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Forty-fourth Annual Session

of the

Little Kehukee Primitive Baptist ASSOCIATION

held with the

Church at Hill's Chapel

Edgecombe County, N. C.

Commencing Saturday before the third Sunday
in October, 1939, and continuing three days.

Proceedings

October 14, 1939.

The Forty-fourth Annual Session of the Little Kehukee Association convened with the Church at Hill's Chapel October 14, 15, 16, 1939.

The introductory sermon was preached by Elder James Dickens. He used for his text, Joseph and His Brethren.

Elder K. W. Jones followed and preached, using the words of the Apostle Paul, "Let us go again and visit our brethren."

With remarks the Moderator closed the morning service and dismissed the congregation one hour for recess.

After recess the Church reassembled in the house. Conference was opened by Elder Thomas Bess. He sang hymn No. 200 and prayed, and pronounced the house ready for business.

It was moved that Elder A. Hyman continue Moderator of this Association.

Moved that all our visiting brethren are invited to seats with us and take a part in our deliberations, feeling themselves at home.

Moved that we appoint a finance committee, viz: Telfaire Joyner, T. W. Haywood and Henry Harris.

Moved further we appoint a committee on arrangements of preaching during this session of our Association. We chose the following: Dan Bellamy, L. W. Bulluck, Edward R. Knight.

Moved we send Elder Arthur Armstrong and Elder Thompson to the stand to preach for the people.

Moved to call for our corresponding messengers. Elder A. L. Cooper from the Durham Association came forward with a file of minutes; also Elder Marshal Cooper came forward with a file of minutes. They were received. The Moderator and Clerk extending the right hand of fellowship.

Moved to send Bro. Louis Bulluck to the stand to record the preachers' texts.

Moved to call for the report of Churches. They reported as follows:

Churches	Messengers	Contribution
Bryant Chapel—Dan Bellamy, K. W. Jones	-----	\$10.00
Long Branch—Ed. R. Knight, T. W. Haywood	----	10.00
Logsboro—Mc. Dickens, Sylvia Dunn	-----	10.00
Leggett Chapel—P. H. Thorpe, L. W. Bulluck	----	10.00
Pleasant Grove—T. Joyner, Carrie Battle	-----	10.00
Thorne's Hill—T. Joyner, J. R. Parker	-----	12.00
Hill's Chapel—A. Hyman, Abraham Cotten	-----	1.00
Little Tarboro—Colonius Cotton	-----	7.00
Mount Ararat—Henry Harris, Sam Carney	-----	12.00

Moved the report of the messengers be received.

Moved to call for petitionary letters. No new church came forward.

Moved a petition be put in for the next session of our Association. A messenger from Leggett Chapel asked for the Association, which was granted. So we resolved to hold our next Association with the Church at Leggett Chapel, Edgecombe County, six miles west of Tarboro, in the village of Leggett. Elder A. Hyman was chosen to preach the introductory sermon; Elder James Dickens, alternate.

On motion the committee on preaching reported as follows:

Sunday A. M., Elder Thomas Bess open, Elder Wm. Thompson follow, Elder Marshal Cooper close.

Sunday P. M.—Elder A. L. Cooper open, Elder James Dickens follow, Elder A. Hyman close.

Monday A. M.—Elder Joe Lewis open, Elder A. L. Cooper follow, Elder A. Hyman close.

Moved Conference adjourn till Monday morning at 10 o'clock.

The Moderator sang a hymn and dismissed the Conference.

Order of Preaching.

Saturday Morning.

Elder James Dickens opened service by singing hymn

140 and offered prayer. He then proceeded to preach the introductory sermon. His subject was Joseph and His Brethren. He was followed by Elder K. W. Jones, who preached without using any special text. With appropriate remarks the Moderator closed the morning service.

Saturday Evening.

Elder Arthur Armstrong opened service with hymn 433 and prayer, and preached from Isaiah 40:1. Elder Thompson followed. He sang hymn 490 and preached, using for his text the words of the Apostle Paul: "Lord, what wilt thou have me to do". The Moderator then arose, sang hymn No. 284 and with a benediction closed the evening service. Collection \$3.20.

Sunday Morning.

Elder Thomas Bess opened service using hymn 333 and prayer. He preached from Genesis 3: 1-3. Elder Wm. Thompson followed. He sang hymn 184 and preached Revelation 22:3. Elder Marshal Cooper rose and sang hymn No. 263. Text Ezekiel 32:1-2. The Moderator arose, sang hymn No. 119 and dismissed the people one hour for dinner. Collection \$12.30.

Sunday Evening.

Elder A. L. Cooper opened service by singing hymn 339 and preached, using this Scripture: "For God so loved world, etc." Elder James Dickens continued service by singing hymn No. 582. He then proceeded to preach. Text, Revelations 12:1-2. Elder A. Hyman, after singing hymn 76 preached the closing sermon, text 37, sang hymn 673 and dismissed the people. Collection \$3.60.

Monday, October 16, 1939.

Elder Joe Lewis opened service by praise and prayer and preached (no special text.) Elder A. L. Cooper followed and preached from Rev. 20:12. The Moderator, after returning thanks to Almighty God for His blessing and to the people for their hospitality and kindness in the entertainment of this Association, sang hymn 618 and dismissed the congregation.

Monday, October 16, 1939.

Elder Thomas Bess opened Conference singing hymn No. 2 and offered prayer.

Moved to call the roll of Churches. All present.

Moved the Clerk read the proceedings of Saturday's Conference.

Moved that the minutes be received.

Moved that the Circular Letter be read. Moved that the Circular Letter be received and attached to the minutes.

Moved the Finance Committee make their report. Their report was as follows: Taken up at the table, \$82.00; taken up at the stand, \$19.00; grand total, \$101.00. Moved the report be received.

Moved the messengers from our Corresponding Association who they have to visit them in their 1940 session. Both Durham and Turner Swamp messengers chose Elder A. Hyman and Elder James Dickens to visit them in the 1940 session of their Association.

Moved to appoint Bro. P. H. Thorpe to write the Circular Letter for year 1940.

Moved to have 500 minutes printed, and it was further moved that the Clerk have \$10.00 for his service, and \$20.00 for printing minutes.

On conclusion of business for this session it was moved to adjourn.

The Moderator sang hymn 505 and dismissed the Conference.

ELDER A. HYMAN, Moderator.

P. H. THORPE, Clerk.

K. W. JONES, Asst. Clerk.

Disbursements.

Printing minutes -----	\$ 20.00
Clerk's fees -----	10.00
Elder James Dickens -----	5.00
Elder A. Hyman -----	6.00
Elder A. L. Cooper -----	6.00
Elder Wm. Thompson -----	5.00
Elder Thomas Bess -----	4.00
Elder J. A. Armstrong -----	2.00

Elder Joe Louis -----	2.00
Elder K. W. Jones -----	5.00
Church expenses -----	9.00
A. Cotten -----	2.00
Paid to Committees -----	11.25
Miscellaneous -----	5.65
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Total expenses -----	\$ 92.90
Left in treasury -----	5.00
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Total received -----	\$ 97.90

Circular Letter.

Dear Brethren, Ministers and Messengers
of the Little Kehukee Association:

In response to your request I now make the feeble attempt to fulfill the obligations imposed upon me, that is to write the Circular Letter for the year 1939.

Grateful to Almighty God for the preservation of our lives, for the creation and preservation of the Baptist Union, the peace and harmony of Zion's children, and while we acknowledge our dependence upon Him for every good and perfect gift, we do now also pray the good Lord will continue these blessings upon us and our posterity.

Dear Brethren, we are blessed on this great and glorious occasion, being permitted once more to mingle our voices in peace and love while our hearts and tongues blend together in sweet communion, adoration and praise unto Israel's God.

Moreover, Brethren, I would not that ye should be ignorant, how that all our fathers were under the cloud and all passed through the sea, and were all baptised unto Moses in the cloud and in the sea. And did all eat the same spiritual meat, and did all drink the same spiritual drink. For they drank from that spiritual Rock that followed them, and that Rock was Christ, (Cor. 10:1-4.)

So, in like manner we that are baptised unto Christ, i.e., we are buried with Him in baptism, shall also rise with Him unto life eternal. And now we too may drink from the same spiritual Rock, which is Christ the Lord.

May the peace of God rest and abide with you all. Amen.
Humbly submitted,

Your Bro. in Christ,
K. W. JONES.

Sunday of Meeting.

Bryant Chapel—Second Sunday. Quarterly meeting February, May, August and November. Baptised 0, received by letter 0, excluded 0, lost by death 1, number in fellowship 12.

Longs Branch—Third Sunday. Quarterly meeting February, May, August and November. Baptised 0, received by letter 0, excluded 0, lost by death 1, number in fellowship 11.

Logsboro—Fourth Sunday. Quarterly meeting February, May, August and November. Baptised 1, excluded 1, received by letter 0, lost by death 1, number in fellowship 12.

Leggett Chapel—First Sunday. Quarterly meeting February, May, August and November. Baptised 0, excluded 0, received by letter 0, lost by death 0, number in fellowship 19.

Pleasant Grove—Fourth Sunday. Quarterly meeting March, June, September and December. Baptised 3, excluded 0, lost by death 2, number in fellowship 21.

Thorne's Hill—Third Sunday. Quarterly meeting March, June, September and December. Baptised 1, excluded 0, lost by death 0, number in fellowship 21.

Hill's Chapel—Third Sunday. Quarterly meeting March, June, September and December. Baptised 1, excluded 0, lost by death 0, number in fellowship 4.

Little Tarboro—Second Sunday. Quarterly meeting March, June, September and December. Baptised 0, excluded 0, lost by death 1, number in fellowship 14.

Mt. Ararat—First Sunday. Quarterly meeting March, June, September and December. Baptised 1, excluded 0, lost by death 1, number in fellowship 28.

Ordained Ministers and Their Post Offices.

Elder Annanias Hyman, Tarboro, N. C.

Elder James Dickens, Conetoe, N. C.

Elder K. W. Jones, Speed, N. C.

Elder Joe Lewis, Whitakers, N. C.

We, the Messengers of the several Churches composing the Little Kehukee Primitive Baptist Association, agree for the satisfaction of our brethren and friends, to publish an abstract of the principles of faith upon which we unite and will endeavor with the help of the Lord to maintain.

1. We believe in the being of God Almighty, Eternal, unchangeable, of infinite wisdom, power, justice, holiness, goodness, mercy and truth, and that this God has revealed Himself in His word under the character of Father, Son and Holy Ghost.

2. We believe that Almighty God has made known His mind and will to the children of men in His word, which word we believe to be divine authority and contain all things necessary to be known for the salvation of men the same is comprehended or contained in the books of the Old and New Testaments.

3. We believe that God before the foundation of the world for the purpose of His own glory did elect a certain number of men and angels to eternal life, and that this election is particular eternal and unconditional on the creatures part.

4. We believe that when God made man he was good and upright, but by his own transgression he fell from the good and upright state and being the head and representative of the whole human race, they being his natural offspring, he involved all of them in the same ruined state with himself, and they are partakers of and exposed to the miseries which sprang from his disobedience.

5. We believe that it is utterly out of the power of man as fallen creature to keep the law of God perfectly, or to truly repent of his sins, or to believe in Christ, except he be drawn by the Holy Ghost.

6. We believe that in God's own appointed time and way the elect will be called, justified, pardoned and sanctified and that it is impossible that they utterly refuse the call, but shall be willing by divine grace to receive mercy.

7. We believe that justification in the sight of God only by the imputed righteousness of Jesus Christ, received and appointed by faith.

8. We believe that God's elect will be converted and born again by the effectual working of the holy spirit.

9. We believe that those that are called by grace and born again persevere in holiness and never fall finally away.

10. We believe it is the duty incumbent on all God's people to religiously, not in the old covenant way of seeking life and the favor of the Lord by it, but only as a duty from the principle of love.

11. We believe in baptism and the Lord's Supper are gospel ordinances, both belonging to the converted as true believers.

12. We believe every church is independent in matters of discipline, and that Association councils and conferences of ministers, or churches, are not to impose on the church the keeping, holding or maintaining any principle of practice contrary to the church judgment.

13. We believe in the general resurrection of the dead, both of the just and the unjust, and the final judgment.

14. We believe the punishment of the wicked is everlasting and the joys of the righteous eternal.

15. We believe that no minister has the right to administer the ordinances unless he is called and comes under the imposition of hands by the presbytery.

16. Lastly, we believe that for the mutual comfort, union and satisfaction of the several churches of the afore-said faith and order, we ought to meet in an Association capacity wherein each church ought to be represented by the messengers to advise each other in conference.

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