M. Boyd -----C. H. Rogers
1909-Pleasant Ridge ----- T. M. Boyd -----C. H. Rogers
1910-Perryville, Decatur County ----- T. M. Boyd -----C. H. Rogers
1911-Unity, Benton County ----- T. M. Boyd -----D. H. Franks
1912-Chalk Level, Benton County ----- Joe N. Joyner-----D. H. Franks
1913-Holly Springs ----- J. G. Cooper -----D. H. Franks
1914-Mt. Nebo----- J. G. Cooper -----D. H. Franks
1915-Liberty, Carroll County ----- S. W. Joyner-----D. H. Franks
1916-Tom's Creek, Perry County----- J. N. Joyner -----D. H. Franks
1917-Westport, Carroll County ----- T. M. Boyd -----Geo. S. Price
1918-Mt. Pisgah, Carroll County ----- T. M. Boyd -----L. E. Mincey
1919-Cross Roads, Benton County----- J. N. Joyner -----L. E. Mincey
1920-Mt. Comfort, Carroll County----- J. N. Joyner -----C. E. Butler
1921-Ephesus, Carroll County ----- J. N. Joyner -----C. E. Butler
1922-Eva, Benton County ----- J. N. Joyner -----A. H. Franks
1923-Prospect, Carroll County----- J. N. Joyner -----A. H. Franks
1924-Flatwoods, Benton County ----- J. N. Joyner -----A. H. Franks
1925-Bunches Chapel ----- J. N. Joyner -----A. H. Franks
1926-Oak Grove----- J. N. Joyner -----C. V. Cooper
1927-Pleasant Hill----- J. N. Joyner -----C. V. Cooper
1928-Shiloh, Carroll County ----- T. M. Boyd -----C. V. Cooper
1929-Bruceton, Carroll County ----- T. M. Boyd -----C. V. Cooper
1930-New Prospect, Decatur County ----- J. N. Joyner -----W. S. Brinkley
1931-New Hope, Carroll County ----- S. W. Joyner -----W. S. Brinkley
1932-New Liberty, Carroll County----- S. W. Joyner -----W. S. Brinkley
1933-Westport, Carroll County ----- S. W. Joyner -----W. S. Brinkley
1934-Ephesus, Carroll County ----- S. W. Joyner -----W. S. Brinkley
1935-Mt. Comfort, Carroll County----- E. H. Martin -----W. S. Brinkley

1936-Marlsboro, Carroll County ----- S. W. Joyner-----W. S. Brinkley
 1937-Cedar Hill, Decatur County ----- S. W. Joyner-----W. S. Brinkley
 1938-Concord, Carroll County----- S. W. Joyner-----W. S. Brinkley
 1939-Yuma, Carroll County----- S. W. Joyner-----W. S. Brinkley
 1940-Caledonia, Henry County----- S. W. Joyner-----W. S. Brinkley
 1941-Oak Grove, Carroll County----- W. H. Hopper -----W. S. Brinkley
 1942-New Cross Roads, Carroll County ----- W. H. Hopper -----W. S. Brinkley
 1943-New Bethel, Henry County----- W. H. Hopper -----W. S. Brinkley
 1944-Westport, Carroll County----- W. H. Hopper -----W. S. Brinkley
 1945-Marlsboro, Carroll County ----- S. W. Joyner-----W. S. Brinkley
 1946-Mt. Comfort, Carroll County----- E. F. Prince -----W. S. Brinkley
 1947-Pleasant Grove, Henderson County ----- E. F. Prince -----W. S. Brinkley
 1948-Old Union, Benton County ----- E. F. Prince -----W. S. Brinkley
 1949-Cross Roads, Benton County----- E. F. Prince -----T. L. Campbell
 1950-Bible Grove, Henderson County ----- C. F. Carter -----T. L. Campbell
 1951-Republican Grove ----- C. F. Carter -----T. L. Campbell
 1952-Pleasant Hill, Benton County ----- C. F. Carter -----T. L. Campbell
 1953-Ephesus, Carroll County ----- John Hedges -----T. L. Campbell
 1954-Mixie, Carroll County ----- John Hedges -----Ray Smith
 1955-Concord, Carroll County----- John Hedges -----Ray Smith
 1956-Tom's Creek, Perry County----- T. L. Campbell-----Ray Smith
 1957-Independent, Carroll County ----- T. L. Campbell-----Ray Smith
 1958-Bethel, Carroll County ----- T. L. Campbell-----Ray Smith
 1959-Oak Grove, Carroll County----- T. L. Campbell-----Ray Smith
 1960-New Bethel, Henry County----- T. L. Campbell-----Ray Smith
 1961-Center Point, Carroll County----- T. L. Campbell-----Ray Smith
 1962-Caledonia, Henry County----- T. L. Campbell-----Ray Smith
 1963-Old Union, Benton County ----- T. L. Campbell-----Ray Smith
 1964-New Bethel, Henry County----- T. L. Campbell-----Ray Smith
 1965-Rushing Creek, Benton County----- T. L. Campbell-----Ray Smith
 1966-Westport, Carroll County ----- T. L. Campbell-----Ray Smith
 1967-New Prospect, Decatur County ----- T. L. Campbell-----Ray Smith
 1968-Ephesus, Carroll County ----- C. F. Carter -----Ray Smith
 1969-Concord, Carroll County----- C. F. Carter -----Ray Smith
 1970-New Frank's Chapel, Decatur County --- C. F. Carter -----Ray Smith
 1971-Landmark, Shelby County----- C. F. Carter -----Ray Smith
 1972-Yuma, Carroll County----- C. F. Carter -----Ray Smith
 1973-Pleasant Ridge, Benton County----- C. F. Carter -----Ray Smith
 1974-New Cross Roads, Carroll County ----- C. F. Carter -----Ray Smith
 1975-Cross Roads, Benton County----- C. F. Carter -----Ray Smith
 1976-Second Baptist, Lexington----- C. F. Carter -----Ray Smith
 1977-Bible Grove, Chesterfield----- M. Rayburn-----Ray Smith
 1978-New Bethel, Henry County----- Harold Carver-----Ray Smith
 1979-Independent, Carroll County ----- Harold Carver-----Ray Smith
 1980-Bethel, Carroll County ----- Harold Carver-----Ray Smith
 1981-Landmark, Shelby County----- Harold Carver-----Ray Smith
 1982-Pleasant Hill, Benton County ----- Harold Carver-----Ray Smith
 1983-New Prospect, Decatur County ----- Harold Carver-----Ray Smith
 1984-Concord, Carroll County----- Harold Carver-----Ray Smith
 1985-Oak Grove, Henderson County ----- Harold Carver-----Ray Smith
 1986-New Liberty, Carroll County----- Harold Carver-----Ray Smith
 1987-Westport, Carroll County ----- Harold Carver-----Ray Smith

1988-Center Point, Carroll County----- Harold Carver-----Ray Smith
 1989-Mixie, Carroll County ----- Harold Carver-----Ray Smith
 1990-New Cross Roads, Carroll County ----- Harold Carver-----Ray Smith
 1991-Bible Grove, Henderson County ----- Harold Carver-----Lee Carter
 1992-Independent, Carroll County ----- Harold Carver-----Lee Carter
 1993-Marlsboro, Carroll County ----- Harold Carver-----Lee Carter
 1994-Clarksburg, Carroll County----- Harold Carver-----Lee Carter
 1995-Cross Roads, Benton County----- Harold Carver-----Lee Carter
 1996-Landmark, Shelby County----- Harold Carver-----Lee Carter
 1997-New Hope, Carroll County ----- Harold Carver-----Lee Carter
 1998-Shiloh, Carroll County ----- Harold Carver-----Lee Carter
 1999-Concord, Carroll County----- Harold Carver-----Lee Carter
 2000-Bethel, Carroll County ----- Ray Smith -----Lee Carter
 2001-Old Paths, Shelby County ----- A. G. Hayes -----Lee Carter
 2002-Oak Grove, Henderson County ----- A.G. Hayes -----Scott Carter
 2003-New Cross Roads, Carroll County ----- Ray Smith -----Scott Carter
 2004-Center Point, Carroll County----- Ray Smith -----Scott Carter
 2005-Bible Grove, Henderson County ----- Ray Smith -----Scott Carter
 2006- Huntingdon, Carroll County----- Ray Smith -----Scott Carter
 2007-Clarksburg, Carroll County----- Ray Smith -----Scott Carter
 2008-Oak Grove, Carroll County----- Ray Smith -----Scott Carter
 2009- Cross Roads, Benton County----- Johnny Wall-----Scott Carter
 2010- New Hope, Carroll County----- Ray Smith -----Scott Carter
 2011- Westport, Carroll County----- Ray Smith -----Scott Carter
 2012-Oak Grove, Henderson County ----- Ray Smith -----Scott Carter
 2013-Concord, Carroll County----- Ray Smith -----Scott Carter
 2014-Bible Grove, Henderson County ----- Ray Smith -----Scott Carter
 2015-Huntingdon, Carroll County----- Ray Smith -----Scott Carter
 2016-Pleasant Ridge, Benton County----- Ray Smith -----Scott Carter
 2017-Pleasant Hill, Benton County ----- Ray Smith -----Scott Carter
 2018-Cross Roads, Benton County----- Ray Smith -----Scott Carter
 2019-Oak Grove, Henderson County ----- Ray Smith -----Scott Carter
 2020-Concord, Carroll County----- Ray Smith -----Scott Carter
 2021-New Hope, Carroll County ----- Ray Smith -----Scott Carter

Rules of Decorum

- ARTICLE 1. The Association shall be opened and closed with prayer.
- ARTICLE 2. The Moderator and Clerk shall be chosen by members present providing nothing be so construed as to prohibit newly constituted churches petitioning for admission from voting.
- ARTICLE 3. The Moderator shall be considered the judge of order, but any messenger not satisfied with his decision may appeal, provided the appeal is made the same day, but at no subsequent term.
- ARTICLE 4. The Moderator shall be entitled to the same privilege of speaking as other members, so as not to vote, unless his vote be necessary to decide the question. If he arises to speak he shall call another brother to take the chair.
- ARTICLE 5. All questions brought before the Association shall be introduced by motion, and if seconded, shall be opened to discussion, unless withdrawn by the mover or his second. When a subject has been taken up and a reasonable time allowed for discussion, the Moderator shall take the question by yeas and nays and if a call is made it shall be decided by the members rising.
- ARTICLE 6. Any member wishing to speak shall arise and address the Moderator. Only one member shall be allowed to speak at the same time, who shall not be interrupted while speaking, unless he departs from the subject or makes personal reflection.
- ARTICLE 7. No person shall speak more than once on any subject until all who wish to speak have an opportunity, nor more than twice upon any subject without permission.
- ARTICLE 8. Every subject introduced for discussion shall be first decided before another shall be offered, unless it be laid over by motion with the consent of the mover and the Association.
- ARTICLE 9. The Association shall in all cases be governed by a majority vote of the members present, except in the reception of the churches; then a unanimous vote shall be required.
- ARTICLE 10. The names of the members shall be called whenever the Association shall direct, and the absentees marked.

Any member wishing to retire shall obtain permission from the Moderator.

ARTICLE 11. The appellation of "brethren" shall be used by the members in addressing each other.

ARTICLE 12. Any member violating these rules shall be subject to reproof by the Moderator, but only on the day the breach shall have been made.

ARTICLE 13. Amendments or alterations may be made to these rules when a majority deems it necessary.

ARTICLE 14. It shall be the duty of the Association to appoint a finance committee to keep up with the moneys during the association, to make their report when called upon and to turn the moneys received over to the Clerk.

Church Covenant

Having been led, as we believe, by the Spirit of God, to receive the Lord Jesus Christ as our Savior, and on the profession of our faith, having been baptized in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost, we do now in the presence of God, angels and this assembly, most solemnly and joyfully enter into covenant with one another, as one body in Christ.

We engage, therefore, by the aid of the Holy Spirit, to walk together in Christian love; to strive for the advancement of this Church, in knowledge, holiness and comfort; to promote its prosperity and spirituality; to sustain its worship, ordinances, discipline, and doctrines; to contribute cheerfully and regularly to the support of the ministry, the expenses of the Church, the relief of the poor, and the spread of the Gospel through all nations.

We also engage to maintain family and secret devotion; to religiously educate our children; to seek the salvation of our kindred and acquaintances; to walk circumspectly in the world; to be just in our dealings, faithful in our engagements and exemplary in our deportment; to avoid all tattling, backbiting, and excessive anger; to abstain from the sale and use of intoxicating drink as a beverage, and to be zealous in our efforts to advance the kingdom of our Savior.

We further engage to watch over one another in brotherly love; to remember each other in prayer; to aid each other in sickness and distress; to cultivate Christian sympathy in feeling and courtesy in speech; to be slow to take offense, but always ready for reconciliation and mindful of the rules of our Savior, to secure it without delay.

We moreover engage that, when we remove from this place, we will as soon as possible unite with some other church where we can carry out the spirit of this covenant and the principles of God's word.

Constitution

- ARTICLE I. The Association shall be called *Southwestern District Missionary Baptist Association*, known as an advisory council.
- ARTICLE II. It shall be composed of such persons as have been duly elected by such church as may belong to this union to represent them in body.
- ARTICLE III. The messengers representing the different churches shall at the opening of the Association present their letters of correspondence which shall state their appointment as messengers, together with the number of members in fellowship, the number baptized, received by letter, dismissed by letter, excommunicated, restored and dead during the year.
- ARTICLE IV. Every church belonging to this body shall be entitled to three messengers.
- ARTICLE V. Churches of this union failing to represent themselves at one Association will be expected to state reasons for their failure at the next Association, and if any church fails for two consecutive meetings, the Association shall send a committee to inquire into their state.
- ARTICLE VI. New churches may be admitted into this union by signifying their wish by messenger and letter, provided they be deemed orthodox, and are willing to walk in fellowship with us.
- ARTICLE VII. The Association shall have a Moderator and Clerk, who shall be chosen at each annual meeting, as soon as the letters from the different churches are read and their member's names enrolled, provided, also that all newly constituted churches petitioning for union with us shall have full right to vote for Moderator and Clerk, and nothing shall be construed as to prohibit them from voting.
- ARTICLE VIII. This Association shall have no power to adopt rules that shall at any time infringe upon the independence and rights of the churches. It shall however be at liberty to advise churches belonging to it, or it may

separate from churches as are known to walk disorderly.

ARTICLE IX. The Association shall have a fund for its expenses, and the churches shall be at liberty to send up such contributions as they may think proper.

ARTICLE X. Any church of this union having a difficulty that she cannot settle may call for help from her sister churches, or may present the case to this body for advice. Such cases must be presented in the letters of correspondence, stating the reason why it had not or could not be decided by the church.

ARTICLE XI. When churches of this union have members supposed to possess ministerial gifts, they may call from two or more churches for the aid of their ordained ministers and deacons to examine the individuals and, if thought advisable, to ordain such member or members to preach the gospel which shall be reported at the next association and entered upon the Minutes.

ARTICLE XII. The minutes of this Association will be read, corrected, and signed by the Moderator and Clerk before the session rise. And no Association shall adjourn, unless in extraordinary cases, until it has finished all its business.

ARTICLE XIII. The Clerk shall read the Rules of Decorum on the first day of each Association meeting.

Articles of Faith

I. We believe that the Scripture of the Old and New Testaments are the Word of God; and the only rule of faith and practice. (Proverbs 30:5-6; 2 Samuel 23:2; John 5:38-39; John 12:47-48; Romans 1:16; Romans 3:4; Galatians 1:8-9; Philippians 3:16; 2 Timothy 3:15-17; 1 Peter 1:10-12; 1 Peter 4:11; 2 Peter 1:21; 1 John 4:1; Revelation 22:18-19)

II. We believe that the Scriptures teach that there is but one living and true God; and there are three persons in this one God - the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit; and this Triune God is the only object of religious worship and adoration, and that all worship paid anything less in the name of God is idolatry and abomination in His sight. (Exodus 15:11; Exodus 20:3; Psalms 83:18; Psalms 147:5; Isaiah 6:3; Jeremiah 2:12-13; Jeremiah 10:10; Matthew 10:37; Matthew 28:19; Mark 12:30; John 4:24; John 5:17; John 10:30; John 14:23-28; John 15:26; John 17:5, 10; Acts 5:3-4; Romans 1:20; 1 Corinthians 2:10-11; 1 Corinthians 12:4-6; 2 Corinthians 13:14; Ephesians 2:18; Philippians 2:5-6; Hebrews 3:4; 1 Peter 1:15-16; 1 John 5:7; Revelation 1:4-5; Revelation 4:6-8; Revelation 4:11)

III. We believe that God created man good and happy; that he sinned and fell from that condition; that by the fall he lost his original righteousness and became sinful and depraved; and as a natural consequence, that his posterity by ordinary generations are involved in all the consequences of his fall. (Genesis 1:27, 31; Genesis 2:16; Genesis 3:6-24; Genesis 6:5-6; Genesis 6:12; Psalms 51:5; Ecclesiastes 7:29; Isaiah 53:6; Jeremiah 4:22; Ezekiel 18:19-20; Matthew 20:15; John 3:6; Acts 15:26; Romans 1:18-32; Romans 2:1-16; Romans 3:10-19; Romans 5:12-19; Romans 8:7; Galatians 3:10; Galatians 3:22; Ephesians 2:1-3; Titus 3:3)

IV. We believe that man, by nature, has no power to recover himself from his lost and ruined condition and, unless God Himself had provided a way of Salvation, would have been ruined and miserable forever, because all have sinned. (Psalms 45; Psalms 89:19; Isaiah 42:21; Isaiah 53:4-5; Matthew 18:11-14; Matthew 20:28; John 1:1-14; John 3:16-18; Acts 15:11; Romans 3:10-26; Romans 4:25; Romans 5:12, 19; 1 Corinthians 3:5-7; 1 Corinthians 15:1-3; 2 Corinthians 5:21; Galatians 3:22; Galatians 4:4-5; Ephesians 2:5-9; Philippians 2:6-8; Colossians 2:9; Colossians 3:1-4; Hebrews 1:3,8; Hebrews 2:9,14,18; Hebrews 4:14; Hebrews 7:25-26; Hebrews 9:13-15; Hebrews 12:24; 1 John 2:3; 1 John 4:5-10)

V. We believe that the salvation of sinners is wholly by grace, through the mediatorial office of the Son of God, who took upon Himself our nature, yet without sin, honored law by His personal obedience and made atonement for our sins by His Death; being risen from the dead, is now enthroned in heaven, and uniting in his wonderful person the tenderest sympathies with Divine perfection, in every way qualified to be a suitable, compassionate and all-sufficient Savior. (Proverbs 1:24; Isaiah 55:1; Matthew 11:20; Matthew 23:37; Mark 1:15; Luke 14:17; Luke 19:27; John 3:19; John 5:40; Acts 13:46; Romans 1:15-17; Romans 5:19; Romans 9:32; Romans 16:26; 2 Thessalonians 1:8; Hebrews 2:9-10; Hebrews 5:1-10; Hebrews 6:16-20; Hebrews 7:11-28; Revelation 22:17)

VI. We believe that fallen man has nothing, and can do nothing, of himself, to recommend him to the favorable notice of the Divine Being, and that all his hopes of pardon, justification, redemption, and sanctification are derived alone from the merits of Christ. (Isaiah 64:4-8; Daniel 9:18-19; Zechariah 3:1-5; John 3:36; John 14:6; Acts 4:12; Acts 10:42-43; 1 Corinthians 3:11; 1 Timothy 2:5-6; 1 John 5:11-12; Revelation 20:15)

VII. We believe that Jesus Christ, the eternal Son of God, is the only Mediator between God and man; that He first became our surety and in the fullness of time our sacrifice, and that the efficacious plea He makes before the throne in our behalf is built upon His own all-adorning sacrifice. (Psalms 45:6; Psalms 89:19; Isaiah 53:4-5; Romans 3:21-26; Romans 8:34; 2 Corinthians 5:17-21; Galatians 4:4-5; Philippians 2:6-8; Colossians 3:1-4; 1 Timothy 2:3-6; Hebrews 1:3, 8; Hebrews 2:9; Hebrews 2:14; Hebrews 2:18; Hebrews 4:14; Hebrews 7:25-26; Hebrews 9:13-28; Hebrews 12:24; 1 John 2:1-3; 1 John 4:10)

VIII. We believe the Holy Spirit - the third person in the Trinity - is the great agent in convincing man of his lost and condemned condition, and in making the Gospel plain and acceptable. (Psalms 34:18; Luke 15:7; John 6:44; John 6:65; John 14:16-18; John 14:25-26; John 15:26-27; John 16:7-14; Acts 3:19; Acts 8:22; Acts 9:4-5; Acts 16:14; Romans 8:16; 2 Corinthians 7:10; 1 John 2:20)

IX. We believe that all who are sanctified by the Spirit are freely justified by the righteousness of Christ, which comes to all that believe. (Proverbs 4:18; Matthew 26:41; Luke 9:23; Luke 11:35; John 3:6; Acts 13:38-39; Romans 8:5-15; 1 Corinthians 6:11; 2 Corinthians 3:18; 2 Corinthians 7:1; 1 Corinthians 13:5-9; Galatians 2:16; Ephesians 1:3-14; Ephesians 4:11-12,30; Ephesians 6:18; Philippians 1:9-11; Philippians 2:12-13; Philippians 3:12-16; 1 Thessalonians 4:3-5; 1 Thessalonians 5:23-24; Hebrews 6:11; 1 Peter 1:5-8; 1 Peter 2:2; 1 Peter 3:18; 1 John 2:24-29)

X. We believe that all who are called to be saints through sanctification of the Spirit and belief of the truth shall never finally be lost. (2 Kings 6:16; Job 17:9; Psalms 16:10-11; Psalms 91:11-12; Psalms 121:3; Psalms 125:1; Jeremiah 32:40; Matthew 6:30-33; Matthew 13:20-21; John 4:14; John 6:66-69; John 8:31; John 13:18; Romans 8:28,35-39; 2 Corinthians 1:21-22; Ephesians 1:13-14; Ephesians 4:30; Philippians 1:6; Philippians 2:12-13; 2 Timothy 1:12; Hebrews 1:14; Hebrews 13:5; 1 Peter 1:3-5; 1 John 2:19,27-28; 1 John 3:9; 1 John 4:4; 1 John 5:18; Jude 24-25)

XI. We believe that Christian churches are to be formed of believers in Christ who give evidence of a change of heart, and have been properly baptized. (Matthew 3:7-17; Matthew 18:15-20; Matthew 28:18-20; John 14:15,21; John 15:12; Acts 2:37-38,41-42,47; Acts 8:1,36-38; Acts 10:44-48; Acts 14:23; Acts 15:22; Acts 16:30-33; Acts 19:1-7; Romans 16:17-20; 1 Corinthians 1:1-3; 1 Corinthians 4:11,17; 1 Corinthians 5:6,12-13; 1 Corinthians 11:2,23-26; 1 Corinthians 12:14; 1 Corinthians 14:12; 2 Corinthians 2:7; 2 Corinthians 8:5; Galatians 6:2; Ephesians 4:7; Philippians 1:1,27; 1 Thessalonians 4:2; 2 Thessalonians 3:6; 1 John 4:21; 2 John 6; 3 John 9)

XII. We believe that the government of the church is not left in the hands of any one man, or number of men, distinct from the body, but that it is left with the whole church. (Matthew 16:16-19; Matthew 18:15-20; Acts 14:23; Acts 15:22; Romans 16:17-20; 1 Corinthians 1:10-13; 1 Corinthians 5:6, 12-13; 1 Corinthians 11:2, 23; 1 Corinthians 12:14; 1 Corinthians 14:12; 1 Corinthians 14:26-33; 2 Corinthians 8:5; Galatians 6:2; Philippians 1:27; 2 Thessalonians 3:6; 1 Timothy 5:21)

XIII. We believe that the first day of the week, called the Lord's Day, is sanctified or set apart for the public worship of God, and that it is the duty of Christians to abstain from all unnecessary visiting, trifling conversation, and labor, except so much as is devoted to works of necessity and mercy. (Genesis 2:3; Exodus 20:8; Exodus 35:2-3; Leviticus 19:30; Psalms 26:8; Psalms 118:24; Isaiah 56:2-8; Isaiah 58:13-14; Matthew 28:1; Mark 2:27-28; John 20:19-20; Acts 11:26; Acts 13:44; Acts 20:7; 1 Corinthians 16:1-2; Hebrews 4:3-11; Hebrews 10:24-25; Revelation 1:10)

XIV. We believe that God has appointed the preaching of the Gospel for the edification of His church and the advancement of His kingdom; that it is the duty of church members to contribute to the support of the ministry as God in His providence may give them ability. (2 Kings 5:11, 13; Jonah 3:4-5; Psalms 94:11-13; Mark 16:15; Acts 8:31; Acts 11:29-30; Romans 10:13-17; Romans 12:13; Romans 15:25-27; 1 Corinthians 1:17-18, 21; 1 Corinthians 9:9-14; 2 Corinthians 8:13-15; 2 Corinthians 9:6-8; Ephesians 1:13; 1 Timothy 5:17-18; Titus 1:2-3; 1 Peter 1:25; 1 John 3:17)

XV. We believe that God calls men, by His Spirit, to preach the Gospel, and that it is the duty of the individual thus called to study to show himself approved unto God a workman that needeth not be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth. (1 Samuel 3:4, 10; Acts 13:2-3; Acts 16:10; Acts 20:27; Romans 1:1; 1 Corinthians 1:17; 1 Corinthians 1:23-29; 2 Corinthians 4:1-7; 2 Corinthians 6:3-4; Galatians 1:10-12; 1 Thessalonians 2:3-4; 1 Timothy 4:6; 1 Timothy 4:12-16; 2 Timothy 2:15; Hebrews 6:1-2; Hebrews 13:17; 1 Peter 2:9-10; 1 Peter 5:1-3; 2 Peter 1:10)

XVI. We believe that Jesus Christ has appointed two positive institutions or ordinances to be observed in His church - baptism and the Lord's Supper; that baptism is immersion in water, in the name of the Father, Son and Holy Spirit and believers only are capable of rightfully receiving the ordinances, that baptism precedes the Lord's Supper and none but ordained ministers have any right to administer them. (Matthew 3:5-6; Matthew 26:26-29; Matthew 28:16-20; Mark 3:13-14; Mark 14:22-25; Mark 16:16; Luke 22:14-20; John 3:22-23; John 4:1-3; John 6:26-71; Acts 2:38,41-42; Acts 6:6; Acts 8:12,36-39; Acts 10:47-48; Acts 14:21-23; Acts 16:32-34; Acts 18:8,24-28; Romans 6:4; 1 Corinthians 5:1-8; 1 Corinthians 10:3-32; 1 Corinthians 11:17-32; Galatians 3:26-28; Colossians 2:12; Titus 1:5; 1 Peter 3:20-21)

XVII. We believe that there will be a resurrection of the dead, both of the just and unjust; that the just will rise to everlasting life and the unjust to everlasting shame and contempt. (Job 19:25-27; Ecclesiastes 3:17; Daniel 12:1-2; Malachi 3:18; Matthew 13:41-43; Matthew 13:49-50; Matthew 24:30-31; Matthew 24:35-44; Matthew 25:31-33; Matthew 25:46; Luke 14:13-14; John 5:28-29; Acts

24:15; 1 Corinthians 15:19; 2 Corinthians 5:10; 2 Peter 2:9; 2 Peter 3:11-12; Revelation 1:7; Revelation 20:11-12)

XVIII. We believe that the Gospel with all its obligations, privileges, and blessings, has been committed to the church of whom it is especially enjoined to make known to every creature, while a risen and ascended Savior pledges His presence to the end of the world. (Proverbs 1:24; Isaiah 55:6-7; Matthew 11:20-24; Matthew 23:37; Matthew 24:14; Mark 1:15; Mark 13:9-11; Mark 16:15; Luke 19:27; John 3:19; John 5:39-40; Acts 13:46; Romans 1:15-17; Romans 9:32-33; 2 Thessalonians 1:8-12; 2 Timothy 1:7-10; Revelation 14:6-7).

Missions Supported

*addresses available upon request to clerk

Rick Jones	• Bethel • Clarksburg • Oak Grove	• Shiloh • New Cross Roads
Eugene Brown (<i>Words of Hope</i>)	• Bible Grove • Cross Roads • New Hope • Oak Grove	• Pleasant Hill • Rushing Creek • Shiloh • Huntingdon
Belize Mission - <i>Monte Shoulders</i>	• Cross Roads • Oak Grove	• Huntingdon • Shiloh
Ministerial Alliance , <i>Camden</i>	• Cross Roads • Pleasant Ridge	• Pleasant Hill
Ministerial Alliance , <i>Huntingdon</i>	• Huntingdon	• Pleasant Ridge
Back to the Bible	• Bethel	• Pleasant Hill
Eric Hammett (<i>Mexico</i>)	• Center Point	
Todd Marks (<i>Peru</i>)	• Center Point	
Khrys Paige (<i>Trinidad</i>)	• Bible Grove • Landmark • New Hope	• Shiloh • Pleasant Ridge
8 Days of Hope	• New Spring Hill	
Nueva Missionary Baptist Church (<i>Guatemala</i>)		• Oak Grove
Second Harvest Food Bank	• Huntingdon	
UT Martin Bible Study	• Huntingdon	
Pre Born	• New Spring Hill	
Samaritan's Purse	• Cross Roads	• New Spring Hill
Kenya African Fund	• Cross Roads • Oak Grove	• Huntingdon • Shiloh
Jamaica Mission	• Bethel • New Hope • Shiloh	• Cross Roads • Huntingdon • Concord
Don Curtis , <i>Wells of Salvation</i>	• Oak Grove	
Harvey Ambrose (<i>Alaksa</i>)	• Landmark	
F.U.E.L School Lunch Program	• Cross Roads	
Place of Hope Ministries c/o Mike Cope		• Huntingdon
Hope Center Ministries McEwen Sponsorship Fund		• Huntingdon
Gregory McClerkin-Hope for Sudan:		• New Spring Hill
Carroll Academy	• Huntingdon	
East End Mission, Bowling Green	• Oak Grove	

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Deacon-2
Minister-1

Bethel

Bro. Richard Hodge	11/11/20
Bro. Roy Baucom	12/12/20
Bro. Lewis Carter	12/27/20
Bro. Glendon Rich	04/25/21

Bible Grove

Sis. Ruth Nowell	07/26/21
Bro. Tim Wood	08/26/21

Clarksburg

Bro. Jimmy Fronabarger	11/03/20
Bro. Glenn Todd	01/27/21
Bro. Jerry Lowe	03/19/21
Sis. Pearl Rigsby	05/01/21

Cross Roads

Sis. Jackie Hedge Hargis	12/26/20
Bro. Jerry Deaton	08/24/21

Huntingdon

Sis. Carolyn Wilkes	10/25/20
Bro. Joe Pruett	12/03/20
Bro. Hershel Byars	12/24/20
Sis. Bonnie Webb	01/19/21
Sis. Olean Blount	05/23/21
Bro. Rufus Chandler (Minister)	05/25/21

Landmark

Bro. Vernon Lewelling	01/07/21
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New Cross Roads

Bro. Elvis Melton 08/10/21

New Hope

Sis. Earline Hammett 11/23/20

Sis. Sue Ann Lewis 08/03/21

New Spring Hill

Sis. Vera Futrell 05/13/21

Bro. Bob Futrell 09/02/21

Oak Grove

Sis. Jo Ann Davis 10/19/20

Bro. Joe Keen 10/29/20

Bro. Bruce Small 01/15/21

Pleasant Hill

Bro. O'Neal Mitchell 01/13/21

Sis. Tami Ellis Decker 02/16/21

Bro. Jimmy Smothers
(Deacon) 06/20/21

Bro. Russell King 08/30/21

Pleasant Ridge

Bro. Gary Holland 06/10/21

Rushing Creek

Bro. Gary Stockdale 10/01/20

Bro. John Atchison 10/28/20

Shiloh

Bro. Joe Cary (Deacon) 11/28/20

Sis. Betty Cary 05/15/21

Westport

Sis. Amy Jo Hilliard 11/25/20

Sunday School Statistical Table

Church	Superintendent	Teachers & Officers	Enrollment	Expenditures
Bethel	Joe Rich	6	46	\$6,049.80
Bible Grove	Stuart Milam	8		
Center Point	Daniel Cooley	7	38	
Clarksburg	Tommy Altom	17	30	\$1,557.00
Concord	Alvin Boyd	13	45	\$850.66
Cross Roads	Jim Dungan	22	85	\$1,361.00
Huntingdon	Ray Smith	23	130	\$1,155.00
Landmark	Keith Brewer	4	49	
Marlsboro	Johnny Whitworth			
Mixie				
New Cross Roads		6		
New Hope	Jacob Gulledege	9	27	\$1,560.18
New Spring Hill				
Oak Grove	Ernie Gibson	15	97	
Pleasant Grove	Ryan Maness			
Pleasant Hill	Pete Hargrove	6	20	\$450.00
Pleasant Ridge	Anthony French	6	21	
Rushing's Creek				
Shiloh	Chance Carlton	7		\$564.00
Westport	Jerry Dodd	7	20	
TOTALS		156	608	\$13,547.64

Statistical Table 2021

Church	Lord's Supper	Foot Washing	Baptisms	Additions by Letter	Restorations	Total Additions	Deaths	Losses by Letter	Exclusion	Total Losses	Membership
Bethel	1	0	0	4	0	4	4	0	0	4	151
Bible Grove	1	0	0	1	0	1	2	0	0	2	
Center Point	1	1	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	115
Clarksburg	2	0	1	0	0	1	4	5	0	9	122
Concord	2	0	0	1	0	1	0	5	1	6	136
Cross Roads	2	0	3	0	0	3	2	0	0	2	186
Huntingdon	2	0	3	4	0	7	6	2	0	8	
Landmark	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	2	49
Marlsboro						0				0	
Mixie						0				0	
New Cross Rds.	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	75
New Hope	1	0	4	4	0	8	2	0	0	2	90
New Spring Hill	1	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	2	12
Oak Grove	1	0	1	0	0	1	3	1	4	8	154
Pleasant Grove	1	0	1	2	0	3	0	0	0	0	
Pleasant Hill	2	1	0	0	0	0	4	0	0	4	116
Pleasant Ridge	1	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	81
Rushing Creek	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	2	
Shiloh	1	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	2	41
Westport	0	0	0	2	1	3	1	0	0	1	64
TOTALS	20	3	14	18	1	33	37	14	5	56	1,392

Financial Table 2021

Church	Minute Fund	Clerk Fund	Expenditures	Ministreal Help	Mission Support	Grand Total
Bethel	\$160	\$50	\$78,778.69	\$2,171.00	\$6,195.00	\$87,354.69
Bible Grove	\$120	\$75				\$195.00
Center Point	\$50	\$50	\$2,713.86	\$6,253.51	\$1,873.40	\$10,940.77
Clarksburg	\$80	\$50	\$14,237.00	\$28,700.00	\$5,405.00	\$48,472.00
Concord	\$100	\$70	\$5,393.72	\$750.00	\$1,409.00	\$7,722.72
Cross Roads	\$240	\$50	\$142,684.00	\$2,607.00	\$11,669.00	\$157,250.00
Huntingdon	\$200	\$200	\$214,172.36		\$35,330.52	\$249,902.88
Landmark	\$75	\$75				\$150.00
Marlsboro	\$0	\$0				\$0.00
Mixie	\$20	\$25				\$45.00
New Cross Rds.	\$100	\$25				\$125.00
New Hope	\$48	\$50	\$28,016.32	\$1,700.00	\$13,479.97	\$43,294.29
New Spring Hill	\$32	\$20			\$400.00	\$452.00
Oak Grove	\$140	\$50				\$190.00
Pleasant Grove	\$125	\$125				\$250.00
Pleasant Hill	\$100	\$50	\$28,278.00	\$1,437.53	\$1,200.00	\$31,065.53
Pleasant Ridge	\$50	\$200	\$7,422.54	\$1,000.00	\$720.00	\$9,392.54
Rushing Creek	\$40	\$20	\$9,641.80		\$4,791.00	\$14,492.80
Shiloh	\$80	\$50	\$12,047.11	\$750.00	\$9,320.00	\$22,247.11
Westport	\$60	\$40				\$100.00
TOTALS	\$1,820	\$1,275	\$543,385.40	\$45,369.04	\$91,792.89	\$683,642.33



Brother Rufus L. Chandler, 74 of McKenzie passed away Tuesday, May 25, 2021 at Life Care Center in Bruceton.

His funeral was conducted on Friday, May 28, 2021 at Dilday-Carter Funeral Home, and was buried at Humbles Chapel Cemetery. Brother Lynn Stapleton officiated.

Brother Chandler was born on February 21, 1947 in Huntingdon, TN to the late George Weldon Chandler and Martha Maydean Richardson Chandler. He was a Missionary Baptist Minister for over 45 years serving several churches, and a member of Huntingdon Missionary Baptist Church. In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by his wife, Barbara Sue Chandler, and his daughter Paula Renee Chandler.

He is survived by a daughter, Stephanie Chandler of Readyville, TN; a son, Terry (Lisa) Chandler of Murfreesboro, TN; and 2 grandchildren, Nicole (Dustin) Arnold and Kyle Chandler.

