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STANDING COMMITTEES

Missionary—Revs. O. J. Price, Ralph Barry, George Hudson, E. R. Armecost.
Ordination—Revs. O. J. Price, George Laughton, E. R. Armecost, Geo. Hudson, E. P. Knight.
Systematic Beneficence—Revs. G. S. Northrup, J. P. Baker, Alfred Pierce.

APPOINTMENTS FOR 1911

Place	Byron
Time	June 6-7, 1911
Preacher Annual Sermon	Rev. E. P. Knight
Alternate	Rev. E. R. Armecost

MINISTERS

PASTORS

E. R. Armecost	Laingsburg	Henry Morgan	Byron
J. P. Baker	Vernon	G. S. Northrup	Williamston
Ralph Barry	Bath	Alfred Pierce	Owosso
E. J. Cross	Durand	W. H. Thompson	Lansing
E. P. Knight	St. Johns	C. VanDorn	Perry
George Laughton	Owosso	A. M. Whitby,	Corunna

NOT PASTORS

James Fisher	Corunna	J. P. Huff	Laingsburg
George Hudson	Okemos	John McLean	Durand
Wm. Putnam			Lansing

LICENTIATE

W. E. Thorpe	Owosso
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CONSTITUTION.

ARTICLE I. Name.

This association shall be known as the Shiawassee Baptist Association.

ARTICLE II. Object.

The object of this association shall be, to gather information as to the state of the Churches, their statistics, to promote Christian fellowship, and to advance the various benevolent enterprises of the denomination.

ARTICLE III. Membership.

This association shall be composed of Baptist Churches, which approve of this constitution and work in harmony with the same.

ARTICLE IV. Meeting.

This association shall, by delegations from the Churches, meet annually on the first Tuesday and Wednesday of June.

ARTICLE V. Delegates.

Each Church shall be entitled to three delegates and one additional delegate for every fifty members or fraction thereof above one hundred.

ARTICLE VI. Officers.

The officers of this association shall be moderator, clerk, treasurer, Bible-School Superintendent, and delegates to, and directors of the Baptist Convention of the State of Michigan, as provided in Section I. of the By-Laws of said convention. These officers shall be elected annually, their duties shall be those usually performed by such officers.

ARTICLE VII. Letters.

Each Church shall send to the clerk two weeks previous to each annual meeting, a letter containing the numerical and financial statistics, with a concise account of the spiritual state of the Church.

ARTICLE VIII. Amendments.

This constitution may be amended at any annual meeting, provided that notice of the proposed amendment or amendments be given at the meeting one year previous.

BY-LAWS.

1. Each session shall be opened and closed with prayer.
2. Each meeting shall be governed by the parliamentary usage common to such gatherings.
3. The order of business shall be arranged by the program committee, subject to the vote of the delegates present.
4. A nominating committee, composed of five delegates from as many Churches, shall be appointed at the opening session of each annual meeting.
5. The program committee shall consist of the moderator, clerk, pastor of the entertaining Church, and the presidents of the auxiliary associational organizations.
6. The moderator shall appoint at the first afternoon session of each annual meeting the following committees, each to consist of three delegates:
 - Standing Committees: Missionary, Ordinations, and Systematic Beneficence.
 - Temporary Committees: Resolutions, Obituary, and Place and Preacher.
7. It shall be the duty of the Missionary committee to inquire into the state of religion in the Churches, to assist in every way possible the weak Churches, and to report the result of its observations and effort to the Association with such recommendations as seem wise.
8. It shall be the duty of the Committee on Systematic Beneficence to advise the Churches regarding their apportionment for the various benevolences and to get a full response from each Church. It may also suggest to the Churches methods of raising their finances.
9. The Clerk shall receive five dollars annually for services rendered.
10. Each Church shall make contributions toward the expenses of the Association and the State Convention.
11. These By-Laws may be changed at any regular meeting by a majority vote of the delegates present.

DECEASED.

Church.	Name.	Date of Death.	Age
Corunna.	Mrs. Sarah Cross.....		70
	E. G. Hawkins.....		70
	Mrs. W. M. Hawkins.....	Jan. 7, 1910....	24
DeWitt.	Mrs. Hattie E. Hurd.....	Feb. 17, 1910....	49
Lansing.	Gladys Trowbridge.....	July 26, 1909....	15
	Luther Hammond.....	July 27, 1909....	89
	Edwin Freeman.....	July 26, 1909....	68
	Lizzie Woodhouse.....	Nov. 21, 1909....	74
	Mary Crosman.....	Jan. 3, 1910....	74
	Albert Rounds.....	Jan. 23, 1910....	56
	Mattie Burke.....	Feb. 23, 1910....	35
	Mrs. R. H. Holmes.....	May 4, 1910....	74
	Mrs. Hattie Rumsay.....	May 17, 1910....	64
Ovid.	Andrew Whitney.....	May 17, 1910....	87
	Mrs. N. J. Clark.....	Nov. 16, 1909....	62
Owosso.	George West.....	Jan. 4, 1910....	73
	Mrs. L. A. Palmer.....	August, 1909....	58
	Chas. Titus.....	Mar. 7, 1910....	73
St. Johns.....	Mrs. John Morris.....	Oct. 23, 1909....	54
Vernon.	Mrs. Milissa Brown.....	April 2, 1910....	73
Webberville.	Mrs. Maria Beagan.....	June 1, 1909....	57
Williamston.	Mrs. Hannah Croseman....	Oct. 6, 1909....	61
	Mrs. Caroline Porter.....	April 7, 1910....	69

IN MEMORIAM.

During the past year, a number of the workers of our Association have been called to their eternal home where "they rest from their labors and their works do follow them." Twenty-three have passed to their reward. Three of these were under 36 years of age. Twenty of them ranged from 49 to 89 years of age, and so like a shock of corn, fully ripe for the harvest. We mourn our loss but thank God for the example of patient well-doing which many of them left us.

As an Association, we are obliged to mention with sorrow the recent death of Rev. Leslie Bower, former pastor of the Baptist Church at Corunna. Our departed brother was an able minister and a faithful servant of Jesus Christ. The Committee on Obituaries recommend the adoption of the following resolution:

WHEREAS, It has seemed good to the All-wise God, our Heavenly Father, to call, out of this life, the soul of our brother and fellow-worker, Rev. Leslie Bower, Be it

RESOLVED. We do honestly express our sorrow, confess our loss and send words of condolence to the bereaved widow and family.

GEO. H. HUDSON,
J. P. BAKER,
A. M. BAILEY,
J. B. HUFF.

RESOLUTIONS

1. RESOLVED, that we endorse the Northern Baptist Convention, promise our co-operation in its work, and urge our Churches to raise their apportionment.

2. RESOLVED, that we recognize the marks of Divine favor bestowed on the activities of the Laymen's and Forward Movements that have recently come into our Church life; that we express our hearty appreciation with what is being accomplished with the other missionary activities; that we urge larger effort to co-operate with the Laymen's Missionary Movement, and that we exert ourselves to increase the efficiency of all our missionary activities.

3. RESOLVED, that we express our confidence in the Supt. of State Missions, Joshua Roberts, and that we urge increased contributions for his work, seeking to close the Diamond Jubilee Year free of debt.

4. RESOLVED, that we pledge our undying allegiance to the cause of temperance, the abolition of the saloon, and we express our confidence in, and appreciation of the Anti-Saloon League and all other moral forces used of God to the extinction of the liquor traffic.

5. RESOLVED, that recognizing the power of the religious press, we especially commend our new missionary magazine—Missions—and the Michigan Edition of The Standard, to our Churches and urge a systematic canvass of the members for both of them.

6. RESOLVED, that we recommend the establishment of a Home Department in each of our Churches as a special means of reaching the unchurched, and urge each of the Bible Schools to earnest effort to increase their efficiency.

7. RESOLVED, that we thank the Ovid Church for its bountiful hospitality and splendid entertainment.

G. H. HUDSON,
O. J. PRICE,
E. R. ARMECOST.

MINUTES

Tuesday Morning.

The Seventy-first Annual Meeting of the Shiawassee Baptist Association was held with the First Baptist Church at Ovid, Mich., Tuesday and Wednesday, June 7 and 8, 1910. The opening session was called to order by the Moderator, Rev. John McLean. Rev. C. VanDorn led in prayer.

The Provisional Program, as printed, was adopted with such alterations as would be necessary. The Moderator appointed the following as the Nominating Committee: Rev. Geo. Laughton, Rev. C. VanDorn, Rev. J. P. Baker, Worthy Thorpe, and Mrs. James Fisher. The Ovid Church letter was then read by the clerk.

Rev. Henry Morgan, of Byron, after leading in prayer and reading I. Peter. 1, preached the annual sermon. He reviewed the fundamentals of the Christian Religion and Ministry. Emphasized the necessity of keeping them in remembrance because they are primary, necessary, and sufficient.

The Moderator now introduced the new pastors. Those introduced were Ralph Barry, of Bath; A. M. Whitby, of Corunna; E. P. Knight, of St. Johns, and E. R. Armecost, of Laingsburg. The congregation united in singing "Blest Be the Tie That Binds," thus closing the morning session.

Tuesday Afternoon.

This being the Women's Mission Society's session, it was opened with a devotional service conducted by Mrs. C. Gale, of Corunna. The report of the Home Secretary was received, also that of the Secretary for Juniors. Miss Inga Patterson, of Japan, gave an interesting address. She referred to the enlightening and inspiring literature now to be easily obtained. Her word trip through the mission fields kept the attention of all. Mrs. Morse, of Ovid, sang a delightful solo, followed by Miss F. E. Grant, of Detroit, who explained the new methods adopted by the Women's Missionary Societies at the Chicago meeting of The Northern Baptist Convention. An offering was taken for the work of these societies. Thus the Women's session closed.

Rev. Geo. Laughton gave the report of the Nominating Committee which was adopted and the same declared elected;

The Church Letters with the Associational Statistics were then read. Mr. Young, Y. M. C. A. Secretary, of Owosso, was introduced and made a few remarks. Mr. Magnus Burgess, State Sunday School Missionary, was introduced and spoke for some time on the work of the Publication Society, Sunday School work, and methods. He advocated the liberal use of printed matter, grading, organized classes, and efficient leaders.

Moved and carried that a committee be appointed to look after the raising of funds for the Association's expenses. The Moderator appointed the following: Revs. Geo. Laughton, H. Morgan, and E. J. Cross.

The Moderator appointed the following committees:

Resolutions: Geo. Laughton, C. VanDorn, A. M. Whitby, and E. P. Knight.

Obituaries: G. Hudson, J. B. Huff, J. P. Baker, and A. M. Bailey.

Missionary: O. J. Price, Ralph Barry, Geo. Hudson, and E. R. Armecost.

Place and Preacher: Same as Resolutions.

The adjournment prayer was offered by Rev. O. J. Price.

Tuesday Evening.

Rev. J. P. Baker, of Vernon, conducted the devotional service. Rev. Geo. Laughton, of Owosso, led the congregation in a responsive reading and singing "The Son of God Goes Forth to War." Mr. Young read the 53rd chapter of Isaiah. The congregation united in singing "In the Cross of Christ I Glory." Bro. Laughton spoke on the subject, "The Cross and The Kingdom." This was an inspiring address. An offering for associational expenses was taken. Supt. of State Missions, Joshua Roberts, gave one of his characteristic addresses. Adjournment was made by prayer.

Wednesday Morning.

At 9:30 a devotional service was conducted by Rev. J. B. Huff, of Laingsburg.

The report of the Committee on Revised Constitution was taken up for consideration. Motion prevailed that the report be referred back to the committee with instructions to insert by-laws defining the work of some of the committees. Rev. Geo. Laughton and Rev. O. J. Price were appointed to fill vacancies on this committee.

The report of the Obituary Committee was received. (See report under "In Memoriam.")

At 10:30 the Bible School Conference was conducted by Rev. F. L. Curry, of Lansing. Theme: "The Sunday School and the Small Church."

Miss Lou LaTourette, of Fenton, spoke in the interest of The Ministers' Aid Society. This closed the morning session.

Wednesday Afternoon.

The Devotional Service was conducted by Rev. E. R. Armecost. The report of the Missionary Committee was received. The Committee on Revised Constitution made its final report and the same was adopted. (See Constitution.)

Mrs. H. Morgan rendered a pleasing solo, after which Rev. McGuire, of Rangoon, Burma, spoke for the missionary organizations.

The Nominating Committee now gave its complete report. The same was accepted. The Moderator appointed as the Ordination Committee: Revs. O. J. Price, Geo. Laughton, E. R. Armecost, Geo. Hudson, and E. P. Knight.

The Committee on Place and Preacher reported: Place, Byron. Preacher, Rev. E. P. Knight. Alternate, Rev. E. R. Armecost.

In view of the fact that most of the members of the Committee on Resolutions were absent, the Moderator appointed as substitutes: Revs. Geo. Hudson, O. J. Price, and E. R. Armecost.

Moved and carried that the Program Committee arrange to hold Associational meetings one and one-half days only. The report of the Resolutions' committee was adopted. (See Resolutions.)

The session closed with a devotional service conducted by Rev. F. L. Curry.

E. J. CROSS, Clerk.

W. E. THORPE, Asst.

Wednesday Evening.

(B. Y. P. U. Session.)

The devotional was led by Rev. A. M. Whitby. Mrs. R. Barry was elected secretary pro tem. The Nominating Committee was appointed as follows: W. E. Thorpe, Miss Derby, and Mr. Morse.

A B. Y. P. U. Conference was conducted by President Snow in which different phases of the work were discussed. The report of the Nominating Committee was received and adopted: President, W. H. Thompson, Lansing; Vice-President, A. M. Bailey, Ovid; Secretary, Mabel Clark, Laingsburg; Treasurer, Miss Avis Green, Cornuna; Junior Leader, Mrs. Ralph Barry, Bath.

Remarks on the pastor's responsibility were made by Rev. J. B. Huff. An offering was taken to help pay the Associational expenses. Rev. W. H. Thompson sang a pleasing solo.

The address of the evening was delivered by Rev. O. J. Price on "The B. Y. P. U. is to the Church as X is to What?"

MRS. RALPH BARRY, Sec. Pro Tem.

DIGEST OF LETTERS

Ovid.—It is with pleasure that we, the Ovid Baptist Church, welcome the Shiawassee Association to our church and present our report for the year which has been unusually eventful while the changes have been those of joy and sorrow. We started the year free of debt, have redecorated and repaired our church edifice while a committee of faithful ones are at present starting extensive beautifying of the church grounds. Dr. Kilgore was with us in January and assisted Pastor Potter in a series of meetings which resulted in an increased membership and a spiritual uplift to many of us. The various departments of the church have been active during the year and especially are we encouraged of late by the steady growth of the prayer meetings, both in numbers and interest. Although without a regular pastor since March 20, we have had excellent sermons from Bro. A. M. Bailey each Sabbath. We ask your prayers that we may work zealously and harmoniously with the Association to promote the cause of our Master.

Bath.—Brother Barry is our pastor. We are glad to have a leader. We have made some improvements on our church. The Sunday school and young people's meetings are well attended. We have weekly prayer meetings.

Bengal-Riley.—Rev. E. P. Knight, of St. Johns, preaches for us every Sunday afternoon. There is more interest in the church work. The Ladies' Aid has been a great financial help. The Sunday school has a goodly attendance of young people and children.

Byron.—The past year has been one of varied experience, however we have advanced along some lines. Our prayer meetings are well attended. Rev. Morgan explains the S. S. lesson, which is very helpful to all. In September a Woman's Missionary Circle was organized. The Circle paid last year's apportionment for Woman's Work. The church finds it harder to meet the payments as apportioned in the budget. We feel we stand in a false position before the state board, as our roll numbers eighty, whereas we cannot count forty who aid in maintaining the work. During the winter Reverend

Cross assisted Reverend Morgan in special meetings. As a result nine were baptized, others awakened to a new sense of their condition before God. We regret to say Reverend Morgan feels his work here may be nearly finished and has resigned. However, if it is God's will that he remain with us we (the church) would be exceedingly glad, if not we will say "Thy will be done."

Corunna.—Rev. Mr. Knight, of Lowell, supplied us from May until the last of September. He preached the truth with unmistakable force and devotion. His spiritual sermons inspired many to live more Christlike. Then we were without preaching until November. Dr. Laughton came to the rescue, and kindly offered to give us a service Sunday afternoon and also Wednesday evenings, and thus tide us over until we could secure a pastor. His forceful and earnest sermons greatly increased the congregations; he held the fort until the first of May. When we called Rev. A. M. Whitney as pastor during the four months of his summer vacation. He began his labor May 8. Having a leader and regular services, we feel much encouraged. The first Sunday he announced that the prayer meeting would be resurrected, that branch of the work had been dropped since November. Under the faithful work of the S. S. Superintendent the school has been kept up though somewhat depleted. The only improvement we have had, is to hang a bell. This was done partly by subscription and the remainder by the efforts of the Social Union, an organization indispensable in the church. The B. Y. P. U. has been revived and we hope to show signs of new life during the summer.

Dewitt.—We have not much to report since Brother Northrup left us in November. Brother Geo. Hudson has succeeded in uniting us with Bath under Rev. Ralph Barry as Pastor.
Dear Brethren:

Durand.—Another year finds but little change in our condition as a Church. Pastor Cross has given us a feast of good things each Sabbath, but the spiritual life remains in the same indifferent state. The finance with the help of the State Mission Board have been fairly maintained. The S. S. under the earnest superintendency of Mr. H. N. Smith has gradually increased in numbers and interest during the last few months. The Ladies' Aid Society continues a leading factor in the Church finances. The Women's Mission Circle have met its apportionment and the beneficence of the Church have all been remembered.

Laingsburg.—The Lord has favored us in many ways. We have no increase in membership, but a number of withdrawals by letter and one received for baptism. The regular services have been maintained. Pastor J. B. Huff has resigned on the account of poor health and Rev. E. R. Armecost has been called to work with us. The Church prop-

erty has been much improved and we are hopeful of more improvements. We trust many may be brought to know the Saviour under the labors of the new Pastor.

Lansing.—In reviewing the years work, it is with a sense of deep gratitude we acknowledge the manifold blessings enjoyed. In Dr. Price we find a true helper, leading us into broader fields of service. Pastor and people are united working for the upbuilding of Christ's kingdom and uplifting of mankind. With a rapidly growing city, we feel the need of more helpers, Rev. Thompson of Rochester Theological Seminary, comes June 1st, as assistant Pastor. Miss McCoy of Chicago, has acted as assistant till then, she has been an energetic Christian worker, winning a place in our hearts, we decided to retain her also. Bro. Currey feeling his work with us done, leaves for Ithaca, having been an untiring worker, the church has been instrumental in building stands as a lasting monument. We heartily wish him success on the new field. At the head of each organization are faithful efficient leaders, seemingly there has been greater advancement than ever before in our history, to God we give the glory. Sent thirteen delegates to Northern Convention, inspiration received is helpful to all, we realize that such meetings are of vast importance to Christian growth. The harvest truly is great, but often we feel the lack of laborers for His service.

Okemos.—W. R. Walker, of M. A. C. has been giving us splendid services every Sunday morning since September, but he leaves us in June. Ralph Barry will then take up the work here.

Owosso—First.—The year through which we have passed has been one in which we find cause for gratitude to Almighty God. While not being able to support many accessions to the Church, we are able to state that much progress has been made. For many years the Church ran behind in its running expenses. The weekly offerings had decreased till they did not come within fifteen dollars per week of meeting the normal expenses. But by earnest efforts of the trustees, and the sacrifice of our people we are able now to meet running expenses, and provide for the outlays in repairs that have to be made from year to year. We are also making endeavors to have our people contribute liberally to the benevolent fund, and it is expected that this year we shall meet the Budget apportionment as well as support liberally the other causes not mentioned in the Budget. The Ladies' Aid Society is in a flourishing condition and is rendering splendid service to the Church. The Woman's Missionary Circle is alive and looking forward to a year of abounding interest and prosperity. The Bible school under the able administration of Miss Miller as superintendent is in excellent condition, and has pledged itself to raise fifty dollars toward church expenses. Under the ministry of our pastor the

Rev. George Laughton we are now hopeful and confident of what the future has in store for us. For the first time in many years a spirit of helpfulness pervades the Church. Our people are beginning to work.

Owosso-Immanuel.—The past year has been an important one for us in that it was practically our first year of existence. We feel however that we have made some progress. In July our Pastor, Bro. Richardson left us and from then until December we had no pastor, but services were held every Sunday. Part of the time we had a supply from out of the city and part of the time we were supplied by one of our members or a member of the local Y. M. C. A. In December Rev. Alfred Pierce came to us from Carson City and is laboring hard for the building up of the Kingdom. As a result of special meetings, six has been baptised into the Church and three have been received out of their Christian experience. Others are waiting baptism. One dear sister was called home by sickness, while waiting baptism. We paid our entire apportionments to the various missionary organizations. The Sunday School is not keeping up its average in attendance as at first, as some has moved away and some are tired of coming. We are looking forward to a better year.

Perry.—Through the efficient leadership of our Pastor, we are advancing toward that which God would have us. Bro. VanDorn is putting forth every effort possible to help us, and God has greatly blest his work.

Shepardsville.—The past year has not been one of any success, but feel the Lord has not forsaken us. We yet have courage. Rev. N. D. Potter of Ovid discontinued his work with us last November and since then we have had no services. Death called two of our active members just before our last association and others have moved away leaving our membership of active workers very small. We have no Sunday School or prayer meetings.

St. Johns.—As we again take our pen and write our annual letter to the Association, it is with regret that we are unable to write with as an encouraging tone and report as rapid strides toward advancement as in previous letters. And while we have not felt that God's mercy and countenance have been turned from us, yet we must say that we have not experienced as many showers of spiritual refreshings as in past years. We do not altogether feel that this condition has been brought about by the spiritual declension of God's people; but to conditons that were inavoidable and entirely beyond our control, namely a heavy loss of membership, mostly by removals. In November, Rev. G. S. Northrup, who for five years was Pastor on this field, resigned to accept a call at Williamston. From January to March we were supplied by Rev. E. P. Knight, of Lowell, who at the latter

date accepted a call from us to become our Pastor. We feel that in Pastor Knight we have a spiritual leader and director, who stands by the Bible as it reads, abolishes all flowery discourses, makes no deviation from spiritual facts, and teaches and preaches, not to the ear, but directly to the heart and soul of man. This kind of doctrine will build up any church as we are already beginning to see. Considering past state of affairs, all branches of the church work in each department are in fair condition, as the church membership and Sunday School are increasing in number.

Vernon.—The past year has been one of harmony between Pastor and people. The Church is in good financial and spiritual condition. We have suffered some losses by removal, but the remaining membership have cheerfully assumed larger responsibilities, so that the work of the Lord might not suffer loss. There were no special revival services held in any of the churches in the village the past winter, the first winter in years that a long series of meetings have not been held. Our church took an active and faithful part in the local option campaign. Our Pastor, Rev. J. P. Baker has been preaching here for the last five years and still remains here laboring very acceptably. Our relations with the other churches in the village have been most cordial. Have remembered the different missionary societies by our offerings.

Webberville.—We have nothing new to bring to you this year by way of encouragement. We as a church were all very discouraged last year by the resignation of our former Pastor, Rev. C. M. Thrasher, but we knew what was our loss would be some others gain. We have now Rev. G. S. Northrup, he began his work with us November 20, 1909. A series of Union revival services was held in February, as a result we received three names for church membership. We have been able to meet church expenss the past year and have purchased a new carpet for our Church. Our L. A. S. has been reorganized into a Ladies' Social Union, in this way we hope to do better missionary work than we have done in the past. Our Sunday School is working about as for the past year.

Williamston.—After four years of faithful service with us, Rev. O. M. Thrasher left us last August for another field of labor. Pastor G. S. Northrup settled with us in November, last. We hope and expect that his presence among us will be a blessing to the Church and community. A needed revision of our membership list was entered upon. The results of which are shown in our statistics. The Women's Societies have organized into a Union which we expect will be the means of interesting all of the sisters in all the departments of church work. That God's blessing may be upon you and us is our prayer.

THE SHIAWASSEE ASSOCIATION

CHURCHES	EXPENSES							BENEVOLENT CONTRIBUTIONS											Grand Total Home Expense and Benevolent Contributions			
	Maintaining Public Worship	Permanent Improvements	S, S, Expenses	Young People's Expense	Associational Minutes	State Conv. Expenses	Total home expenses	Local Missions	State Missions	Home Missions Church	Home Missions Woman's Society	Foreign Missions Church	Foreign Missions Woman's Society	Publication Society	State S. S. Wk. Church	Pub. Society State S. S.	Work Sunday School	Christian Education		Minister's Aid Society	Other Objects	Total Benevolent Contributions
Antrim	\$ 50.00	\$ 250.00	\$ 30.00	\$ 10.00	\$ 75.00	\$ 340.75	\$ 5.00	\$ 5.00	\$ 5.00	\$ 1.10	\$ 1.00	\$ 1.10	\$ 1.00	\$ 1.00	\$ 1.00	\$ 1.00	\$ 1.00	\$ 1.00	\$ 1.00	\$ 3.00	\$ 19.00	\$ 359.75
Bath	99.67	47.15	15.17	3.00	50.00	162.49	3.10	3.10	3.10	6.50	4.15	4.15	4.15	4.15	4.55	4.55	4.55	4.55	4.55	19.00	4.20	166.69
Byron	817.23	57.77	44.36		1.00	924.36	5.00	5.00	5.00	6.50	4.15	4.15	4.15	4.15	4.55	4.55	4.55	4.55	4.55	19.00	57.70	982.06
Chesaning	187.75	111.63	41.92		1.00	343.30	5.00	5.00	5.00	6.00	4.00	4.00	4.00	4.00	5.00	5.00	5.00	5.00	5.00	3.00	16.00	359.30
Cornina	31.40	6.00	80.00		1.50	117.90	8.43	8.43	8.43	11.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	5.00	5.00	5.00	5.00	5.00	6.67	19.25	57.65
DeWitt	532.00	70.00	49.04		1.00	685.00	10.74	10.74	10.74	6.00	4.00	4.00	4.00	4.00	5.00	5.00	5.00	5.00	5.00	6.67	19.00	82.79
Durand	462.12	325.13	49.04		1.00	838.29	8.00	8.00	8.00	6.00	4.00	4.00	4.00	4.00	5.00	5.00	5.00	5.00	5.00	6.67	19.00	767.79
Lansburg	6,014.60	263.08	320.25	103.55	5.00	6,717.53	264.13	206.88	206.88	104.00	165.50	315.00	33.10	5.00	5.00	5.00	5.00	5.00	5.00	28.96	214.88	8,744.29
Lansing	140.74	7.00	9.22		50.00	157.96	3.75	3.75	3.75	3.75	2.50	3.75	2.50	3.75	2.50	2.50	2.50	2.50	3.00	11.50	11.50	169.46
Maple River	849.90	334.00	102.30	40.91	3.00	1,330.11	26.60	11.98	11.98	11.50	23.07	11.50	7.25	11.50	7.25	7.25	7.25	7.25	3.00	100.00	314.00	1,425.01
Okeanos	3,710.73	500.00	309.62		5.00	4,525.40	12.00	25.00	25.00	50.00	35.00	70.00	22.00	70.00	22.00	4.50	4.50	4.50	4.50	100.00	25.00	4,839.40
Ovid	584.85	300.00	159.62		7.75	716.00	5.00	2.00	2.00	6.00	6.00	6.00	1.00	6.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	100.00	25.00	1,094.62
Owosso-First	584.85	300.00	159.62		7.75	716.00	5.00	2.00	2.00	6.00	6.00	6.00	1.00	6.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	100.00	25.00	1,094.62
Owosso Immanuel	584.85	300.00	159.62		7.75	716.00	5.00	2.00	2.00	6.00	6.00	6.00	1.00	6.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	100.00	25.00	1,094.62
Perry	586.40	440.42	43.80		1.00	1,052.12	5.00	10.00	10.00	8.00	12.00	8.00	8.00	8.00	8.00	8.00	8.00	8.00	8.00	42.50	42.50	1,094.62
Pittsburg					50.00	50.00	5.00	5.00	5.00	5.00	5.00	5.00	5.00	5.00	5.00	5.00	5.00	5.00	5.00	5.00	5.00	5.00
Stearnsville	669.13	61.94	61.94		1.50	734.07	10.00	10.00	10.00	11.50	9.00	9.00	3.00	9.00	3.00	3.00	3.00	3.00	3.00	4.00	4.00	797.78
St. Johns	663.80	33.00	33.00	1.50	2.00	704.30	25.00	15.00	15.00	6.25	15.00	6.25	3.00	6.25	3.00	3.00	3.00	3.00	3.00	3.00	3.00	1,225.50
Vernon	33.00	44.00	44.00		1.35	169.32	2.00	2.00	2.00	2.00	2.00	2.00	1.85	2.00	1.85	1.85	1.85	1.85	1.85	1.85	1.85	179.27
Webberville	33.97	50.00	51.00		1.00	1,060.00	22.70	9.00	9.00	14.00	8.00	16.00	16.00	16.00	16.00	16.00	16.00	16.00	16.00	16.74	16.74	1,145.95
Williamston	939.00	48.00	210.00		1.00	1,197.00	22.70	9.00	9.00	14.00	8.00	16.00	16.00	16.00	16.00	16.00	16.00	16.00	16.00	16.74	16.74	1,226.74
S. Lansing Mis'n Sch'l																						
Total	16,403.29	2,510.18	1,585.32	158.96	27.85	21,302.00	401.67	318.88	242.50	312.61	469.35	37.85	19.55	136.88	54.41	409.58	2,472.27	23,179.17				

THE SHIAWASSEE ASSOCIATION

CHURCHES	Year Organized	Pastors and Year of Settlement.	Clerks	PROPERTY			MEMBERSHIP				S S STATISTICS				Superintendent and Post Office Address			
				Houses of Worship	Value of Houses of Worship	Value of Parsonages	GAINS		LOSSES		Total Present Membership	B Y P U R C E	Officers and Teachers	Scholars		Average attendance	Baptisms	
							Baptised	By Letter	By Experience and Restoration	By Letter								Excluded and Erased
Antrim	50	Ralph Barry	Mrs. Henry Manley	1	\$ 1,200	400	10	23	23	95	45	F. Town	Bath					
Bath	70	E. P. Knight	Mrs. B. H. Jennings	1	1,500	1,200	10	29	80	12	25	Burt H. Jennings, R. D. 4 St. Johns	Bath					
Bengal-Riley	59	Henry Metzger	Winnie Bishop	1	3,500	800	2	61	14	12	40	Galvin Clark	Byron					
Byron	66			1	2,800			61		12	70							
Chesaning	88	A. M. Whitby	Cecilia Gale	1	10,000	1,500	3	59	12	70	50	A. W. Green	Corunna					
Corunna	48		Mrs. Kate Grinold	1	1,000	1,500	2	24	3	1	55	H. N. Smith	Durand					
DeWitt	40	E. J. Cross	Mrs. F. E. Leonard	1	2,000	1,800	4	65	35	7	55	Edd Look	Lansburg					
Durand	85	R. Armeccost	Mrs. Ralph Smith	1	2,300	1,800	6	101	101	16	55	H. E. Marsh	Lansburg					
Lansburg	64	Oto J. Price	Mrs. F. W. Wagoner	2	95,000	9,000	36	813	135	58	315							
Lansing	51			2	1,500	1,500	60	19										
Mable River	39			1	1,800	800	2	27										
Okeanos	67	R. Barry	Mrs. Grace Williams	1	9,000	1,500	13	27	2	10	30	C. L. Hullett	Okeanos					
Ovid	60		Mrs. A. S. Jorae	1	30,000	3,300	8	232	297	17	10	E. Brommage, R. E. D. 1 Ovid	Ovid					
Owosso-First	30		Hugh M. Miller	5	30,000	3,300	4	27	2	6	30	Miss Cora E. Miller	Owosso 6					
Owosso-Immanuel	08		Mrs. Elmer Brown	1	5,000	1,200	1	75	19	8	52	A. R. Zimmerman, C. R. Hutchins	Perry					
Perry	38	Van Dorn	Mrs. L. M. Cudworth	1	8,000		1	10										
Pittsburg	77			1	1,800	350	4	16										
Shepardville	71		Claude L. Goins	1	1,500	1,800	4	117	10	64	38	W. T. Docknam	St. Johns					
St. Johns	52	E. P. Knight	E. P. Hobart	1	3,000	1,800	4	117	117	6	35	Edward Whelan	Vernon					
Vernon	45	L. P. Baker	Emeline Verles	1	1,800	2,200	2	113	24	11	30	Mrs. Nettie Alchin	Webberville					
Webberville	78	S. Northrup	Mrs. Bessie Seymour	1	3,500	2,200	2	111	12	12	35	C. J. Porter	Williamston					
Williamston	41	S. Northrup	E. S. Andrews	1	4,000	1,200	8	88	2	27	14	P. A. Johnston	Lansing 4					
S. Lansing M'n Sch'l				1														
Total				22	183,100	27,050	80	87	19	72	50	24	2362	254	273	2339	1216	45

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