

Being unable to locate a published Minutes

Of the Sardis Association of Old Regular Baptist

For the year 1901

It has been ordered that we substitute

A copy of the typewritten copy of the minutes

From the Original Sardis Association Minute Book

Until such time a published copy of this Minutes may be located.

Brother Archie Prince, Clerk

July 20, 2011

M I N U T E S
OF THE
NINTH ANNUAL MEETING
OF THE
SARDIS ASSOCIATION

--OF--

R E G U L A R B A P T I S T S

HELD WITH

BRUSHY FORK CHURCH

PIKE COUNTY, KENTUCKY

--ON--

SEPTEMBER 20 and 21, 1901.

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FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 20, 1901.

The brethren met with Brushy Fork Church, Pike Co. Ky., at the stand which they had prepared, and the services were opened by Elder Allen Maynard.

The introductory sermon was delivered by Elder W. B. Estep, text, Mark i.1-- "The beginning of the gospel of Jesus Christ, the Son of God."

The messengers then retired to the church house and the services were opened by prayer by Elder John Miller. Then the Association proceeded to business.

Letters from the churches were called for and received the same from nine churches, which were read, received and the messengers' names enrolled and statistics recorded as shown in the accompanying table.

CHURCHES	MESSENGERS' NAMES	Rec'd by	Ex. &	By letter	Restored	Dismissed by letter	Excluded	Deceased	Total number	Contribution
Sardis	C. White, S. Vernatter and Eli Curry	3				2	2		143	\$1.90
Brushy Fork	G. Maynard, William Lowe and Joseph Ray.	7				1	1	2	84	2.00
Enon	O. B. Kezee					1	1		33	1.00
Bethlehem	J. Blackburn, A. Phillips and J. Yates, Jr.	2				1	1		20	1.00
Mt. Pleasant	Jos. Varney, J. West	4				1	2		41	1.40
Big Branch	J. E. Taylor, E. C. Hale and N. Taylor	4					1		46	1.00
Rebecca	W. B. Estep, A. J. Maynard, L. Hall.	1					1	1	51	1.00
Bent Branch	John Bevins, J. C. Pinson	4					1	1	50	2.10
Little Dove	J. S. Dempsey, H. Dempsey	3					2		29	1.00
Totals		28				2	7	13	497	\$12.40

The Association then organized by electing Elder A. L. Dempsey, Moderator, and Hi Maynard, Clerk.

1. Newly constituted churches called for, but none responded.
2. Brethren Wm. Nickles and Booker Kezee were appointed to see that the stand be occupied by ministers.
3. Called for letters from sister Associations with response as follows:

PINEVILLE DISTRICT--Letter, but no messengers. Letter read and received.

NEW SALEM--Letter by the hands of Brethren Geo. Honaker, Jas. Burke and A. Maynard, which was read, received and the messengers took seats with us.

ZION--Letter by the hands of Elder A. M. See and Ali Ward, which was read, received and messengers took seats with us.

BETHLEHEM--No letter. Elder Mat Smith and Sam Preston, messengers, who took seats with us.

All the above corresponding brethren received the right hand of fellowship.

4. Transient ministers called for, and Elders John Kezee, J. W. Smith, W. J. Fields, John Miller, Jas. Muncy, E. F. Fields, Armstrong Maynard and W. H. Bolden came forward and received the right hand of fellowship.

5. By motion agreed that we correspond with Zion, New Salem, Pineville District and Bethlehem Associations, and that Elder John Kezee write a letter to Zion, J. W. Smith to New Salem, Hi Maynard to Pineville District, A. Phillips to Bethlehem.

6. Ordered that one messenger from each church be appointed to select ministers for preaching tomorrow, which reported J. Miller first, A. Maynard second, A. M. See third, Ali Ward fourth.

7. On motion agreed that the committee on arrangements select ministers to attend the Union meetings for the coming year.

8. Elder J. W. Smith, John Kezee, W. B. Estep, with Moderator and Clerk, were appointed to arrange business for tomorrow, corresponding and transient ministers invited.

9. On motion adjourned till tomorrow at 9 o'clock A. M. Closed by prayer by Elder A. M. See.

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SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 21, 1901.

The Association met pursuant to adjournment, opening prayer by Elder Ali Ward, then proceeded to business.

1. Roll called, messengers all present.
2. Constitution read.
3. Committee made report and was discharged.
4. Corresponding letters called for as follows:

Letter to Zion Association read and adopted and messengers appointed to bear the same as follows: J. Estep, Hi Maynard, W. B. Estep. J. W. Smith and John Kezee, letter in the hands of W. B. Estep.

Letter to Bethlehem Association read and adopted and messengers appointed to bear the same as follows: Elder A. L. Dempsey, Stanley Vernatter, A. J. Maynard and J. S. Dempsey, letter in hands of A. J. Maynard.

Letter to New Salem Association was read and adopted and messengers appointed to bear the same as follows: Elder John Kezee and Jos. Ray, letter in the hands of Elder Kezee. Letter to Pineville Association read and adopted and messengers appointed to bear the same as follows: Elder G. W. Maynard, J. C. Pinson, A. Phillips, J. Blackburn and J. Yates, Jr., letter in the hands of A. Phillips.

5. W. B. Estep and Stanley Vernatter were appointed as committee on finance. They reported \$12.40. Report received and committee discharged.

6. By motion agreed that the Clerk superintend the printing of 500 copies of minutes, and distribute them among the churches.

7. The brethren who were appointed to attend Union meetings and Associations last year made report and were excused.

8. Committee on ministry reported for tomorrow, Allen Maynard first, A. M. See second, J. W. Smith third, John Kezee fourth and Sam Preston fifth.

9. Ordered that our Next Association be held with Bent Branch Church, Pike Co., Ky., beginning on Friday before the third Saturday in September, 1902.

10. Ordered that Elder J. W. Smith preach the next introductory sermon, Elder A. L. Dempsey alternate.

11. Ordered that our Constitution and Articles of faith be printed in these minutes.

12. Ordered that the obituary of Brother Wm. A. Farley be annexed to these minutes, and that Elder W. B. Estep and Hi Maynard write the same.

13. We, the Sardis Association, do advise the churches of this Union where the Association is held, not to entertain horse swappers and drunkards, as they are injurious to the churches.

14. Moved that we tender our thanks to the brethren and friends of this vicinity for their good and kind hospitality toward us at this Association.

15. By motion adjourned to meet at time and place above mentioned, closing prayer by Elder Ali Ward.

Done and signed by order of the Association.

ELDER A. L. DEMPSEY, Moderator.

HI MAYNARD, Clerk.

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UNION MEETINGS.

Sardis Church, beginning on the fourth Saturday in August, 1902. G. W. Maynard, J. Estep and John Kezee attend.

Brushy Fork beginning at the first Saturday in September, 1902. A. S. Maynard, W. B. Estep, P. H. S. Curry and Robt. Elswick attend.

Enon, beginning on the first Saturday in August, 1902, G. W. Maynard, P. H. S. Curry, John Kezee, J. Dotson and W. H. Bolden attend.

Bethlehem, beginning the third Saturday in August, 1902, W. B. Estep, P. H. S. Curry and Mont Williamson attend.

Mt. Pleasant, beginning the second Saturday in August, 1902. J. W. Smith, E. F. Fields, A. L. Dempsey, W. H. Bolden and Robt. Elswick attend.

Rebecca beginning on the second Saturday in August, 1902, J. Estep, J. W. Smith, J. E. Taylor, A. S. Maynard and A. M. See attend.

Big Branch, beginning on the third Saturday in August, 1902. J. E. Taylor, Ali Ward, Hi Maynard and W. H. Bolden attend.

Little Dove, beginning on the first Saturday in September, 1902. Hi Maynard, John Kezee, J. W. Smith and J. Estep attend.

HOME MINISTERS.

Elder	J. Estep	- - - - -	Myrtle, W. Va.
"	Hi Maynard	- - - - -	" " "
"	W. B. Estep	- - - - -	" " "
"	G. W. Maynard	- - - - -	Burch, West Va.
"	P. H. S. Curry	- - - - -	" " "
"	A. L. Dempsey	- - - - -	Eugene, " "
"	J. W. Smith	- - - - -	Peach Orchard, Ky.
"	John Kezee	- - - - -	Bent Branch, "
"	Robt. Elswick	- - - - -	" " "
"	W. H. Bolden	- - - - -	" " "
"	A. S. Maynard	- - - - -	Gulnar, "
"	E. F. Fields	- - - - -	Pilgrim, "
"	J. E. Taylor	- - - - -	Gulnar, "