MINUTES Of The EIGHTH SESSION Of The LOWER MAYO ASSOCIATION

HELD WITH

The Church At Snow Creek

Stokes County, North Carolina

ON

Oct. 4-5-6, 1940

OFFICERS

ELDER N. B. GILBERT, Moderator 1311 N. Liberty St. Winston Salem, N. C.

> A. J. LEMONS, Clerk Stokesdale, N. C.

ELDER W. B. STADLER, Ass't Clerk
Martinsville, Va.



PROCEEDINGS

FRIDAY OCTOBER 4, 1940

The Lower Mayo Primitive Baptist Association met with the church at Snow Creek, Stokes County, N. C. After songs and prayer by Elder L. A. Harris. The Introductory sermon was preached by Elder W. H. Freeman from a portion of the 8 chapter of Romans.

After an intermission of an hour the Messengers composing The Lower Mayo Association together with Messengers from Sisiter Associations met in the house. The Association was opened with song and prayer by Elder Emmitt Stone:

Then proceeded to business in the usual way.

First by calling the roll of churches and the letters were handed in and a motion was made and second to seat the Messengers whereupon they were all seated.

2nd called for Petitionary Letters and a letter from Bent church was handed in and read and was unanimously received in

the Lower Mayo Association.

3rd Then being time to elect a moderator, a motion was made to elect by private ballott and this was voted down and Elder N. B. Gilbert was elected by acclimation and A. J. Lemons was elected clerk and W. B. Stadler assistant clerk.

4th A motion was made and second The moderator make all

temporary appointments of committees.

5h Finance committee J. H. Tudors, T. W. Tilley, Elder J. T. Cox.

Committee on arrangement-the moderator, clerk, assistant

clerk and the Messengers from Snow Creek Church.

Committee for distributing minutes-D. H. Overby, Walter Mabe.

6th Called for Messenger and visitors from sister associations. 7th Salem: B. C. Clinard, Elders O. J. Denny, Z. L. Rhue, L. T. Tucker.

Upper County Line: Bro. T. W. Rice, Bro. A. M. Rice and wife,

Bro. Robt. Shrives, Bro. Judson Wray and others.

Smith River: Deacon W. A. Cassell, Elder S. L. Morand, B. H. Martin, Bro. Martin, Bro. Austin and others.

Bear Creek: Minutes.

Pig River: Elders U. C. Young and wife, J. P. Helms, Bro. B. V. Helms, Elder Cecil Turner.

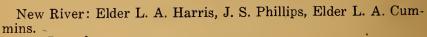
Little River: Minutes

Elk Horn: Elder S. J. Priddy and wife, Elder C. A. Marshall White Oak: Minutes.

Abbotts Creek: J. F. Hunt, Jas. Snides, Elder W. E. Jarrel and wife.

Lower County Line: Bro. A. J. Hill and wife.





Mill Branch: ———.
Seven Miles: ———.

Laurel Springs: Elder J. W. Beasly, Bro. Boles, Bro. Cox, Elder Ed Hall.

Baltimore: ———.

Yellow River: Elder W. A. Brooks.

Staunton River: M. W. Pickerel, Bro. Toler. -

8th Moved and second to adjourn until 9:30 A. M. Saturday. SATURDAY 9:30 A. M. Oct. 5

9th 1940 The association met according to previous arrangement and was opened by song and prayer by Elder J. P. Helms. 10th On motion the rules of Decorum was read and Elder D. V. Spangler acknowledged he violated the Rules of Decorum and said he was sorry that he did it.

11th Called the names of messengers from this association and

all answered to their names as follows:

Draper: Bro. Dick Gilley, Elder Roy Flinchum, Bro. Thomas Edwards, Bro. T. L. Willard.

Spoon Creek: Bro. W. A. Freeman, R. G. Joyce, J. H. Tudor,

Charlie Biggs.

Spray: Bros. R. A. Poteat, Onice Martin, Jerry Lewis, Sam Nelson.

Aarons Fork: Elder R. L. Dalton, Bros. W. A. Leake, V. H. Overby.

Macedonia: Elder W. B. Stadler, Bros. E. G. Clark, C. C.

Shrieves, S. J. Shelton.

Mayodan: Elders R. D. Bell, W. J. Puckett, Bros. Ben Priddy, Henry Shelton.

Russell Creek: Elder N. B. Gilbert, Bros. M. A. Sheppard, A.

G. Craddock, J. M. Dalton.

Pleasant Grove: Elder N. B. Gilbert, Bros. J. W. Hutchens, C.

E. Hall, J. B. Hutchens.

Snow Creek: Bros. Walter Mabe, T. W. Tilley, R. L. Doss, H. D. Tilley.

Matrimony: Elders J. W. Wyatt, W. H. Freeman, J. T. Cox. Cascade: Bros. E. J. Taylor, T. J. Snow, Harry Wilson.

Pleasantville: Bros. J. M. Sutton, J. E. Carter, J. E. Forbes, Glenn Roberts.

Bent: Elder W. J. Puckett, Bros. John Pucket, S. R. A. D. Boyd 13th Appointment of Messengers to Sisiter Associations.

Salem: Bros. J. M. Stone, Elders J. P. Pulliam, Emmitt Stone,

Bro. T. W. Tilley.
Upper County Line: Elders W. B. Stadler, Emmitt Stone, J.

W. Wyatt, Bro. J. M. Stone.
Smith River: Elders J. W. Wyatt, J. P. Pulliam, N. B. Gilbert R. D. Bell, Bro. Charles Biggs.

Pig River: Elders J. W. Wyatt, W. B. Stadler, N. B. Gilbert. Elk Horn: Elders Emmit Stone, N. B. Gilbert, Bro. C. C. Biggs. Little River: Elders W. A. Freeman, J. W. Wyatt, J. P. Pul-

Stanton River: Elders W. B. Stadler, W. J. Pucket, R. D. Bell, and Bro. J. M. Stone.

Bear Creek: Elder W. H. Freeman.

Abbots Creek: Elder W. H. Freeman, Bros. J. M. Stone, C. C. Briggs.

Lower County Line: Elders Emmit Stone, D. V. Spangler, J.

W. Wyatt, W. H. Freeman, N. B. Gilbert.

Mill Branch: Elder W. H. Freeman.

Baltimore: Minutes.

White Oak: Elder J. W. Wyatt, W. H. Freeman, Bro. J. M. Stone.

Black Creek: Elders J. W. Wyatt, W. H. Freeman.

Yellow River: by minutes.

Laurel Spring: Elders J. W. Wyatt, R. D. Bell, W. J. Pucket. New River: Elders J. W. Wyatt, D. V. Spangler, Emmit Stone. 14th Called for Report of Finance Committee:

Received from churches _____\$64.70 Received from friends _____

Total _____ 87.49

Allowed for printing minutes and postage on same ____ \$32.50 Allowed Clerk _____ 10.00 Gave Visiting Ministers 44.99

Total _____

The report received and committee ordered held until the close of the association.

15th Moved and second the clerk make and arrange the minutes

that is necessary for publication.

16th The clerk was ordered to have the usual amount of minutes (700) printed and distributed among the churches and sister associations of whom we are corresponding with.

17th Russell Creek asked for the next association so the next association will be with that church beginning on Friday before the First Sunday in Oct. 1941 and continuing for 3 days.

18th The following resolutions were unanimously adopted:

Resolve that we return thanks to God for his continued mercies, also the school authorities for the use of the school building also the bethren, sisters and friends of this community for their kind hospitality during this association.

The association closed with song and prayer by Elder S. L.

Morand.

Elder N. B. Gilbert, Moderator A. J. Lemons, Clerk. Elder W. B. Stadler, assistant clerk.

ORDER OF PREACHING

The Introductory Sermon was preached by Elder W. H. Freeman from a portion of the 8th chapter of Romans.

Friday P. M. Oct. 4th 1940—Preaching First Elder J. W. Beas-

ley, no special text; 2nd Elder O. J. Denny, no special text.

Saturday A. M. Oct. 5—First Elder N. C. Young, text first verse of Judge 1st chapter; 2nd L. T. Tucker, text 65 Psalms, 4 verse.

Saturday P. M.—1st Elder Cecil Turner, text 21 chapter 18 verse, St. John; 2nd Elder Z. L. Rhue, text 1st chapter 5 verse, 2 Corrinthains; 3rd Elder Roy Smith, text 5th chapter 12 verse Romans; 4th Elder Sam Priddy, text St. John 17th chapter, 12 verse.

At The Church Sunday Morning—First Elder S. L. Morand; 2nd Elder A. B. Barham; 3rd Elder L. A. Harris; 4th Elder J. C. Dunbar.

Sunday P. M. at the House—1st Elder J. P. Helms; 2nd Elder Allen; 3rd Elder D. A. O'Bryant; 4th Elder W. E. Jarrell, failed to get the text at the house. At the school auditorium Sunday morning. Song and pray by Elder D. A. O'Bryant 1st to preach, Elder C. A. Marshall text Genesis 1st chapter, 2nd verse; 2nd Elder L. A. Cummins, no special text; 3rd Elder Ben Martin text Matthew 2nd chapter 12 verse; 4th Elder W. A. Brooks text Ephesians 2 chapter 4 verse.

Sunday P. M.—1st Elder S. J. Reich text Ecclesiastiecs 13 chapter 7 verse; 2nd Elder Sam Adkinson text Romans 5 chapter

1 verse; 3rd Elder S. G. Kager, no special text.

NAME AND ADDRESSES OF CHURCH CLERKS AND NUMBER OF MINUTES FOR EACH CHURCH Draper: S. F. Wilson, Cascade, Va. Spoon Creek: J. H. Tudor, Critz, Va. 20 Aarons Fork: V. H. Overby, Lawsonville, N. C. 20 Mayodan: A. J. Lemons, Stokesdale, N. C. 25 Macedonia: E. G. Clark, Leaksville, N. C. — 25 Spray: J. T. Alcorn, Leaksville, N. C. 90 Cascade: E. J. Taylor, Cascade, Va. Bent: Mrs. Florence Puckett, Meadows of Dan, Va. 10 360 Total..... DISTRIBUTION OF MINUTES TO SISTER ASSOCIATIONS Little River: Elder Floyd Adams, Willow Springs, N. C. 20 New River: Guy Phillipps, Blue Field, W. Va. Smith River: Elder J. G. L. Hash, Endicott, Va. 20 Staunton River: J. Floyd Williams, Keeling, Va. 25 Lower County Line: J. J. Whittey, Durham, N. C. 20

Pig River: Elder E. L. Blankinship, Boone Mill, Va 20
Salem: Elder Z. L. Rhue, Winston Salem, N. C. 15
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Abbots Creek: J. A. Snides, Charlotte, N. C. 20
Upper County Line: Elder J. W. Gillam, Altamahaw, N. C 25
Elk Horn: Elder C. A. Marshall, Welch, W. Va
Mill Branch: M. Meares, Tabor, N. C
Bear Creek: J. W. Jones, Peachland, N. C
Contentnea: Elder J. E. Newhaven, Snow Hill, N. C 15
White Oak: Elder L. E. Bryant, Pine Hall N. C 15
Seven Miles: W. V. Blackman, Benson, N. C
Laurel Springs: Durkins Sykes, Toast, N. C
Baltimore: Quincy Gladdings, Baltimore, Md
Total
ELDERS OF THE LOWER MAYO ASSOCIATION
WITH NAMES AND ADDRESSES
Elder J. W. Wyatt Martinsville, Va.
Elder N. B. Gilbert Winston-Salem, N. C.
Elder D. V. Spangler Danville, Va. Route 6
Elder J. S. Hill Peters Creek, Va.
Elder W. B. Stadler Martinsville, Va.
Elder W. H. Freeman Reidsville, N. C.
Elder R. L. Dalton
Elder J. T. Cox Reidsville, N. C.
Elder T. L. Willard Draper, N. C.
Elder J. P. Pulliam Spray, N. C.
Elder R. F. Keeton Greensboro, N. C.
E'der Roy Flinchum Spray, N. C.
Elder R. D. Bell Mayodan, N. C.
Elder Zeb Rhodes High Point, N. C.
Elder Emmit Stone Fieldale, Va.
Elder W. J. Puckett Pine Hall, N. C.
Elder W. J. Puckett
J. C. Paschall Reidsville, N. C.
J. F. Nelson Winston-Salem, N. C.
G. E. Frazier Draper, N. C.
G. E. Frazier Draper, N. C. ORDINATION OF MINISTERS

A Presbytery of Elders and Deacons was organized at Mayodon church on the 31st day of March 1940 and did ordain Elder W. J. Puckett to the Full Function of the Gospil Ministry. Elder N. B. Gilbert was elected Moderator and Elder W. H. Freeman, clerk and Deacon Ben Priddy was appointed spokesman for the church. Elder J. T. Cox examined the candidate and Elder J. W. Wyatt prayed the Ordination Prayer; and Elder Emmit Stone gave the Charge and after finding him orthodox delivered him back to the church by order of the Presbytery.

Elder N. B. Gilbert, Moderator Elder W. H. Freeman, clerk. OBITUARY OF ELDER S. R. BIGGS

Elder S. R. Biggs was born June 29, 1870; died January 25, 1940, age 73 years 6 months 25 days. He was twice married. His first wife died 1901, second died in 1937, leaving 13 children

living, one died in 1900. Joined the church at Pleasant Grove in January 1885, began preaching January 1889. He was the pastor of Pleasant Grove church 36 years. He was hurt in a car wreck on Saturday of our association in Oct. 1939. Never regaining conscience of worldly things. But his mind was clear on the scriptures.

Therefore be it resolved that the association has lost a good Elder, the church a true pastor and his children a wonderful father. A copy of this to be sent to the association and to be spread on our church book, and one to be given his children. Done by order of the church. Elder N. B. Gilbert, Mod. J. B. Hutchens,

clerk. Written by J. B. Hutchens.

OBITUARY

Elizabeth Jane Adams, daughter of Henry and Nancy Adams, was born April 2, 1856 and died Aug. 20, 1940. She was married to Sidney L. Johnson Oct. 21, 1880; unto this union was born 10 children, 7 living and 3 that preceded her to the glory land. Her husband also preceded her in death.

She was a member of the Primitive Baptist Church for 63

years. She was a faithful member until death.

She leaves many relatives and friends to mourn her loss but we feel that our loss is her eternal gain.

Written by her daughter, Sister Mary Bell Member of Mayodan Primitive Baptist Church.

ARTICLES OF FAITH

We believe in the Being of God Almighty, eternal unchangable of infinite wisdom, power, justice, holiness, goodness, mercy and truth; and this God has revealed Himself in His word under the

characters of The Father, Son and Holy Ghost.

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 of Devine Authority and contains all things necessary to be known for the salvation of men and women. The same is comprehended as contained in The Books of the Old and New Testament as are commonly received.

We believe that God, before the Foundation of the World for a purpose of His own glory did elect a certain number of men and angels to eternal life, and that this election is particularly eter-

nal and unconditional on the part of the creature.

We believe that Adam fell from this state of recitude and he involved himself and all his natural offsprings in the state of death; and for that original transgression, we all are both Filthy and Guilty in the sight of a Holy God.

We also believe that it is utterly out of the power of men, as fallen creatures, to keep the Law of God perfectly and repent of their sins, truly as we believe in Christ, except that man be

drawn by the Holy Spirit.

We believe in God's own appointed time and way by means

which H_e has ordained. The elect shall be called justified, pardoned and sanctified; and that it is impossible that we can utterly refuse the call, but shall be made willing by devine grace to receive the offers of mercy.

We believe that Justification in the sight of God is only by the imputed Righteousness of Jesus Christ; received and applied

by Faith alone.

We believe in like manner, that God's elect shall not only be called and justified, but that they shall be converted, born again and changed by the effectual working of God's Holy Spirit.

We believe that such as are converted, justified and called by His Grace shall preserve in Holiness and never fall finally away.

We believe it to be a duty incumbent on all of God's people to work religiously in God's work, not in the old covert way of seeking life and favor of the Lord, by it but only as a duty from

a principal of Love.

We believe baptism and the Lord's Supper are Gospel ordinances both belonging to the True Believers: and that persons who were sprinkled or dipped while in unbelief were not regularly baptised according to God's word, and that such ought to be baptised after they are savingly converted into the faith of Christ.

We believe that every church is independent in matters of discipline, and that associations, councils and conferences of several ministers of churches are not to impose on the churches, the keeping or maintaining of any principal or practice contrary to the church's judgment.

We believe in the Resurrection of the dead, both of the just

and unjust and a general judgment.

We believe the punishment of the wicked is everlasting and

the joys of the righteous eternal.

We believe that no ministers have a right to the administration of the ordinances only such as are regularly called and come

under imposition of hands by the Presbytery.

We do believe for the mutual comfort, union and satisfaction of the several churches of the aforesaid faith and order, we ought to meet in an association way, wherein each church is to represent their case by their delegates, and attend as often as necessary to advise in such matters in such associations are not to be imposed or in any wise binding on churches without their consent, but only to sit and act as advisory council.

ARTICLES 1 AND 7, CHAPTERS 3, LONDON

ARTICLES OF FAITH:

God has (Isa. XLVI:10; Eph. 1:11; Heb. VI:17; Rom. IX: 15-18) decreed in Himself from all Eternity, by the most wise and holy counsel of His own will, freely, unchangeably. All things whatsoever come to pass; yet so as thereby is God neither the

author of sin (James 1:15-17; I John 1:5) nor hath fellowship with any therein nor is violence offered to the will of the creature nor yet is liberty to continency of second cause taken but rather (Acts IV:27, 18; John XIX:11) established in which appears His wisdom in dispairing all things and power and faithfulness (Numbers XXIII: 19; Eph. 1:3, 53) in accomplishing His decree.

The doctrine of this high mystery of predestination is to be handled with special prudence and care, that men attending the will of God revealed in His word and yielding obedience thereunto, may from the certainity of their effectual vocation be assured of their (I Thes. 1:45; II Peter 1:10) Eternal election so shall his doctrine afford matter (Eph. 1:7; Rom. XI:33) of praise, reverence and admiration of God and (Rom. XI:5-6) of humiliation, diligence and abundant (Luke X:20) consolation to all that sincerely obey the Gospel.

RULES OF DECORUM

The Association shall be opened and closed by prayer.

Only one person may speak at a time, who shall rise from his seat and address the Moderator in the beginning of his speech.

Every brother speaking shall adhere strictly to the subject under consideration and in no way reflect on any other Brother.

No Messenger shall absent himself from the Association while in conference without permission.

No Messenger shall speak more than three times on the same subject without permission from the Association.

Messengers shall keep strict order while the business of the Association is being transacted.

No Messenger shall be interrupted while speaking unless he violates the rules of this decorum.

No Messenger shall address another in any other term or appellation other than the title of Brother.

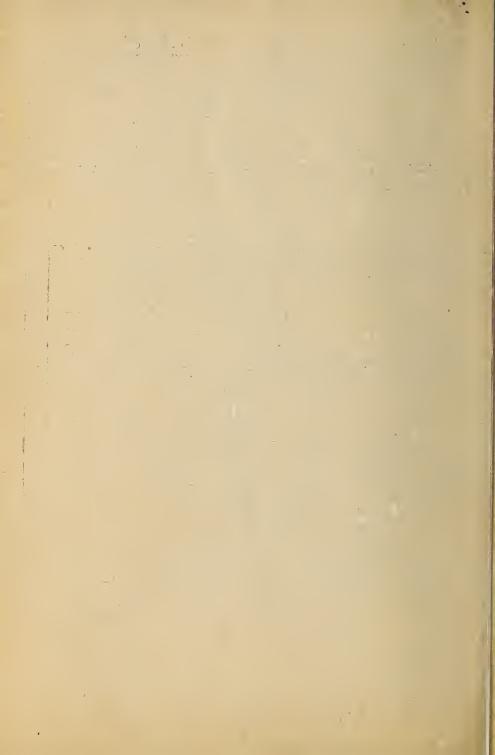
The names of the members composing the Association sha'll be enrolled by the Clerk and called over as often as the Association desires.

The Moderator shall not speak on any question before the Association until all the other Messengers are through speaking, when he may give his views. After any messenger having a right to speak may reply to any matter introduced by the Moderator.

Any member who violates any of the Rules of the Association shall be dealt with by the association as it deems proper.

STATISTICAL TABLE

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Winston Salem, N.C.

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P.O.Box 2629 Sept. 1,1970

Mrs. Donna J.Bridges, University of North Carolina Library, Chapel Hill North Carolina.

Dear Mrs. Bridges:

I am sending you under separate cover the minutes requested, except 1933 thru 1939. Also I do not have 1942.

In October 1932, the Mayo Association disbanded; and was then re-organized into two separate bodies. Being known as the Upper Mayo Association and the lower Mayo Association. This was supposed to have been a friendly division. Buthwas later resolved into two separate and distinct bodies of Baptist. Having no KEXTEX correspondence one with the other. Since I have personally been identified with Lower Mayo, I have very little knowledge as pertaining to the Upper Mayo. The Churches composing the Lower Mayo Association Met inJanuary 1933, and Organized into the Lower Mayo Association. The first association under the name Lower Mayo Association, was held July 1933. There is now no Upper Mayo association, it is now know as the Piney Grove association. I under stand that three or four churhes, Just a short time back re-organized into the old Mayo association.

If you wish you can contact Mr J. B. Young, Danbury, N.C., and he may be able to give you further information concerning the Old Mayo Association. However he is not amember of that body of Churches.

I personally am trying to locate the minutes of the Lower Mayo Association From 1933 to 1938. I will endeavor to try to find them also for your Library. From 1932 to sometime around 1950, there was no mayo association. The above information is given to the best of my knowledge.

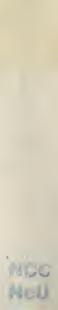
If I can be of any further assistance please feel free to contact me at any time. I would like and do sincere desire that I could give you further my feelings regarding the preservation of old records especially, of the religious body that is known as the Old School Predestinarians. In their behalf, in the name of Christ the Saviour, I extend to you and those connected with you, my humble thanks, for your interest and efforts in our behalf.

Respectfully, filbert

Sam L. Gilbert.

P.S. Our 1970 Minutes Will be ready around the First of December. Will mail you one as soon as they are printed.

S.L.G.



August 20, 1970

Mr. Sam L. Gilbert P.O. Box 2629 Winston-Salem North Carolina

Dear Mr. Gilbert:

Thank you very much for replying to my card. I amvery sorry for any misunderstanding regarding the Minutes.

we would very much appreciate the following Minutes:

1933, 1934, 1935, 1936, 1937, 1938, 1939, 1941, 1942, 1943, 1944, 1946, 1951, 1960, 1962, 1963, 1965, 1966, 1968, 1969, 1970.

We have Minutes of the Mayo Association dating from 1866. The years from 1868 through 1931 are on microfilm. I have written to Mr. V. L. Wood, Axton, Virginia, in hopes of completing the holdings we have since 1932. If you can help us in that case also, we would be grateful.

According to our records, the Mayo Association is still in existence. We have received scattered Minutes from 1953 through 1967.

Thank you for your interest and cooperation.

Sincerely yours,

(Mrs.) Donna J. Bridges N.C. Collection - x .. 4 P

Winston Salem, N.C. 27102 P.O.Box 2629 August 19, 1970

Dear Mrs. Briggs:

I received your request for Minutes of our Association. However, we are unable to dettermine just what years you desire, other than the years before 1940. If you Will Just send a list of the years you wish, we will be more than glad to get them to you. The Lower Mayo Association was organized January 28, 1933. I am reasonably sure I can furnish you with the years between 1933 and 1940. Also Please advise if you have on file any minutes of the MAYO Association, which was disbanded 1932. It was over two hundred years old. Enclosed is stamped envelope for your reply.

Respectfully yours, Same L. Gilbert

Sam L. Gilbert

