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CONSTITUTION

— OF THE —

Upper Cumberland Valley Association

OF BAPTISTS.

Article 1. This body shall be called the Upper Cumberland Valley Association of Baptists.

Article 2. The body shall meet annually, according to adjournment.

Article 3. The body shall on meeting annually, elect by private ballot a Moderator, and an Ass tant Moderator; a Clerk, and an Assistant Clerk; whose duties shall be such as custom imposes upon the respective officers

Article 4. The business of this body shall be for the advancement and growth, and upbuilding of all the Churches within the bounds of this Association, and for planing, advising, and using all necessary means for the building up of new churches in destitute neighborhoods, within the territorial bounds of this Association, and for an Advisory Council to advise with each church in its bounds for the advancement of the cause of Christ.

Article 5. The body shall exercise no Ecclesiastical authority.

Article 6. The body may appoint a committee to carry out or perform any business it may direct, under Article 4.

Article 7. This body shall be consti tuted by and with Messengers and Delegates from the different Churches belonging to this Association.

Article 8. New Churches will be received by vote of the members present a majority of all votes cast will rule.

Article 9. Visiting brethren with Corresponding Letters from other Associations of Baptists, may be admitted to seats with us, but will not be permitted to vote with us; only to advise, and give their light on any subject before the Association.

Article 10. This Constitution may be altered or amended, except Article 5, by the concurrence of two-thirds of the members present.

Article 11. No member shall speak more than three times on any one subject, and all debates are restricted to five minutes, without permission from the Association.

Article 12. Members shall, on rising to speak, address the Moderator with brotherly respect, and shall call no member by any other appellation than that of Brother. Any brother may rise to a point of order if a member speaking digress from the subject before the Association.

Article 13. A motion with a second is before the Association for its action, unless a motion and second to amend are made, when the motion to amend will first be acted upon and then the original.

Article 14. No member will abruptly absent themselves without leave from the Moderator.

Article 15. This Association may withdraw their fellowship from any Church within her bounds, for a violation of the Articles of Faith of the Baptist Church; a majority of votes present will rule.


MINUTES

 — OF THE —
UPPER CUMBERLAND VALLEY ASSOCIATION


FIRST DAY'S PROCEEDINGS.

The Upper Cumberland Valley Association met in its Third Annual Session, with the Church at Grove Hill, Waullen's Creek, Harlan County, Kentucky Friday before the fourth Saturday in August, 1891.

After singing the hymn, "When I Can Read My Title Clear," prayer was offered by Elder R. Browning. The Introductory Sermon was delivered by Elder W. H. Shoemaker, from Gal. 6:2.

Elder T. G. Harris presiding, letters from the different churches were called for and read, and their Statistics, Messengers and Delegates enrolled as follows:

CHURCHES AND DELEGATES.	Rec'd by Baptism.	Rec'd by Relation	Rec'd by Letter.	Restored.	Dismiss'd by Letter.	Excluded.	Deaths.	TOTAL.	Contribution.
1. Middleton Settlement—W. H. Shoemaker, . . .	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	51	2 00
2. Jesses Creek—Jackson Blanton, and I. C. Long, . . .	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	11	50
3. Waullen's Creek—A. B. Noe, N. H. Noe, . . .	..	..	1	4	..	..	..	94	1 50
4. Middle Fork—C. Saylor, J. Colwell, . . .	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	38	1 00
5. Martin's Fork—R Browning, . . .	1	..	3	4	..	..	..	73	1 50
6. Mount Pleasant—T. G. Harris, J. K. Farley, . . .	6	..	5	2	..	..	..	53	4 00
7. Browney's Creek—W. M. Lee, G. W. Lee, . . .	4	..	..	..	..	..	..	26	1 25
8. Catron's Creek—Eld. W. D. Fee, . . .	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	36	2 10
9. Forister's Creek—W. M. Belcher, Z. B. Brock, W. W. Brock, . . .	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	27	1 50
Statistics for 1891, . . .	12	..	5	5	10	2	..	409	1535

Visiting brethren from other Associations invited to seats with us. Noah Smith, from North Concord Association, invited to a seat. N. Taylor, of Tate's Creek Association, invited to a seat.

The Association was then permanently organized by the election of J. G. Parson Moderator, and T. G. Harris Assistant Moderator; Randolph Browning Clerk, and W. D. Fee Assistant Clerk.

The Constitution and Rules of Decorum called for and read.
Adjourned until 2:30 p. m. Benediction by N. Taylor.

The Association met pursuant to adjournment. Prayer by T. G. Harris. An opportunity extended for the reception of new Churches. Received one from Catron's Creek, Harlan county, Kentucky, by the hand of W. D. Fee. Received one from Browney's Creek, Harlan county, Kentucky, by the hands of brothers George Lee and W. M. Lee.

COMMITTEES.

The Moderator appointed the following Committees:

On Divine Service—A. B. Noe, with the delegates of Waulen's Creek Church.

On Foreign Missions—W. D. Fee, T. G. Harris and Jackson Blonton.

On Home Missions—N. H. Noe, W. M. Lee, and brother Lewis Long.

On State and District Missions—Brother W. H. Shoemaker, R. Browning and brother W. W. Brock.

On Sunday Schools—Brothers A. B. Noe and Jacob Colwell.

On Pastors' Support—Brothers George Lee, Calway Wilson and Calvin Saylor.

On Education—Brothers W. D. Fee, N. Taylor, W. W. Brock and A. B. Noe.

On Religious Literature—W. H. Shoemaker, brother N. H. Noe and R. Browning.

On Temperance—Brothers George Lee, James Brock and Jackson Blonton.

On Orphan's Home—Brothers W. D. Fee, T. G. Harris and Noah Smith.

On Ministers' Aid Society—Brothers N. H. Noe, T. G. Harris and Jackson Blonton.

The committee on Religious Exercises report that brothers W. D. Fee and W. H. Shoemaker preach tonight at Jesses Creek, and Brothers J. G. Parson and R. Browning at Grove Hill.

Moved to adjourn. Benediction by W. H. Shoemaker.

SECOND DAY'S PROCEEDINGS.

The Association met pursuant to adjournment at 10 o'clock a. m.; singing by the brethren; prayer by Rev. W. D. Fee. Minutes of yesterday's meeting read and adopted.

The committee on Religious Exercise report that brethren T. G. Harris and N. Taylor preach at the Grove today, at 10:30, a. m.

Moved that the next Association be held with the Mt. Pleasant Church, beginning on Friday before the second Saturday in September, 1892.

Elected Rev. J. G. Parson to preach the Introductory Sermon, and Rev. W. D. Fee his Alternate.

STATE AND DISTRICT MISSIONS.

The following report of the committee on State and District Missions was read and adopted:

Your Committee would report that during the year there has been, within the bounds of this Association, forty-eight days of labor, seven conversions, one baptised and nothing raised on the field by our Missionary. We recommend for adoption the following plan for State and District Mission work: 1st. That we remain auxiliary to the General Association. 2nd. That we adopt a regular system of giving to the support of the different objects of the denomination. 3rd. That the churches be requested to take up regular collections and forward same to the treasurer of the Executive Board of this Association, to be paid out for mission work as directed by the Board. 4th. That this Association appoint an Executive Board of five members, three of whom shall live in the town of Mt. Pleasant, Harlan county, Kentucky. This Board shall have charge of the mission work within the bounds of this Association; keeping a record of all work done, and reporting the same to the next Association; employing such missionaries and agents as in their discretion they may deem necessary for the furtherance of the work.

Respectfully submitted,

W. H. SHOEMAKER,
R. BROWNING,
W. W. BROCK.

EDUCATION,

The following report of the committee on Education was read and adopted.

Your committee on Education would report that the evidences of an ever increasing interest are manifest among our people. It is gratifying to know that we have many institutions of learning; but having none within the bounds of this Association, we recommend the Williamsburg Institute and the Georgetown College, especially for our young ministers desiring a thorough education.

Respectfully submitted,

W. D. FEE,
A. B. NOE,
W. W. BROCK,
N. TAYLOR.

SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

The following report of the committee on Sunday Schools was read and adopted:

Your committee would report three Baptist Sunday schools within our bounds, with 125 pupils and three classes; and further advise our people to take a great interest in the Sunday schools; build them up in all communities for the benefit of the young, and also for the promotion of the cause of Christ.

Respectfully submitted,

A. R. NOE.
JACOB COLWELL.

MINISTERS' AID SOCIETY.

The following report of the committee on Ministers' Aid Society, was read and adopted:

Your committee would report that we have no data of the work being done by this organization; but would say that it is a chartered organization, at Owensburg, Ky., and is doing a good work in aiding and supporting aged and disabled ministers of the Gospel, and we would recommend our people to help the worn out soldiers of the Cross by giving liberally to this organization.

Respectfully submitted,

N. H. NOE,
T. G. HARRIS,
JACKSON BLNTON.

Adjourned until 2:30 p. m.

The Association met, pursuant to adjournment. Singing by the brethren, and prayer by brother Lewis Long.

RELIGIOUS LITERATURE.

The following report of the committee on Religious Literature was read and adopted:

Your committee would report that it is impracticable to mention all the excellent literature being published; but would recommend the "Western Recorder" and the "American Baptist" as good papers, and as sound in faith and doctrine.

Respectfully submitted,

W. H. SHOEMAKER,
R. BROWNING,
N. H. NOE.

ORPHANS' HOME.

The following report of the committee on Orphans' Home, was read and adopted:

Your committee would report that this is a home for the homeless; that it is now 22 years since it was established in a hired house by three Baptist women; it has grown to be a grand institution—a home for the orphan; and we ask the pastors, and churches, and all who sympathize with the orphan, to cooperate with this good cause.

Respectfully submitted,

W. D. FEE,
T. G. HARRIS,
NOAH SMITH.

FINANCE.

The following report from the committee on Finance was received:

Your committee would report that we have received for printing Minutes. \$15.35.

Respectfully submitted,

JACKSON BLNTON,
CALIWAY WILSON.

TEMPERANCE.

The committee on Temperance report, and say: The question is one of vital importance, and we ask pastors and churches to awaken to a sense of duty, and lend a helping hand to impede the progress of intemperance in our land, as it is a blighting current rolling unceasingly along, to the destruction of the souls and bodies of our children. Respectfully submitted,

G. W. LEE,
JAMES BROCK.
JACKSON BLONTON.

FOREIGN MISSIONS.

The committee on Foreign Missions report, and say: The question is of vast importance, and we would say, that while we are blest with the Gospel and its privileges, we should remember the Heathen, and do all we can to send them the ever-blessed Gospel of the Son of God.

Respectfully submitted,

W. D. FEE,
T. G. HARRIS,
JACKSON BLONTON.

Moved and seconded that this Association appoint an Executive Board of Five members, to superintend the Mission work within the bounds of our Association, and that they make a report of their work at the next Association.

The following brethren were appointed: W. M. Farmer, Henry Hensley, J. C. Jones, Stephen Osburn and Jackson Blonton.

MISSIONARY REPORT.

By Eld. R. Browning.

Total number of Days engaged,.....	48
Miles traveled,.....	315
Sermons preached,.....	58
Religious visits,.....	50
Baptised,	1
Number of Conversions,.....	7

Received \$25 from the State Board. Received nothing from the field.

R. BROWNING, Missionary.

Moved that the Clerk superintend the printing of the Minutes, and that he have three hundred copies printed and distributed among the churches.

The committee on Divine Service report brothers Shoemaker and W. D. Fee preach at Grove Hill tonight, and brothers T. G. Harris and Noah Smith preach at Camp Creek; and brothers W. M. Lee and R. Browning preach at Jesses Creek tonight; and that brothers J. G. Parson and R. Browning preach at the Grove tomorrow at 10 o'clock a. m.

Moved and seconded that we tender our thanks to the people of Waullen's Creek, for their kindness towards us during our stay among them.

LIST OF ORDAINED MINISTERS. AND THEIR POSTOFFICES.

N. H. Noe, Waulle,s Creek, Harlan County, Kentucky.				
A. B. Noe, “ “ “ “ “				
D. F. Noe, “ “ “ “ “				
J. J. Noe, “ “ “ “ “				
W. W. Brock, “ “ “ “ “				
W. H. Shoemaker, Everts, “ “ “				
T. G. Harris, Harlan C. H., “ “ “				
W. D. Fee, “ “ “ “ “				
R. Browning, “ “ “ “ “				
Joseph Colwell, Sandy Fork, “ “ “				
Jacob Colwell, “ “ “ “ “				
J. M. Colwell, “ “ “ “ “				
J. G. Parson, Harlan C. H., “ “ “				
Lewis Long, Waulle's Creek, “ “ “				
James Brock, “ “ “ “ “				
W. M. Lee, Rose Hill, Lee County, Virginia.				