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Nineteenth Annual Session

OF THE

MOUNT GARMEL UNION ASSOCIATION

OF

# PRIMITIVE BAPTISTS

HELD WITH

MOUNT CARMEL CHURCH,

Talbotton County, Ga.

October 12th, 13th and 14th, 1911.

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### FIRST DAY'S SESSION.

The Introductory Sermon was delivered by Elder C. J. Morton, of the body. Text, St. Matthew v 14: "Ye are the light of the world. A city that is set on a hill cannot be hid."

He was followed by Elder F. Herndon, of Alabama.

At 10:00 A. M., the Association was opened with prayer by Elder F. Herndon, of Union Primitive Baptist.

Letters were received from five churches and the messengers' names were enrolled and statistics recorded as shown in the table on page 7.

Elder C. J. Morton was elected Moderator, and J. W. Williams elected Clerk by acclamation.

The Moderator announced the meeting in order.

On motion, visiting members were invited to seats with us.

The following Committees were appointed:

To Arrange Preaching—Brother Wash Emanuel, Brother Jim Williams and Brother T. Brown.

To Arrange Order of Business—Brother Anderson Walton and Brother H. Bussey.

To Examine Corresponding Minutes—Elder D. J. Jones and J. W. Williams.

On Contributions-Brother Wash Emanuel and Brother T. Brown.

To Write Corresponding Letters-J., W. Williams and T. Brown.

On motion, the Association adjourned until 9:30 o'clock Friday morning.

After an intermission of one hour, the stand was occupied by J. W. Williams, followed by Elder D. J. Jones, both of the body.

#### SECOND DAY'S SESSION.

The Association met at 9:30 A. M., being opened with prayer by Brother J. P. Peterson, of Spring Hill Union.

On motion, the report of the Committee on Arrangement was called for and reported.

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The roll was called and Rules of Decorum read.

curther invitation was extended to visiting ministers.

Petitionary letters were called for, and received a new church, Mount Calvary, of Gentian, Ga. The Moderator gave the right hand of fellowship.

Correspondence from sister Associations was called for and received as follows:

Spring Hill Union, of Alabama-Elder S. Pulliams.

Reulah, of Alabama-No letter, no minutes.

Union Primitive Baptist—Elders F. Herndon and T. C. Thomas, with latter and minutes.

pilgrims' Rest Baptist, of Alabama—Elders S. M. Garrison and W. D

The Committee on Corresponding Minutes reported that they find nothing claiming our attention.

Contributions were called for, and \$22.95 was raised.

The Committee on Preaching made the following report:

Preaching Friday morning at 11:00 o'clock by Elders F. Herndon and S. Pulliams, of Alabama.

After intermission of one hour, the stand was occupied by Elder N. S. Sistrunk, followed by Elder P. N. Knowles, of Alabama.

#### THIRD DAY'S SESSION.

The Committee on Preaching recommended that the stand be occupied on Saturday at 10:00 o'clock by Elder D. J. Jones, of the body, followed by Elder W. D. Daniel and Elder S. M. Garrison, of Pilgrims' Rest Association.

After an intermission of one hour, the stand was occupied by Elder M. J. Gardner, followed by Elder T. D. Daniel; closed by the Moderator, Elder C. J. Morton.

Prayer was offered by Elder S. M. Jarrison.

It was agreed to send correspondents as follows:

To Beulah, which convenes Friday before the third Sunday in September — Elder D. J. Jones and J. C. Williams.

To Spring Hill Union, Friday before the fourth Sunday in September—Elder C. J. Morton and Wash Emanuel.



To Union Primitive Baptist—Elder D. J. Jones and Elder C. J. Morton.

To Pilgrims' Rest Baptist Association—Elder C. J. Morton and J. W.
Williams.

It was agreed that the next session of this Association should meet with the church at Gentian, Ga., Thursday before the third Sunday in October, 1912, five miles from Columbus, Ga., north. Get off at Gentian. All come by railway.

It was agreed to have one hundred copies of minutes printed and distributed among the churches, the remaining funds to be given the Clerk for his services.

ELDER C. J. MORTON, Moderator.

J. W. WILLIAMS, Clerk.

## Corresponding Letter.

The Mount Carmel Union Primitive Baptist Association, in session with Mount Carmel Church, Talbot County, Georgia, to her sister Associations with whom she corresponds:

Dear Brethren—Through the mercy of an all-wise God, we have been permitted to meet and hold another session of our body and transact such business as came before the body in peace and brotherly love and harmony. Your correspondence has been reasonable for which we feel thankful to the Lord for sending those dear brethren who came heavily laden with good news and glad tidings of love to the dear children of God.

The next session of this body will be held with the church at Mt. Calvary, Gentian, Ga., on Thursday before the third Sunday in October, 1912, where we hope to meet the dear saints of God in love and peace. We feel thankful to the great God of all mercy for His much love extended toward us.

Pray for us and visit us, is our prayer for Christ's sake.

All come by railway, change cars in Columbus and take the Southern.

ELDER C. J. MORTON, Moderator.

J. W. WILLIAMS, Olerk.

## Non-fellowship Resolutions.

Non-fellowship Resolutions, as adopted by the Association in 1839 and as amended in 1847.

We will not hold in fellowship any church that holds any member in her that is a member of the following institutions, to-wit: Theological Schools, State Conventions, Missionary Societies, Tract Societies, Sunday Schools, Union Temperance Societies, nor any other societies that are tributary to the Missionary plan as it now exists in the United States. Neither will we knowingly correspond with or receive correspondence with any Association that holds churches in fellowship holding members in them who are members of any of the above named institutions together with any other society claiming to be auxiliary to the church of Christ. Members belonging to the Masonic fraternity, Odd Fellows, Sons of Temperance, that does exist or hereafter may exist, founded on the wisdom of men.

### to the property of the state of RULES OF DECORUM.

- 1. This Association shall open and close with prayer unless otherwise determined by the body in session.
- 2. Those members who are regularly chosen in the churches in our Union shall compose the Mount Carmel Union Association of the Primitive order.
- 3. Those members thus chosen shall produce letters from their respective churches testifying their appointment together with the number in fellowship, also the number received by baptism, by letter, by voucher, restored, dismissed by letter, excommunicated, died since our last session.
- 4, This Association shall have no power to lord it over God's heritage or to infringe on the internal rights of any of the churches.
- 5. The Association shall have a Moderator and Clerk, who shall be chosen by the members present.
- the casting vote.
- 7. Then it shall be necessary to take the voice of the Association by rising from their seats. It shall be the duty of the Moderator to announce the decision before he resumes his seat.
- 8. Any church petitioning by letter and delegates for admission into this body, who upon examination shall be found orthodox and orderly shall be received by the Moderator, and the right hand of fellowship extended to her delegates.
- 9. Each church in this Association shall have a right to send-two or
- 10. Any church presenting a query to this body shall state the same in writing in their church letter which shall be approbated by a majority of members present before taken up.
- unless withdrawn by the mover.
- 12. Any person wishing to speak in debate shall rise from his seat and address the Moderator only, and shall not be interrupted while speaking, unless he departs from the subject or casts personal reflection.
- without leave of the Association.

- 6. It shall be the duty of the Moderator to preserve order, explain and put questions. He may have the same right of speech in debate as any other member provided the chair be filled, but he shall not vote except the Association be equally divided. In all such cases he shall give
- three messengers and no more.
- 11. Every motion shall come under the observation of the Association
- 13. No person shall speak more than three times on the same subject

- 14. There shall be no talking or whispering or other disorder in time of public speech or reflection cast on the speaker.
  - 15. No person shall absent himself from the Association.
- 16. These Rules of Decorum shall be read as often as may be deemed necessary.
- 17. If any person shall violate the Rules of Decorum he shall be subject to reproof by the Moderator, without leave from the Moderator.
- 18. It shall be the duty of this Association to promote the general union of the churches and keep up correspondence with other Associations of the same faith and order that a chain of communication may be preserved among the churches.
- 19. It shall be the duty of the Association when called upon to give the best advice she can in matters of difficulty among churches and use her best endeavors to remove the same, but if it cannot be removed then she may withdraw from any church or churches which she may find to be unsound in faith or immoral in practice.
- 20. It shall be the duty of the churches composing this Association, when any difficulty exists between them and a sister church that the aggrieved shall labor with the aggressor for the satisfaction according to the gospel contained in the 18th chapter of Saint Matthew, and failing to obtain satisfaction, then to state their grievance in their letter to the next Association.
- 21. The Clerk of the Association shall be Treasurer and shall be accountable for all money put in his hands by the Association.
- 22. It shall be the duty of the clerk to keep a correct record of the proceedings of this Association and he shall read and correct the minutes if necessary, which shall be signed by Moderator and Clerk before the Association adjourns.
- 23. This Association may adjourn at any time and place she may think proper.

